

Upon a standard (*a*), which is a piece of scantling two and one-half feet long, another piece nine inches long (*b*) is mortised and bolted. An iron plate (*c*), one-quarter inch thick, screwed upon (*b*), serves a good purpose in clinching nails. The seat (*d*) is two and three-quarter feet long, and made of two-inch plank, a foot wide. This is mortised and bolted to (*a*), and has two legs at the back end, which are $18\frac{1}{2}$ inches long. The holes through which they are inserted into the plank seat from below, should be bored nearly but not quite through. Upon the plank seat, next to the standard, is a little tin box made of an old oyster can, for receiving nails.

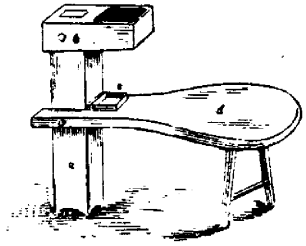


FIG. 41. BASKET NAILING BENCH.

In the same journal, we noticed some years ago a cut of a berry packing shed, slightly differing from the one given by us on page 150, volume XII. This one is rendered portable by two runners, so that it may be easily removed from one patch to another. It should be made of seven-eighths inch planed lumber and painted externally. The engraving (Fig. 42) will sufficiently explain its construction.

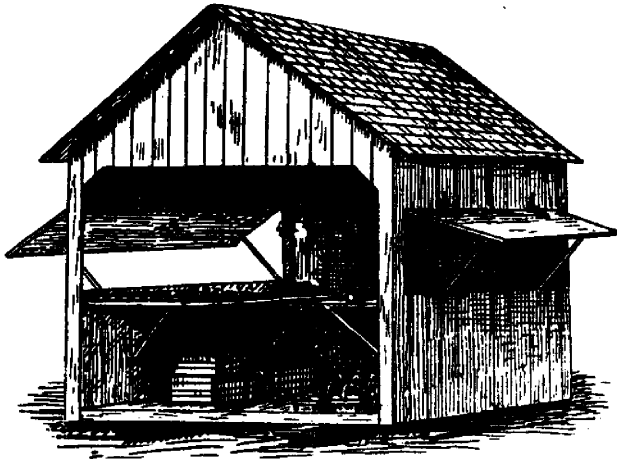


FIG. 42.—BERRY PACKING SHED.

For currants, cherries, early apples, early pears, peaches and plums, no package is so popular in Ontario as the 12 quart handle basket. It has been growing in favor for years, and has now wholly displaced the American round peck and half-bushel baskets, kinds which, it is true, had the advantage of easy nesting for return to the shipper, but since these can be purchased at three or four dollars a hundred, their safe return is not a matter of so very great importance.