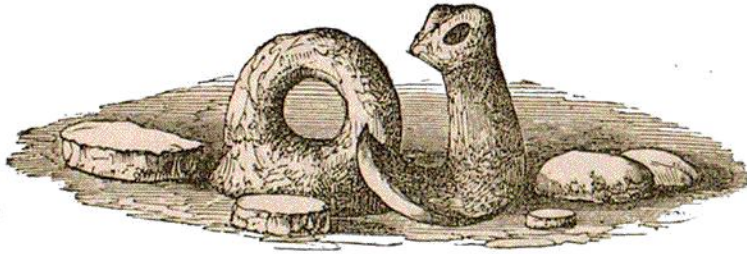


be called, was, when they had eaten too heartily of food, to drink seawater in large quantities, to produce a cathartic effect. They used the loomi-loomi, or kneading the flesh with the hands, in cases of fatigue, over-eating, and pains; and this is yet quite general.

The practice of medicine is said to have taken its rise in the reign of Atapai, the predecessor of Kālaiopua, who was king when Cook visited the islands: since that time there has been a distinct class in this employment. An epidemic, which prevailed extensively, is said to have been the origin of this class, and their number was greatly increased afterwards, in the reign of Kamehameha I.; and after this they were to be found in great numbers, furnished with a variety of nostrums.



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