Wabash County, List of “Old Settlers” in the *Wabash Plain Dealer*,
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On Wednesday, August 22, 1888, the Wabash County Old Settlers met to elect officers for the coming year and to reminisce about the Indiana wilderness they had come to tame during the first half of the nineteenth century. As a follow-up to this meeting, the *Wabash Plain Dealer* printed an article on August 24, 1888. The article contains details of the meeting and a list of those considered to be “old settlers” who had died during the previous twelve months. Below is a transcription of that list.

“...The following is a list of the old settlers who have died during the past year with date of demise.

- Mahlan Cory, August 14, 1887.
- Patrick Duffy, August 26, 1887.
- Charles Sailors, October 13, 1887.
- Effie Sailors, October 13, 1887.
- N. D. Myers, October 14, 1887.
- Joseph Mackey, November 2, 1887.
- L. S. Thomas, November 9, 1887.
- Aaron Jenkins, November 28, 1887.
- Hugh McKahan, December 5, 1887.
- Samuel Harsh, December 6, 1887.
- Jefferson Quick, December 21, 1887.
- James Polk, December 30, 1887.
- Katherine Sailors, January 9, 1888.
- Jacob D. Cassatt, January 25, 1888.
- Mrs. Allen Smith, January 28, 1888.
- John L. Knight, February 23, 1888.

- Curtis Pauling, February 28, 1888.
- Milton Roberts, April 8, 1888.
- James Stewart, April 21, 1888.
- Dilla Alexander, April 25, 1888.
- Mrs. Adam Stober, April 28, 1888.
- Springer Flannagan, April 28, 1888.
- T. C. McCown, May 1, 1888.
- Amanda Busby, May 6, 1888.
- Sarah Tyre, May 13, 1888.
- Cornelius Halderman, June 3, 1888.
- Jacob L. Sailors, June 26, 1888.
- Hugh McNown, July 25, 1888.
- William Ditton, July 26, 1888.
- Mrs. Benj. McClure, July 28, 1888.”

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