

Vincennes 11 Dec. 1811

Sir

I have the Honor to inform you that two principal chiefs of the Kickapoos of the Prairie arrived here bearing a flag on the evening before last--They informed me that they came in consequence of a message from the Chief that part of the Kickapoos which had joined the Prophet requiring them to do so and that the said Chief is to be here himself in a day or two--The account which they give of the late confederacy under the Prophet is as follows--The Prophet with his Shawanoes is at a small Huron Village about twelve miles from his former residence on this side of the Wabash, where also were twelve or fifteen Hurons--The Kickapoos are encamped near to the Tippecanoe--the Putawatimies have scattered and gone to different villages of that Tribe--the Winnebagoes had all set out on their return to their own country excepting one chief and nine men who remained at their former village--The latter had attended Tecumseh in his tour to the Southward and had only returned to the Prophets Town the day before the action--The Prophet had sent a messenger to the Kickapoos of the Prairie to request that he might be permitted to retire to their town--This was positively refused and a warning sent to him not to come there--He then sent to request that four of his men might attend the Kickapoo chief here--this was also refused--These