62ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL (COLONIAL).

Jamaica.

22 Mar. [81.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Francis Hals (late Sadler) of Jamaica for a day for hearing his appeal from a judgment of the Court of Errors, 24 Nov., 1746, reversing a judgment of the Supreme Court of the last Tuesday in Feb., 1746, on a writ of dower brought against him by Benjamin Hume and Elizabeth his wife, demanding in right of the said Elizabeth as widow of Thomas Hals, one third of all the real estate of Thomas Hals in Jamaica, as her dower.] [p. 623.]

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2 May. Tobacco passes.

[82.] Passes to export tobacco to France, which continued to be granted in great numbers in the period covered by Vol. XI, are granted to nine vessels in the usual form on 2, 5 and 12 May. On 5 May, his Majesty made a declaration to the Council of his having agreed to a cessation of arms with the French King. Cf. Vol. III, 602.] [pp. 1-17.]

30 June. [83.] [An additional instruction to Governor Popple is Bermuda. approved in accordance with the following Board of Trade representation of 23 June :---] We have had under Our Consideration a Letter which We have lately received from William Popple Esqr. His Majestys Governor of the Bermuda Islands dated the 16th of February last, Setting forth amongst other things, That the Speaker of the Assembly of those Islands having on the 4th of the said Month adjourned the said Assembly to the third ringing of the Bell the next Morning and the Provost Marshall whom he the Governor had sent at twelve o'Clock of the said Morning with a Message to the Speaker having returned for Answer that the Speaker was not in Town, and that there was no House he Summoned the Council and represented to them that the Speaker by this Neglect or Omission for which he could assign no justifiable Reason had incapacitated the Members from Meeting, and had ipso facto vacated their Seats without dissolving the Assembly

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