

754 ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL (COLONIAL).

1766.

was referred on 14 April. The Committee supplied two blanks by fixing the rent at two beaver skins and the proportion of gold and silver ore reserved to the Crown at one-fifth.]

[VI. pp. 546, 562 ; VII. p. 9.]

12 May. [644.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of
West Daniel Clarke, deputy collector of customs at Mobile, for a day
Florida. for hearing his appeal from the judgment given by the Vice
Admiralty Court of West Florida, 16 July, 1765, in favour of
Major Farmer, on Clarke's information against the schooner
Charlotte, the boat *Little Bob*, and five hogsheads of claret,
for illegal trade.] [p. 619.]

(1769.) [On the Committee report of 11 March, the part of the decree
14 April. which ordered the restoration of the *Little Bob* and payment of
costs is reversed and the boat declared forfeit. The case was
heard *ex parte*, no appearance having been entered for the
respondent.] [V. p. 97 ; VI. pp. 473, 535.]

28 May. [645.] [On the petition of John Thornton, Fowler Walker,
Montreal. and James Hanway, agents for the sufferers by fire at Montreal,
letters patent are ordered to be passed under the Great Seal
for the collection of the charity of all well-disposed persons.
The fire occurred on 18 May, 1765, and in three hours destroyed
108 dwelling-houses inhabited by 215 families, doing damage
to the amount of 87,580*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* *stg.*, as appears by a certificate
from Governor Murray. The petition declares] That the Poor
Sufferers are a Loyal, obedient, and Laborious People, and
before this dreadfull Accident were recovering from the
Calamities of War and the suspension of their Trade and well
inclined to assist each other, but so many of them are now
reduced to the utmost distress, that if not relieved by their
Fellow Subjects here, many numerous Families will be
unavoidably insolved in and exposed to the greatest misery.
[p. 635.]

28 May. [646.] [Reference to the Committee of a Board of Trade
New York. representation of 16 May on a letter from Governor Moore of
New York requesting instructions about measures for the