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BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 12.—Members of the Perin family decline to discuss the erratic conduct of Lawrence Perin in Europe. It is known that the State Department was requested to have him protected and looked after in Europe until arrangements could be made to have him return home. His eccentricities have long been known to his friends in Baltimore.

Shortly before the romantic elopement of Perin and Miss Jane Gordon Sartori of Philadelphia, who committed suicide at Harrow, England, last September, Lawrence Perin had been released from the hospital for the insane at Providence, R. I., where he had been placed by his father. It was his second visit to an asylum. The first time he escaped. Upon his second release, after the death of his father, he was considered cured.

Previous to his marriage young Perin on one occasion announced to his friends that he was going into politics, that he admired the Rooseveltian style, and would go to Washington and interview the President on the subject. On his arrival at the White House he caused much excitement by his persistent demands to see the President, and finally he had to be taken away forcibly by his friends. On his return to Baltimore he gave a lavish banquet for the purpose, he said, of obtaining an appointment under the Republican Administration, but, strange to say, nearly every one present was a Democrat.

In September, 1905, Mr. Perin purchased a seat on the Baltimore Stock Exchange, and, with his brother, Oliver Perin, founded the banking and brokerage business of Lawrence Perin & Co. They were successful, but in October, 1907, Mr. Perin and his brother decided to dissolve partnership, and Lawrence Perin left Baltimore for New York. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Perin took apartments there, but frequently visited Mr. Perin's mother, Mrs. Nelson Perin, in this city. Lawrence Perin has one son, Lawrence Perin, Jr., who is 3 years old.

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