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Part I.

PREFACE

The arrangement of this Manual has been carried out to meet the needs of Mobilization which necessitates troops being quartered and rationed under conditions that vary considerably in the several stations. Part I. is for use at home stations, Part II. in the field.

The diets should be followed as nearly as possible in consecutive order, so as to take advantage of the previous day's savings effected by issuing only such quantities of the modified field ration, etc., as are necessary to prepare the several dishes.

The daily diets have been selected and arranged in a manner according with the soldiers' tastes and the necessities of military life, and the Manual is only intended for Service use.

There is no margin in the quantities laid down to cover waste either in preparation or in the serving of the food; therefore, to avoid complaints of shortage at meal time, care in the preparation, serving and weighing out of the food to the various messes must be taken.

If the ingredients for a certain diet cannot be obtained on any particular day, the alternative chosen should be one that fits in with the free issues of the Government ration.

Where the cash allowance in lieu of rations is issued, the quantities shown in the "free" and the "purchase" columns will serve as a guide to all concerned as to what the daily purchases should be for each 100 men.

Should the market price of articles increase unduly, the daily fare must be modified accordingly.

This Manual should be used in conjunction with Army Book 48.
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No. 1.

		Mea	la		Ingredients Required.		
		1100			Free Issue.	Purchased.	
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Liver and Onions.	Si Ta	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Dripping, 3 lbs. Salt as required Mustard as required Pepper as required Flour, 1½ lbs.	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 4\frac{1}{4} lbs. Liver, 25 lbs. Onions, 25 lbs. Milk, 16 pints	
DINNER.	Baked Meat and Potatoes.	Currant Roll.	de la		Meat, 70 lbs. Dripping, 6 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Flour, 20 lbs. Bread as required	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Currants, 7 lbs. Mixed Peel, 1½ lbs. Sugar, 3 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Gravy Salt, 1 pkt.	
TEA.	Tea, Bread	and _	Butter.	Watercress.	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Salt as required Bread as required	Milk, 8 pints Watercress, 25 bundles Butter, $4\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.	
SUPPER.	Pea Soup.	Salmon,	Vinegar	and Bread.	Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Flour, 3 lbs.	Split Peas, 11 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Orions, 3 lbs. Mint, 1 pkt. Salmon, 25 tins Vinegar, 1 gallon	

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

PORRIDGE.—Bring the water to the boil, add 2 ozs. of salt, sprinkle in the oats, and keep stirring. If in a fixed boiler, quickly remove the fire when the oats boil, replace the lid, and allow to cook in own heat. Stir at intervals. Heat the milk, then add with sugar to taste, and serve hot. Note.—One gallon of water to 2 lbs. of oats. Time to cook, about one hour.

FRIED LIVER.—Wash and cut up the liver into slices ‡ in, thick. Mix 1½ lbs. flour with 1½ ozs. of pepper and 3 ozs. salt in a mixing bowl. Dredge the liver in this mixture. Well grease the dishes with some dripping. Place in one layer of liver only and fry on hot plate or in oven. Keep from burning by constantly moving. ONIONS.—Clean and cut the onions into rings and steam or fry till tender. Cover the liver with stock, add the onions and serve hot. Time for liver, 40 minutes.

BAKED MEAT AND POTATOES.—Wash, peel and rewash the potatoes, cutting the large ones into halves lengthwise. Bone, roll and skewer the meat, cover with slices of fat if lean joint. Place the potatoes into a baking dish, clean and cut up the onions, sprinkle over the potatoes, add 1½ ozs. pepper, 3 ozs. salt, then pour over a little stock or water. Place dish in oven, turn joint at half-time, add stock when necessary. Time, 15 minutes for each pound of meat.

CURRANT ROLL.—Wash and pick over the currants, chop up peel finely. Place flour in mixing bowl, and add 1½ ozs. salt; shred dripping, add to flour, and well mix; add sufficient water to make into a stiff paste, press out, cut in required number of portions, roll out, sprinkle over the currants, sugar and peel, damp the edges of paste, roll over, neatly pressing the ends together to retain the fruit. Flour the cloths, place in the pudding, and roll tightly. Tie up each end with string, place in boiling water, and boil continuously for three hours. If steamed, place in dish without cloth, replace lid. Time, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

WATERCRESS.—Remove the roots and thoroughly clean. Place in salted water to kill insects, and allow it to remain for a few minutes. Then wash and serve at once.

PEA SOUP.—Soak the peas for about 12 hours, steam or boil till pulped. Clean and cut up the onions, wash and cut up the vegetables. Place 10 gallons of stock in boilers, add the vegetables and onions, slowly bring to boil, and simmer till cooked. Make a thickening of flour, 3 ozs. pepper, 6 ozs. salt, and cold stock or water, add with the pulped peas. Bring the stock to the boil again for 30 minutes, stirring well, and adding dried mint if desired. Time, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

No. 2.

		Meal	la		Ingredients	Required.
					Free Issue.	Purchased.
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Bacon and Tomatoes.	one of the second	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Bacon, 200 rations Salt as required Mustard as required Pepper as required	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 4\frac{4}{3} lbs. Milk, 16 pints Tomatoes, eight 2-lb. tins
DINNER.	Irish Stew, Dumplings.	Bread and Butter Pudding.	The state of the s	April 1997	Meat, 60 lbs. Dripping, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Flour, 19 lbs. Bread as required Suet, \frac{1}{2} lb.	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Currants, 5 lbs. Sugar, 5 lbs. Milk, 5 gallons Spice, Nutmegs 2 Onions, 7 lbs. Butter, 2 lbs.
TEA.	Tea,	Bread and	Butter.	Jam.	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Jam, 200 rations Bread as required	Milk, 8 pints Butter, $4\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
SUPPER.	Lentil Soup.	Cheese, Pickles,	Bread.	Ella de la contra del la contra de la contra de la contra del la contra del la contra de la contra del la co	Bread as required Cheese, 200 rations Salt as required Pepper as required Flour, 3 lbs.	Lentils, 10 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Herbs, 1 packet Pickles, 1 gallen

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

BACON (Fried).—Remove the bone and rind, cut into thin rashers of about 1 oz. each (if bacon is lean, slightly grease the dish), put only one layer in dish, fry in oven or on hot plate.

TOMATOES (Tinned).—Empty into a dish, cook by bringing to a simmer, stir

occasionally. Serve with bacon in centre of dish.

TOMATOES (Fresh).—Remove stalk and clean, then cut in half and fry till browned on both sides, or place a little hot water into a boiler and add the cut tomatoes, stirring till cooked.

PORRIDGE .- See Diet 1.

TEA.—Place the tea in a clean vessel, then pour over boiling water, allow tea to stand a few minutes, strain tea leaves, add sugar and milk.

IRISH STEW.-Wash, peel and again wash the potatoes, clean and cut up onions, remove meat from bone, cut up into cubes. Place a little stock or water in cooking vessel, add alternately a layer of potatoes and layer of meat, sprinkle over each layer some onions, salt and pepper, continue thus until vessel is nearly full; potatoes must be the finishing layer; barely cover with stock. Steam or stew 21 to 3 hours.

DUMPLINGS .- Make paste as in Currant Roll (Diet 1), cut into portions (one

per man), and steam or cook with stew for one hour.

BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING.—Place a layer of thin bread and butter on bottom of greased baking dish, sprinkle over with currants (which have been washed and picked), chopped suet and sugar, then a layer of bread and butter, currants, suet and sugar until dish is three-quarters full. Cover with milk, grate over a little nutmeg. Place in oven till nicely browned. Time, 50 minutes.

TEA .- See Breakfast.

LENTIL SOUP.—Proceed as for Pea Soup (Diet 1), using Lentils instead of peas and substituting celery seed for mint, which should be added with the thickening.

No. 3.

		vr - 1			Ingredients Required.		
		Meal	s.		Free Issue.	Purchased.	
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Stewed Steaks.	Tang est :	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Flour, 2 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Meat, 32 lbs. Dripping, 2 lbs.	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 43 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 4 lbs. Onions, 4 lbs. Milk, 16 pints	
DINNER.	Meat Pies, Gravy.	Potatoes, Cabbage.		100円を出ている。 日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日	Meat, 60 lbs. Dripping, 5 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Bread as required Flour, 16 lbs.	Potatoes, 50 lbs. Cabbage, 25 heads Onions, 3 lbs. Gravy Salt, 1 pkt.	
TEA.	Tea.	Bread and Butter.	Plain Cake.		Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Flour, 12 lbs. Bread as required Dripping, 2½ lbs.	Sugar, 4 lbs. Milk, 14 pints Butter, $4\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. Currants, $4\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Cream of Tartar, 2 oz. Carbonate of Soda, 2 ozs.	
SUPPEK.	Tomato Soup.	Cold Beef, Sauce.	Bread.	10.1 144	Bread as required Meat, 40 rations Salt as required Pepper as required Flour, 2 lbs.	Tomatoes, 8 2-lb. tins Haricot Beans, 10 lbs. Onions, 4 lbs. Sauce, 10 bottles	

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

STEWED STEAKS.—Wash, peel and cut up the mixed vegetables into small pieces, clean the onions and cut up small. Remove the meat from the bone and cut into 4 oz. steaks. Place a little dripping in the pan, add the mixed vegetables and onions, and fry till golden brown colour; remove, then quickly brown the steaks on both sides in the pan. Mix 2 lbs. flour, 3 ozs. salt with 1 oz. pepper, and add to the fat remaining in the pan after frying the steak, stirring until the fat is absorbed; then gradually add hot stock until the required amount of gravy is made. Place the gravy into a dish, add the fried vegetables and onions between the steaks. Place the dish in the oven or on a hot plate and cook till tender. Time, 2 hours.

MEAT PIE.—Make the paste as per Diet 1 for Currant Roll, and roll out the size of baking dish. Remove the meat from the bone and cut up into small cubes. Clean and cut up the onions into small pieces. Place a little stock or water in the baking dish, add the meat and onions, pepper (2 ozs.) and salt (3 ozs.), stir well together, lay over cover of paste, which should have a hole in centre to allow steam to escape. Put the pie in a hot oven till browned, then remove to a cooler part of oven, and cover with greased paper, adding stock as required during the process of cooking.

Time, 23 hours.
GRAVY.—Make a thickening with 1 lb. flour, 1 oz. pepper, and 2 ozs. salt, and

Gravi.—Make a thickening with 1 lb. flour, 1 oz. pepper, and 2 ozs. sait, and stock. Bring the stock to the boil, add the thickening, keeping stirred till cooked; add colouring. Time, 30 minutes.

CABBAGE.—Remove the withered leaves, cut cabbage into quarters, remove stalk, well wash in salted water. Bring water to the boil, add salt (3 ozs.), soda (2 ozs.), and place in cabbage and boil till tender. Time, 40 minutes.

POTATOES.—Wash, peel and rewash potatoes, and steam for 50 minutes, or boil if new 30 minutes, if old 40 minutes.

PLAIN CAKE.—Wash and pick over currants, afterwards dry them carefully. Finely shred the dripping. Pass the flour, carbonate of soda, and cream of tartar through a flour sieve. Place flour in mixing bowl, add dripping, and mix well, then add fruits, and finally mix with the milk. Place in greased tins, then in hot oven until cooked. Hottest part of oven to brown and rise, then cover with greased paper, remove dish to cooler part of oven. Time, about 1 hour. To test, insert a dry skewer; if on withdrawing it is clean, then the cake is cooked.

TOMATO SOUP.—Soak the haricot beans the previous day, steam or boil till tender. Clean and cut up the onions. Place sufficient stock into the boiler, add the tomatoes and onions, and simmer till tomatoes are reduced to a pulp and the onions are tender. Pulp the haricot beans by passing through a vegetable masher or mincer. Make a thickening (as in Pea Soup), mix up with the pulped beans, bring stock to the boil, add thickening, etc., stir till it comes to a boil again, and simmer for 30 minutes, keeping it well stirred all the time. COLD BEEF.—Bone and skewer the meat to a convenient sized joint, place a little dripping or fat in bottom of dish, arrange meat on a stand in the dish, and place in hottest part of the oven till crust forms on outside of meat. Remove to a cooler part of oven, turn at half-time, add fats to dish as required, and baste frequently. Time, 15-18 minutes per lb. Allow to cool. Carve cold meat as thin as possible and serve with pickles.

No. 4.

`					Ingredients Required.			
	1	Ieals	3.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Cold Boiled Bacon.	Bread and Butter.	ale a	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Bacon, 200 rations	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 43 lbs. Milk, 16 pints		
DINNER.	Curried Stew.	Potatoes, Rice.	Jam Roll.	ord	Meat, 60 lbs. Dripping, 6 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Flour, 22 lbs. Jam, 8 lbs. Bread as required	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Curry Powder, 13 ozs. Rice, 10 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 7 lbs.		
TEA.	Tea, Bread	and Butter.	Beetroot Salad.	W off and a second	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required	Milk, 8 pints Butter, $4\frac{8}{4}$ lbs. Beetroot, 20 large Vinegar, 2 pints		
SUPPER.	Barley Soup.	Cheese and Onions.	Bread.	distribution of the second of	Bread as required Flour, 3 lbs. Cheese, 200 rations Salt as required Pepper as required	Barley, 10 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Celery Seed, 1 pkt. Onions, 28 lbs.		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

BOILED BACON.—Select suitable boiling pieces if possible, i.e., gammon or hock. Bring the water to the boil, place in the bacon, and boil steadily for 18 to 20 minutes per lb. Allow to cool in the water, thus retaining its flavour. Remove and carve in thin slices.

CURRY STEW.—Remove the meat from the bone and cut up into small pieces. Wash, peel and cut up the mixed vegetables, clean and cut up the onions. Place 3 lbs. flour, \(\frac{1}{2} \) oz. pepper, \(2\frac{1}{2} \) ozs. curry powder in a bowl and well mix together, add the meat and well flour. Place a little stock in the baking dish, add the vegetables and onions and meat, barely cover with stock or water, place in a moderately heated oven, add stock as required, and well stir during process of cooking. Time, \(2\frac{1}{2} \) to 3 hours.

cooking. Time, $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 hours.

RICE.—Wash and pick over the rice, place eight measures of water to one of the rice into a boiler, and bring to the boil; add 2 ozs. salt, sprinkle in the rice, and keep stirred until the fire is withdrawn. This should be done immediately the rice is placed in the boiler. Allow to remain for about 25 minutes or till tender. Remove and strain, washing if necessary with hot water, and serve hot.

JAM ROLL,—Proceed as for Currant Roll on Diet 1, substituting jam for currants, sugar and peel.

BEETROOT SALAD.—Bring the water to the boil, place in the beetroots without breaking the skin or removing any earth that may adhere to them, and boil till cooked. Time, old beetroot, 3 hours; young, $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours. Allow to cool, remove the skin and stalk, cut up into thin slices, place in salad bowl or plates, pour over vinegar, and serve.

BARLEY SOUP.—Scald the barley, afterwards throwing the water away. Proceed as for Pea Soup (Diet 1), placing the barley in the stock with the mixed vegetables and onions, adding the herbs with the thickening.

No. 5.

	,	I eals			Ingredients	s Required.
	А	deals			Free Issue.	Purchased.
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Rissoles and Gravy.	oldh Boi eti	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Dripping, 2 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Flour, 3 lbs. Meat, 20 lbs. Suet, 4 lbs.	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 43 lbs. Onions, 2 lbs. Milk, 16 pints Gravy Salt, 1 pkt.
DINNER.	Baked Meat and	Potatoes.	Plum Pudding.	quality qualit	Meat, 70 lbs. Dripping, 6 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Flour, 20 lbs. Bread as required	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Raisins, $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Currants, $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Sugar, $1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Spice, $1\frac{1}{2}$ pkts.
TEA.	Tea.	Bread and Butter.	Soused Herrings.	to the second	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread, 40 rations Pepper as required Salt as required	Milk, 8 pints Butter, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Vinegar, 5 pints Cloves, 1 oz. Peppercorn, 1 oz. Onions, \frac{1}{2} lb. Herrings, 100
SUPPER.	Pea and Lentil Soup.	Brown Stew.	Potatoes.	TOM	Flour, 5 lbs. Meat, 40 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required	Lentils, 7 lbs. Split Peas, 5 lbs. Onions, 5 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 12 lbs. Mixed Herbs, 1 pkt. Potatoes, 50 lbs.

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

RISSOLES & GRAVY.-Remove the meat from the bone and cut up into small pieces, clean and cut up the onions, remove the crust from the bread and soak in cold water. Remove the skin from the suet and cut up small. Squeeze the water from the bread and crumble up. Place the whole of the above ingredients into a mixing bowl and well mix; then pass through a mincer. The minced ingredients should then be placed in a bath or bowl and seasoned with 1 oz. pepper, 2 ozs. salt, 1 pkt. of mixed herbs. Sufficient flour should be mixed with the mince to bind. Weigh or divide up in 5 oz. portions, rolling into sausage shape, place into greased baking dishes, and cook in a moderate oven. Make a thickening of flour, pepper and salt, as per Diet 3. Remove the rissoles from the oven when nearly cooked, pour off the surplus fat, and cover the rissoles with gravy; replace in oven till cooked. Time, 45 minutes. If bread is not available, cold mashed potatoes can be used in lieu.

BAKED MEAT & POTATOES .- As described on Diet 1.

PLUM PUDDING.-Wash and pick over the currants, stone and chop up the raisins, shred the dripping. Place the flour into a mixing bowl, add 1½ oz. salt, and well mix. Next place in the prepared fruit, sugar and dripping, mixing well, add sufficient cold water to make in a stiff dough. Well flour the pudding cloths. Turn out the paste, cut into the required number of portions, place in the cloths, tie up securely at each end with string, place in boiling water, and boil continuously for 3 hours.

SOUSED HERRINGS .- Gut and clean the herrings, place in salted water for half an hour. Remove and place in baking dishes, clean and cut up the onions and mince finely, then sprinkle them over the fish. Shake over the cloves and pepper-corns, cover with vinegar (diluted with equal parts of water), season with pepper and salt. Place in moderately heated oven till cooked. This dish is served cold. When cooked, the flesh breaks between the thumb and finger on being pressed.

PEA AND LENTIL SOUP .- Soak the peas and lentils, then steam or boil till

tender; then proceed as for Pea Soup (Diet 1).

BROWN STEW .- Wash and clean the vegetables, cut up into small cubes. Clean and cut up the onions into small pieces. Bone the meat and cut up into small pieces. Mix the flour, salt, and pepper in mixing bowl, add meat, and cover well with the flour. Put a little stock in baking dish, place in the floured meat, mixed vegetables and onions, barely cover with stock, stir well, and cook in moderately heated oven. During process of cooking add stock as required and keep well stirred. Time, 2½ hours.
POTATOES.—Wash, then peel and wash again. Steam or boil till cooked.

Time, to steam, 1 hour; boil, 40 minutes.

No. 6.

					Ingredients Required.			
	I	Meals	3.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea.	Bread and Butter.	Fried Bacon.	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Bacon, 200 rations	Milk, 16 pints Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, $4\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.		
DINNER.	Plain Stew.	Potatoes, Blue Peas.	Bread Pudding.	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	Meat, 60 lbs. Dripping, 5 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Bread as required Flour, 3 lbs.	Potatoes, 50 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 7 lbs. Sugar, 4 lbs. Gurrants, 4 lbs. Mixed Peel, 1 lb. Spice, 3 pkts. Blue Peas, 13 lbs.		
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TEA.	Tea.	Bread and Butter.	Beetroot Salad.	10 mm	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required	Milk, 8 pints Butter, 4½ lbs. Beetroot, 20 large Tomatoes, 6 lbs. Onions, 6 bunches or lbs.		
SUPPER.	Vegetable Soup.	Cheese and Pickles.	Bread.	o de la companya de l	Flour, 3 lbs. Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Cheese, 200 rations	Lentils, 4 lbs. Pearl Barley, 4 lbs. Mixed Vegs. 20 lbs. Pickles, 1 gallon jar Onions, 3 lbs.		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

As explained on Diets 1 and 2.

PLAIN STEW.-Wash, peel and cut up the vegetables into small cubes, clean and cut up the onions. Remove the meat from the bone and cut up into pieces of about 1 oz. Place 3 lbs. flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. pepper, 3 ozs. salt into a bowl and mix well, add the meat to this mixture. Place a little stock into a steaming dish or camp kettle, add the vegetables, onions and floured meat, barely cover with stock, stir well, replace the lid, and steam for $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 hours. This should be occasionally stirred during process of cooking. If this stew is to be cooked in a camp kettle the meat should not be floured as above, but should be well whisked with stock and added as a thickening about 30 minutes before being required.

BLUE PEAS.—Soak 12 hours and cook in stock until tender.
BREAD PUDDING.—Wash and pick over the currants, chop up the peel finely, remove the crust from 25 lbs. bread, and soak in cold water for a few minutes; then squeeze out all water, leaving the bread in a pulp. Place the currants, bread, peel, dripping, sugar, and spice into a bowl and well mix. Well grease baking dishes, add the mixture, press into the dishes to a thickness of 2 ins., place in a moderately heated oven till cooked. Time, about 1 hour. This pudding can also be steamed. Prepare in same manner and place into a steaming dish, cover with the lid, and steam for 11 hours.

BEETROOT SALAD .- Place the beetroot into boiling water without breaking the skins or removing any earth that may be adhering to them, and boil till tender. Time, old, 3 hours; young, 1½ to 2 hours. When cooked remove from water and allow to cool. Remove the stalk and skin and cut up into thin slices. Remove the stalk from the tomatoes and wipe clean and cut in halves. Clean and ring the onions if large or remove the root and clean if spring onions. Lay the cut beetroot into plates or dishes, garnish with onions and tomatoes, and pour over the vinegar and

VEGETABLE SOUP.—Scald the barley, wash the lentils, prepare the vegetables and onions as above. Place lentils and barley into cold stock and simmer till cooked. Fry the vegetables and onions in a little dripping, add to the stock. Make a thickening as explained on Diet 1, bring stock to the boil, add the thickening, and stir till cooked. Time for soup, $3\frac{1}{2}$ 4 hours.

No. 7.

	,	Meals			Ingredients Required.			
	1	near	5.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Steak and Onions.		Tea. 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Meat, 31½ lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Dripping, 3 lbs.	Onions, 25 lbs. Milk, 16 pints Butter, 42 lbs. Rolled Oats, 10 lbs.		
DINNER.	Roast Beef, Gravy,	Yorkshire Pudding,	Potatoes and Cabbage.	And	Meat, 70 lbs. Flour, 17 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required Mustard as required Bread as required	Potatoes, 50 lbs. Egg Powders, 16 pkts. Milk, 16 pints Cabbage, 25 heads		
TEA.	Tea,	Bread and Butter.	Seed Cake.	Tool and a second secon	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required Flour, 12 lbs. Dripping, 2½ lbs.	Milk, 14 pints Butter, $4\frac{\pi}{4}$ lbs. Carbonate of Soda, 2 ozs. Cream of Tartar, 2 ezs. Carraway Seeds, 3 ozs. Sugar, 4 lbs.		
SUPPER.	Hotch-Potch Soup.	Cold Beef, Sauce and	Bread.	STORES COSTS	Meat, 40 lbs. Bread as required Mustard as required Pepper as required Salt as required Flour, 3 lbs.	Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Barley, 5 lbs. Cabbage Lettuce, 10 heads Onions, 3 lbs. Parsley, 1 bunch Mixed Herbs, 1 pkt. Blue Peas, 7 lbs.		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

FRIED STEAK AND ONIONS .- Remove the meat from the bone and cut up into 4 oz. steaks, place a little fat in the pan, and fry the steaks on hot plate or open fire. Time, 10 to 15 minutes. Clean and cut up the onions into rings and fry till a golden brown colour.

ROAST BEEF.—Bone and roll the meat into joints not exceeding 10 lbs. in weight. Place a little water in the baking dish, lay meat on a stand or trivet, fix over baking dish. Cook in a hot oven, turning the meat when half-cooked, adding water to the dish as required. Baste the meat occasionally with liquid fat or by

laying pieces of fat over the joint.
YORKSHIRE PUDDING.—Place 16 lbs. flour, 16 egg powders, ½ oz. pepper, 4 ozs. salt into a mixing bowl and well blend together. Make a bay in the centre of flour, add nearly the whole of the milk, then well beat up, add the remainder of the milk, mixing until all lumps have disappeared. About one hour before being required for dinner the meat should be removed from the oven, surplus fat being poured from the dish, taking care to leave only sufficient to grease the sides and bottom. Pour in the batter, equally distributing, replace meat, return to oven. The pudding should not exceed 2 inches in thickness. Remove the meat from the oven when cooked and carve up thinly, cover with gravy, and keep hot till required. Test the batter as for Cake on Diet 3. Time to cook batter, 45 minutes; meat, 15 to 18 minutes per lb.

SEED CAKE .- As for Plain Cake (Diet 3), substituting carraway seeds for currants.

HOTCH-POTCH SOUP.—Soak the peas overnight, seald the barley. Wash and peel the mixed vegetables and cut up into cubes. Clean and cut up the onions. Wash and cut up the lettuce into small pieces. Place 10 gallons stock in a boiler, add the peas, barley, onions, lettuce, parsley, bring to a simmer till cooked. Make a thickening as for Pea Soup (Diet 1). Bring soup to the boil, add the thickening and herbs, keep well stirred for 30 minutes. Serve hot. Time, 3½ to 4 hours. COLD BEEF.—Cook as for Roast Beef above, allow to cool, then carve thinly

and serve cold.

No. 8.

		W 1			Ingredients Required.			
		Meal	S.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Bacon.	9168: 1 937 257 10	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bacon, 200 rations Bread as required Salt as required Mustard as required Pepper as required	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, $4\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. Milk, 16 pints		
DINNER.	Meat Puddings.	Potatoes, Gravy.	Haricot Beans.	Tapioca Pudding.	Meat, 60 lbs. Flour, 16 lbs. Dripping, 4 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required Bread as required	Onions, 3 lbs. Potatoes, 50 lbs. Haricot Beans, 13 lbs. Tapioca, 10 lbs. Milk, 5 gallons Sugar, 5 lbs. Nutmegs, 3 Margarine, $\frac{3}{4}$ lb.		
TEA.	Tea,	Bread,	Butter.	Jam.	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Jam, 200 rations Bread as required	Butter, 4\frac{4}{4} lbs. Milk, 8 pints		
SUPPER.	Pea Soup.	Bread and Cheese.	Pickles.	of sold sold sold sold sold sold sold sold	Bread as required Pepper as required Salt as required Flour, 3 lbs. Cheese, 200 rations	Split Peas, 11 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Mint, 1 pkt. Pickles, 1 gallon jar		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

PORRIDGE.—See Diet 1. FRIED BACON.—See Diet 2.

MEAT PUDDING.—Remove the meat from bone and cut into small pieces. Clean and cut up the onions. Make the paste as described on Diet 1. Divide equally the meat, onions, pepper and salt into basins if for steaming, barely covering equally the meat, onlons, pepper and sait into basins if for steaming, barely covering with stock or water; cover top of basin with the paste, then steam for $2\frac{1}{2}$ —3 hours. If large dishes are used cover with lid before cooking. If the puddings are to be boiled, prepare ingredients as above, grease inside of basin with some dripping, line with the paste, add the meat, onions, pepper and salt, barely cover with stock or water, lay over cover of paste, tie up the whole in a cloth, cook in boiling water for

HARICOT BEANS.—Same as Blue Peas (Diet 6).
TAPIOCA PUDDINGS.—Soak the tapioca for three hours in cold water, then strain. Mix tapioca, milk and sugar in baking dishes, margarine to be broken in pieces and placed on top of mixture; then grate nutmeg over. Place puddings in hot oven till nicely browned, then remove to cooler part till cooked.

PEA SOUP.—See Diet 1.

No. 9.

	Mool			Ingredients Required.		
	Meal	8.		Free Issue.	Purchased.	
Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Sausages and Tomatoes.		Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Meat, 21 lbs. Suet, 3 lbs. Dripping, 1 lb. Pepper as required Salt as required	Milk, 16 pints Butter, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Herbs, 1 pkt. Sausage Skins, 1 lb. Tomatoes, 6 2-lb. tins Rolled Oats, 10 lbs.	
Roast Meat (Stuffed).	Potatoes, Gravy.	Blue Peas.	anne sang sang sang sang sang sang sang sang	Meat, 70 lbs. Bread as required Suet, 2 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required Mustard as required	Parsley, 1 bunch Onions, 3 lbs. Eggs, 7 Potatoes, 50 lbs. Blue Peas, 13 lbs.	
Tea,	Bread and Butter.	Watercress.		Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required Salt as required	Watercress, 25 bunches Butter, 43 lbs. Milk, 8 pints	
Lentil Soup.	Minced Beef and	Bread.		Bacon, 4 lbs. Meat, 36 lbs. Suet or Fat, 4 lbs. Bread as required Flour, 5 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required	Lentils, 10 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Herbs, 1 pkt.	
	Tea, Roast Meat (Stuffed). Porridge.	Tea, Roast Meat (Stuffed). Porridge. Bread and Butter. Potatoes, Gravy. Tea, Bread and Butter.	Tea, Roast Meat (Stuffed). Bread and Butter. Potatoes, Gravy. Watercress. Blue Peas.	Tea, Roast Meat (Stuffed). Porridge. Bread and Butter. Potatoes, Gravy. Tea, Bread and Butter. Watercress. Blue Peas. Fried Sausages and Tomatoes.	Meals. Free Issue. Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Meat, 21 lbs. Suet, 3 lbs. Dripping, 1 lb. Pepper as required Salt as required Suet, 2 lbs. Pepper as required Suet, 2 lbs. Pepper as required Mustard as required Mustard as required Mustard as required Sult as required Sult as required Sult as required Sult as required Mustard as required Sult as required Sult as required Mustard as required Sult as required Sult as required Mustard as required Sult as required Mustard as required Sult as required	

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

FRIED SAUSAGES.—Remove the meat from the bone and fat and cut up into small pieces; remove the skin from the suet and cut up small. Cut away the crust from 8 lbs. of bread and soak in cold water for a few minutes, then squeeze out all moisture. Soak the sausage skins for sufficient time to remove the brine and run on to the fillers. Place the meat, bread, and suet through the mincer and mince finely, place into a mixing bowl, add the thyme, pepper and salt, and mix well. Fix the filler on the machine, pass the minced ingredients into the skins, make into sausages about 2 ozs. each, puncture each sausage with a fork, place in a greased dish, and fry in oven or on hot plate. Time to cook, 20 minutes.

ROAST MEAT (STUFFED).—Bone the meat and make the stuffing as follows:—Clean and cut up the onions and cover with water and boil till tender. Remove the skin from the suet and chop up finely. Remove the crust from the bread and crumble through a sieve. Wash, dry, and chop up the parsley, removing all stalk. Break and beat up the eggs. Remove the onions when cooked and pass through a mincer. Place the breadcrumbs, onions, parsley, suet, pepper and salt into a bowl and well mix, make a hollow in the centre, add the beaten eggs, and mix up well. Make the stuffing into balls about 2 ins. in diameter. If ribs of beef, lay the stuffing balls on and roll and skewer. If buttock, make an incision in the meat and insert the stuffing. Proceed with the cooking of joint as for Cold Meat (Diet 3). Time, 15 to 18 minutes per lb.

BLUE PEAS.—As described on Diet 6.

WATERCRESS .- As described on Diet 1.

LENTIL SOUP.—As described on Diet 2.

MINCED BEEF.—Remove the meat from the bone and cut up small. Cut up the fat and remove the skin from the suet and cut up into small pieces. Remove the rind from the bacon and cut up small. Pass the meat, suet, and bacon through a mincer and place in baking dish, then into moderate oven till nearly cooked. Make

mincer and place in baking dish, then into moderate oven till nearly cooked. Make a thickening as described on Diet 1, pour off the surplus fat from the meat, add the thickening, replace in oven until the mince sets hard, then serve hot. Time, 1 hour.

No. 10.

		Mea	la		Ingredients Required.			
		Mea	.18.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Stewed Liver and Bacon.	and de de de de de de de de de de de de de	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Bacon, 100 rations Flour, 2 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Milk, 16 pints Butter, 4½ lbs. Liver, 12½ lbs.		
DINNER.	Boiled Beef and Carrots.	Potatoes, Gravy.	Jam Roll.	LINE AND LIN	Meat, 80 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Flour, 20 lbs. Bread as required Jam, 8 lbs. Dripping, 6 lbs.	Carrots, 50 lbs. Potatoes, 50 lbs.		
TEA.	Tea, Bread,	Butter.	Baked	Bloaters.	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Pepper as required Bread as required Dripping, 1 lb.	Bloaters, 100 Butter, 43 lbs. Milk, 8 pints		
SUPPER.	Tomato Soup.	Bread, Cheese,	and Onions.	18. 1 (10.0 (10.7) (10.0) (10.0) (10.0) (10.0)	Cheese, 200 rations Bread as required Flour, 2 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required	Onions, 29 lbs. Tomatoes, 8 2-lb. tins Haricot Beans, 10 lbs.		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

STEWED LIVER AND BACON.—Wash and cut the liver up into small cubes, rasher the bacon, and cut up in pieces about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. square. Place 2 lbs. flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. pepper, and 2 ozs. salt in a mixing bowl and well mix, add the liver and bacon, and flour well. Place a little stock into the baking dish, add the floured liver and bacon, barely cover with stock, place in a moderate oven, and cook till tender, keeping well stirred during the process of cooking, and stock added as required. Time, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

BOILED BEEF.—Bone and roll the beef and tie up with string, place sufficient water to cover meat in a boiler and bring to the boil, add 2 ozs. salt and the meat, and boil hard for about 10 minutes; then reduce to a simmer. In the meantime wash, scrape, and cut up the carrots into quarters, add to the boiler containing the beef, leaving till cooked. Time, 18 minutes per lb. Remove the meat when ready, carve thinly, remove the carrots, add a thickening of mixed flour to the water that the meat and carrots have been cooked in, cover the carved meat with gravy, keep hot till required.

JAM ROLL.—As described on Diet 4.

BLOATERS.—Remove the head and gut and clean. Well grease a baking dish, lay in the fish on their sides, place in a moderately heated oven till cooked. Time, 25 minutes. Or fry them in camp kettle lids, etc.

TOMATO SOUP .- As described on Diet 3.

No. 11.

		N .			Ingredients Required.			
		Meal	.S.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fish Kedgeree.	(1) (1) (1) (2) (2) (3) (3) (4)	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Salt as required	Fish, 25 lbs. Rice, 5 lbs. Cayenne Pepper, ½ oz. Milk, 16 pints Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 6½ lbs. Eggs, 20		
DINNER.	Toad-in-Hole.	Potatoes, Gravy.	Cabbage.	100	Flour, 17 lbs. Meat, 60 lb. Salt as required Pepper as required Bread as required	Egg Powders, 13 pkts. Milk, 13 pints Onions, 3 lbs. Potatoes, 50 lbs. Cabbage, 25 heads		
TEA.	Tea,	Bread and	Butter.	Jam.	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required Jam, 200 rations	Butter, $4\frac{a}{4}$ lbs. Milk, 8 pints		
SUPPER.	Barley Soup.	Sausage and Mashed.	Bread.		Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Meat, 21 lbs. Suet, 3 lbs. Dripping, 1 lb.	Milk, 1 pint Margarine, 2 lbs. Potatoes, 50 lbs. Sausage Skins, 1 lb.		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

FISH KEDGEREE.—Boil the rice as explained on Diet 4. Boil the eggs till hard, shell, remove the yolks, and cut up the whites into slices. Remove the bone and skin from the cooked fish and flake small. Place the dried cooked rice, flaked fish, sliced egg, and cayenne pepper into a buttered pan and stir over the fire until the whole of the ingredients become hot; cut up and add the yolks of the eggs and serve hot. Tinned salmon may be substituted for fresh or dried fish, 20 tins being required. Time to cook, 1 hour.

TOAD-IN-HOLE.—Remove the meat from the bone and cut up small. Clean and cut up the onions into small pieces. Place 3 lbs. flour, ½ oz. pepper, 2 ozs. salt in a mixing bowl and mix, add the meat, flouring well. Place a little stock into the baking dish, add the meat and onions and place in a moderate oven till nearly cooked. In the meantime place 13 lbs. flour, ½ oz. pepper, 2 ozs. salt, 13 pkts. egg powder into a mixing bowl and well blend together; make a bay in the centre, add nearly the whole of the milk, and well mix; add the remainder of the 13 pints and well beat up until all lumps have disappeared. Remove the dishes from the oven when ready, pour off all surplus gravy, then pour the batter over the meat, levelling off with a knife. Replace in the oven till cooked. To test when cooked, insert a skewer in the thickest part of the batter; if on removal the skewer is clean, then the batter is cooked. Time for meat before adding batter, 2 hours; time for batter, 40 minutes.

BARLEY SOUP.—As explained on Diet 4. FRIED SAUSAGES.—As explained on Diet 9.

MASHED POTATOES.—Wash, peel and rewash the potatoes and boil or steam till tender. Remove and place in mixing bowl, add 1 pint of milk, 2 lbs. of margarine, ½ oz pepper, 2 ozs. salt, and mash thoroughly. If possible they should first be passed through a potato masher, the margarine, pepper, salt and milk being added afterwards. Time to cook potatoes, if steamed, 50 minutes; if boiled, 40 minutes.

No. 12.

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		Meal			Ingredients Required.			
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BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Eggs and Bacon.	loca loca lives with	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bacon, 100 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Dripping, 1½ lbs.	Milk, 16 pints Butter, 4\frac{3}{2} lbs. Eggs, 100 Rolled Oats, 10 lbs.		
DINNER.	Steamed Beef, Gravy.	Vegetables and Potatoes.	Fig Pudding.	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)	Flour, 20 lbs. Dripping, 5 lbs. Meat, 60 lbs. Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 7 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Figs, 12 lbs. Sugar, 5 lbs.		
TEA.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Meat Croquettes.			Meat, 25 lbs. Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Flour, 21 lbs. Bread as required Pepper as required Salt as required Dripping, 17 lbs. Mustard as required	Milk, 8 pints Butter, 5\(^3\) lbs. Nutmegs, 2 Parsley, 1 bunch Eggs, 20		
SUPPER.	Pea and Lentil Soup.	Boiled Bacon (Cold).	Bread and Butter.	land land	Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required Bacon, 200 rations Mustard as required Flour, 3 lbs.	Butter, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Peas (Split), 5 lbs. Lentils, 7 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Herbs, 1 pkt. Onions, 3 lbs.		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

EGGS AND BACON .- Fry the bacon as described on Diet 2, crack the eggs and drop into the hot fat, and fry till the white of the egg sets.

STEAMED BEEF.—Clean, and cut up the onions, wash, peel, and cut up the vegetables into small pieces. Bone and tie up the meat in small rolls, about 4 lbs. each (any kind of meat will be found suitable for this purpose). Place a little stock in a steaming dish, add the vegetables and onions, sprinkle 1 oz. pepper, 2 ozs. salt (for each 100 men), lay in the rolled joints, replace the lid on dish, put in steaming chamber for 3 hours.

FIG PUDDING.—Soak the figs overnight and cut up into small pieces; then

proceed as for Plum Pudding (Diet 5).

MEAT CROQUETTES —Cook the meat and pass through the mincer. Make a paste as explained on Diet 1 and roll out thinly. Wash, dry, and remove the stalk from the parsley and chop up finely. Clean and cut the onions, place in a buttered pan, and fry lightly, add a mixture of 2 lbs. flour, ½ oz. pepper, and 2 ozs. salt to the onions and stir well, gradually adding 1 gallon of stock and bringing to the boil for 10 minutes. Add the minced vegetables, parsley, and ground nutmeg, and keep stirred until thoroughly mixed; then turn out and allow to cool. Cut the paste into small squares where in a tablescential course are the into small squares, place in a tablespoonful of meat, damp the edges, turn over the paste into the shape of a triangle, paint over with well-beaten egg, and cover with breadcrumbs. Heat fat to the boil, having sufficient in the cooking vessel to cover the croquettes when placed in the fat, and fry to a golden brown colour. Remove, drain, and serve hot. Time to fry each, 10 minutes.

PEA AND LENTIL SOUP .- As explained on Diet 5. BOILED BACON .- As explained on Diet 4.

No. 13.

SPECIMEN DAY'S

	1	Ieals			Ingredients Required.						
	4	loans			Free Issue.	Purchased.					
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Haddock.		Haddock,		Haddock.	Haddock.		Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required	Butter, $4\frac{2}{4}$ lbs. Milk, 16 pints Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Haddock, $37\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
DINNER.	Meat Pies.	Potatoes, Boiled Onions and	Gravy.	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	Meat, 60 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Flour, 16 lbs. Dripping, 3\frac{3}{4} lbs. Bread as required	Onions, 53 lbs. Potatoes, 50 lbs.					
TEA.	Tea, Bread	and Butter.	Jam.	10000000000000000000000000000000000000	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Jam, 200 rations Bread as required	Butter, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Milk, 8 pints					
SUPPER.	Vegetable Soup.	Cheese and Pickles,	Bread.		Cheese, 200 rations Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required	Vegetables, 20 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Pickles, 1 gallon jar Barley, 4 lbs. Lentils, 4 lbs.					

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

HADDOCK.—(1) Smoked: Remove the tail and fins and cut into portions, lay in steaming dishes, replace lid, and steam for about 30 minutes, or place into baking dishes and cover with boiling water. Then place into a hot oven for about 30 minutes. (2) Filleted: Soak in cold water for a few hours to remove the colouring, then cut into portions, and proceed as for smoked haddock. (3) Fresh: Remove the fins and tail and wash in salted water, cut into portions, and steam as for smoked haddock, or boil the fish whole for about 20 minutes, afterwards cutting into portions. Care should be taken to place the fish into boiling water and afterwards reducing the temperature to prevent the fish from breaking.

MEAT PIE.—As explained on Diet 3.

BOILED SPANISH ONIONS.—Skin the onions; procure them of the same size if possible. Bring the water to the boil, add a pinch of salt, place in the onions, and boil for $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours.

POTATOES.—Wash, peel and rewash, and place into nets and boil for about 30 minutes, or steam for 45 minutes.

VEGETABLE SOUP .- As explained on Diet 6.

No. 14.

SPECIMEN DAY'S

		Meal	c		Ingredients Required.			
		in Cal	ο,		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Bacon and Sausages.	of di to , to to to to to to to to	Tea, 40 rations Dripping, 1 lb. Sugar, 50 rations Bacon, 100 rations Salt as required Mustard as required Bread as required Meat, 12 lbs. Suet, 1½ lbs.	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Sausage Skins, \frac{1}{2} lb. Thyme, 1 pkt. Milk, 16 pints		
DINNER.	Stewed Rabbit and Bacon.	Potatoes.	Macaroni Pudding.	enth Wall	Bacon, 50 rations Flour, 3 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Bread as required	Onions, 3 lbs. Rabbits, 25 large Potatoes, 75 lbs. Macaroni, 10 lbs. Milk, 5 gallons Margarine, $\frac{2}{4}$ lb. Nutmegs, 3 Sugar, 5 lbs.		
TEA.	Tea,	Bread and Butter.	Sultana Cake.		Flour, 12 lbs. Dripping, 2½ lbs. Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required Salt as required	Cream of Tartar, 2 ozs. Carbonate of Soda, 2 ozs. Sugar, 4 lbs. Milk, 14 pints Butter, 42 lbs. Sultanas, 41 lbs.		
SUPPER.	Pea Soup.	Brown Curried Stew.	Mashed Potatoes.		Meat, 40 lbs. Flour, 5 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Bread as required Dripping as required	Potatoes, 50 lbs. Split Peas, 11 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 12 lbs. Onions, 5 lbs. Mint, 1 pkt. Curry Powder, 8 ozs. Milk, 1 pint		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

PORRIDGE. FRIED BACON AND SAUSAGES.—As explained on Diets 2 and 9.

STEWED RABBIT.—Carefully skin the rabbit and cut into small joints and well wash in salted water. Cut the bacon into slices. Clean and cut up the onions into small pieces. Place a little stock into a steaming dish, add the onions. Place 3 lbs. flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. pepper, and 2 ozs. salt into a bowl and well mix, add the rabbit and bacon, well flouring. Next place the rabbit and bacon into the dish with the onions, barely cover with stock, stir well together, replace the lid, and steam for 2 hours. If this is cooked in a camp kettle the flour, pepper and salt should be added as a thickening about 30 minutes before required.

MACARONI PUDDING.—Break the macaroni into pieces about 1 inch in length. Bring the water to the boil, add a pinch of salt, then place in the macaroni, reduce the temperature, and simmer till tender. Remove and strain, then place into baking dishes, add the sugar, cover with milk, break small pieces of margarine over the surface, grate over a little nutmeg, and place in a moderate oven till nicely browned.

Time for oven, 40 minutes; time for cooking in boiler, 40 minutes.

SULTANA CAKE.—As explained on Diet 3, substituting sultanas for currants.

PEA SOUP.—As explained on Diet 1.

CURRIED STEW.—As explained on Diet 4, but cooking in an oven instead of steaming.

MASHED POTATOES .- As explained on Diet 11.

No. 15.

SPECIMEN DAY'S

		F1			Ingredients Required.			
	1	Meals	S.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Bread and Butter.	Fried Steaks and Onions.	2 4	Bread as required Meat, 31½ lbs. Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Dripping, 2 lbs.	Butter, 4% lbs. Onions, 25 lbs. Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Milk, 16 pints		
DINNER.	Roast Mutton and Gravy.	Fried Potatoes.	Baked Apples.	THE PARTY OF THE P	Meat, 70 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Mustard as required Bread as required Flour, 1 lb.	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Apples, 35 lbs. Sugar, 4 lbs.		
TEA.	Tea, Bread and	Butter.	Welsh Rarebit.		Cheese, 200 rations Mustard, 3 ozs. Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Bread as required	Butter, 61 lbs. Milk, 10 pints.		
SUPPER.	Lentil Soup.	Potato Pie.	Bread.	40	Meat, 40 lbs. Flour, 5 lbs. Bread as required Salt as required Pepper as required	Potatoes, 50 lbs. Onions, 5 lbs. Lentils, 10 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Herbs, 1 pkt. Milk, 1 pint		

Method of Preparation and Cooking.

FRIED STEAKS AND ONIONS .- As explained on Diet 7.

ROAST MUTTON.—As explained for Roast Beef on Diet 7.

FRIED POTATOES.—Wash, peel and rewash the potatoes, and cut into slices, boil or steam till half-cooked. Bring some dripping in a frying pan to a high temperature and place potatoes in the hot fat and fry till a golden brown colour; remove from fat, drain, and sprinkle over with a little salt and serve hot. To test the temperature of the fat, drop a piece of bread into the hot fat and allow to remain for half a minute; if on withdrawing the bread is a golden brown colour, then the fat is at the right temperature, if the bread, on removal, is black, then the fat is too hot.

BAKED APPLES.—Wipe and core the apples, filling the centre with sugar. Grease the dishes with a little margarine, and place in the apples and bake in a hot oven for 1 hour.

WELSH RAREBIT.—Slice the bread and toast on both sides, and spread with margarine. Place 1½ lbs. margarine in a stew pan and allow to become hot, cut the cheese into small pieces and add to the melted margarine, stir well until the cheese is melted, add 1 quart of milk, 3 ozs. of mixed mustard, ½ oz. pepper, 2 ozs. salt, keeping well mixed, spread over the toast, place into dishes in a hot oven for a few minutes, and serve hot.

LENTIL SOUP .- As explained on Diet 2.

POTATO PIE.—Prepare and cook the meat and onions as for Toad-in-Hole (Diet 11). Steam or boil and mash the potatoes. Line the sides of greased baking dishes with one-third of the mashed potatoes, remove the meat from the oven, and pour off the surplus gravy into the lined dishes and place layers of mashed potatoes over each one of the meat, and paint the top one over with a little milk or beaten egg. Replace the dishes in the oven until nicely browned, remove, and serve hot. Time for browning, about 40 minutes; time for cooking the meat, 2 hours.

No. 16.

SPECIMEN DAY'S

					Ingredients Required.			
		Meal	S.		Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Porridge.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Bacon and Tomatoes.		Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Bread as required Salt as required Bacon, 200 rations	Rolled Oats, 10 lbs. Butter, 4\frac{3}{4} lbs. Milk, 16 pints Tomatoes, 8 2-lb. tins		
DINNER.	Curried Mutton and Rice.	Mashed Potatoes.	Jam Fritters.	TO A CONTROL OF THE C	Meat, 60 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Jam, 100 rations Flour, 4½ lbs. Bread as required	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Rice, 10 lbs. Curry, 1 lb. Onions, 3 lbs. Sugar, 2 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 7 lbs. Castor Sugar, 1 lb. Butter, 2 lbs. Eggs, 1 dozen Milk, 4 pints		
TEA.	Tea,	Bread and Butter.	Watercress.	out a	Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations Salt as required Bread as required	Milk, 8 pints Watercress, 25 bundles Butter, 43 lbs.		
SUPPER.	Tomato Soup.	Stuffed Mutton.	Potatoes.	and the second s	Meat, 40 lbs. Salt as required Pepper as required Bread as required Flour, 2 lbs.	Tomatoes, 8 2-lb. tins Haricot Beans, 10 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Potatoes, 40 lbs. Parsley, 1 bundle Eggs, 3		
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Method of Preparation and Cooking.

PORRIDGE.—See Diet 1.
BACON AND TOMATOES.—See Diet 2.

CURRIED MUTTON.—Peel or scrape and wash the mixed vegetables, peel, clean, cut up the onions, separate meat from the bone and up into small pieces, place a little stock in a cooking vessel, place a layer of mixed vegetables (which have been cut up into small pieces) into the stock, then add the meat, which has been dredged with a mixture of curry powder and a little flour, then add the onions, pepper and salt as required, barely cover the whole with stock, and stew gently for 3 hours.

RICE.—See Diet 4.

MASHED POTATOES.—Wash, peel and rewash the potatoes, place in boiling water with a pinch of salt, allowing about 40 minutes to cook. Strain and mash them with a vegetable masher, add a little salt and pepper, then mix with half a

gallon of milk.

JAM FRITTERS.—Place 8 pints of water into a stew pan with butter, sugar and salt, put on the fire, and when boiling add the flour and stir well, drop a tablespoonful of this paste into hot fat, and fry slowly until crisp and lightly browned, and drain off the fat. Place a little jam between each two pieces of pastry, sprinkle a little easter sugar over, and serve hot.

WATERCRESS. -See Diet 1.

TOMATO SOUP .- See Diet 3.

STUFFED MUTTON.—Peel, clean and cut up the onions, thoroughly wash and chop up the parsley finely. pass 8 lbs. of soaked bread through a fine sieve, part boil the onions, place these ingredients into a mixing bowl, season with pepper and salt, beat up the eggs and add to the mixture, mix to a pulp, make an incision in the meat and press in the stuffing, place the potatoes (which have been well washed) on the bottom of a greased baking dish, place the joint on the potatoes, season with pepper and salt, add sufficient stock to cover the bottom of the dish, and cook in hot oven for 2½ hours.

No. 17.

SPECIMEN DAY'S

		Mea	als		Ingredients Required.			
		2100			Free Issue.	Purchased.		
BREAKFAST.	Tea, Bread and Butter.	Fried Rissoles and Gravy.	nida in i prigin si isa noni	Acquired and a second a second and a second	Meat, 24 lbs. Bread as required Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 50 rations Suet, 4 lbs. Flour as required (about 3 lbs.) Pepper as required Salt as required	Onions, 5 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 3 lbs. Milk, 16 pints Butter, 43 lbs.		
DINNER.	Baked Meat and	Potatoes.	Bread and Butter	Pudding.	Meat, 70 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required Bread as required	Potatoes, 75 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Currants, 5 lbs. Butter, 2 lbs. Milk, 5 gallons Nutmegs, 2		
TEA.	Tea,	Bread and	- Butter.		Bread as required Tea, 40 rations Sugar, 40 rations	Milk, 8 pints Butter, 4½ lbs.		
SUPPER.	Barley Soup.	Cheese,	Bread and	Pickles.	Flour, 3 lbs. Pepper as required Salt as required Cheese, 200 rations Bread as required	Barley, 10 lbs. Mixed Vegs., 10 lbs. Onions, 3 lbs. Celery Seed, 1 pkt. Pickles, 1 gallon jar		
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Method of Preparation and Cocking.

RISSOLES .- See Diet 5.

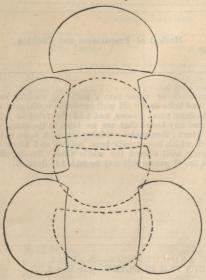
RISSOLES.—See Diet 5.

GRAVY.—Place stock or water into a boiler or cooking vessel, peel, clean and cut up the onious, and bake or fry till well browned, wash, peel or scrape the mixed vegetables and cut into small pieces, and add the fried or baked onions with the mixed vegetables and any bones that are on hand to the stock and allow to simmer gently for about 3 hours; then make a thickening with flour, salt, pepper and water, and add to the stock which has already been cooked and allow to simmer again for half an hour, keeping well stirred the whole time. Strain off through a sieve or piece of muslin; 1 oz. of gravy salt may be added if desired.

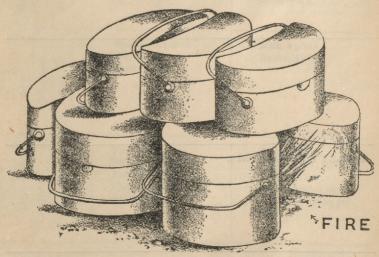
BAKED MEAT AND POTATOES .- See Diet 1. BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING .- See Diet 2.

BARLEY SOUP .- See Diet 4.

PLAN.



ELEVATION



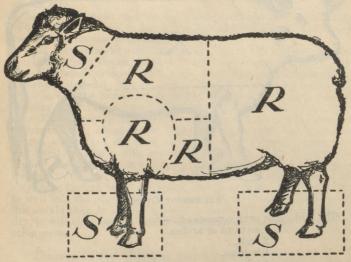
Part II.

FIELD COOKING, &c.

On service it may be necessary for troops to secure and butcher their own meat ration. The following is a rough and ready guide to such work.

Every edible portion of the animal is available for stewing purposes, but to ensure an even distribution of ration meat, units should always be given an equal share of roasting and stewing





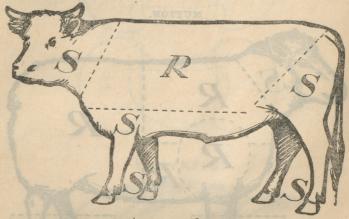
joints, as shown in the diagrams, the letter "R" indicating roasting portions, and the letter "S" the boiling or stewing joints. Regimental quartermasters, butchers and cooks should be conversant with these diagrams and cut up and distribute meat accordingly.

To cook rapidly and well is an art which can be easily acquired, and which every soldier should learn. It is a matter of paramount importance that soldiers' food be carefully looked after, and this duty should be attended to by the officers themselves, who should also be masters of the art of improvising cooking ovens, etc., out of empty biscuit tins, barrels, preserved meat tins, etc.

Service kettles issued are as follows :-

Name.	Weight.	Jourents.	Surface iameter.	outside	Number of Men will Cook for.	
	Mod	Con	Su	Depth, mea	With vegetables.	Without.
Oval, large , small	Lbs. 8 43/4	Galls. 3 134	In. In. $13\frac{1}{2}$ by 9 $12\frac{1}{2}$ by $8\frac{1}{2}$	In. 11 8	8 5	15 8

BEEF.



ALDERSHOT OVEN.

The Aldershot oven consists of :-

2 sections or arches.

2 ends.

1 bottom.

4 bars.

9 tins. 1 peel.

Total weight 374 lbs. (about 31 cwt.

The bottom can usually be dispensed with, in which case the above weight is reduced by 66 lbs.

The length of the two sections when up is 5 ft. 1 in.; width, 3 ft. 6 in.

Capacity.—Each oven will bake 54 2-lb. or 21/2-lb. loaves (108 rations) in each batch, or if used for cooking, will cook dinners for about 220 men.

How to Erect the Oven.

Select a gentle slope on clay soil if possible, and avoid marshy or sandy ground, the mouth of the oven to face the prevailing wind.

The site should be cleared and smoothed, and sods should be cut to build up the back, front, and sides of the oven. The bars are then placed over the site already prepared, the back one overlapping the front, the back of the oven placed in position, the plate forming the bottom of the oven is then placed against the front portion and firmly fixed, the sods are then built round the front, back and sides, a trench is next cut for the cook to work in, which is 18 ins. deep, 2 ft. wide, and 6 ft. long, leaving a space of 12 ins. between it and the oven. The clay or soil from the trench being mixed with water and grass, rushes, etc., to assist in binding it, is then thrown on the oven and well beaten down. The depth of clay or earth should be at least 6 ins. The roof should slope backwards slightly, to carry off the rain.

Kettles, portable cookers and ovens form the usual field outfit. When these are not to hand, the ingenuity of officers and men is tested to improvise substitutes.

Beer barrels make excellent ovens; one end is knocked out, the ground slightly sloped, so that it may rest firmly, the sides, back, and top being covered with clay, well wedged downwards, to become quite hard; the fire is then lit and allowed to burn until the whole of the barrel is consumed; the hoops will then support the clay, and the oven may be safely used. Where the clay is good a small oven may be built by it alone. Build two walls the required distance apart, about 6 ins. high, with clay that has been well beaten and mixed, the back being joined to the walls; then, with one hand on either side, gradually build the walls a few inches higher, the tops slightly sloping towards each other, leaving an interval in the form of a V in the centre, then mould a piece of the clay large enough to fill the space, and place it in, care being taken to well join the edges with the walls both inside and out; a small fire should then be lit and allowed to burn slowly until the clay is dry, it will then become baked and quite firm, and may be used as other ovens.

Directions for Working Ovens of the Aldershot or Mud-covered Type.

1. Every night wood should be laid in the oven ready for lighting in the morning. It is thus kept dry.

2. When the oven is heated the embers are drawn out with a rake, and a small quantity of ashes left and raked even with the floor.

3. The tins containing dough should not be put in till 20 minutes or half an hour after the fire is drawn, as otherwise the top heat is so fierce that it would burn the upper part of the bread.

When meat is to be cooked it may be put in immediately the fire is drawn.

TIME FOR HEATING, BAKING, COOKING, ETC.

1st heating 1st day	150	 4 hours.
1st heating 2nd day		 2 hours.
2nd and subsequent heating	***	 1½ hours.
Baking	***	1 to 1\frac{1}{4} hours.
Cooking		 Up to 2½ hours.

FUEL REQUIRED FOR EACH OVEN.

1st heating 1st day	00		300 lbs. wood.
1st heating 2nd day			150 lbs. wood.
2nd and subsequent heating		ini	75 lbs. (baking).
2nd and subsequent heating	Could to		Up to 150 lbs. (cooking).

A rough heating rule for baking bread is to allow 1 lb. of wood for each pound of bread required.

4. Immediately the oven is filled the door should be put up and wedged tightly with a piece of wood, the end of which should rest on the outer edge of the trench in front.

The crevices round the end should then be filled in with wet clay to prevent any steam escaping. If this is properly performed the steam providing the necessary moisture is retained, and the bread or dinners will not be burnt.

Tin biscuit boxes are a good substitute for an Aldershot oven. Melt one side of the solder and form it into an oval shape, lay it on the ground, and cover it with a few inches of clay or soil sufficient to retain the heat; light the fire, and proceed as with Aldershot pattern.

Small joints of meat may also be baked in the service camp kettle. A small amount of fat should be placed in the bottom, then a few clean pebbles large enough to cover the fat, the joint placed on the pebbles, and the lid put on. It requires a little longer to cook than the ordinary oven, and it is hardly possible to perceive any difference in the taste. Ant-heaps can also be used as ovens, the insides being scooped out and the fire lighted as in the Aldershot oven.

Another method is to dig into the side of a bank or trench and improvise a door with any old sheets of tin or iron to hand, pugging up the crevices when cooking, as with the Aldershot oven.

TO MAKE AN ASH OVEN.

In camp or trenches where improvised methods of cooking prevail wood ashes should not be thrown away. If put in a convenient place, kept dry and free from other refuse, such vegetables as potatoes, onions, etc., may be baked by simply placing them in a single layer in the ashes and lighting the fires used for stewing, etc., over them. Potatoes and onions cooked in this way retain all their natural flavour, and will keep hot a very long time. They should not be peeled before placing them in the ashes.

BREAD MADE WITH BAKING POWDER.

The advantage of using baking powder is the saving of time effected in the production of bread, a feature which may sometimes render this process useful on service when bread has to be produced at short notice. The method of using baking powder is as follows:—

Spread the flour evenly at the bottom of the trough, sift the baking powder over the flour, taking care to break up any small lumps, which, if left, would cause a yellow stain in the bread. The

dry powder and flour should then be thoroughly mixed.

Dissolve salt, at the rate of $2\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. per sack of flour only, as a considerable quantity of saline matter is contained in all baking powders; use softest and coldest water obtainable; water which has been boiled and allowed to get cool is the best for the purpose.

Mix the flour, baking powder, and water thoroughly with a rotary motion, constantly stirring up from the bottom. The dough being properly mixed should be scaled, moulded, and placed in a quick oven. To make a good loaf with baking powder the bread should be in the oven within thirty minutes of adding the water to the flour. If the dough is allowed to lie about the effervescence is finished before it is put in the oven.

Small loaves of bread made in this manner can be baked in empty tins with a fire lit all round them. Dried grass, wood, or

peat are the most suitable fuels for the purpose.

USE OF PRESERVED MEAT TINS.

Preserved meat tins may be used both for baking and boiling. Care should be taken when opening them not to entirely detach the lid or end. How to boil water or stew in them needs little explanation. To roast or bake meat, proceed as follows:—

Make small holes in the bottom of the tin and place a few clean pebbles in it. Secure some wire from the hay bales, etc., and cut into skewers about an inch shorter than the preserved meat tin. Cut the meat in pieces about the size of a walnut and place on the skewers, then insert these standing on end into the preserved meat tin, and close down lid. Scoop a hole about 4 ins. deep in the ground and stand tin in this on some more pebbles, and place the loose earth around bottom of tin. A small fire of peat, wood, or rushes, etc., may then be lit around the tin, and the meat will quickly cook. Season to taste. The position of the skewers in the tin should be changed from time to time. Perforating the bottom of tin and planting the end in the ground on the pebbles is necessary to carry off the superfluous fat, or it would fire and destroy the ration.

How to Start a Stock-Pot.

Fill a large boiler or saucepan two-thirds cold water, add salt, and all suitable meat scraps available; add all cuttings and bones, and keep the pot slowly boiling; it should boil from seven to eight hours a day. Every night empty the stock-pot, straining

liquid off into a clean vessel, wash and air the pot, and pour back the stock; add fresh scraps and bones, and a little fresh water. Once a week restart the stock-pot with everything fresh; if any stock is left, strain it off, and boil it down in an uncovered pan for glaze. When the stock has boiled away until only a third is left it will become dark brown and of a glue-like consistency. It is then ready to pour off in small pots, and when cold will be like a hard, dark-brown meat extract. Keep it well skimmed during the boiling. If the glaze is to be kept for any length of time, put it in jam-pots, cover the surface of it with a layer of warmed lard or dripping, and let it set. If the stock looks cloudy, boil in it the shell and white of an egg.

COOKING IN MESS TINS, CAMP KETTLES, ETC.

The mess tins or camp kettles should be placed on the ground as shown on plan, page 38, with the opening facing the direction of the wind.

Eight is a convenient number of tins to form a "kitchen," but any number from 3 to 10 or 11 can be utilised.

The handles of the vessels should be kept outside.

Mess tins should be well greased on the outside before being placed on the fire; if this is done and they are cleaned soon after being used they will suffer no damage. The tins when they are hot can be cleaned in a few minutes with turf, soil, or rag.

Only a small quantity of wood is required for each "kitchen," a good draught being the object to be kept in view. The fuel used should be that obtainable in the vicinity of the "kitchens," and when mess tins are used each man should be instructed to prepare his own food, but when once the "kitchen" is formed and the fuel collected, one man only need remain with each fire.

The position of the tins in each "kitchen" will require to be changed from time to time, as some will be cooked sooner than others. It will be the duty of the man in charge to regulate this.

The dinners can be cooked in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours from time of placing on the fires.

The following dishes are suitable for this method of cooking:— Plain Stew, Irish Stew, Curried Stew, Sea Pies, Meat Puddings, and Jam Rolls.

It is estimated that dinners of a battalion of 1,000 men can be arranged in a space of 40 yards by 30 yards, allowing an interval of two feet between the "kitchens." When possible more room should be given, as the men attending the fires are then less inconvenienced by the smoke.

VARIOUS USEFUL RECIPES, PRESERVED MEAT, Etc.

BOILING RICE IN SMALL QUANTITIES.

Wash the rice in several waters, pick out the discoloured and unhusked grains, and place it on to boil in plenty of cold water. This is the secret of having the rice whole, the water keeping the grains separate; leave it uncovered and bring slowly to the boil; shake it occasionally to prevent burning, but do not stir if it can be avoided. When it has simmered gently from 20 to 25 minutes it should be tender. Patna rice will not require quite so long to cook as many of the other varieties. Shake in a little salt, and drain it on a colander, when the grain will separate and be of the finest flavour.

SOUP WITH PRESERVED MEAT.

Meat, mixed vegetables, flour, pepper, salt, barley, water. Place the water in the camp kettle, scrape and clean the vegetables, add them to the cold water; when the water boils, shake in the dry barley. When the vegetables are cooked, take them out and pulp them; mix the flour into a smooth batter with cold water, add it to the vegetables with salt and pepper; and put the whole into the camp kettle, keeping it well stirred to prevent burning; allow it to simmer gently for 30 minutes, then open the tins of meat and add the contents to the soup, stir well, and simmer for 10 minutes, and serve.

STEW WITH PRESERVED MEAT.

Meat, potatoes, onions, pepper, salt, and water.

After preparing the onions and potatoes put them in the camp kettle, season with pepper and salt, pour in sufficient water to cover them, and stew gently, keeping the lid of the vessel closely shut until the potatoes are nearly cooked; then open the tins of meat and cut up the contents, and put them in the kettle with the potatoes, and let the whole simmer for 10 minutes, then serve.

Brown STEW WITH PRESERVED MEAT.

Peel and slice some onions, melt the fat of the meat in the camp kettle, add the onions and fry them till brown, mix a little flour into a smooth batter with cold water, season with pepper and salt, and pour it into the camp kettle, stir the whole well together, cut up the meat into slices, put it into the kettle, and when warmed through, serve.

PRESERVED MEAT FRITTERS.

Half a pound of beef or mutton, 3 lb. of flour, half a pint of

water, 2 ozs. of butter, the whites of two eggs.

Make a smooth batter with the flour and water, stir in 2 ozs. of butter, which must be melted, but not oiled, and, just before it is to be used, add the whites of two well-whisked eggs. Should the latter be too thick, more water must be added. Pare down the beef into thin shreds, season with pepper and salt, mix it with the batter. Drop a small quantity at a time into a pan of boiling fat, and fry from 7 to 10 minutes, according to the size. When done on one side, turn and brown them on the other; let them dry for a minute or two, and serve.

A small quantity of finely minced onions mixed with the batter

is an improvement.

CURRIED STEW.

Ingredients the same as for Stew, with 1 oz. of curry powder and 1 lb. of flour added. Prepare as for stew; mix the curry and flour with cold water into a smooth batter, and add it to the stewed vegetables with the meat; let the whole simmer for 10 minutes, and serve.

SEA PIE.

Ingredients the same as for Stew, with 5 lbs. of flour and 11 lbs.

of suet or dripping added.

Make the paste; prepare and cook the vegetables and onions, as for Stew; when the vegetables are tender add the meat; cover the whole over with a light paste, and boil or steam for 20 minutes. A thickening of flour added is an improvement.

TOAD-IN-THE-HOLE (BAKED).

Required: Meat, flour, suet or dripping, salt, pepper, onions,

eggs or egg powder.

Cut up and cook the onions; prepare the batter with eggs and milk if possible; if not, with egg powder and water; season it with pepper and salt; grease the inside of a baking dish; pour into it half the batter, and place it in the oven; when the batter sets, place on the meat (cut up) and the cooked onions; cover with the remainder of the batter, and bake from 15 to 20 minutes in a quick oven.

TO MAKE STALE BREAD NEW.

Cut the bread into fairly thick slices. Have ready a mess-tin of boiling water. Remove the lid and place a slice of bread over the steam for a few seconds; then turn it to the other side for the same amount of time. Remove quickly and butter. Bread treated in this way is as tasty as hot rolls, and it makes no difference how stale the bread is.

FRIED EGGS AND RICE.

Parboil some rice in salted water. Then simmer till quite cooked in some good gravy, add half a teaspoonful of curry, powder when done. Keep hot in a camp kettle or mess-tin. In the meantime fry as many eggs as required in hot fat, taking care not to break the yolks; lift them out and place on the rice, scatter some finely-chopped parsley over all if procurable, and serve hot.

TROOPERS' STEAK.

Put quantity required of thick steak into a mess-tin or camp kettle, leaving only a little of the fat; pour on enough water to come half-way over the steaks. They should fit closely together in the vessel. Sprinkle with finely-minced shallot, onion or chopped celery, flavour with pepper and salt. Cover the pan closely for an hour, let simmer gently, but never boil, dredge any vegetables to hand with flour after the meat is removed from the mess-tin or kettle, boil them up in the liquor, and serve on top of the steaks with the gravy.

TOMATO CHEESE.

Required: Fresh tomatoes, strong cheese (any kind will do), salt,

pepper, and breadcrumbs.

Slice the tomatoes and finely grate the breadcrumbs and cheese. Put a layer of tomatoes into a camp kettle, mess-tin, or empty beef tin (previously greased and sprinkled with breadcrumbs), then pepper and salt, and a layer of breadcrumbs and cheese, and so on, until the vessel is full. The top layer should be of breadcrumbs. Dot with bits of butter, fat, or dripping, and bake in a quick oven for half an hour.

CURRIED FISH.

Take any cold cooked fish, some good dripping, flour, and rice, some milk, hard-boiled eggs, and some curry powder and chutney. Remove all the skin and bone from the fish, boil the eggs for a quarter of an hour, then melt the dripping in a saucepan, and stir the flour in smoothly over the fire for a few minutes, after which add the curry powder and chutney. Pour the milk into this, and then stir over the fire until it boils. Next cut the eggs into slices, and put them, also the fish, into the sauce, and mix all well together, seasoning it the while with salt. The mixture should be piled for serving on a hot dish, with boiled rice arranged round it as a border.

SAUCES.

What to serve with Meat and Poultry.—This will be found a valuable little table for reference. Roast beef, horseradish sauce; grilled steak, mushroom or tomato sauce; roast mutton, red

currant, rowan or cranberry jelly, onion or soubise or brown caper sauce; boiled mutton, parsley or caper sauce; grilled or fried chops, tomato sauce; roast pork, apple sauce, piquant sauce, or thick brown gravy; pork cutlets, mustard sauce; boiled ham, parsley sauce; roast lamb, mint sauce; roast chicken, bread sauce or brown gravy; boiled chicken, cestnut sauce, egg sauce; grilled chicken, tartare sauce; roast goose, apple sauce; roast duck, apple sauce or orange sauce; roast turkey, cranberry or bread sauce; boiled turkey, celery or egg sauce; boiled rabbit, onion or mush-room sauce; roast rabbit, bread sauce. Trained cooks invariably keep by them the ingredients to make these sauces.

When soldiers are required to attend their sick or wounded comrades the following simple recipes are useful:—

BARLEY WATER.

Two ounces of pearl barley boiled in a quart of water for 20 minutes and afterwards allowed to stand until it becomes cold; it must then be strained through a sieve into a jug, and a small piece of lemon peel added.

TOAST AND WATER.

Boil a quart of water and pour it on a good-sized piece of crumb of bread which has been well toasted before a clear fire until it becomes nearly crisp and of a dark brown colour; allow this to steep for half an hour; it is then ready.

SUGAR WATER.

To a pint of cold spring water add an ounce of lump sugar and a tablespoonful of orange or lemon juice; mix. This is a very refreshing drink in summer, and is, besides, perfectly harmless.

ARROWROOT.

To half a pint of boiled water add rather more than half an ounce of arrowroot, previously mixed in a teacup with a wine-glassful of cold water. Stir this on the fire until it boils for a few minutes, pour it into a basin, flavour with a little sugar, and a small spoonful of brandy or a little red or white wine, or else with a little piece of orange or lemon peel, which may be boiled with the arrowroot.

TO PREPARE SAGO OR TAPIOCA.

Boil 2 ozs. of either in a pint of water for 20 minutes, and flavour as directed for arrowroot; sago may also be boiled in either mutton, chicken, or veal broth, or in beef tea.

TO MAKE GRUEL.

Take one teaspoonful of oatmeal and mix with a wineglassful of water, and having poured this into a stewpan containing a pint of boiling water, stir the gruel on the fire, to boil 10 minutes; pour it into a basin, add salt and butter, or, if more agreeable, rum, brandy, or wine and sugar.

OATMEAL PORRIDGE.

Boil a quart of water in a saucepan; as soon as it boils sprinkle slowly in a cupful of coarse oatmeal, stirring gently until it is thick and smooth enough, pour it at once on to plates, and serve with milk or treacle.

VALUE OF VEGETABLES.

Eat lettuce and onions for worn nerves. Beets and turnips give iron to the blood; tomatoes stimulate a torpid liver; celery is good for rheumatism; beetroots are nourishing and laxative; carrots cleanse the blood and clear the complexion; asparagus stimulates action of the kidneys. All kinds of greens in spring help to cleanse the blood and regulate the system.

CALVES' FOOT JELLY.

Put an ox foot into two quarts of water and let gently simmer all day. Strain it, and next day remove the fat; cut it into four parts and put it into a saucepan with \(^3_4\) lb. moist sugar, the juice and peel of two lemons (or one orange, if preferred), and two eggs. The whites, yolks, and shells are beaten together. Put it on the fire, and bring it slowly to the boil, and boil quickly for five minutes. Then put in half a pint of cold water, let it stand for a little while, and strain through a sieve or muslin.

BEEF TEA.

To each pound of beef allow one quart of water. Pare away every particle of fat and cut the meat (which should be cut from the rump or gravy piece) into very small squares of mince, and put this into a clean stewpan, add the water and set it on the fire to boil, remembering that as soon as the scum rises to the surface it should be removed with a spoon, and a very small quantity of cold water and salt should be poured in at the edge of the stewpan in order to facilitate the rising of the albumen in the form of scum. Unless due precaution be taken to effect the skimming satisfactorily, the broth, instead of becoming clear and bright, becomes thick and turbid, and thus presents an unappetising appearance to the eye of the patient.

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When beef tea has boiled gently for about half an hour and become reduced to about half its original quantity, let it be strained through a clear sieve or napkin into a basin, and serve with dry toast and salt. The foregoing is intended for patients whose case may require comparatively weak food; in cases where food of a more stimulating character is needed in the form of extract of beef, it will be necessary to double the quantity of meat, and when it happens that beef tea is required in a hurry the meat should be chopped as finely as sausage meat, put into a stewpan with boiling water, stirred on the fire for 10 minutes, and then strained through a napkin for use.

MUTTON BROTH.

To each pound and a half of stewing mutton add one quart of water, a little salt, 2 ozs. of pearl barley. Chop the mutton into small pieces and add with the water in the stewpan; set it to boil, skim it well, add a little salt and the barley, boil gently for one hour, strain off the broth through the sieve into a basin, and serve with dry toast; a turnip and half a head of celery may be added where vegetables are not objected to.

CHICKEN BROTH.

Clean the chicken, scald the legs, and remove the cuticle which covers them, cut up the fowl into members or joints, leaving the breast whole, put the pieces of chicken into a clean stewpan, with a quart of water, a little salt, and 2 ozs. of washed rice, boil very gently for one hour, and when done serve the broth with or without the rice, according to taste.

RICE WATER.

Wash 3 ozs. of rice in several waters and then put in a clean stewpan with a quart of water and 1 oz. of raisins, boil gently for half an hour, strain through a coarse hair sieve into a jug.

ONION PORRIDGE.

Take a large Spanish onion, peel and split it into quarters, and put these into a small saucepan with a pint of water, a pat of butter and a little salt, boil gently until cooked, add a pinch of pepper, thicken with flour, sago, or cornflour, reboil and eat the porridge just before retiring for the night. This is an excellent remedy for colds.

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