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**Dealers in Campaign Furniture
& Travel Items**

Colonial Folding Chair

REF: 81867

Height: 101 cm (39.8") Width: 73.5 cm (28.9") Depth: 89 cm (35")

Sold



This teak Folding Chair is a colonial version of a type owned by Herbert McNair but probably not designed by him, and we have illustrated in past catalogues. The difference with this one is that the slung seat is not fixed to metal rods to the top and bottom with hooks to hang the seat by. The upholstery is threaded through slits to the bottom and top of the chair and wooden bars are then fitted to the upholstery to hold it in place.

There are also differences to the way the 2 frames that make up the chair are joined together. With the British chair there is a rod which the front of the chair rests on. This is slotted through a choice of holes to the front legs to set the inclination. On this colonial version, the frame of the back legs is fixed to the front legs by brass bolts to one of 3 positions to angle the chair. Despite a little less versatility, when set up, there is no difference in comfort. The chair has serpentine shaped rails to the top of the back and seat edge and the front legs have the same pleasing shape as most of this type of chair. The leather upholstery is new but the chair retains its original canvas to give a choice. Circa 1900.