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[Referred by Committee to Board of Trade.] [p. 170.] 24 May. (1737.)

[Committee. The petitioners to have a copy of the Board 18 Jan. of Trade report.] [V. p. 52.] (1737.)

[Committee report for the dismissal of the petition. The Board of Trade reported] that they had received an Account from the Lieutenant Governor of New York that above one half of the Land Petitioned for, had already been granted to other Persons, who had purchased their Right thereto from the Indians for Valuable Considerations, antecedent to their Obtaining a Grant thereof, and that having acquainted Mr. Storke one of the Petitioners therewith, he so far acquiesced therein, that he declared he would give the said Lords Commissioners no further Trouble upon this Subject. [V. p. 179.]

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[Order accordingly.]

[V. p. 209.] 21 April.

[344.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the petition of Matthew Ellis late of Medford, Middlesex co., Mass., husbandman, a member of the Church of England, for leave to appeal from judgments of the Inferior Court, 11 Dec., 1733, and of the Superior Court 29 Jan., and 30 July, 1734, in his action against Richard Sprague for assaulting, beating, wounding and imprisoning him, and detaining him in prison till he paid Sprague a fine of 3l. 1s.]

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[Order on the recommendation of the Committee, that the appeal be admitted on the usual security and that Ellis be allowed copies of the proceedings under the seal of the province on paying the usual fees.] [pp. 191, 200.]

9 July.

[Ellis's petition for an early hearing referred to the Committee for Appeals.] [p. 218.]

30 July.

[Committee appoint 25 Feb. to hear the appeal.] [p. 223.] 14 Aug.

[345.] [Reference to the Committee for Appeals of the petition of William Leighton, gent., of Kittery, in what was formerly called Maine, against two decisions in favour of John Frost,

16 May. Massachusetts Bay.