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EARTHQUAKE!

Two shocks of Earthquakes were sensibly felt by most of the inhabitants of this town, the town of Springfield and the adjacent country at 3 o'clock on the morning of Monday the 16th instant.

Many persons were suddenly awakened from their sleep by the tremulous motion of their beds - the shaking of their houses, doors, and windows. It lasted full two minutes.

At 8 o'clock A.M. - experienced a considerable shock, which continued at least 4 minutes - the Cupola of the court-house was moved to and fro - the iron rod vibrated 8 or 9 inches - the sign posts and trees in the street put on undulatory motions - the clapping of windows was heard at more than a hundred yards distance - several clocks were so jarred as to be suddenly stopped - the vane on the court house was considered to be the best criterion to judge of the direction (for a breath of wind could not be discovered) and this was North East to South West.

At 10 minutes after 8 o'clock another shock was felt, which lasted but a short time.

At 40 minutes after 10, another slight shock was felt. At twenty-five minutes after 12 another shock very slight was felt.

On the next day (17th) at 5 o'clock in the morning a shock which lasted 2 minutes surprised many before they got out of their beds.

At 5 minutes after 12, a shock which lasted full 3 minutes, caused no great agitation of the steeple of the court-house as the one of the day preceding.

It has, we learn, extended to considerable distance through this state.

No injury has been done.