

## JUDGE PERRY MISSING.

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LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 26.—There is much excitement here over the mysterious disappearance of Judge J. W. Perry. He left this city about the 1st of July. There is a gentleman in this city who owns considerable coal and iron lands in West Virginia, and he wished to raise \$75,000 with this land as collateral. Judge Perry told him he could negotiate the loan, but it would be necessary to have surveys made of the land and assays of its ores. To pay for this work the gentleman gave Judge Perry a check for \$500.

The next day the Judge left the city, and the gentleman who gave the check has heard nothing from him since. His office in the Northern Bank Building has remained closed ever since his departure, and the bank has taken legal steps to secure its possession. Judge Perry's wife and daughter have returned to their people in Owen County.

Judge Perry was a Representative in the General Assembly of Kentucky when Senator J. C. S. Blackburn was elected to the United States Senate for the first time. Gen. "Cerro Gordo" Williams, then Senator, was running against Blackburn, and the fight was one of the most memorable in the history of Kentucky. Williams had furnished money to elect a number of the members of the Legislature, among whom was Judge Perry. The latter, it is alleged, pledged himself to vote for Williams, but on the day of the final balloting he absented himself from Frankfort, and his being away allowed Blackburn to be elected Senator. This action caused a great amount of talk, and Judge Perry came to Lexington about a year ago.