

Laths were introduced from stem to stern instead of planks—they were provided with a gunwhale or edging which, though slight, added strength to the fabric—the whole was covered on the outside with deer skins sewed together and fastened by stitching the edges round the gunwhale.

### LANGUAGE.

The language of the Bœothicks, Mr. Cormack is of opinion, is different from all the languages of the neighbouring tribes of Indians with which any comparison has been made. Of all the words procured at different times from the female Indian Shaw-na-dith-it, and which were compared with the Micmac and Banake (the latter people bordering on the Mohawk) not one was found similar to the language of the latter people, and only two words which could be supposed to have had the same origin, viz. : Keuis—Bœothick—and “Kuse” Banake—both words meaning “Sun,”—and moosin Bœothick, and moccasin, Banake and Micmac. The Bœothick also differs from the Mountaineer or Esquimaux language of Labrador. The Micmac, Mountaineer, and Banake, have no “r.” The Bœothick has ; the three first use “l” instead of “r.” The Bœothick has the diphthong *sh*.—the other languages, as before enumerated, have it not. The Bœothicks have no characters to serve as hieroglyphics or letters, but they had a few symbols or signatures.

### METHOD OF INTERMENT.

The Bœothicks appear to have shown great res-