Wm. III, 11 and 12 Wm. III, 4 Geo. I, 5 Geo. I, and 7 Geo. I, of which last a copy is to be sent with the Instruction): such Governors as are found negligent are to be removed from their employments, and are liable to a fine of 1,000l. and other penalties to be enforced by rigorous prosecution: on the first notice of arrival within the limits of their government of any ship suspected to have on board goods or negroes from beyond the Cape of Good Hope within the limits of the East India Company's Charter, they are to have the ship's officers and papers examined by the Customs, and if they came from beyond the Cape and have such goods on board, they are to be ordered to depart immediately without any relief, even should they be, or pretend to be, in distress, and no goods or negroes are to be landed from them under any pretext: if they do not depart as soon as conveniently may be, ship and cargo may be seized as also if a ship so loaded break bulk at any plantation: foreign ships so loaded may be succoured, if in real distress, but may not land any goods or negroes from beyond the Cape in payment for supplies: if any Customs officer be negligent or corrupt, the Governor is to suspend him, if he have the power, and is to report him to the Secretary of State or to the Board of Trade in order to his dismissal: full reports of their proceedings are to be furnished by Governors to the Secretary of State and the Board of Trade; for the strict observance of the laws mentioned the Commissioners of the Customs are to give proper directions [pp. 317-20.]to the Customs officers here and in America.]

[12.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the petition of George Forrest, surgeon, and Susanna, his wife, for a short day for hearing their appeal from a decree of the Antigua Chancery of 19 Aug., 1719, in favour of Margaret Martin and Henry Martin, an infant, as to the title to 85 acres of land in the division of St. John's.]

9 July. Antigua.

[Order, in accordance with the Committee report of 1 Feb., that the appeal be in part sustained, in part dismissed.]

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[pp. 296, IV. pp. 183, 209.]

(1723.) 26 Feb.

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1721. (1726.)[Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the petition of 4 Nov. Margaret Martin, widow, and Henry, her son, of Antigua, that, as the proceedings are duly transmitted, a short day may be appointed for hearing their appeal from a judgment of the Governor and Council as a Court of Errors, 1 Nov., 1725, in favour of Edward Horn Forrest relating to 85 acres of land [V. p. 283.] there. (1726.)14 Dec. [Appearance for Forrest entered by Mr. Webb.] [V, p, 293.](1733.)[Committee. Both the appellants being dead, the appeal 16 April. is revived by making Robert Martin, brother and heir of Henry [George II. Vol. III. p. 143.] Martin, appellant.] (1734.)[Order, in accordance with Committee report of 5 Nov., for 7 Nov. the reversal of the judgment of 1 Nov., 1725, and that of 20 May, 1724, which it confirmed; Martin to be restored to possession of anything he has lost by these judgments.] [III. pp. 147, 532, IV. pp. 20, 30, 34.] [13.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of one repre-28 July. Barbados. sentation of the Board of Trade of 17 July for approbation of the Barbados Act of May, 1720, appointing security to be given by appellees, and another on the petition of Anthony Cratchrode against the Act.] [p. 267.] (1722.)[Committee refer the Act and representation to the Attorney 9 Nov. General, to whom Lord Carteret has recently referred a petition (See Vol. II.) of ex-Governor Lowther relating to the Act. [IV. p. 132.] (1722.)[Committee concur with the Attorney General that the Act 14 Dec. [IV. p. 163.] is reasonable and just.] (1722.)[IV. p. 168.] [The Act approved.] 20 Dec. 28 July. [14.] [Reference to the Committee of the Council of a report Virginia. from the Board of Trade of 17 July on the Address of the Councill and Burgesses of Virginia, relating to the Securing the passes on the great Ridge of Mountains which extend along the back of Virginia and Carolina, and to the Speedy

Settlement thereof.

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