



*Figure 9: Use pegs to support the board while planing edges.*

Likewise, when planing long boards, my feet push against the back legs to help me resist the plane's inertia in a heavy cut.

Traversing boards with a fore plane is also fairly easy with the low bench. You brace the work against the planing stop, then use your knees to lock everything tight. Finally, you plane the area between your legs. An outboard sawbench helps to support long stock or when you are at the beginning or end of a particular board.

Mortising and other operations on the faces of boards (dadoing) use some combination of the above techniques. For mortising, sit on the work like Perdix does in the painting. For dadoing, saw the sides of the dado with a saw like you are crosscutting. Waste away most of the stock with a chisel. Then remove the waste with a router plane like you are traversing the work (lock the board against the