

**TWINE.** *Bolt-rope twine*, used in sewing fails to their bolt-rope, is made of the long hemp, or from the long rough hemp unbeat. It contains two or three threads, is twitted slack, and wound into half-pound skains containing two hundred yards. Eight threads are spun out of half a pound of hemp, each fifty yards long.

*Seal-twine*, for seal-nets, is made of twelve threads, two threads first twitted together, then six of them hardened together, and wound up into half-skains, or eighty yards.

*Seaming or fail-maker's twine*, for sewing the seams of fails, is made of the best long hemp, beaten, spun fine, and well dressed over a fine clearer : eighteen threads are spun out of half a pound of hemp, every thread being fifty yards in length : two threads are twitted together slack, and wound on a reel, in half-pound skains containing four hundred and fifty yards : but twine of three threads is used in the navy.

*Sean-twine* is made from good long hemp, each thread spun fifty-four yards : three threads are laid together. When hardened and stretched, each cord stands fifty yards ; nine hundred yards are wound on a reel, and eighteen cords weigh two pounds.

*Store-twine*, used by fail-makers for old work and on board of ships, is made from good long hemp, well dressed. Fourteen threads are spun from half a pound ; two threads are twitted together, and wound into half-pound skains of three hundred and fifty yards.

*Turtle-twine*, for turtle-nets, is made of good bar hemp, spun one hundred yards : three threads are laid together, stand ninety yards, and weigh one pound.

*Whipping-twine*, the same as bolt-rope twine.