

OLD SETTLERS' BALL.

The annual Old Settlers' Ball for the winter of 1901-02 held at the Opera House last Friday evening was a rousing success. The house was packed, in fact the building was not half large enough for the big crowd. There were somewhere in the neighborhood of a hundred numbers out—and we venture to say that some of the old timers that were present had not danced before in fifteen years. It was "a genuine old time dance" from start to finish. It brought back to mind the youthful days to many in the hall when the orchestra started to play the Virginia Reel and many other old time changes, which so puzzled the younger people to dance. Just before the dance started Pres. Luce, of the Old Settlers' Association, called the meeting to order and the business of the association was gone over, after which the election of officers for the ensuing year was taken up. Mr. Luce was unanimously re-elected President and Chas. Chalmers re-elected Secy. After the election of officers all persons eligible were given an opportunity to join the association. There were quite a number names added to the long list of membership. Mr. Loney, of the Palace, served the supper on the stage. The dance was the largest ever held in the hall, which goes to show that the old settlers' dances are becoming more popular each year. Much credit is due Pres. Luce and Secy. Chalmers for the excellent work done by both these gentlemen in making these gatherings the great social functions that they prove to be. Old settlers were present from all parts of the county.