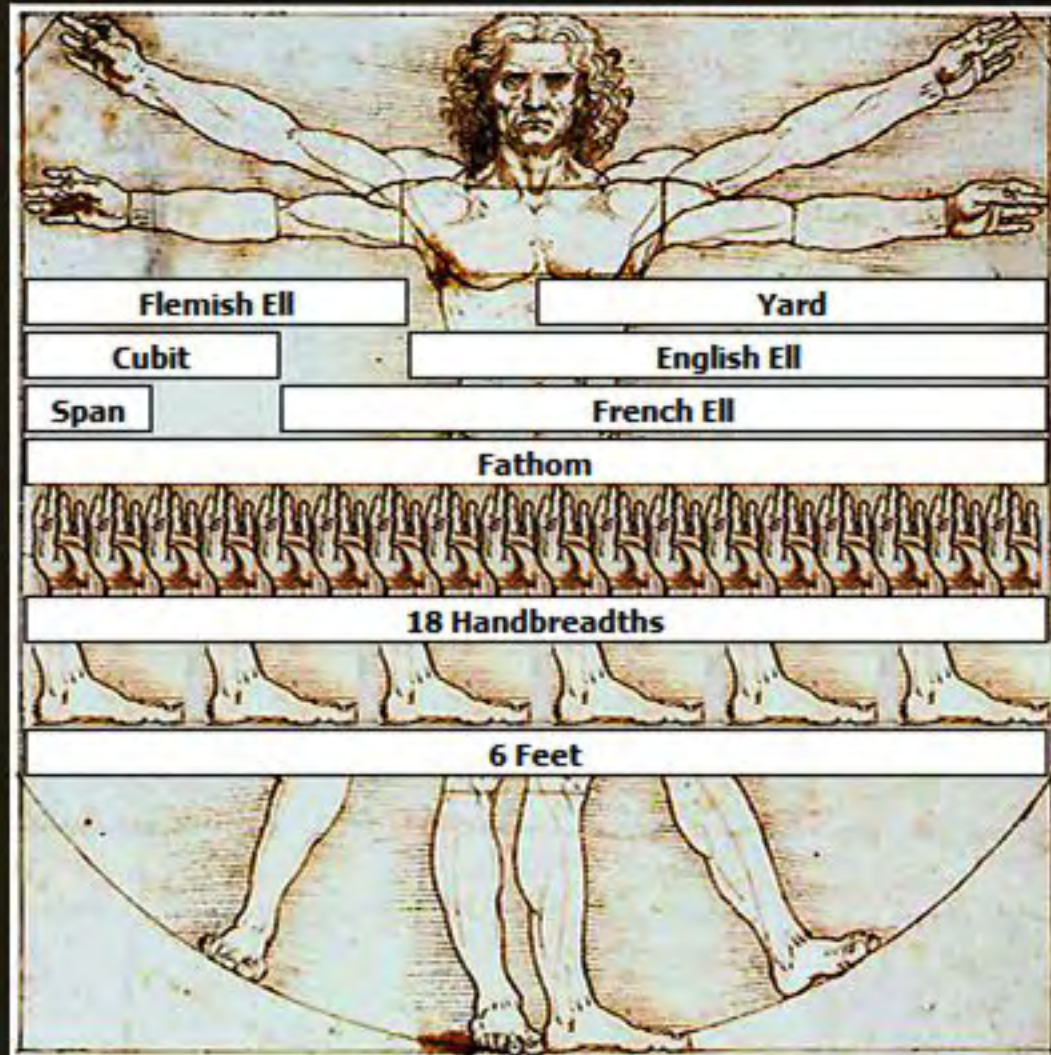




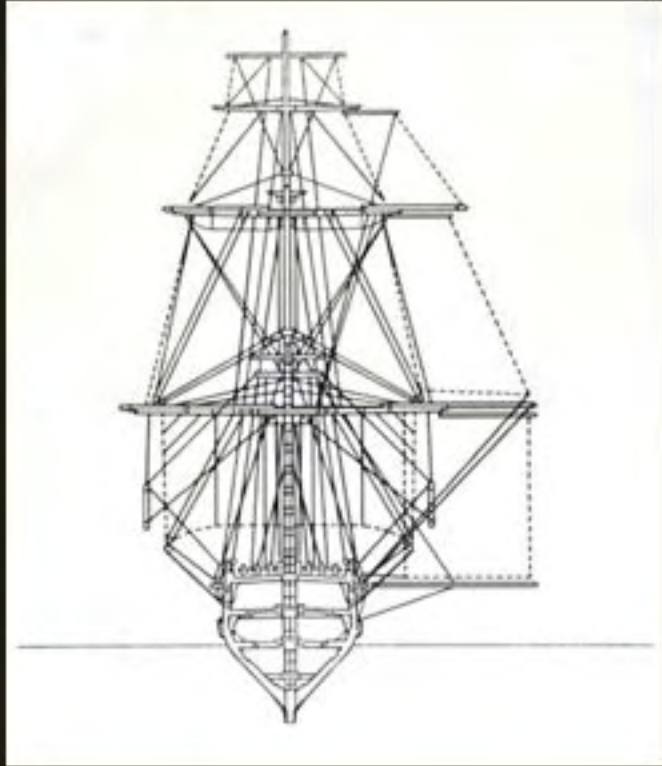
OAK

the frame of civilization





Methods of Measurement

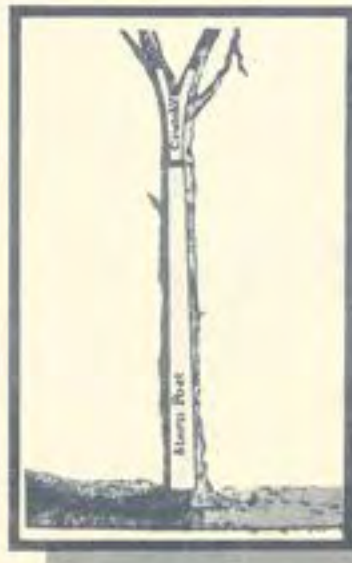


The Wooden Walls of England

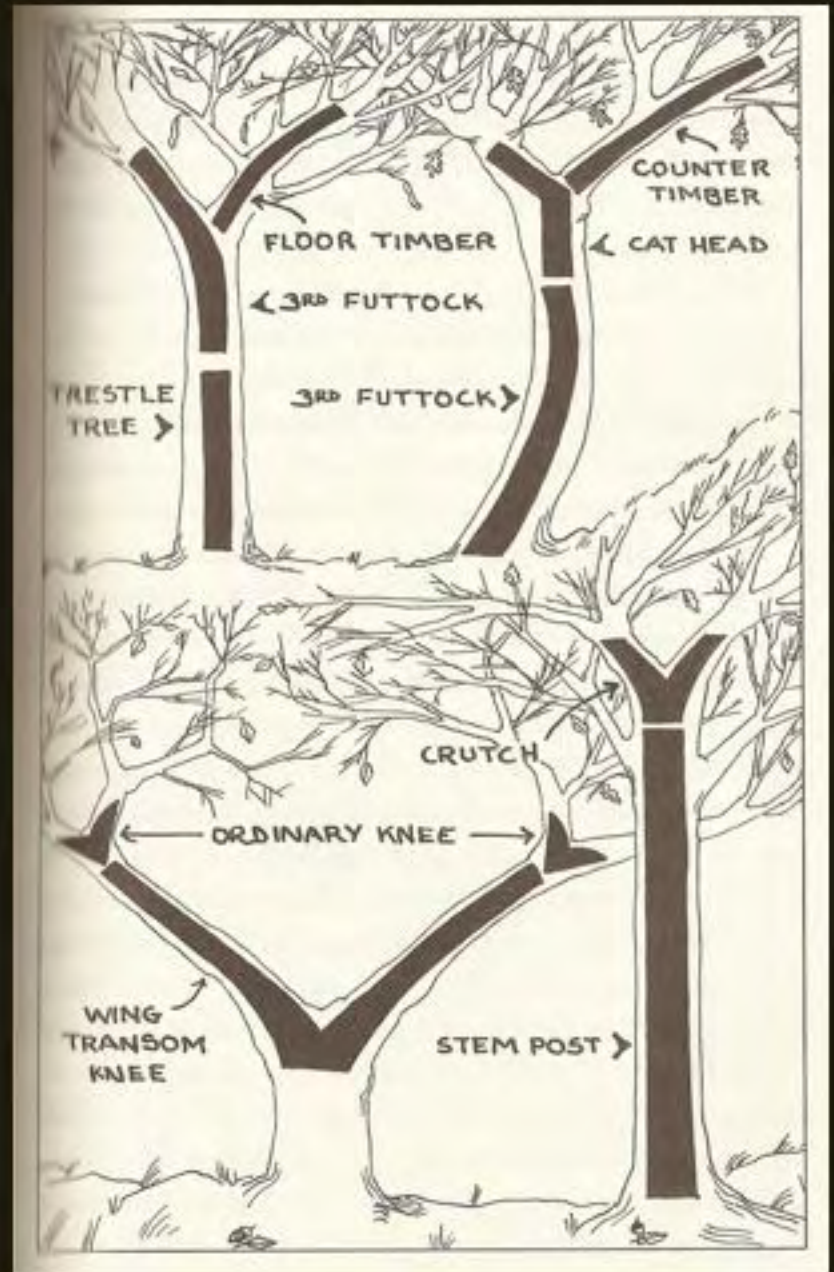
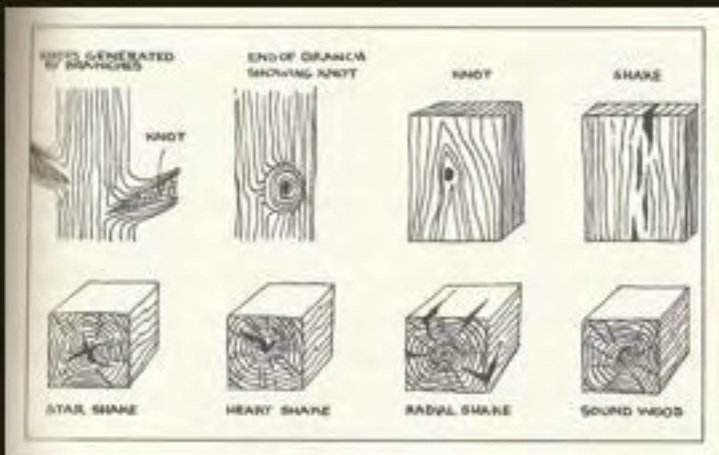
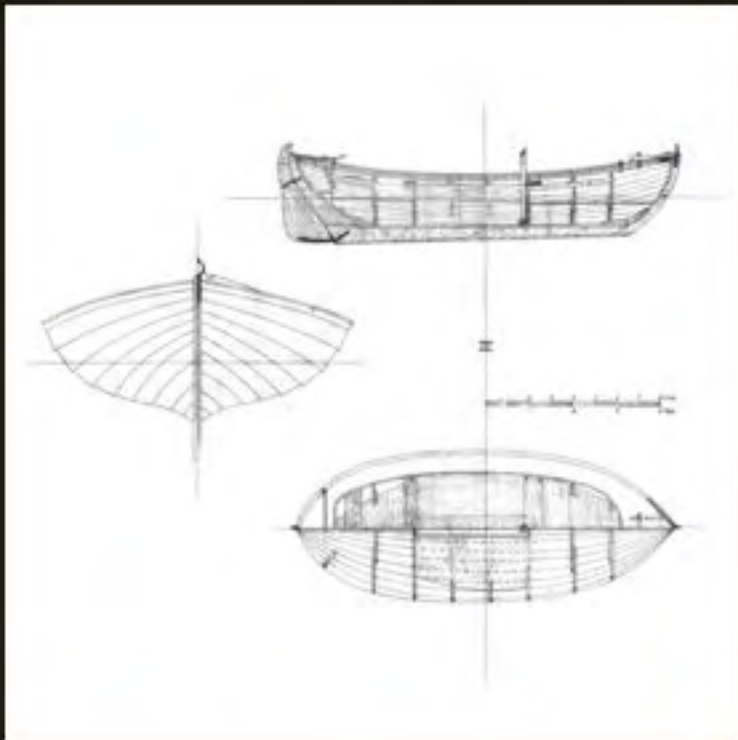
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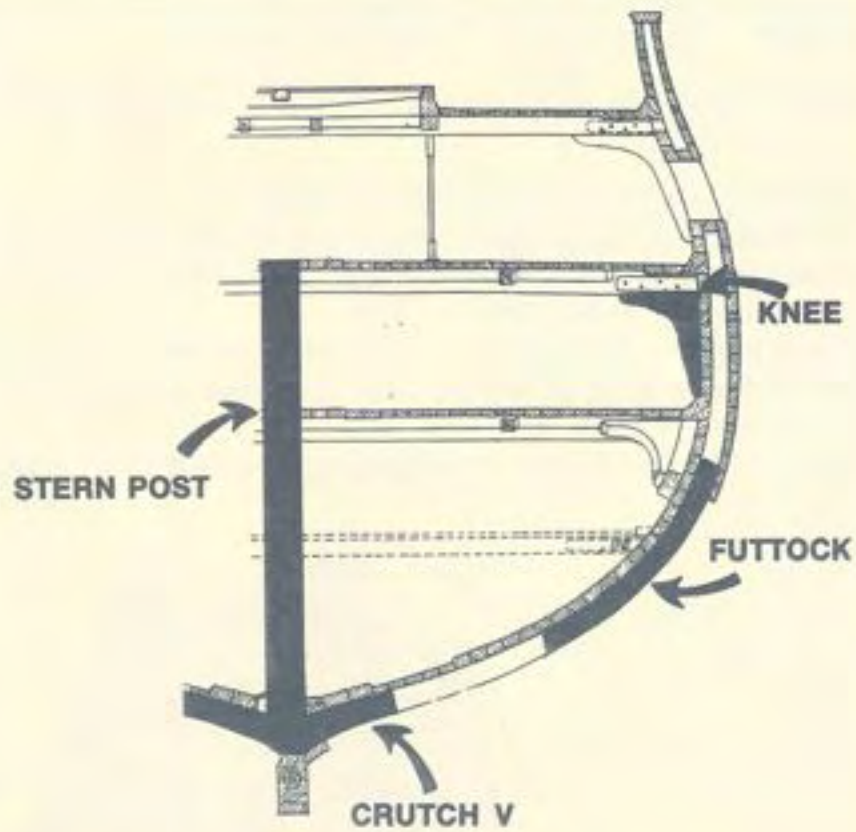


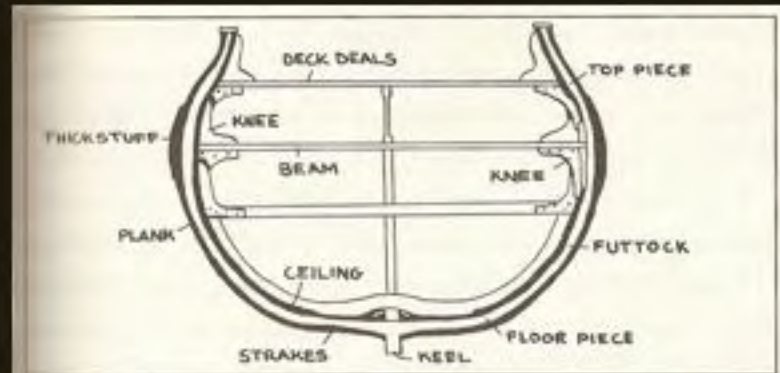
"Nothing stops me but the ends of the earth"



These plates from an 1823 guide helped woodcutters find oaks of the right shapes and sizes to provide timbers for the construction of the frigates.







Frame construction of a 74-gun ship
 (Nora H. Logan, after R. G. Albion, *Forests and Sea Power*)



**For centuries we
have borrowed
from the Oak.
There is still much
we can learn from
it.**

Cooperation Flexibility Persistence
Community Generosity



World Distribution of Oak

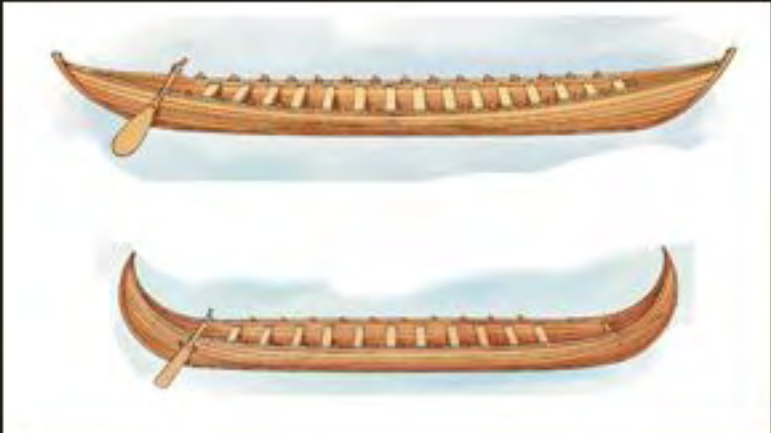
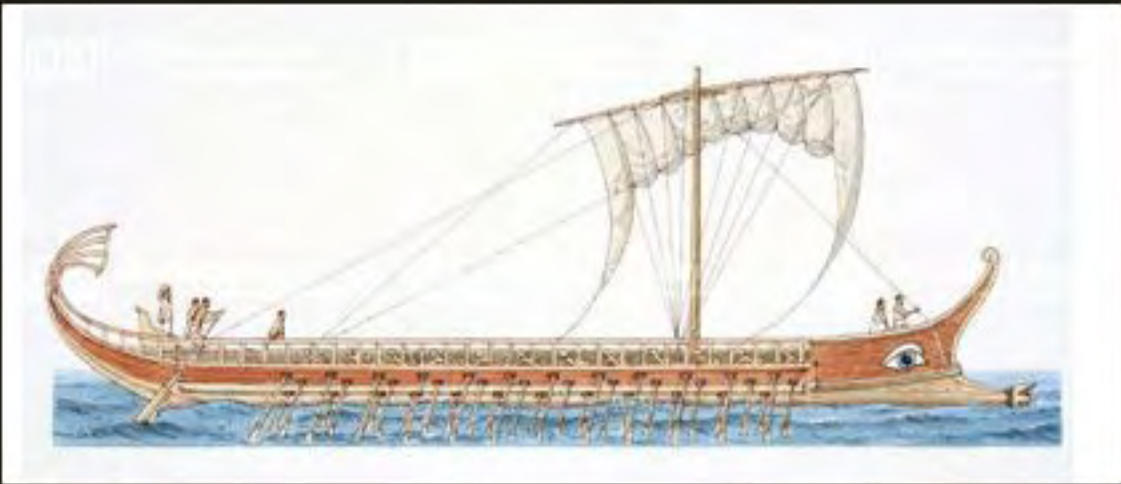


**“They are so successful exactly because there is no reason that they are.”
-Kevin Nixon**



“Rigid as iron, clean as the atmosphere, hardy as virtue, innocent and sweet as a maiden is the shrub oak.”

-Thoreau





Shipbuilders were as important in the North as architects were to Greece and Rome. What the temple was to the Greeks, the ship was to the Vikings.

