

**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.	Curtis Pauling, February 28, 1888.
Patrick Duffy, August 26, 1887.	Mrs. Geo. Abbott, March 14, 1888.
Charles Sailors, October 13, 1887.	Milton Roberts, April 8, 1888.
Effie Sailors, October 13, 1887.	James Stewart, April 21, 1888.
N. D. Myers, October 14, 1887.	Dilla Alexander, April 25, 1888.
Joseph Mackey, November 2, 1887.	Mrs. Adam Stober, April 28, 1888.
L. S. Thomas, November 9, 1887.	Springer Flannagan, April 28, 1888.
Aaron Jenkins, November 28, 1887.	T. C. McCown, May 1, 1888.
Hugh McKahan, December 5, 1887.	Benj. S. Ross, May 3, 1888.
Samuel Harsh, December 6, 1887.	Amanda Busby, May 6, 1888.
Jefferson Quick, December 21, 1887.	Sarah Tyre, May 13, 1888.
James Polk, December 30, 1887.	Cornelius Halderman, June 3, 1888.
Katherine Sailors, January 9, 1888.	Jacob L. Sailors, June 26, 1888.
John Watkins, January 17, 1888.	Hugh McNown, July 25, 1888.
Jacob D. Cassatt, January 25, 1888.	William Ditton, July 26, 1888.
Mrs. Allen Smith, January 28, 1888.	John Dufton, July 27, 1888.
John L. Knight, February 23, 1888.	Mrs. Benj. McClure, July 28, 1888.”