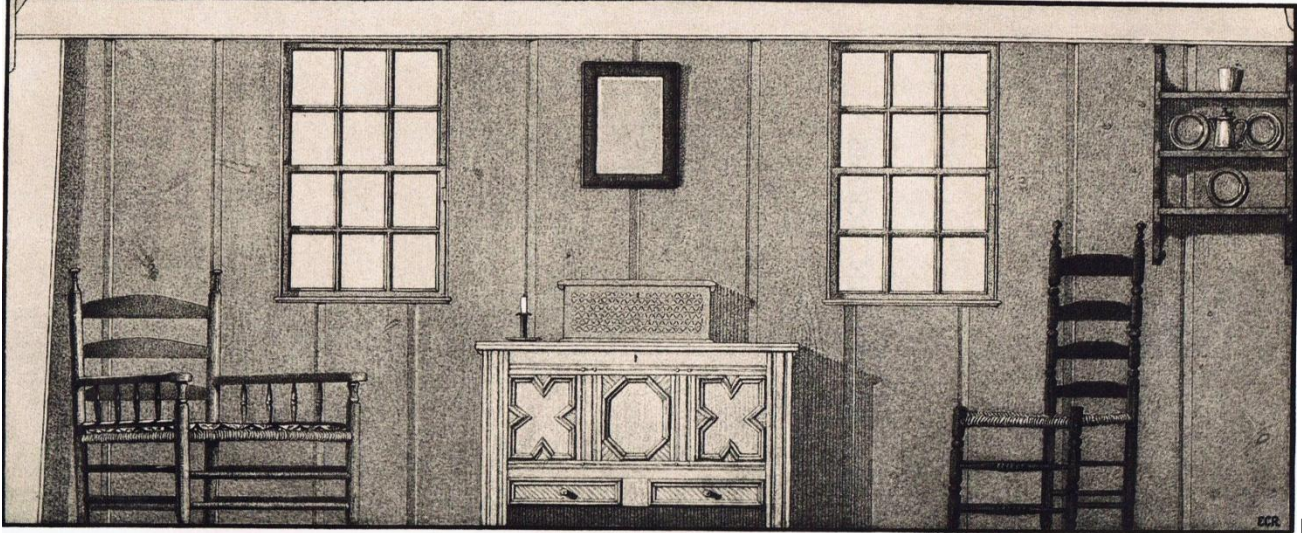


## Hand Planed Wall Board

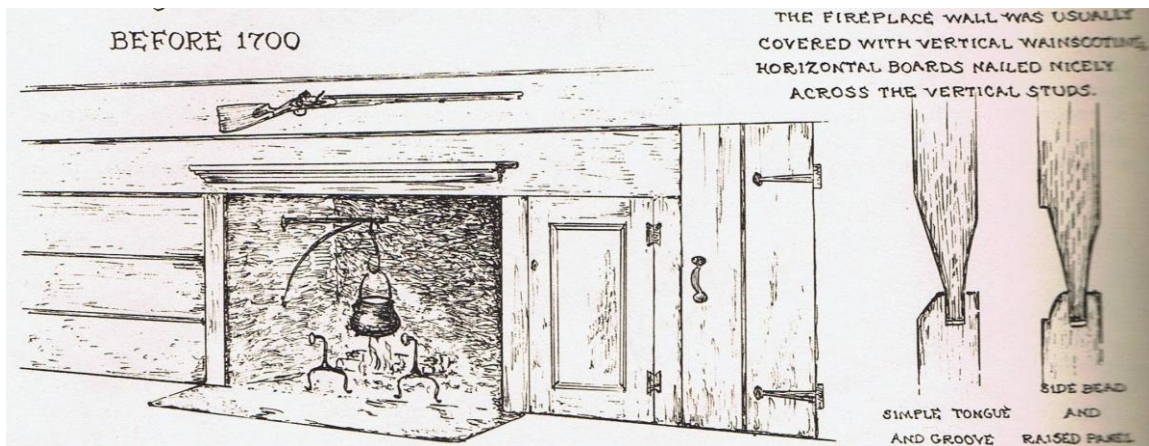
For available lots, please call us. This material is not as common as one might like but we can often find it.

### Wainscoting

The Dutch “wand schot” meaning “wall protection” may have been its original origin. Then again, “wain schot”, the boarding found in the sides of a wagon, may have been at the root of it. At any rate, our American Forefathers considered wainscoting as the sheathing or boarding that formed the walls of a room.



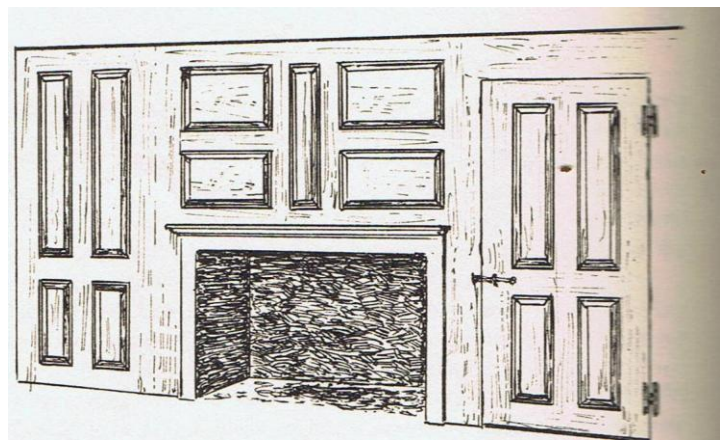
Interior Walls were sheathed with horizontal or vertical pine boards from the early 1600s. They were joined together with a simple beveled tongue-and-groove joint. As a wider variety of molding planes became available, the more decorative side bead and raised-panel joint became the moldings of choice. Although fancier joinings followed, the days of the wainscoting were fast fading as the eighteenth century neared.

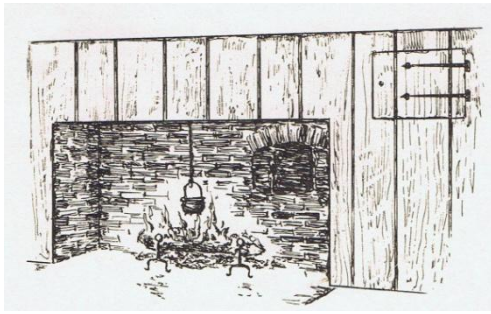


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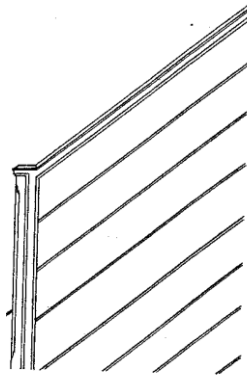
#### From Wall Sheathing to Paneling

Prosperity in the Colonies spurred on a more elegant wall treatment. Paneling was the answer. A homeowner of some means would likely display a wall of paneling in the front and the most important rooms. Since the fireplace was the focal point for any room, that wall was the one of choice.

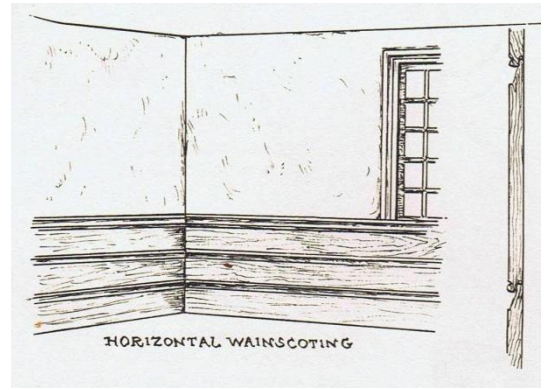




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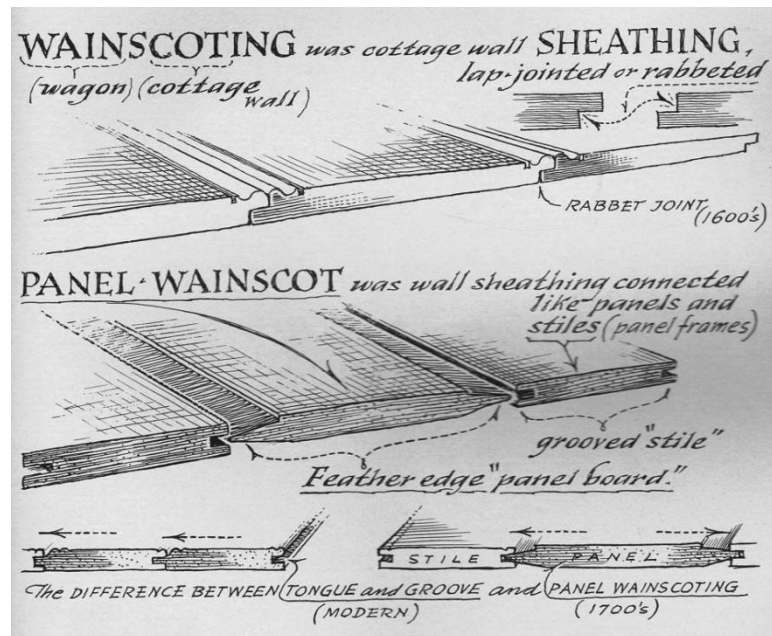


**Angled**



**Horizontal**

Even though it was a short step from wall sheathing to paneling, the old wainscoting was not forgotten. To compliment the paneled walls, sheathing boards were laid horizontally along the bases of the unpaneled walls. Each was topped by a chair rail-actually a continuation of the molding that ran under each window sill. Full wainscoting was often retained in the back rooms, such as the kitchen and the lesser second floor rooms..



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