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every description of bad knot or knots, rotten, loose or black knots, shakes, splits, sap stain, gum seam and gum galls, plug or plugs, worm holes and auger hole or holes, and shall not have more than three sound knots, not exceeding one inch in diameter on any one surface and edge, on a twelve, nine, three Deal, and not more than four sound knots of one inch in diameter in twelve, eleven, three Deal, and for every additional two feet in length, one knot as before described in addition, allowing all the sound knots less than one inch; all clear Deals of the aforesaid dimensions not having more than three quarters of an inch wane on the diagonal on one edge of the Deal, and free from dark sap, to be classed as number one or first quality:

No. 1 Spruce Battens;

No. 2 Spruce Deals ;

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No. 3 Spruce Deals;

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Refuse Deals and Battens; Number one or first quality Spruce Battens to be of the dimensions hereinbefore mentioned, and to have the allowances and to be in all respects of the same quality as number one Deals:

Number two or second quality Spruce Deals shall be of the same dimensions as number one, with the addition of Deals of ten feet in length, with trimming, thickness, breadth and allowances as in number one, free from rot, rotten knots, bad shakes, rents or splits, auger hole or holes, bad or large worm holes, allowing wane on the edge not more than three quarters of an inch at the widest part, and not to have more than three knots of one inch and a half in diameter on the surface and edges which may contain the greatest number of knots, all smaller sized knots allowed as in the case of number one Deals; all clear Deals which may have wane exceeding three quarters and not exceeding one inch and a half on the diagonal on the edge, classed as number two or second quality:

Number two or second quality Battens to be the same as number two Deals, excepting that no wane shall be allowed, and the knots in proportion as in number two Deals :

Number three or third quality Spruce Deals shall include all Deals of ten feet in length and upwards, and nine inches and eleven inches in width and three inches in thickness:

Number three or third quality Battens shall include all Battens of ten feet in length and upwards, seven inches in width, and three inches and two and one half inches in thickness; both Deals and Battens of the third quality shall be free from bad rots, splits, loose splinters, auger holes and wane exceeding two inches on the diagonal on one edge:

Pine Deals and Battens;

All to be free of stub shot.

Non-dimension Deals and Battens.

First quality or Merchantable Pine and Spruce Boards and Planks,

Second quality.

Refuse.

Clear Boards.

All Deals and Battens not classed in the foregoing description, shall be taken and deemed refuse, and marked 'R' in addition to the mark of contents :

All Pine Deals and Battens to be of the same description in quality, and classified as Spruce Deals and Battens, and marked 'P' in addition to the contents:

All Pine and Spruce Deals and Battens classed as numbers one, two and three, shall be free from stub shot:

And all Deals and Battens not of the length and breadth hereinbefore described as the standard dimensions, but in all other respects equal in quality with numbers one, two or three, shall be classed as numbers one, two or three, as the case may be, non-dimension Deals or Battens.

First quality or merchantable Pine and Spruce Boards and Plank, shall not be less than ten feet in length nor less than seven inches in breadth and not less than seven eighths of an inch in thickness for Boards, and one and one half of an inch and two inches in thickness for Plank, shall be square edged from the saw, free from rot, sap stain, bad knots of every description, (allowing two sound knots not over two and a quarter inches in diameter, and all knots under that size that are perfectly sound) rents and shakes, worm holes, gum seam and gall, auger holes, and to be of equal thickness on both edges from end to end, with an allowance of one half of the straight split to the length of two feet.

Second quality Pine and Spruce Boards and Plank shall be in size same as first quality, and in quality same as number two Deals, excepting the wane, which shall not exceed two thirds the length of the Board or Plank.

All Boards and Plank not classed as number one or two shall be deemed refuse. Clear Boards—Pine may be sawed out of the round Log, without edging, (optional with the party manufacturing the same) to be free from rots, knots, rents, shakes, worm holes, auger holes, gum seam and gum gall, the width for measurement to be taken at the centre, inside of and not including the wane and dark sap.

Masts shall not be less than three feet and one quarter in length to every inch in diameter, to be hewed smoothly and reduced sufficiently to shew the wood free from sap on the centre of all the four sides at the partners, to be as small at the butt as at the partners, and of proportionate and full size at the top, to be straight,

Masts.