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The receipts of the Delaware canal fair were \$2,150, and the expenses \$2,380. The club in Dubuque that their new city directory indicates a population of 33,000.

The Illinois Central railroad has contracted for water works for the Fort Dodge water-works at an annual rental of \$540.

Des Moines papers say that J. C. Savery recently refused an offer of \$1,000,000 for his interest in the Cable gold mine.

Atlantic offers \$40,000 in cash and 1,000 acres of land for the location of the soldiers' homes at that place.

A case of "blackleg" is reported in the northern part of Butler County, a valuable sow having died from it, owned by Ed Towsey, of Greene.

Schuyler Colfax is still in the ring. He lectured at Humboldt a few nights since. The Independent says that in both looks and voice he showed the marks of age.

A building for the Ottumwa Starch Company was just being contracted. It will be three stories high, the first of stone, and will require 250,000 bricks.

Platt Jaeger, of Cedar Township, Washington County, was burned to death. He was troubled with asthma and got up and bathed his chest with turpentine and kerosene. While drying it at the stove it took fire.

A large time is expected at Fort Dodge this week, when the Knights Templar and Chapter Masons hold their annual meeting. The city will be decorated, and the elaborate preparations generally are being made by the citizens.

A party of Mahaska county miners were drinking in an Excelsior saloon on the night of the 1st inst. when one Wm. Harrison dropped some fire from his pipe into ten pounds of powder. The explosion killed Harrison, wounded six others and wrecked the building.

A new confidence game has developed in Cedar Rapids. A man had some trouble with a neighbor, and his wife was called upon by a man who told her that her husband had been arrested and fined \$25, but that he would settle it for \$10. The woman paid the money, and now she is trying to get her eye on the deceiver.

Patrick Farrell, a Dubuque laborer, went home last Friday evening, drunk, and began to abuse his family. Mrs. Farrell finally became exasperated, and seizing a club she went at Farrell and gave him a terrible beating. The doctor was two hours in dressing the man's wounds. Mrs. Farrell gave bonds in \$100 on Saturday to appear on Wednesday of this week for preliminary examination.

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Oakdale Avenue.

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FOREIGN FLASHES.

In the Fournier-Rochefort duel in France, yesterday, both were slightly wounded. The affair grew out of a newspaper article written by three.

Three Russian frigates will sail for China to-day.

Gen. Briere writes that Gen. Negrier is pursuing the Chinese toward the village of Yenchow, in the place where the last engagement occurred, in strongly occupied by the French, and all outlets closed. The Chinese bands at Tonquin have been driven off, and a check formed.

The report is current at Ambuk that the rebels have captured three Europeans, and everything points to the presumption that Col. Stewart is among them.

The prospect for a compromise on the franchise bill being reached between the conservatives and liberals is improving. The Marquis of Salisbury, conservative colleague, are at Gordon Castle with the Duke of Richmond looking to a settlement of the difficulty with the liberals.

A movement has started among the Irish here, in connection with an invitation to the Irish American leaders, including Alexander Sullivan and Congressman Finley, to visit Ireland.

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