

Tray No. 3, six inches deep, is divided into compartments and furnished with tin cans.

TRAY NO. 3 OF MESS CHEST.

THIS TRAY contains cans for—

Butter,
Coffee, ground, or green,
Pepper,

Salt,
Sugar,
Tea; or for any other articles desired.

The large space in the chest unoccupied by the Trays is to be packed with the following articles :

Basin, tin, washstand, No. 2.
Cleaver, No. 1.
Cups, Britannia, No. 12.
Cups, tin (1 qt., 1 pt.), No. 2.
Dippers, assorted, No. 2.
Dishes, tin, No. 6.
Grater, large, No. 1.
Gridiron, No. 1.
Kettles, camp, covered, No. 1.
Kettles, tea, iron, No. 1.

Knives, butchers', No. 1.
Ladles, No. 1.
Lantern, No. 1.
Pans, frying, No. 1.
Pans, sauce, No. 1.
Pots, coffee, tin, No. 1.
Pots, tea, tin, No. 1.
Saws, butchers', No. 1.
Steelyards, No. 1.
Trays, tin, No. 1.

To secure the articles contained in the mess chest against injury by motion it will be advisable to pack the spaces firmly with oakum, or some yielding and clean material. Oakum is mentioned, from the fact that it is nearly always found at posts, is cleanly, and, in cases of emergency, may be taken into use as a surgical dressing, or to pad splints.

It is believed that everything which can contribute to the well-being of the sick men of a small command in the field has been provided in these chests, so far as space would allow.