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HE JUMPED THE TOWN.

From the Columbia Herald.

Last Friday evening G. L. Elston, son of Dr. Elston, of Jefferson City, a student attending the University received a draft for \$40 from his father. Next morning when he stepped into a bank to get it cashed he discovered that it together with his bank book had disappeared. His room mate, John A. Joung, also a student, was apparently much concerned over the loss.

On Monday Joung took the train for Centralia. He did not have the sixty-five cents necessary to pay his fare but upon exhibiting a draft for \$70, a drummer advanced the necessary cash. At Centralia both banks were applied to but both refused to cash the draft as Joung could not identify himself as G. L. Elston in favor of whom the draft was drawn. He had raised it from \$40 to \$70 and had also forged a letter purporting to be from Dr. Elston at Jefferson City authorizing him to do so. The letter he also exhibited. Two or three stores were visited by him in the effort to get the draft cashed but without success.

When the train started back to Columbia Joung was again on board and still without money enough to pay his fare. This time no kind-hearted drummer was at hand and he was put off the train four miles this side of Centralia. He footed it home and went to bed in his old quarters, and next morning upon being accused of the theft by his room mate, confessed. He had torn up the draft meanwhile and short-

ly after breakfast Tuesday morning he left town it is supposed with the intention of trying to make his way home, in St. Louis county.

Joung had not been attending his classes for more than a month and was financially embarrassed, being indebted \$25 for board besides other amounts around town. He is about nineteen years of age and will land in the penitentiary if some hungry bovine don't snap him up—he is so fearfully fresh and green.