

(Private letter, Louisville, KY, 2/8/1812)

We have had a number violent shocks of an earthquake at this place so much so as to alarm the people of this and the neighboring [?]. [?] on Thursday night one [?] had a very severe shake so much so as to injure a number of houses, the sight was truly awful houses cracking chimney falling, men women and children running in all directions in their shirts for safety. A friend of mine was so much alarmed as to jump of a window and was very much hurt.