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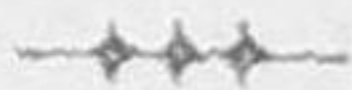
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you. Your meals will taste just as good eaten from tinware or porcelain as if eaten from the finest china. You will need for each member of your party a plate, a good-sized cup, a knife, fork and a couple of spoons. Besides these you will need a few extra plates and spoons. Of cooking utensils you will need a pail to cook the porridge and the soups in; a pail in which to boil your coffee, and a frying-pan in which to cook the fish. These three will supply almost every need in the cooking line.

A good heavy single grey blanket is plenty of bedding for one, or two can keep quite warm between the folds of a double blanket. The rest of the bed can be made of a good thick layer of the small twigs of cedar or balsam, or of large, coarse fern or bracken. If you get the ground well covered you will sleep just as comfortably as you would on a spring mattress.

A very good tent can be made of heavy factory cotton. Have it six or eight feet square at the base and six or seven feet high, without any side walls, that is, sloping right to the ground. Along the four sides of the tent, six inches from the bottom, fasten some small loops of rope.

When your camping ground is chosen, find two trees far enough apart to allow the tent between them. Tie a rope from one of these trees to the other, about seven feet from the ground. Hang the tent on this, so that the rope forms the ridge pole of the tent; slip some small poles through the loops of rope above mentioned, stretch the tent out as wide as possible, weight down the poles with stones, and your tent is ready for occupation. Canadian.



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