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Tuesday 7th August 1888

Court opened at 10 a.m.

Present

The same

Court informed natives that upon this representative of the insufficient court accommodation provided by the Court. Thence the matter had been considered and an adjournment could be had there. An answer to be returned at some future time.

Ngati Iras' case resumed.

Hemi Makaire. states that Ngati Patu case has been withdrawn.

20/-P Tauha.  
Te Assessor

Aperahama's. examination continued

I live at Waioeka in the district of Opotiki but outside this block. I have lived on this block in former days. They also. I was born outside this block at Papura. Kotikoti had 5 children. My father was born outside this block. I know the father was born outside this block. I know the father of Mini one of the witnesses in this case. Tamaipaoa. Don't know where he was born. I know the father of Paora Te Pakihi. Pohipi Tokirau was his name. Don't know place of his birth. The fathers all lived together on this very block now before the Court. Matahangia was their kainga. Ngati Ira lived there also. Some of our dead are buried on this block at a pa called Ohawaka. Can't give the name of any of there buried there at the time that people were living there. Uru Ariki was killed because the Whakatane believed that he had come to sieze the land. I was not party to the survey of this block nor was I aware that it was to be made. Paora and I and others of Ngati Ira were admitted into the award made by the Government. The Ngati Ira who were thus admitted have also an interest in the block now before the Court. A principal owner of the Ngati Ira of land confiscated was Te Hira Popo. Paora, and Whaio were others. We lived on this block before the war. That portion of the

To Judge

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land East and West of the Waioeka was the land given to us by Sir Donald McLean. On Eastern side 100 acres were given. This was given to those who had taken part in the war as rebels. We had surrendered. It is where we were living and the name of the place is Opeke.

Ngati Iras' case closed

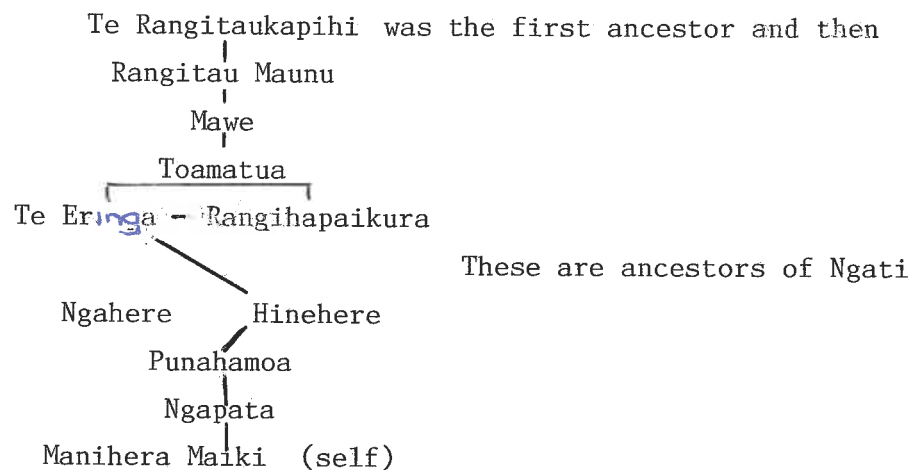
Ngatingahere's case begins. Te Ua conducts.

Ngatingahere's claim to that part called Pakihi is abandoned. <sup>Te Ua</sup> Paora Tawhiti's case. is abandoned. (Ngati Horowai's) see page 230.

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Manihera Maiki. sworn - I know the block before the Court, and the boundary between Ngati Ira and the Ngatingahere. Moa-nui to Patu to Whitu to Raitakahia to Putaitaka and to the confiscated line. The boundary I have given is a straight line. I claim this ancestry, constant occupation.



My ancestor had cultivations on this block. One was at Tutaitoko. Raitakahia was another. My ancestors were buried at latter place. Some were buried at Pohue. Toamatua my ancestor was buried at last named place. Some totara trees called Ngatokorua Pawira have very old land marks of our ancestors and they are standing on the road side. That road is called Te Kohai. It was one of my own ancestor. He was ancestor of Ngatingahere.

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Sir Donald McLean. On Eastern side 100 acres were given.  
This was given to those who had taken part in the war as rebels  
but had surrendered. It is where we are living & the name of  
the place is Opeke.

N' Ira's case closed

N' Agahere's case begins. Te Ma conducts.

At present N' Agahere's claim to that part  
called "Pakiki" is abandoned

Tawa Tawhitoicare is abandoned. (N' Horowai's) sup. p. 230  
Manihera Maiki sworn. I know the block before Court,  
and the boundary between N' Ira & the N' Agahere. Moanui  
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line. I claim this ancestry, constant occupation

Te Rangitaukapiti was the first ancestor & then  
Rangitau Maunui

Maui

Toamataua

Te Eringa - Rangihapakura

~~Rangitaukapiti~~ These are ancestors of N'

Agahere. Hence here

Punahamoa

Ngapata

Manihera Maiki (self)

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were buried at latter place. Some were buried at  
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place. Some totara trees called Ngatohama Tawira  
were very old land marks of our ancestors and they are  
standing on the road side. That road is called Te Kohai.  
It was named after the ancestor Kohai. He was one of my  
own ancestor. He was ancestor of N' Agahere.

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There are 2 small mountains on that same road which were formerly used as resting places & were called Te Ranga a Whetatu and Te Ranga a Whemai.

Te Iki & Tumatua were 2 old enclosures

A remarkable mountain called Turuhangama from which both sides of the country can be seen in one block.

Whakangara is a spring of water. Otaketake is a spot where 2 ancestors met & had a conference.

Te Pukeroa is also a remarkable mountain so named by the ancestors when they discovered the track to it. The part of the country confiscated by J. B. belonged to N. Ngahere, down to the sea-side. The within confiscated block was Matapurutaka was a burial ground belonging to the hopea. Tamutu, was another. Pakipaki was another. Wairuwarewa, Te Huake, & Piopio were others. These burial grounds are near to the block now before the Court. These burial places belonged chiefly to N. Ngahere.

There are 2 passes within the confiscated block. Mawmiki & Otake. They were erected for purpose of keeping off any intruders. No hopea or people ever attempted to pass over this land, and we occupied it without disturbance till the time of the fight with the Europeans.

Part of the places named on plan but could not be found.

xix<sup>th</sup> by Tauha Nihora - This land came to my ancestors by a former ancestor called Te Uta. He was the father of the leader of the tribe. I have already stated that I claim this land by ancestry & have gone further back than I should have done by giving the name of Te Uta. We occupied the land by discovery. The boundary I have given was laid down by Te Eriwa our ancestor. <sup>when</sup> Ngai Tamarehine, Matiatia & Koikoi dropped then the boundary line was laid down. Te Eriwa alone laid down the boundary. The house called Wharekiri belonged to Tarawa an ancestor. Kohikohi was the ancestor on part of N. Ira.

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There are 2 small mountains on that same road which were formerly used as resting places and were called Te Ranga-a-Wheatu and Te Ranga-a-Whemai.

Tu Iti and Tumatua were 2 old ancestors.

A remarkable mountain called Turohangarua from which both sides of the country can be seen is on this block.

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There are 2 pas within the confiscated block. Manuriki and Otake. They were erected for purpose of keeping off any intruders. No hapus or people ever attempted to put us off this land, and we occupied it without disturbance till the time of the fight with the Europeans.

Can't point out places named on plan but could on the ground.

xxd by Tauha Nikora - This land came to my ancestors by a former ancestor called Te Uta. He was the father or the leader of the tribe. I have already stated that I claim this land by ancestor and have gone further back than I should have done by giving the name of Te Uta. We occupied the land by discovery. The boundary I have given was laid down by Te Ereinga over ancestor when Ngae Tamawahine, Matiatu and koikoi disappeared. There the boundary line was laid down. Te Ereinga alone laid down the boundary. The house called Wharekiri belonged to Tarawa an ancestoor. Kotikoti was the ancestor on part of Ngati Ira

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who with Te Erōinga laid down the boundary. It was laid down after the former inhabitants were destroyed by Kotikoti. The house I spoke of is situated at Motuhora on this block. Am not aware that Ngae Tu were the possessions of this block. Am not aware in fact deny that Ruamoko and Whatupe drove off the original people of this block.

2 p.m.

I lived upon this land long before Hauhau flight had we occupied this part of the country. Have never ceased to live upon the land from time of our ancestor. Te Mahi was the place upon the ground. Ngae Tu is the hapu name of the descendants of Tarawa. It was in consequence the death of Rangituaewa who was killed in the bush that the hapu called Ngatingahere derived their name. Don't know that this name was taken from Te Hau having been strangled with a cord or rope. It was on this occasion that Ngati Kahu assumed the name of Ngatingahere. I am not aware that there was any conflict between Whakatane and Ngamoko - on the contrary there was no such thing. The 2 first persons that travelled the Kohai road were Tuiti and Tumatua. Those 2 were ancestors of mine and originally came from the South. From Turanga they came originally came from Hawaiki in the "Tanui" canoe. They took up their residence at a place called Motu, and they were the owners of a block of land that has been sold to the Government. Tawa was not the first that travelled the Kohai range. Tiringa was the descendant of Tuiti and Tumatua. I know where the late Te Patimana lived - a very old man - but the land on which he lived was mine. I gave him lease to live there. His wife was a connection of mine and it was on that account I did so. Kuratakahia was the name of his wife. Don't know of a place in the block called Te Whaka-a-Kohi, but I so

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\* 2 pm

I lived upon this land long before Hauhau flight had occupied this part of the country. I have never ceased to live upon the land from time of our ancestors. Te Mahi was the place upon this land that I lived upon. I can point out the place if necessary upon the ground. Ngae Tu is the heape name of the descendants of Tarawa. It was in consequence of the death of Rangituaewa who was killed in the bush & the that the heape called Ngae Tu derived their name. Don't know that this name was taken from Te Hauru having been strangled with a cord or rope. It was on this occasion that Ngae Tu assumed the name of Ngae Tu. I am not aware that there was any conflict between Whakatane and Ngae Tu on the contrary there was no such thing. The 2 first persons that travelled the Kohai road were Tuiki and Teumatua. These 2 were ancestors of mine & originally came from the south, from Turanga. They came originally from Hawaiki in the Taimui canoe. They took up their residence at a place called Motu, and they were the owners of a block of land that has been sold to the Govt. Iawa was not the first that travelled the Kohai range. Tiringa was the descendant of Tuiki and Teumatua. I know where the late Te Pitirama lived - a very old man - but the land on which he lived was mine. I gave him leave to live there. His wife was a connection of mine & it was on that account I did so. Kuarakakaha was the name of his wife. Don't know of a place in the block called Te Whakaha a Kohi, but I do

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I know a place in the block called Wairaputakaha  
 I know a place on the block called Te temukuri - I can't point  
 it out on map, but I know it well, as it was my own. My  
 ancestors came on the land long before Te Arawa's time.  
 Pehimana never lived at ~~Wairaputakaha~~ <sup>Wairaputakaha</sup>. Potumona &  
 Tione were the only 2 people that I know of that resided there.  
 I myself lived at one time at that place. My occupation between  
 the 2 places was within a short time ago. The vestiges would  
 look as fresh in either place. Don't know of any fight and  
 conquest between the Whakapu & the Ngae Te.  
 xx<sup>2</sup> by Rewiti Awa. I know the ridge called the Kohai. At Te  
 2 of P<sup>2</sup> Rimeho is on that ridge. I also know Te Rangiautakaha  
 and Te Rangiauwemai. They are both on that ridge. Te  
 Whero-whero I also know. That is situated on the road going  
 to Pakihi. Te Waiti stream I know. There are many  
 descendants living of Ngae Te at the present time. The  
 Ngae Tama is a subdivision of same stock. I know  
 there was a fight between Makere & Te Whakapu.  
 No conquest was ever made by Whakapu within this block.  
 I know the ridge called Herarua. Tokemui stream I  
 know. It is a branch of Te Waiti. Whakata stream I  
 know. Taikerua a very small stream I also know.  
 I know Te Apunga. He possessed that part of the country.  
 I also knew a chief & hapu called Kapuranga who  
 lived on this land. Warokere, the ancestor, I know, still  
 he occupied a place in or near Waiti stream. The streams  
 mentioned are on this land. Orongokobuku is on this block.  
 It is a stream, and runs further up, but in the same line with  
 the others. I admit that the Kahumaka lived upon the  
 part of the land.

(court adjourned at 4 pm to 10 am tomorrow)