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n.
A vertical post, usually one of a pair, set on the deck of a ship and used to secure ropes or cables.
tr.v. bitt·ed, bitt·ing, bitts
To wind (a cable) around a bitt.

[Perhaps of Dutch or Low German origin; akin to Old Norse *biti*, crossbeam.]

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