

## TIMBER HITCH

This important hitch will hold firmly and can be tied and untied quickly. This hitch is used to draw two spars together when starting a diagonal lashing. It is also a quick and easy method of fastening a rope to a spar for a short time, to haul it up or along. It will hold only if a steady tension is kept on the rope; if spar is to be hauled along pointing in one direction, it is better to put a half hitch on the spar first in the direction you want it to point. Fig. B shows this method of using. To tie take a turn around the spar bending the rope back around itself and twisting the end two or three times and pulling on the standing part to tighten.

