



"The dwellings of the old Squamish were of the communal kind, whether they were the ordinary slab and cedar-board structure or the winter keekwilee-house. As far as I have been able to gather, only the upper tribes on the Squamish River used the 'skumin', or keekwilee-house. That this structure was known to them is clear from the name of one of their villages, which signifies in English 'keekwilee-house'. The lower tribes commonly used the cedar structure all the year round."

- Charles Hill-Tout (1900)