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AN INTERESTING REELIC.

We accepted, Tuesday, a courteous invitation to see a chest, the property of Mrs. D. R. Hoover.

It is but an ordinary pine chest of gone-by days, save the till which is an ingeniously hidden compartment that few would ever discover. The spring lock, too, is a marvel. It is heavy and strong and quite mechanically made. But it is the history that makes it interesting.

When Gen. Lincoln surrendered to the British at Charleston and there was little force to oppose the British advance in North Carolina, the Tories gained hope that the Whigs would not get their independence.

They assembled a force at Ramsaur's Mill, in Lincoln county. There they were attacked and defeated in the memorable engagement known as the battle of Ramsaur's Mill, which occurred June 20th, 1780, and in which about 70 men were killed.

The battle ground was on elevated ridge at the foot of which is Clark's creek. Some of the Tories retreated early in the battle, across the creek, and proceeded to pillage the house of Mr. Jacob Ramsaur, the owner of this chest, and the great-grandfather of Mrs. Hoover. The family retreated to the basement of the house while furniture, etc., was being rifled. Mr. Ramsaur's money, deeds, notes, etc., were in the secret compartment of this chest till, and was not found, though the wrought-iron strap hinges were broken off and the lid was broken open.

A part of the unwritten history of that memorable day is that when the Tories made their retreat they did not have time to reach the bridge above but threw their guns into the stream and swam across, and Mrs. Hoover's grandfather, then a boy of 9 years, who was in the basement of the house for refuge, afterward secured a number of these guns and kept them as trophies.

It will be remembered that this chest is more than 117 years old. The house built by Mrs. Hoover's grandfather 90 years ago is still a dwelling and contains much of the lumber from the home of this old chest.

NO CLAIM

We are sorry to see a willingness to admit the justice of the claim of the Negro race to a pro rata share of the offices or the percentage of the

appointments according to the way they carry it.

We censure the Republican party for holding out such inducements, and we deny that he has any claim to office.

Suppose the Negro does cast 120,000 votes in the State. He never casts them for the best men in the State and there are more than 120,000 white men in the State that cast their votes without ever voting for an office.

No man has a claim on an office just because he carries a vote. He gets all the benefits of government and that is what he votes for or should vote for. The negro in office is yet an incongruous misfit and invites race friction. What conduces most to the peace and welfare of the State should be sought. If the Negro gets no office he is only even with many of the white race who neither ask nor expect office.

There seems to be those who think that offices are a thing to give a fortunate few on easy life. It is only the unfaithful and unworthy that find it so.

We are glad that the Republican and Populist parties give them few offices as they do. The shame is that they should ever hold out the inducements to them. We have no unkind feeling toward the race at all, rather the very opposite, but the class of them that might do fairly well in office have sense enough to know that office holding is not essential to the well being of the race and that they are safe under a government by the intelligent white people of the State.

GENERAL NEWS.

George M. Pullman, the railroad magnate and fifty times a millionaire, died suddenly at his home in Chicago Tuesday night of croup. He was 66 years of age, and began his business career as a clerk.

Latest Chicago dispatches say that the jury in the Luetgert case has not yet reached a verdict. It is believed that an agreement will be reached during the day, however.

Yellow fever in New Orleans continues to rage. Four deaths were reported Tuesday, with a record of forty cases.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Railway Company was held at Richmond, Va., Tuesday. All the stock was represented. The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Alexander B. Andrews, Raleigh, N. C.; Jos. Bryan, Richmond, Va.; Chas. H. Coster, Samuel Spencer, Harris O. Fahnstock, Robert M. Gallaway, New York; Wm. M. Finley, Washington, D. C.; Samuel M. Inman, Atlanta; Skipwith Wilmer, Baltimore.

Charles A. Dana, editor of the New York Sun, died Sunday afternoon. All the notices of his death given in his paper were contained in this brief sentence at the head of the editorial columns in Monday morning's edition: "Charles Anderson Dana, editor of the Sun, died yesterday afternoon."

Big Showman's Tar-Heel.
W. E. Franklin, one of the proprietors of the John Robinson and Franklin Bros' shows, now exhibiting in this State, was in Raleigh last week, and from him the Press-Visitor learns that he is a native of North Carolina, having been born near Morganton, where he spent his boyhood days. His grandfather lived to be 106 years of age and his grandmother 107 years old. His father lived to be 70 years old.

Not Fashionable to Die There.

Mr. A. Chatham, of Elkin, has made out a list of the aged people in that section. It is as follows: Mr. J. E. Hester is 83 and has a pair of pants which he purchased before the war and he has had them so long his oldest child does not remember when he bought them. W. K. Bryan is 86 and Henry Thomas is 98 and chops up the stove wood used in the family every day. His wife, Nancy, is 85. S. J. Gale is 93 and is as lively as a cricket. Rev. J. Needham is 97 and preaches nearly every Sunday. Mrs. Mary Waggoner is 91. J. E. S. Morrison, 83; Woodson Robert, 92; F. A. Harris 83, and his wife, Sarah, 80. Lewis Har is 103 and remembers when this country was a dense wilderness. His youngest daughter is 67. Jas. Belton is 89 and was corporal in the raid that killed Joe Smith, the Mormon elder, way back in the 40s. Eli Blackburn is 93; Wm. Forrester, 98 and Nick Johnson, 85; Judith Martin, colored, is 106, and has cut her second set of teeth and regained her eyesight. With three or four exceptions all these aged persons live in Surry county and the majority within a radius of ten miles of Elkin.

Carbuncles

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