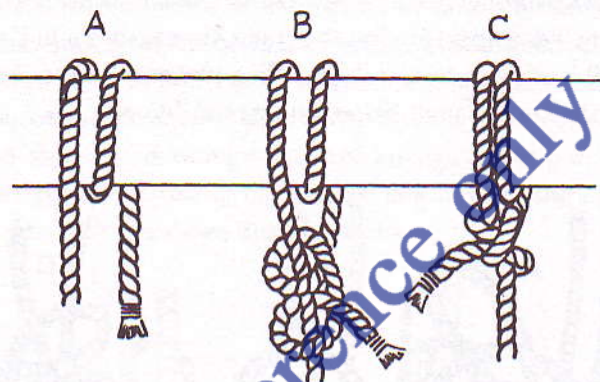


## ROUND TURN AND TWO HALF HITCHES

This is a simple method of fastening a rope to a spar, ring or another rope. It is especially useful for towing purposes.



The round turn is shown in Fig. A and means that the rope makes two turns around the spar. You can see in Fig. B that the second half, the two half hitches is like making a clove hitch on the standing part of the rope with the free end. Pull tight at this stage and it will then look something like B. Sometimes the free end is fastened with a light whipping to the standing part for greater security.

An important point to remember is that the pull or tension on the rope in these hitches must be as shown in the sketch that is at right angles, or nearly so to the spar. If this isn't done there is a risk that the rope may slip along the spar.