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That this is a Consideration not only necessary in itself but also as it is conformable to what Your Majesty has thought proper to direct in respect to Grants of Lands in other Colonies founded upon the Regulations of several Acts of Parliament for the better preservation of Your Majesty's Woods in America, and is a Restriction highly expedient until some more perfect and effectual Plan shall be adopted for so National and important an Object.

Another Caution necessary to be attended to in so extensive a Plan of Settlement in the preventing its operating to the Encouragement of the Migration of any considerable Number of Your Majesty's Subjects from Your European Dominions, more especially from the Northern Parts of Ireland, where the ill effects of such Migration to the American Colonies has been severely felt, and therefore the said Lords Commissioners propose, that it should be a further Condition of the Grants, that no Persons should be settled within the said Townships but Protestants from such parts of Europe as are not within Your Majesty's Dominions, or such Persons as have resided in Your Majesty's Colonies in America for two Years antecedent to the Date of the Grant. [pp. 647-50.]

18 June. [A blank of a page and a half appears under this date after a marginal reference purporting to be the title of an order approving the Committee report.] [p. 673.]

28 May. [648.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Bahamas. Edward Scott, merchant, late of New Providence and now of London, for leave to appeal from a judgment of the Supreme Court of the Bahamas, 15 July, 1765, reversing a judgment of the Court of Common Pleas, 31 May, 1765,] upon an Action brought there in the Name of John Brown as Attorney General of the said Islands against the Petitioner for Payment of 8,703 Pieces of Eight the Neat proceeds of a Prize sold by the Vendue Master and not paid or Accounted for by him to the Captors agreeably to the general Security given to His Majesty by the said Vendue Master in which Security the petitioner was jointly bound. [p. 637.]