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aforementioned Act is to forfeit but one hundred pounds of Tobacco amounting to about Six Shillings Whereas the penalty for defacing or Endamageing a Hodgshead in the Stowing, being Three pounds Sterling, is more than the Value of Hodgshead of Tobacco there which the said Commissioners Conceive to be unreasonable ; for the Large Size of Maryland Hodgsheads, abridges the Masters to Use Screws to squeeze them in their Stowage which is liable to be interpreted a Defacing or Endamaging the said Cask ; And therefore Wee humbly Offer to Your Majesty That this Law be also repealed.

[pp. 47-8.]

1 April. [1057.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the  
Antigua. Petition of Thomas Elliot and Elizabeth his Wife John Earle and Sarah his Wife and Mary Ligham Spinster, Complaining of Severall unjust proceedings against them in relation to their Right to two plantations called Blubber Valey and Musketto Cove in Her Majestys Island of Antegoa particularly of a certain Verdict and Judgment given at a Court of Common pleas held in the said Island, the 15th of July last, from which the petitioners have appealed, and humbly pray that before the said Appeale be heard and Determined, Her Majestys Governor there be Directed to Examine into the said Indirect and unjust practices, and to Transmitt his Report of the same, and of such affidavits as may be taken therein to Her Majesty at this Board, in Order to their being relieved.]

[p. 48.]

30 June. [Committee Minute—granting the petition and giving the  
(1709.) requisite orders to Col. Park.] [pp. 123-4.]

2 May. [Committee minute on considering Col. Park's report, and  
hearing both parties, recommending dismissal of the appeal  
as irregularly brought.] [p. 312.]

19 May. [Order accordingly.] [p. 317.]

15 April. [1058.] [Reference to the Board of Trade of the petition  
St. of Mary Bowden, widow, of St. Christopher], Complaining  
Christopher.