Trainside Shelter, Bismarck Metropolitan Parks, North Dakota

The Adirondacks shelter moving westward undergoes changes. In this example the points of difference are the informality of axe-cut log ends and an added rakishness of contours. The fireplace continues in its traditional location, facing the open front of the shelter.

Trainside Shelter, Scenic State Park, Minnesota

Structural forthrightness and precedent are sacrificed for novelty in the omission of wing walls from the front corners of this variant. Probably structurally safe through the use of very long spikes, there exists a feeling of insecurity in this abandonment of the time-honored "log cabin" corner. The benches around the three walls are a departure from type.

Trainside Shelter, Cook County Forest Preserve, Illinois

The Adirondacks shelter, in this example, turns to a rather meticulous stonework that is perhaps at home in a metropolitan area, but hardly as informal as we might wish for in a wilderness setting. The fireplace that was isolated and facing the open front in the prototype, is here incorporated with the shelter itself, and thereby precedent is somewhat obscured.