to the M 1864 shelter halfs except for the top 2 grommet holes for the poles. Of more interest is the info on the ropes, ties, pole and pegs

WAR DEPARTMENT, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Specifications for Shelter Tents (Halves).

Material.—To be made of cotton duck, thirty-three and one-half (33½) inches wide, weighing eight (8) ounces to the linear yard, and free from imperfections.

Dimensions and Workmanship .- To be sixty-eix (66) inches long at the top and sixty-five (65) inches wide when finished. The center seam to overlap one (1) inch. The four corners and center at the bottom of each half tent to be reinforced with pieces of the same material firmly sewed on, said pieces to be four (4) inches square when finished. The top and bottom edges of each half tent to be turned in and hemmed, making one-quarter (1/2) inch scame, nestly and securely sewed. To have two (2) grommet-holes worked at each corner and at center of bottom; those at the upper corners two (a) inches from the top, and the first one one and one-half (136) inch from the edge, and one and one-half (11%) inches from center to center apart; those at the bottom to be one and one-half (136) inches from the lower edge and in line with those at the top. To have nine (9) buttons and button-holes along the top; the first button-hole one (1) inch from the edge and three-fourths (34) of an inch from the top; the others eight (8) inches apart; a white-metal button below each button-hole, three and one-fourth (31/4) inches from the top. The sides of each half tent to have seven (7) buttons and button-holes; the side button-holes to be worked one (1) inch from the edge, the first to be nine (9) inches from the top, the others spaced eight (8) inches apart, and the buttons firmly sewed on four (4) inches from the edge. Each half tent to be furnished with a guy-line and three (3) foot-stops, made of six (6) thread manila line, small; the former six (6) feet long and the latter sixteen (16) inches long, all whipped at both ends. All sewing, including button-holes, to be done with W. B. linen thread, No. 70.

The shelter tents (halves) to conform in all respects to the standard sample.

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A set of shelter tent poles, to consist of two (2) uprights, round, one (1) inch in diameter and three (3) feet ten (10) inches long, to be made of poplar, pine, or other suitable wood. Each upright to be in two (2) parts, of about equal length, beveled and joined in a tin socket four (4) inches long, firmly soldered and secured to lower part with two (2) tacks. A shoulder, three-quarters (36) of an inch deep, to be turned on upper end of uprights, making a spindle or stud one-half (15) of an inch in diameter.

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