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purpose first obtained from Your Majesty upon a full Representation to be made by the said Governor of the reason and necessity for passing such Law. [pp. 210-11.]

(1728.) 15 Feb. [The Act is disallowed.]

[p. 225.]

10 Jan. [141.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the petition of Nathaniel Gilbert of Antigua, merchant] praying that the appeal of William Byam Esqr. from a judgment given by the Governor and Council of Antigua as a Court of Errors, 22 July 1726, in favour of the Petitioners, may be dismist with costs for non-Prosecution. [p. 206.]

15 Feb. [Order dismissing the appeal with 5*l*. costs, on Committee report of 18 Jan.] [*pp.* 212, 227.]

[142.] Their Lordships taking Notice that the Meetings of 18 Jan. Appeals. this Committee have been frequently put off for want of Counsel to attend, whereby great Delays have arisen in the Causes depending before them, to the obstruction of Justice and Detriment of the Suitors. Their Lordships are therefore hereby pleased to Declare and order that when a Day shall be appointed to Hear any Appeals or Complaints either from fhe Plantations or from the Isles of Jersey or Guernsey or for any other Cause or Causes depending before this Committee such pretence of want of Counsell shall not be allowed of, as a reason to deferr the hearing thereof, Whereof all Persons concerned in Solliciting Causes before this Committee, are to take Notice, and Govern themselves accordingly. [p. 213.]

15 Feb. [143.] His Majesty in Councill. Judging it highly necessary Naval Stores. for the Service of His Navy that the Strictest care ought to be taken of [his woods in North America] and all proper encouragments given for the raising of them and all other Navall Stores, [refers to the Board of Trade a memorial from the Admiralty] proposing that Directions should be given for the better preserving them from Wast for the future And also for the Encouraging the Cultivating and Improving of Hemp Pitch and Tarr and all other Navall Stores. [p. 232.]