DEMANDS MONEY FROM WIFE

Stranger Asks Mrs. Volence for \$10 to Save Missing Husband.

DISAPPEARED LAST MONDAY

Was a Prosperous Grocer at South Omnha and No Reason for His Absence Has Yet Been Discovered.

Give me \$15 or I will see that your husband is killed," was the threat made Thursday night by an unidentified man to Mrs. Bohumil Volence at her home Thirty-eighth and J streets, South Omaha. Her husband, Bohumil Volenec, a prosperous Bohemlan store keeper, Thirty-eighth and J streets, mysteriously disappeared Monday after he had deposited a large sum of money in a South Omaha bank,

Last night about \$ o'clock Mrs. Volence was visited by a man who said he knew where her husband was. The woman was overloyed to hear that Velence was will allve and eagerly questioned her visitor. Then the man asked for some His demands finally came down to \$10, which he said Mrs. Volence must pay him or have her husband killed. The woman, thoroughly frightened, bacame hysterical and attracted some neighbors who chased the man until he disappeared in the darkness.

The police are in some doubt about the motive of the man's visit to Mrs. They think that the fellow may be some crank, who, reading of Volenec's disappearance, thought it a good opportunity to get money from Mrs. Volenec. On the other hand it is thought that Volenec, having the reputation of being wealthy, may have been kidnaped and held for ransom.

Chief of Police John Briggs has asked all the newspapers to print a picture of Voleneo in the hope of locating him if

Dan Butler Lives in Great Fear for Three Long Days

Several days back Commissioner Dan Butler was instrumental in the arrest of two well dressed individuals who were attempting to trade a set of furs for railways tickets to Chicago at a local ticket

Rutler, who chanced to be near and overhear the attempted deal, thought the proceeding strange and trailed the men to the postoffice, where an officer was summoned and they were taken to the

Upon investigation it was proven the furs were not stolen and the men re-Several days afterward Butler received a communication supposedly from his two arrests, in which death, slow torture and eternal punishment, together with a broken skull, were to be

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Hutler showed the letter to Chief Dunn, who sympathised deeply with Daniel and told him "to take care of himself." This morning a letter was received by the head of the police department at the city hall, in which the records of the two "fur thieves" were outlined. Both had killed, voinded and makined any number of individuals, besides breaking jall and committing a galaxy of crimes. The letter somehow reached the hands of the commissioner, who was delighted with the ner, who was delighted with the ects of his coming meeting with the After he had been allowed to he was informed that his friends had seen meraly chiding him. Whereupon he mumbled several deep onthe under his breath, connected with the evils of practical jokes and went out.

Cold Weather is Cry of Merchants With Large Stocks

Omaha merchants may they are feeling keenly the effect of the long continued warm weather this fall. This causes a decided falling off of the fall trade as decided falling off of the fall trade as compared to former years. By this time in normal years they expect to have sold a great deal of the winter stock of goods. Thus far they have done very little of this trade this year. They expect a rueh when the first cold snap nets in. But at the same time (hey hold that time once past is past forever, so far as the solling of goods is concerned, and that many who are able to get along with their old ciothes until Thanksgiving or near Christciothes until Thanksgiving or near Christ-mas always manage to get along the rest of the winter without laying in new outfits of clothes.

The trade in overcoats, underclothing, overshoes and boots has been very light this fall. The merchants are carrying as large a line as ever in accordance with their policy of a "readiness to serve," In the meantime the weather continues to put on an April front and the consumer ngs "I s'ould worry."

The coal Conlers also have found their business unucually quiet for this time of year. Many tomes are being warmed through the entire month on less than a ton of from 10 to \$7 coal. This does not please the coal dealer, and again the consumer sings "I should manifest con-

New Water Mains Nearly All Down

Two thousand tons of water pipe have been laid by the Metropolitan Water district within sixty days, which represents 6,000 feet of water mains in new dis-

Since contractors refused to bid on the water main districts the Water board has purchased a ditch digging machine and is laying its own mains.

Buperintendent A. B. Hunt, in charge of the work, said:

"It looked like frost would catch us before we got all this pipe laid, but the mains are now in in practically all the flutricts, and if the fine weather keeps up we will complete all jobs."

NEGRO HOLDS UP WOMEN AND RUNS AWAY WITH PURSE

While going home Thursday night, Mrs Martin Burne, 2710 California atreet, together with Mrs. A. Smith, who resides next door, were held up at Twenty-sixth and Davent-ort etreets oy a burly negro, who wrenched Mrs. Burns' handles from her and escaped with it.

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Scores of these hats sold earlier in the season at \$20.00 and \$25.00.

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hats, evening hats, pattern hats, dress and street hats at one price.

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CHILDREN'S

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New arrivals of girls' coats in all the new heavy winter cloths, luciluding the popular imitation for effects, all sizes and all the pretilent new stylen, at

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one of the styles of evening coats

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These gloves are late importation from one of the best manufacturers in Europe, famous for making pique gloves. Made from very finest quality selected skins, fully plque sewn, with spear point backs; cut from carefully sized patterns to fit the hand properly. Too much cannot be said about the quality. They will cultwear any other \$1.56 glove, and look as well as any at much higher price. At 95c a pair these gloves should sell out in a few hours. One and two-clasp gloves in black, white, tan and brown.

Heavy Winter Underwear

Women's Plain and Fleeced Cotton Union Sults; \$1.00

quality, ankle length, regular and extra sizes, at 750

Women's 75c Medium Weight Fleeced Cotton Union Suits, regular and extra sizes, ankle length, special 850

Women's Fleeced Long Sleeved Vests; 5% values; main

Misses' Children's and Boys' \$1.00 Fleeced Union Suits,

Misses' and Children's Mixed Wool Vests, Pants and

Misses' and Children's 59e Fleeced Cotton Union Suits,

\$3.77

Women's Slik and Woot Union Suits, sizes 4, 5 and

sortment of the better grades of evening coats and street coats that are

Select any one of them Saturday for ten dollars.

of the samples and odd oats from this purchase, that are worth up to \$18

Children's Dresses Serges, worsteds, plain colors, stripes & checks, \$2.98 \$3.50 \$3.98 to \$10

Juniors' Dresses Serges, worsteds, plain and striped -1-piece styles, worth up to \$8---

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and cotton bosiery, wide hem tops, full fashioned, regular made, regular and out sizes; also all silk to the top and silk boot with liste garter; black, white and

fancy evening shades, at per pair.

Women's and Children's Cotton

and Mercerized Lisle Thread

Hosiery-Wide hem tops, double soles, heels and toes, full fash-

foned, regular and out sizes; also

misses', boys' and children's rib-bed mercerized lisle and cotton with double knee. 25c heels and toes, pair...

Women's and Children's Cotton and Lisle Finished Hosiery—Wide hem tops double soles, heels and toes; also misses', boys' and children's ribbed school hosiery, double knee, spliced heels and toes—black 15c

25c Pleatings for 15c

and tan, pair.....

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