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Trade, order that they report their opinion as soon as conveniently they can. A copy of the petition and answer are sent to the Board of Trade, and consideration of the matter by the Committee suspended till the report is made.]

[p. 238.]

(1731.) 7 July.

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[Committee. The Board of Trade having reported this day, and the solicitor for the Penns having prayed a day for hearing them upon the report and Act, 23 July is appointed.]

[p. 425.]

23 July. [The Committee agree with the Board of Trade in recommending disallowance of the Act as it] may prove highly prejudicial to Your Majestys Revenue in Pensilvania and be an Encouragement to illegal Trade in that Province by putting the officers of the Customs under great difficultys in Prosecutions upon Seizures made of Contraband Goods or other merchandize imported contrary to Law. [Moore alleged] that severall suits and informations which he had commenced in the supreme Court there by the advice of Your Majestys present Attorney Generall and the late Sir Clement Wearg, upon seizing a Ship Laden with East India and other contraband Goods illegally imported into the said Province are now discontinued, and the said Supreme Court (which had a Power of a Court of Exchequer by the Law of Pensilvania) Declared to have no Jurisdiction therein and the said power is by the said Act given to the County Court which consists chiefly of merchants. [p. 435.]

(1731.) 12 Aug.

[p. 444.]

2 Dec. Barbados. [194.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the petition of James Crow of Barbados, merchant, that a short day may be appointed for hearing his appeal from a decree of the Chancery there, 9 July, 1729, in favour of Gelasius MacMahon and Frances his wife and Elizabeth Holdip, widow and administratrix of Henry Holdip, relating to a portion of the estates of Richard Holdip, deceased.] [pp. 96, 192, 235.]

[The Act is disallowed.]

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[On the Committee report of 14 May, the decree is reversed and further proceedings in Chancery ordered.] [pp. 236-7, 244.]

[195.] [Committee.] Report of the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations with Heads of an Act of Parliament concerning the Newfoundland Fishery; Considered-The further Consideration hereof Postponed till the Lords receive an Account from the Lord Vere Beauclerk at Newfoundland of his proceedings under the New Powers granted to him and Captain Osborne. [p. 105.]

(1730.)[Committee.] Ordered that the Report of the Board of 27 May. Trade upon the State of the Fishery in Newfoundland, Be postponed till Lord Vere Beauclerc (who is gone Commadore on the Newfoundland Station) shall send a full account of the state of that Trade. [p. 240.]

[Commission] and instructions for George Clinton, 11 May. commander of H.M.S. Salisbury, as for Capt. Osborn in 1729,] with an addition only of the two last articles, whereby Captain Clinton is directed to enquire what effect has attended the commission given to his Predecessor for creating Justices of the Peace and other civil officers in that Island-and also to frame a scheme of the Quantitys of Fish taken annually at Newfoundland, with the Numbers of Ships Boats and Men employed on that service in a more Methodical manner than has been hitherto practiced. [p. 389. P.R.] (1732.)

[Commission] Captain Edward 18 May. and instructions for Falkingham of H.M.S. Salisbury as for Capt. Clinton,] with an addition only to the 65th Article whereby the Governor is directed to enquire into the Truth of severall complaints against the Justices of the Peace there—and to prevent their interferring with the Fishing Admirals in such matters relating to the Fishery as are reserved to the Jurisdiction of the said Admirals by Act of Parliament. [p. 655. P.R.]

11 Dec. [196.] [Commission approved for Jonathan Belcher to be New Governor of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire. P.R.1 England. [p. 110.]

1729. (1730.) 11 June.

8 Dec. Newfoundland.

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