Two large carved sticks or poles, were used for this purpose, which were manipulated by the Indian for some time and with great violence, the usual accompaniment being kept up by the Spectators. At length a rapid and tremulous or waving motion was communicated to them, the operator holding them near one end. The Indians informed him that no one but the man himself could arrest this motion, Mr Strong was suffered after a time to attempt it and failed in doing so, but was not satisfied as to the cause. I have never been fortunate enough to see this exhibition, which very few persons pretend to understand. It does not appear to be a branch of medicine, but simply of magic, and its knowledge is confined entirely to the tribes on or near the coast and sound. Hoh-hoke or ~~the-Rasm~~ Raven a Cowlitz Indian, and a very old man living on the Puyallup, are the only others who have been named to me as possessing it; but every Indian with whom I have spoken on the subject in various parts of the district corroborates the story of the "Skookum Sticks", The Klikatats state that they have not the power themselves, but have seen others exercise it, as among the Chinooks. The sticks are bars of cedar wood, carved and painted, and are sometimes smeared with grease and feathers. The motions of the operator in conferring the property upon them are described as similar to mesmeric passes, The sticks are not necessarilly held by him