

RETURN showing—(1) the Number of Applications for Original Hearings, Rehearings, Succession Orders, Subdivisions, and Rehearings ordered by the Chief Judge awaiting Investigation on 21st January, 1891; (2) the Number of Applications under these Headings since received; (3) the Number finally disposed of; and (4) the Number of Cases under each Heading now awaiting Investigation (22nd July, 1892).

	Auckland.	Gisborne.	Wellington.	Total.
Awaiting on 21st January, 1891—				
Original hearing	829	356	304	1,489
Partition	627	2,083	1,143	3,853
Succession	3,014	2,455	1,865	7,334
Applications for rehearing	11	26	46	83
Rehearings ordered	27	18	16	61
Received since—				
Original hearing	92	49	85	226
Partition	290	268	577	1,135
Succession	1,726	1,504	2,066	5,296
Applications for rehearing	32	21	37	90
Rehearings ordered	4	7	10	21
Finally disposed of—				
Original hearing	158	144	56	358
Partition	285	843	204	1,332
Succession	1,185	2,222	1,494	4,901
Applications for rehearing	6	24	48	78
Rehearings ordered	17	14	18	49
Awaiting on 22nd July, 1892—				
Original hearing	763	261*	333	1,357
Partition	632	1,508*	1,516	3,656
Succession	3,555	1,737*	2,437	7,729
Applications for rehearing	37	23*	35	95
Rehearings ordered	14	11*	8	33

* These totals include the following cases transferred to Wellington District in December, 1891, in consequence of alterations in Native Land Court district boundaries—namely, original hearing, 44; partition, 253; succession, 331; application for rehearing, 21; rehearings ordered, 3.

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