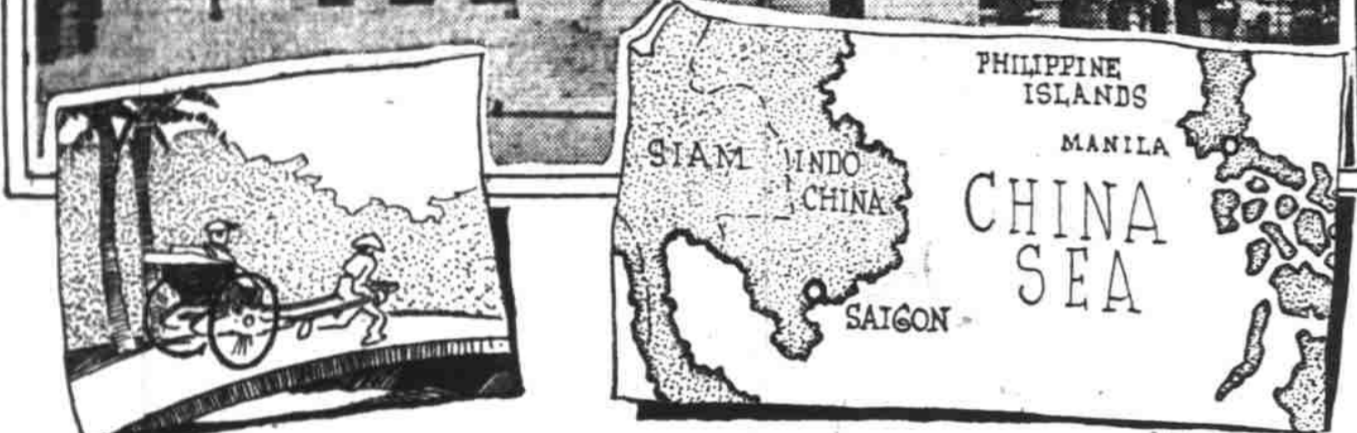
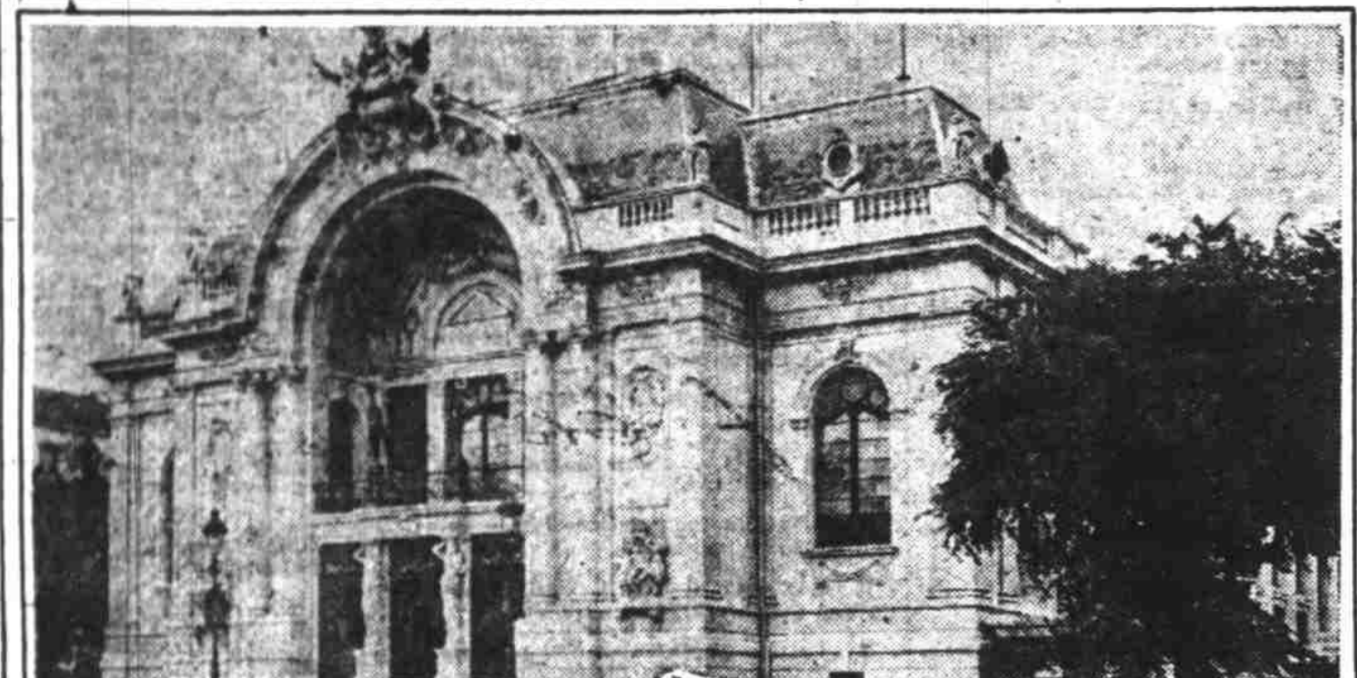
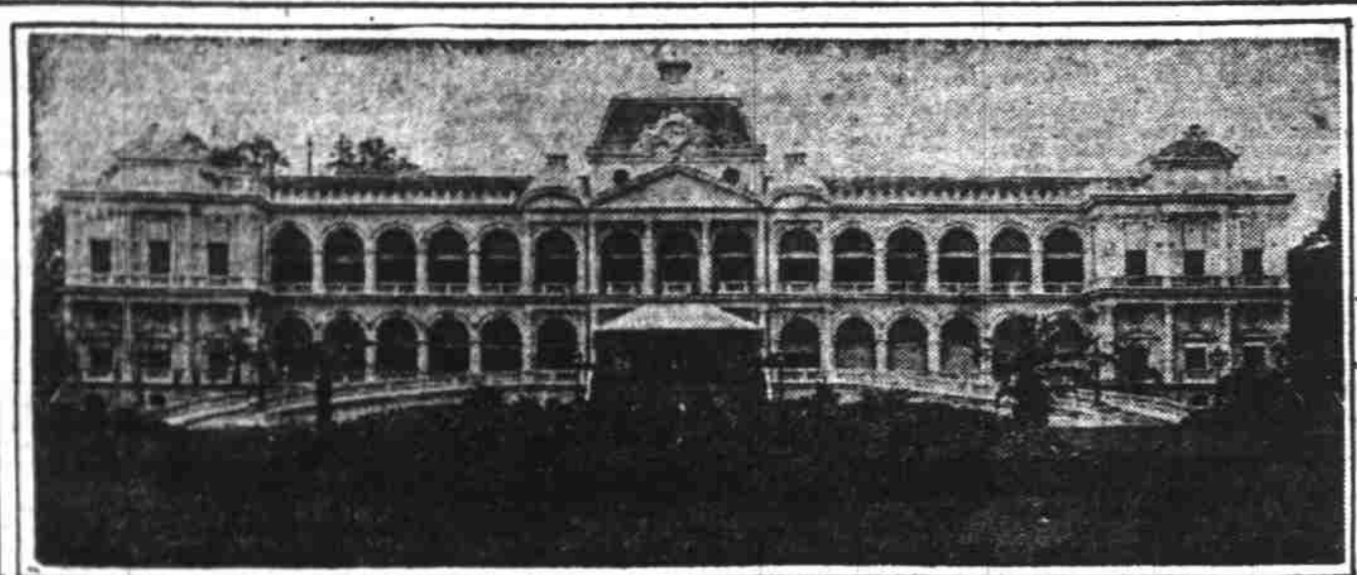


A Portland Visitor in Saigon, Indo-China Finds Metropolis of Infinite Surprises



Public buildings in Saigon, capital of Cochin-China. Above, governor's palace. Below, opera house.

By Leland L. Smith
Portland man recently arrived in Saigon, French Indo-China.

I was not disappointed in Saigon—in fact I have not yet overcome my surprise in finding a city of this style—for it is certainly the only city in the Orient that could lay any claim to style, in this part of the world.

Hong Kong amazes one with its building apparently piled one on top of the other in a bewildering jumble trying to reach the top of the mountain side on which they are crowded—but it is the Orient, with all its smells, teeming, half-naked population, and disappearing streets.

Shanghai gives the impression of business and can lay no claim to originality. But Saigon has an atmosphere peculiar to herself and changes her colors with the rapidity of a chameleon. She is futuristic in her colorful, tropical verdure; she is old-fashioned in her staid, New England-like, tree-lined streets; she is modern in her monuments; she is Parisian in her habits; but of all things she is beautiful and well worthy of the name, "Paris of the Orient."

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ing district and the shipping point for the products milled at Cholon, in which place is the manufacturing district. Over a million tons of rice are shipped per year, together with the silk, copra, cotton, rubber, etc., amounting to \$135,000,000 in 1920. The entire foreign commerce of this port is about \$260,000,000, leaving a nice credit balance of \$20,000,000. Saigon vies with Rangoon as the largest rice port in the world, and Cholon with its 10 rice mills presents a curious sight with the tall stacks rising from the masses of low, red-tiled Chinese huts. Vessels of 2,000 tons run regularly from Saigon to Marseilles and Japan. The traveler can reach Saigon easily from Hong Kong or Singapore, the mentioned cities and a little south of west from Manila.

A RESIDENTIAL CENTER. The French have succeeded in keeping the manufacturing in Cholon, preserving Saigon for the governmental and residential section. (In Manila we have allowed the magnificent old Spanish residential section along the river to be intruded upon by factories. Even the governor's palace faces a brewery.) Saigon becomes the capital of entire Indo-China during the summer months, where, strange to relate, the climate is not so hot as that of Hanoi, 1000 miles to the north, where the seat of the colonial government exists. It is like Portland, a residential town with tree-lined streets, frequent parks, and gardens around the houses. The French officials come out to the colony for three years, and for this reason everyone has his home. As labor is cheap and the climate conducive to the raising of flowers, the magnificent gardens surround even the smallest houses. High walls line the sidewalks, but they are full of charming, Annamite, open tiles, through whose blue lacquer lovely glimpses of gravel walks and glorious flowers can be caught.

Everywhere are royal palms and coconut trees from which flowering vines are swung by the winds. The streets are lined by very high trees resembling elms, whose branches meet overhead to protect one from the direct rays of the sun. They are called Yow trees but spelled Dau. The streets are perfect and one can ride for miles within the bounds of the city, receiving the same impression that one gets on Glisan street in Portland between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets. Not a break will be found, even in the busy section where the same care has been observed with the trees.

The Dau trees are green the year round and the tropical climate has covered them with strange vines with huge, irregular leaves, and bunches of large ferns such as one sees in hothouses. For a short time during the year, real orchids of hues never seen in the states will dot the trees with rich splashes of color.

The houses are nearly all of one or two stories and have more space devoted to porches and terraces than is to be found inside. Window glass is unknown and the temperature never falls over 75 degrees. The color is nearly always cream relieved by designs in colored, Annamite, open tiles, and many houses have open brickwork just below the roof through which the light at night shines in charming unexpectedness. The roofs are all of red tiles with curious carvings in the center and at the corners after the Chinese fashion. The entire idea of the home is consecrated to air and flowers. Apartments are unknown among the Europeans. The kitchens are in outhouses to keep all heat away from the living quarters.

The business center of the city is characterized by wide, tree-lined avenues leading up to spacious squares faced by public buildings permitting vistas that suggest the glories of Paris. Strategic streets run at angles, at intervals, so that the entire city can be reached very easily. Great care and study was made in the plans and the only city in America whose central, boulevard system can be compared with Saigon's is Washington, D. C.

The opera house would do credit to any city in America. The hotels are as

good as any to be found in the Orient and the food and wine better. A large, new hotel is planned and will probably be finished at the same time as the road being constructed to the wonderful radius of Ankor, 300 miles away. The stores surprise one with their French styles and signs. Modern automobile buses serve the various suburbs of the city. Around the hotel district the sidewalks are covered with tables as in Paris, and at tea time and the evening present a scene strangely opposed to the Orient. Strains of music come from behind palm screens, and laughter and floating colors betray the dancing mad Saigonese ladies fox-trotting on the terraces inside. It is possible to live in Saigon and go through the shopping district without even suspecting that there was an Oriental near you if it were not for the rickshaws that watch like hawks and dash madly at you when called. Saigon is unquestionably the cleanest city in the Orient and far ahead of Manila in beauty and attractiveness.

IN FOREIGN QUARTERS. The natives have been kept studiously away but if you are looking for strange sights they are not lacking. There is an Annamite section of the city with its small, naked, Chinese-like people who do not get on at all with Mongolians. They can be found squatting on the street and chewing the inevitable bloody, juicy, beetleberry. Then, there exists the Cambodian quarter with the natives clothed just as much as the Annamites in their yellow, red, and blue, colored silk scarves draped over them in anything but the lines so loved by Phidias. There are also Hindu, Tonkinese, Japanese, Chinese, Siamese, Malay and other sections of the city, all separate and stranger than the others. One would imagine that the tower of Babel had collapsed in Saigon.

SPLENDID ROADS. Tourists have not heard about this section of the world as everybody knows that the French have never taken to advertising with the same degree of frenzy as have the Americans. But in Indo-China can be found more things of interest in a small space than in any part of Asia. There are more miles of automobile roads in this colony than in all Asia, there being 5500 miles such as only the French can build and maintain. From Saigon many places of interest can be reached in a few hours, such as Cape St. Jacques, where one of the loveliest hotels and palm-lined beaches anywhere can be found. Another excursion will take you to Phnom Penh (try to pronounce it), the residence of the king of Cambodia. Here may be seen the second river of China, the Mekong, 2300 miles long, the silver palace, the emerald Buddha, and other monuments of exquisite beauty.

Again, a seven hours' run through the most picturesque country imaginable, brings one to Daint, the outpost of civilization in the mountains, where the elevation of 5000 feet carries one away from the torrid head of the plains. Tiger hunting, deer, wild boar, leopards, crocodiles, rhinoceros, peacocks, boas, wild cattle, wild chickens, fishing everywhere. Here is one of the virgin hunting grounds of the world. All of this can be reached comfortably by motor, and soon the ruins of Ankor, perhaps the finest in the world, can be visited by machine. At the present time a boat up the Mekong river must be taken.

Everything has its drawbacks and Saigon has its share. The wet season and hot months take up all of the year save the months of October to March, when trips can be taken. Even then voyagers must be prepared for hot weather and mosquitoes. And when I say wet and hot weather, I mean it in the superlative sense of the word. A trip to the Orient is not complete without coming to Saigon, where foreigners can find the quiet lacking in other Eastern tourist cities, at the same time enjoy, as also the entire gamut of Eastern color at its noisiest, smoggiest best.

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Sale of Purses
—Several hundred Women's Handbags and Purses in this special lot. Very suitable for gift-giving. Polished pin seal, mat seal, morocco, goat, calf, etc. Black, brown, and tan. Values in this assortment up to \$6.00. Priced special at **\$3.50**

Groceries
—Hood River Newtown Apples. Priced special, a box **\$1.79**
—Large Oregon Prunes, 3 lbs. for **50c**
—Carnation, Alpine or Borden's Canned Milk, on sale per can **11c**
—Country Gentleman and Lily of the Valley Corn, on sale per can **20c**
—Preferred Stock Catsup, 2 bottles **55c**

Doll Sale
4th Floor
—Monday we shall place on sale a special lot of the famous Amberg Walking Dolls at **1/2 Price**
—\$10.00 Amberg **\$5.00**
Walking Dolls at
—\$15.00 Amberg **\$7.50**
Walking Dolls at
—\$16.50 Amberg **\$8.25**
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—\$2.50 Little Darling **\$1.25**
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—\$4.50 Little Darling Dolls on sale now at only **\$2.25**
—\$12.00 Composition Dolls on sale now at only **\$6.00**
—Toyland, 4th Floor

4th Floor
Monday's Special Lunch
69c
Service From 11:30 to 2:30
Tea Room, Fourth Floor
CHOICE OF
Chicken Gumbo Soup
Clam Chowder
Scalloped Halibut in Shell
Fried Salmon Steak
Parsley Butter
New England Boiled Dinner
Fried Calves Liver and Bacon
Baked Stuffed Green Peppers
OWK Special Baked Beans
and Boston Brown Bread
Assorted Cold Meats
Potato Salad
and
Baked Hubbard Squash
CHOICE OF
Queen Pudding, Cake, Ice Cream
Tea, Coffee, Milk

Dining Room Furniture

Featuring Special Under-price Offerings for This Week

4th Floor—A Thanksgiving sale that will interest those who are planning New Furniture for the dining room for the great American feast day. Triple Trading Stamps Monday on cash purchases in this department.
\$110 Buffet \$66
—American Walnut Buffet, 54 inches long, with 60x48-inch mirror. Queen Anne design. Best construction. \$110.00 value at only **\$66**
—William and Mary Buffet, mahogany finish, 54 inches long, \$104.00 value at **\$78**
—Mahogany Buffet, Queen Anne design. Regular \$110.00 value. Special **\$82.50**
—\$371.00 Mahogany Suite—Buffet, Extension Table, 5 Chairs, Arm Chair. At **\$210**



Period Chairs
In Great Variety
—We show an exceptionally fine collection of Dining Chairs to match the above tables at the new low level prices below. Ask to see them.

Tea Wagons
4th Floor—Here is an article that should be in every home. We have a splendid stock in the very newest designs in period and straightline finishes. Walnut and Mahogany finishes. Reasonably priced.

Telephone Stands
4th Floor—Oak, Mahogany and Walnut. Telephone Stands in new designs. **\$11.75** and up. —Smoking Cabinets and Stands are here in every convenience for the smoker's comfort. Priced now at **\$5.75** and up.

Thanksgiving Sale of Dinner Sets

—Department, Third Floor
—Select your new Dinnerware here from the largest and most complete stock on the Pacific coast. The Thanksgiving Sale now in progress offers many splendid opportunities to save. Below are a few of the rare bargains in the sale:
—32 Piece Sets American Semi-Porcelain for **\$4.98**
—32 Piece Sets Pink Border, White and Gold **\$6.98**
—46 Piece Blue Medallion Sets, \$15 values, **\$9.98**
—48 Piece Thin Decorated Imported China **\$27.50**
—48 Piece Theo. Haviland French China **\$79.90**
—\$80 Thin Decorated China Sets priced for **\$59.75**

Turkey Platters \$1
3rd Floor—Turkey Dishes in various decorations. Values to **\$1.00**
\$3.50, priced special at **\$1.00**

Sale of Carving Sets
Third Floor—Large selection of two and three-piece game and bird Carving Sets on sale at special low prices. Our entire stock (except contract lines) is included in this special sale.
—BIRD CARVERS—two-piece sets. **\$2.75, \$2.48, \$2.92**
—CARVING SETS—3 pieces, special **\$3.60, \$4.05, \$4.95**
SILVERWARE DEPARTMENT, 3D FLOOR

Half-Price Millinery Clearance

—Why pay full price for your holiday hat with such a sale as this in progress? Unrestricted choice of any Hat on display in the Millinery Salons Monday at 1/2 regular marked price. Large selection of beautiful models for street and dress wear, including a number of fur Hats and others trimmed with flowers and novelties.

Any Hat 1/2 Price
—All \$5.00 Hats on sale Monday at only **\$2.50**
—All \$10.00 Hats on sale Monday at only **\$5.00**
—All \$15.00 Hats on sale Monday at only **\$7.50**
—All \$25.00 Hats on sale Monday at only **\$12.50**
—All \$35.00 Hats on sale Monday at only **\$17.50**
—All \$50.00 Hats on sale Monday at only **\$25.00**
MILLINERY SALONS, SECOND FLOOR

Thanksgiving Roasters

All Sizes and Prices
Third Floor—Lisk Roasters, as sketched, in a full assortment of all sizes. Seamless, sanitary and self-basting. Removable trays.
—Lisk Roasters, 8-lb. **\$3.85**
—Lisk Roasters, 12-lb. **\$4.25**
—Lisk Roasters, 16-lb. **\$4.50**
—Lisk Roasters, 25-lb. **\$5.25**
—TRIPLE STAMPS Monday.



Sale of "Model" Roasters

—Oval shape "Model" Roasters like illustration. Made with seamless cover and bottom. Sanitary, easy to clean.
—\$2.00 Model Roasters, 15-in. **\$1.48**
—\$2.75 Model Roast's, 17 1/2-in. **\$1.98**
—\$3.50 Blue Glazed Roasters **\$2.98**

Thanksgiving Kitchen Needs at Special Prices

—UNIVERSAL FOOD CHOPPERS—the **\$2.38** large family size. Reg. \$3 vals. Special **\$2.38**
—POTATO RICERS—Reg. 75c kind. Special **48c**
—COFFEE PERCOLATORS—Aluminum, **\$2.98**
—BUTCHER KNIVES—Reg. \$1 vals. Special **50c**
—BREAD KNIVES—Reg. 25c vals. Special **50c**
Housewares Store, Third Floor

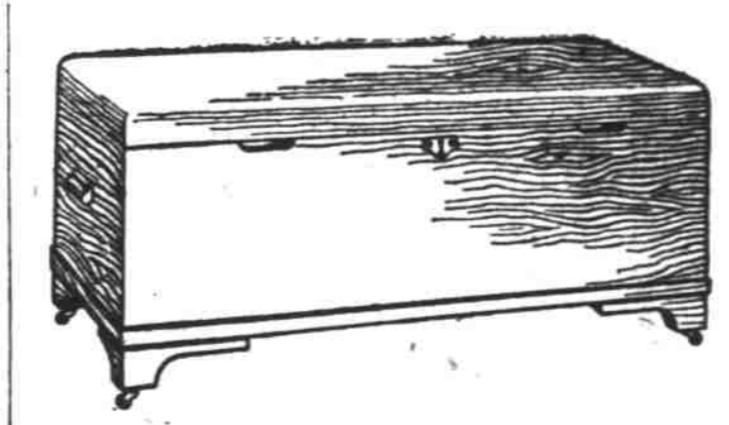
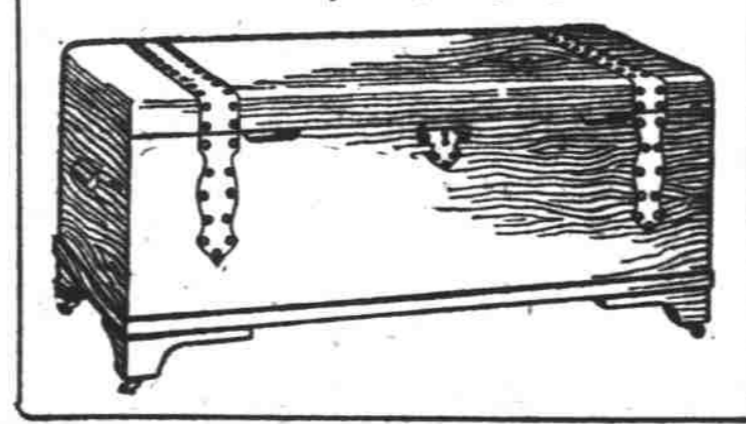
Full Carload of Red Cedar Chests

THIRD FLOOR—In a Great Pre-Holiday Sale—THIRD FLOOR

—Cedar Chests make most appropriate Christmas gifts. Ornamental, useful and lasting. This is by far the most important sale of its kind announced in Portland for years. Full carloads of genuine Tennessee Red Cedar Chests offered at astonishingly low prices. Over 25 different and distinct patterns to select from. Plain or beveled finishes, with or without copper trimmings. Why not choose one of these for her Christmas gift? A small deposit will hold any chest until Xmas. Below are a few of the many bargains

\$35 Chests \$22.75
3rd Floor—Red Cedar Chests, 45 inches long. Double construction, pleasing design. Double lock. Trimmed with copper bands. Without tray. Special **\$22.75**
—Chest as above, with inside tray, at only **\$24.90**

\$40 Cedar Chests at \$29.50

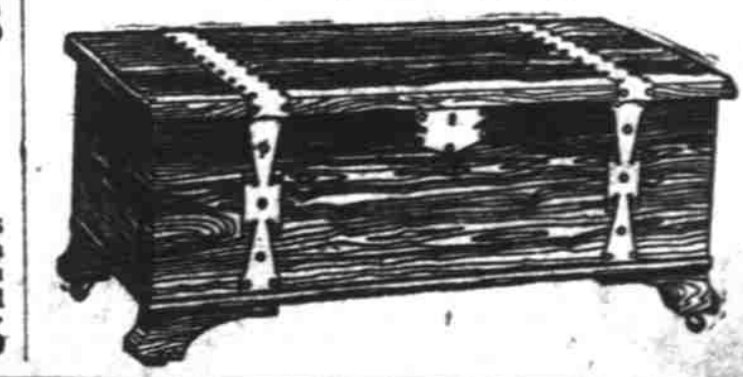


\$25 Cedar Chests \$16.45

Third Floor—Red Cedar Wardrobe Chests—One style as sketched above—and nine other patterns. Some with plain tops, high polish finish, others are trimmed with copper bands. Double locks, 40 inches long. Splendid **\$25.00** Chests (with tray **\$18.65**), without tray—only **\$16.45**

\$18.50 Chests \$12.95
3rd Floor—Red Cedar Chests, 36 inches wide, and 18 inches deep. Attractive patterns and best of construction throughout. Complete with double locks. Trimmed with copper bands. Regular **\$18.50** values, priced for this sale at **\$12.95**

\$40 Cedar Chests at \$29.50



Saligon is the center of the rice grow-