

## PREFACE

**FTER** considerable weighing of the pros and cons I have decided to include the names of firms where certain supplies may be bought. I realize that this sort of free advertisement is eminently unjust to other worthy houses handling the same lines of goods, but the case is one of self-defense. In *The Forest* I rashly offered to send to inquirers the name of the firm making a certain kind of tent. At this writing I have received and answered over eleven hundred inquiries. Since the publication of these papers in *The Outing Magazine*, I have received hundreds of requests for information as to where this, that, or the other thing may be had. I have tried to answer them all, but to do so has been a tax on time I would not care to repeat. Therefore I shall try in the follow-