



"He po hookahi, a ao ua pau"

AS HEIAU BUILDERS

THE Menehunes are credited with the construction of numerous *heiaus* (ancient temples) in various parts of the islands.

The *heiau* of Mauoki, once a prominent temple near Honolulu, was credited to them for its construction, the stones therefor being brought singly by the Menehunes from distant Waianae. Kukaoo, in Manoa Valley, is another, and in

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the Koolau district is one known as Upo, or Ulupo, at Kailua, the stones for which are said to have been brought by the Menehunes over the mountain.

Another temple of their erection was at Pepeekeo, Hilo, the peculiarity of the work being that the stones had been brought together by the residents of that part of the district, by direction of the chief, but that in one night the Menehunes gathered together and built it. The chief and his people were surprised the next morning, on coming to resume their work, to find the *heiau* completed.

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