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Inside view of the Allen House, showing the kind of furniture and household items that would have been present when the house was occupied in the late 1700s. In the center of the image is a wooden-framed bed with a straw mattress supported by rope. A trundle bed underneath provided additional sleeping space for children. To the right of the bed is a wooden chest with a basket and a checkers set on top. This bed was much more typical of what people in antebellum North Carolina slept on, compared with the more elaborate bed found in the Hope Mansion.

For more on the Allen House go to: <http://www.nchistoricsites.org/alamance/allhou.htm>



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