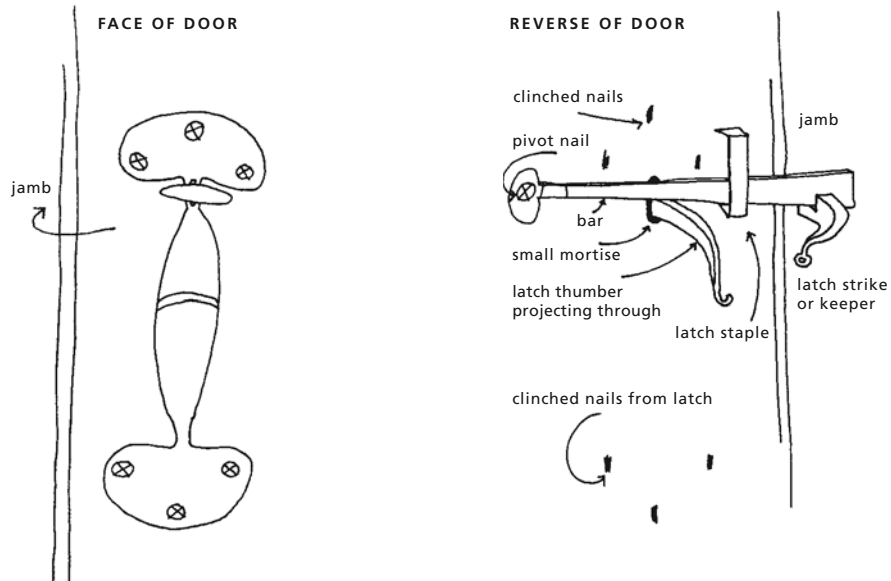


LATCH MOUNTING



- 1 Place latch on side opposite and reverse of strap hinges.
- 2 Mortise for latch thumber and allow for vertical movement.
- 3 Nail latch on (see explanation of clinch nailing).
- 4 Locate keeper so that base of step is about level with latch thumber at bottom of travel. Drive it in, leaving sufficient space to allow latch bar to drop easily behind step.
- 5 Locate latch bar so that it rests on thumber and rests on bottom of step of keeper. When driving pivot nail use shim under bar, near the nail to allow for bar movement.
- 6 Locate staple so that bar rests on bottom leg of staple when latch is latched (see explanation of clinch nailing for installation).
- 7 Make sure latch operates properly, paying special attention to the bar sliding up on the ramp of the keeper.