neatly made, gradually tapering to each end which terminated in a shoulder and hook for the security of the bow string. They were all made of Yew and chosen with a naturally inverted curve suited to the method of using them. From end to end of the concave side, which when strung became the convex part, a very strong strip of an elastic hide is attached to some, and the skins of serpents to others, exactly the shape and length of the bow, neatly and firmly affixed to the wood by means of a cement, the adhesive property of which I never saw, or heard of being equalled. It is not to be affected by either dry or damp weather and forms so strong a connection with the wood, as to prevent a separation without destroying the component parts of both. The bow string is made of the sinews of some marine animal laid loose, in order to be twisted at pleasure as the temperature of the atmosphere may require to preserve it at a proper length. Thus is this very neat little weapon rendered potable, elastic and effective in the highest degree, if we may be allowed to judge by the dexterity with which it was used by one of the natives of Port Discovery.

We had little opportunity of acquiring any satisfactory information with regard to the public regulations or private economy of these people. The situation and appearance of the places we found them generally inhabiting, indicating their being much accustomed