themselves over a fire made of certain plants
or roots. They have no styptics. Smelling pro-
duced by injuries, they cauterize & cauify. Sores
that are slow in healing are cauterized, and
they employ roots by the application of coals
of fire, or the powder left by worms under the
barke of trees is strewn over to dry them up.
This and also potters clay, dried and pondered
is used for chancres. Suction by the mouth
is employed as a topical remedy to alleviate
pain. and this too is part of the practice of the
Tamahnous doctors. Their sweat houses are
just large enough to accommodate the body
of one person, partially excavated in the
ground. and covered with boards and earth.
The heat being produced by hot stones; after
using which they plunge into cold water. Fractured
limbs are splintered with bark, or strips of
wood, and bandaged. Of diseases to which
they are subject, venereal in its different
forms, and the small pox, are assumed to have
been introduced by the whites. the latter it is
true, indirectly. it having reached here through
other and more distant tribes. According to
Mr. Dunn*, it commenced among the tribes
residing between the sources of the Missouri
and the Mississippi. Thence it spread its dev-
astation northward as far as Athabasca and

* The Oregon Territory &c by John Dunn, late of the Hudson's Bay Co.