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# THE NATIVE LAND COURT:

RETURN OF APPLICATIONS FOR HEARINGS, REHEARINGS, SUCCESSION AND SUB-DIVISION ORDERS, ETC.

*Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 22nd July, 1892.*

*Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) the number of applications for original hearings, the number of applications for rehearings, the number of applications for succession orders, the number of applications for subdivisions, and the number of rehearings ordered by the Chief Judge respectively in connection with the Native Land Court throughout the colony, showing each district separately, that awaited investigation on the 21st day of January, 1891; (2) the number of applications under each of the above headings that have since been received; (3) the number under each heading that have been finally disposed of; and (4) the number of cases under each of the above headings now awaiting investigation."*—(Mr. BUCKLAND.)

## SUMMARY OF RETURN.

AWAITING Investigation on 21st January, 1891:—					
Original hearing ...	...	...	...	...	1,489
Received since ...	...	...	...	...	226
					1,715
Finally disposed of ...	...	...	...	...	358
					1,357
Total awaiting on 22nd July, 1892					
Partition ...	...	...	...	...	3,853
Since received ...	...	...	...	...	1,135
					4,998
Finally disposed of ...	...	...	...	...	1,332
					3,656
Total awaiting on 22nd July, 1892					
Succession ...	...	...	...	...	7,334
Since received ...	...	...	...	...	5,296
					12,630
Finally disposed of ...	...	...	...	...	4,901
					7,729
Total awaiting on 22nd July, 1892					
Applications for rehearing ...	...	...	...	...	83
Since received ...	...	...	...	...	90
					173
Finally disposed of ...	...	...	...	...	78
					95
Total awaiting on 22nd July, 1892					
Rehearings ordered ...	...	...	...	...	61
Since received ...	...	...	...	...	21
					82
Finally disposed of ...	...	...	...	...	49
					33
Total awaiting on 22nd July, 1892					

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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