

740 ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL (COLONIAL).

1742.

An Act for Granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Duty or Tax of two Shillings per Poll on all Negroes and other Slaves and the further Duty of two and a half per Cent on all Houses Warehouses Shops and Tenements within this Island for such sundry publick Uses and Services as in this Act are herein after declared : [and for applying 1,435*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* out of the money raised by the previous Act, and for appropriating the overplus of the moneys arising out of and by virtue of another Act entitled] An Act for raising an Annual Sum of eight Hundred Pounds Current Money by a Duty or Tax of Fourteen pence per Poll on all Negroes and other Slaves within this Island and the further Sum of Four hundred pounds Current Money by an Additional Duty or Tax of Seven pence per Poll on the said Negroes and other Slaves for one Year to be Computed from the Twenty fifth day of December last past to be Applied to the several Uses and Purposes therein declared and appointed. [pp. 63-4.]

(1745.)

23 May.

[Reference to the Committee of the petition of James George Douglas, agent for the island,] That as the Question touching the reasonableness of laying any larger proportion of Taxes on the Absentees than on the Residents has been very lately under His Majesty's Royal Consideration on an Act past in Antigua the Petitioner will not Trouble their Excellencys with anything on that head, nor with anything in Opposition to any other part of the said Representation [save that he prays that the second Act, passed on 5 Sept., 1744, be allowed to expire by flux of time.] [X. p. 103.]

(1746.)

16 June.

[The Committee recommend that the instruction given to the Governor of the Leeward Islands to reserve any such Acts passed in Antigua for the Royal pleasure be extended to include all the Leeward Islands.] [X. p. 512.]

(1746.)

23 July.

[Order accordingly.] [X. p. 527.]

14 Oct.  
Barbados.

[558.] [Reference to the Committee of the appeal of Edward Brace of Barbados from a decree of the Barbados

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Chancery of 12 May, 1742, upon a bill filed by the petitioner] against John Lyte and Elizabeth his Wife Tobias Frere and Arabella his Wife Executors of Henry Peers Deceased praying that an account might be taken and an Injunction granted on a Judgment confest by Elizabeth Harding deceased and the Petitioner to the said Henry Peers. [p. 242.]

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[Committee: Edward Brace being dead, the appeal is revived in the names of John Brace, his brother and heir,] Benjamin Charnock, Samuel Brace, Joseph Terrill, Edward Brace the Younger and Samuel Game Esqrs. [p. 338.]

(1743.)

3 Mar.

[Order in accordance with the Committee report of 9 Feb. in favour of varying the decree.]

(1745.)

11 April.

[IX. pp. 597, 624, 662-73; X. p. 44.]

[559.] [Reference to the Committee of an Act passed in North Carolina in August, 1740,] Entituled "An Act to appoint able and Skilfull Clerks for the several County Courts within this Province and for the better Securing and safe keeping the Records of the same," [with a representation of the Board of Trade of 14 October recommending its repeal]. [p. 278.]

16 Dec.  
North  
Carolina.

(1743.)

[The Committee agree with the representation of the Board of Trade, which sets forth that] they do not find there were any Proofs laid before the Assembly in Support of the Allegations Set forth in the Preamble but if the said Allegations had been clearly made out to the Satisfaction of the Assembly where this Bill had its rise, The said Lords Commissioners conceive this Method of proceeding would not have been justifiable for as much as the Act takes away the know Rights and Profits of Your Majestys Patent Officer never before disputed without giving him any equivalent in lieu thereof notwithstanding the upper House had once inserted a Clause for an Equivalent and sent it down to the Assembly altho' the same was afterwards rejected And the said Lords-Commissioners further Objected that there was no Suspending

17 Jan.