Architecture in the Raw.

Strong, practical men built warm dry shelters, using little more than an axe. Note here the dove-tailed corners for strength.
Cedar bark, cut into strips of any required length and conveniently 2 - 4 feet wide, was laid in layers from ridge to eave to form a waterproof roof.
A box-like shape of axe hewn planks, lined with hill side rocks formed a chimney.
The spaces between the log walls were "chinked" (stuffed) with moss and mud.
"Porky Brown" stands proudly in front of his cabin built to resist the blast of remorseless winters somewhere in the Lardeau country of the Kootenay about 1900.

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