Clinical and other Notes

if they represent the salient features of the condition in question, lead me towards the conclusion that the trouble is essentially of inflammatory nature.

A METHOD OF PREVENTING SOIL CONTAMINATION IN FIELD URINALS.

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The following plan, which, as far as I know, is original, has been found so satisfactory that I am tempted to send particulars of it to the Journal.

Where it is necessary to use urine tubs or buckets, whether by night in barrack verandahs, on the cement floor of permanent latrines, or on the ground in camps, to ensure a minimum of surface pollution, a box or metal tray about six inches deep and somewhat larger than the bucket should be filled with dry earth, and on this the bucket should be placed. This raises it to a more convenient height, and all splashings fall upon the earth, which can be changed from time to time as necessary.

This arrangement is quite inexpensive and most satisfactory where one or two tubs only are required, as for night use in barracks, or tent lines, or near the canteen in camps.

Where the urinal is for the use of a battalion, a mound of earth of sufficient length may be backed on both sides by a piece of matchboarding, and the surface of the earth cut off with a spade from time to time. But if possible it is then better to make the ground plan thus:

For the greater part of this summer I have been in a camp having permanent latrines with cement floors on which the urine buckets stood, and until this scheme was adopted I found it quite impossible to keep the floors dry and sweet.