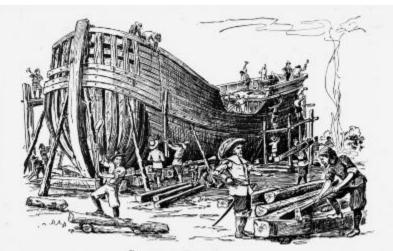
Engineering - Colonial Ship Building



COLONIAL SHIP BUILDING Sea-going vessels began to be built in New England after 1630, and were soon sufficient for home needs. Planks of oak and tall, straight masts of fir could be had almost at the water's edge, while everywhere was pitch pine for the making of tar and turpentine. The colonists soon became excellent shipwrights.

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