

- protected and rare on Maui and in Hawai'i uplands (down to 40 at one time and about 1,000 in 1978). 3. n. Mat pattern: two vertical rows of triangles, with the bases below, and the apices touching the bases above. 4. n. A variety of 'awa, stems green with dark-green spots. Also *kua'ea*. 5. Same as 'ai-a-ka-nēnē, a plant. (Neal 803.) 6. Probably same as *nēnē 'au kai*.
- nē.nē 'au kai.** n. Sea gull, rarely seen, so named because of its resemblance to the Hawaiian goose, *nēnē*. *Lit.*, sea-travelling goose. *Na ka Pueo-kahi ke aloha, nēnē 'au kai o Maui* (song), greeting to the Pueo-kahi [ship], seafaring gull of Maui.
- nēnēa.** Var. of *nanea*.
- nēnē'e.** Redup. of *ne'e*, but less used than *ne'ene'e*; low-growing, spreading, creeping, as a ground vine.
- nēnēhō.** Redup. of *nehe* 1.
- nē.nē hiwa.** vs. Prized, beloved, precious. *He nēnē pūlama 'ia, he nēnē hiwa i ka mana'o* (chant), a cherished beloved one, precious to think of.
- nēnē.hū.** vs. Warped, bent out of shape. Cf. *hū*, swollen.
- Nē.nē.hua-ka-wā.wāe.** n. Star name (no data). (Kuhelani.)
- Nē.nē.hua Kea.** n. Star name (no data). (Kuhelani.)
- Nē.nē.hua Uli.** n. Star name (no data). (Kuhelani.)
- nēnēi.** Same as *nanai*.
- nēnēkē.** 1. vs. Shuffling, scratching, thumping sound; to sound thus. 2. Same as *nanaka*.
- nē.nē.le'a.** n. Joyous, gladness.
- nēnēle.au.** Same as *neleau*. (KL line 102.)
- nēnelu.** nvs. Flabby fat; soft, as fine, worked-up soil (see ex., *mehelu*); boggy, marshy, springy, swampy; mire, bog, marsh; soft plumpness.
- nēnēnē.** 1. nvi. Fluttering the wings; contracting the muscles, flexing the muscles, as preparing for exercise. 2. Redup. of *nene* 2.
- nēnē.nēpu.** Plural of *nēnēpu*.
- nēnēpu.** Redup. of *nēpu*.
- nēnēwa.** Redup. of *nēwa*.
- nēnē.wai.** n. A variety of sweet potato.
- nēnēwe.** Redup. of *nēwe*.
- nēno.** vt. To question repeatedly.
- nēnu.** Var. of *nūnū* 3.
- nēnuē, nēnuwe.** n. 1. Chub fish, also known as rudder or pilot fish (*Kyphosus bigibbus*, *K. vaigiensis*). This name may be qualified by the terms 'ele'ele, kea, pā'i'i, pāki'iki'i, uli. Also *nanue, enenuē, manaloa*. See *hoe nēnuē*. (PNP *nēnuē*.) 2. Var. of *nanue*, seaweed. 3. A paddle with a broad blade. *Rare*.
- nēo.** nvs. Empty, bare, desolated; nothing, naught; failing, getting nowhere. *Ahu ka neo!* A heap of nothing! Nothing gained or worth anything at all. *Kahi a ka neo*, place of nothing [nothing gained, obtained]. **ho'o.nēo.** To lay waste, devastate, make destitute; desolation; turning to naught.
- nēo.nēo.** Redup. of *neo*; to ravage; chaos. **ho'o.nēo.nēo.** Redup. of *ho'oneo*. (Oihk. 26:32) *Aia 'ike 'oukou i ka mea 'ino e ho'oneoneo ai* (Mat. 24.15), when you see the abomination of desolation.
- nēpu.** vs. Plump, full and round in flesh, bulging; swollen, as a stream. Cf. *nenelu*. **ho'o.nēpu.** To cause plumpness, swelling; plump.
- nēpuē.** Var. of *nēpu*.
- nēpu.nēpu.** Redup. of *nēpu*; chubby. *Nui nēpunēpu*, large and plump.
- nē'ū.** n. Cooked and unpounded taro; also *kalo pa'a, kualā, kūpu'u*.
- nē'u.nē'u.** Same as *nēpunēpu*. *Rare*.
- nēwa.** 1. n. War club, cudgel, policeman's club; fluted stone, as held in the hand as a stone club; fluted stone inserted in one end of a war club or dagger, as the *pā-hoa*. 2. nvi. To reel, stagger; dizziness, vertigo; dizzy. **ho'o.nēwa.** Caus/sim. (PCP *nēwa*.) 3. (Cap.) A constellation, probably the Southern Cross.
- nēwa.nēwa.** Redup. of *nēwa* 2.
- nēwe.** 1. vs. Plump; filled out, full, as a pregnant woman; billowy, as a cloud; moving, as a current. 2. (Cap.) Var. of *Nēwa* 3.
- Nēwe.nēwe.** Same as *Nēwe* 2. (PCP *nēwēnēwe*.)
- nēwe.nēwēwe.** 1. Redup. of *nēwe* 1. 2. Exclamation of *maika* players as they cheer the rolling stone. 3. n. A kind of fish (no data).
- nēwēwe.** Same as *nēwēwēwe*.
- nia.** vs. Smooth, round, bald; calm, as a smooth sea. *Po'o nia*, bald head. **ho'o.nia.** To make smooth and even, as in carving; to remove all vestige of vegetation. (PCP *nia*.)
- nia.** pas/imp. suffix. See *'aihuēnia, kuhinia, manoninia, wālania*, Gram. 6.6.3. (PPN *-ngia*.)
- nī'a.** nvt. Malicious gossip or accusation; slanderous; to accuse falsely or by trapping, malign.
- Nia.kala, Niagara.** n. Niagara. *Eng.*
- nia.nia.** Redup. of *nia*. **ho'o.nia.nia.** Caus/sim.
- nī'a.nī'a.** Redup. of *nī'a*. *E 'imi ana e hopu i kekahi mea no loko mai o kona waha, i nī'ani'a ai lākou iāia* (Luka 11.54), seeking to catch something from within his mouth with which they might accuse him.
- nia.niāpe.** 1. Redup. of *niāpe*. 2. vs. Bending, arching.
- nia.niāu.** Var. of *niniāu*. **ho'o.nia.niāu.** Var. of *ho'onināu*. *Ho'onianāu i ka na'auao*, quiet, persistent pursuit of knowledge.
- nī'a.nī'au.** Same as *kupukupu*. *Ni'ihau*. Cf. *'ōkupu-kupu*, ferns.
- nia.niēle.** Var. of *nieniele*.
- nī.ao.** 1. n. Edge, as of a canoe (FS 143); groove; rim, as of a bowl. (PCP *ni(i)ao*.) 2. nvi. Mewing, purring. 3. nvi. Stretching up, as by one standing on tiptoe. 4. n. Sharp edge of a knife blade.
- niāpe.** vs. Long, extended, as a pole. *Rare*.
- niāu.** vi. Moving smoothly, swiftly, silently, peacefully; flowing or sailing thus; to pass on, glide. *He 'ale niāu*, a moving billow. *Niāu aku nei ma ka Penekia* (chant), swiftly sailing away on the Benicia. *Ua niāu ke kapu*, the taboo has passed. **ho'o.niāu.** Following swiftly and silently; continuing; prolonging; copying, imitating. *Ho'onāu akula ka makāula i kāna pule 'ana*, the prophet continued on and on with his prayer.
- nī'au.** n. 1. Midrib of coconut leaf or frond; rib of an umbrella; coconut-leaf midrib or 'ilima rod used as a taboo marker at end of a *hālau*; groove. *Fig.*, tall, thin person. Cf. *akēnī'au*. (PCP *niikau*.) 2. Ramrod. 3. Billow. *Rare*. 4. Diseases. See below.
- nī'au hō.lua.** n. Name of a disease (no data).
- nī'au kā.hili.** n. Broom made of coconut-leaf midribs tied together at one end. Also *pūpū nī'au*.
- nī'au kani.** n. A true jew's harp, made of a thin strip of wood, about 10 cm long and 2.5 cm wide, with a coconut midrib (*nī'au*) or bamboo strip lashed lengthwise; played something like the 'ūkēkē. Ka-mehameha's return from O'ahu to Hawai'i was called *ka nī'au kani* because of the sound of the wind rustling the feathers of the many *kāhili* escorting him. Cf. 'ūkēkē. *Lit.*, sounding coconut midrib.
- nī'au.pī'o.** n. Offspring of the marriage of a high-born brother and sister, or half-brother and half-sister. *Lit.*, bent coconut midrib, i.e., of the same stalk.
- nī'au pū.lumi.** n. Broom straw. *Lit.*, broom (*Eng.*) coconut-leaf midrib.
- nī'au 'ū.kē.kē.** Same as *nī'au kani*.
- nī'au wā.wāe kāhi.** Same as *kākaiawī*, a disease.
- niē.** 1. Short for *nīele*. *Niē au, Moala, 'ehia inu 'awa* (PH 121)? I asked with curiosity, Moala, how many kawa drinkers? 2. Var. of *nia*.
- nī.ēle.** nvs. To keep asking questions; inquisitive, curious, plying with frivolous questions (often used in pejorative sense, as of a busybody asking things that do not concern him); to quiz, pump; question. As an exclamation of annoyance: you are too inquisitive! Who cares to answer your questions! **ho'o.nī.ēle.** Questioning, especially by leading up indirectly rather than directly; quizzing; curious; curiosity.