

THE RED EAR

Now strong and clear came Simon's call—
"Salute your partners! balance all!
First couple to the next one go,
Then right and left, and onward, oh!
Now turn to alleman' left and swing,
Grand right and left, and form a ring.
Now backward to your places fall,
Swing once again, and balance all!"
Just here, Ned held aloft his hand,
And brought the dancers to a stand.
Said he, "I want you all to hear,
I claim my forfeit for the ear."
Before astonished May could speak,
He kissed her there, on either cheek.