of New York, set forth] That in right of a patent of
the Island of Secaucus granted the 10th of December 1663,
to his Grandfather Nicholas Bayard and Nicholas Varlet, as
Joint Tenants, and Confirmed to them by Governor Carteret
on the 13th of October 1667, He had Claimed before the
Commissioners (appointed under the Act to which this referrs)
an Allotment of the said Common Lands of the Township of
Bergen ; That Sundry other Persons claiming the said
Common Lands in virtue of a Sale from the said Nicholas
Bayard [commenced a suit against him, that a special verdict
had been found and the judges were ready to give judgment
thereon,] That in the mean time advantage had been taken
of his Absence from the Province to obtain the above
Supplementary Act, for the purpose of removing this Question
of Right, which is entirely of a private Nature, and a mere
point of Law depending between individuals, from the
Ordinary course of Justice, where it has been brought by
themselves in a regular course of procedure, to a new erected
Court of Commissioners, whose Determination is to be final ;
thereby depriving the Petitioner of his legal right to the
Judgment of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and of his
Appeal from thence, if necessary ; for which Reasons, amongst
others, he humbly prays that Intercession may be made with
Your Majesty to prevent this Act from passing in a Law.

[Further, the minutes of the Council of New Jersey show
that on 13 Oct. 1769, Bayard petitioned, by way of caveat,
against the passing of the bill. For this reason, and because
of the want of a suspending clause, the bill should be
disallowed.]   [pp. 362, 382-4, 398.]

[153.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of 6 June.
David Rieusset and Leeson Blackwood, of Kingston, Jamaica, Jamaica.
and Thomas and Yvon Thomas, merchants of London, that
their appeal from a decree of the Jamaica Chancery, 18 May,
1769, in favour of Dr. Thomas Cockburn and Sarah his wife,
be dismissed without costs, as they have been advised not
to prosecute it. The appellants represent the estates of

1770. § 153 cont.]

Thomas Jaffrey, Ezekiel Barbauld, Peter Thomas, and Thomas Thomas sen., and the defendants that of John Drinkwater.]

[pp. 111, 402.]

15 June. [On the Committee report of 11 June, the appeal is dismissed without costs.] [pp. 410, 420.]

6 June. [154.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of
Dominica. Robert Malloun, Esq., of Dominica, for a day for hearing his appeal from a sentence of the Vice Admiralty Court, 24 June, 1769, condemning 18 slaves, part of the cargo of the schooner *Young Crow Lane,* in favour of Francis Mashart.] [pp. 404, 442.]

(1771.) [Reference to the Committee of Malloun's petition that
24 Feb. Mashart's cross-appeal be dismissed for non-prosecution. On 7 June Mashart's petition for a day for hearing his appeal is referred.] [VIII. pp. 82, 260.]

(1772.) [On the Committee report of 26 June, both appeals are
8 July. dismissed. Names in the report are Ulysses Fitzmaurice, the Governor; James Ashley Hall, the Judge Surrogate; Durham Hall, Hillary Tully, John Hill, Israel Alleyn, and Francis Margaret.] [IX. pp. 331–5, 368.]

22 June. [155.] [Reference to the Committee of a state of the
Massachu- disorders, confusion and misgovernment which have lately
setts Bay. prevailed in Massachusetts Bay, transmitted to the Clerk of the Council by John Pownall, secretary to Lord Hillsborough, and of the several papers therein referred to.] [p. 424.]

26 June. [Committee minute. Read—] State of the Disorders, Confusions and Misgovernment which have lately prevailed and still continue to prevail, in the province of the Massachusets Bay.

Governor Bernards Letter of the 31st August 1767, relative to the Inflamatory publications.

Message from the Assembly to the Council Board of the 8th of September 1766, enquiring whether the Governor knew of any act requiring the Registry of Ordinances which the Legislature of the province had not consented to.

Message of the 9th of same Month to know whether the