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28 July. [261.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Abraham Solomons, merchant, for a day for hearing his appeal from a decree of the Jamaica Chancery, 22 June, 1772, in an action of account brought by Sarah Israel.] [p. 257.]

[On the Committee report of 12 May, the decree is reversed.]

(1774.) [On the Committee report of 12 May, the decree is reversed.] 20 May. [XI. pp. 46-8, 77.]

[Reference to the Committee of the petition of 28 July. [262.]Jamaica. Thomas Cussans, of St. Thomas in the East, Surrey county, Jamaica, eldest brother and one of the next of kin to Jane Richards, widow, deceased, for a day for hearing his appeal from a decree of the Court of Ordinary, 3 July 1772, in a case between him and Richard, John and Thomas Cargill administration and John Macdonald, about the Mrs. Richards' estate.] [pp. 258, 321.]

6 July. [On the Committee report of 20 June, the appeal is dismissed. Mrs. Richards' husband was named George, and her children George Cussans and Elizabeth Mary.] [XI. pp. 140, 169.]

28 July. [263.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Peter New Jersey. Wickoff and Joseph Reed, assignees of Ezekiel Forman, late of New Jersey, for leave to appeal from a judgment of the Governor and Council as a Court of Errors, reversing a verdict of the Supreme Court in April, 1770, in Forman's action against William Ouke, manager of Bill Island Lottery, to recover the amount of a fortunate ticket held by Forman.]

[p. 258.]

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West
Florida.

[264.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of John
Campbell, Esq., of Pensacola, that the Council dismiss with
exemplary costs for non-prosecution the appeal of Samuel
Thomas and Phillips Comyn from the condemnation of the
brig Africa in the Vice Admiralty Court of West Florida,
2 June, 1772.]

[pp. 240, 266.]

31 Dec. [On the Committee report of 17 Dec., the appeal is dismissed, with 20l. stg. costs, for non-prosecution.] [pp. 377, 396.]

(1774.) [Reference to the Committee of Campbell's complaint that 19 Dec. the Chief Justice, William Clifton, has issued a writ of

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prohibition against all concerned in executing the Order in Council of 31 Dec.] [XI. p. 318.]

[Order, in accordance with the Committee report of 12 Jan.,] that the party should not proceed upon the Writ of Prohibition, but that the Chief Justice should Order a Consultation, and that the Governor should be directed to give proper Orders for enforcing the sentence of the Court of Vice Admiralty of the 13th of June, 1772. But a marginal memorandum and a separate entry of 6 March 1775, show that "This Order was directed not to be issued until further Directions." The case concerned a trunk belonging to Campbell, shipped at London but not delivered at Pensacola. Clifton's reason for intervening was that the Admiralty Court was incompetent to determine the claim; but the respondents had acceded to

[XI. pp. 353-8, 374, 442.]

John Stephenson and

[265.] [Three New Jersey acts of Aug.-Sept., 1772, are disallowed, and one confirmed, in accordance with a Committee report of 26 Aug. on a Board of Trade representation of 27 May, referred to them on 9 June:—]

1 Sept. New Jersey.

1. An Act to naturalize John Felthausen.

its jurisdiction by their proceedings.

Thomas Bouker are also named in the report.]

- 2. An Act for the Relief of Benjamin Ayars now a prisoner in the Goal of the County of Cumberland.
- 3. An Act to Enable all persons who are His Majestys Liege Subjects, either by Birth or Naturalization, to Inherit and hold Real Estates, notwithstanding any Defect of Purchases made before Naturalization within this Colony.
- 4. An Act to Dissolve the Marriage of David Baxter with Margaret his Wife late Margaret McMastry.
- [1. Disallowed. The Board of Trade declared that it was for the law officers to determine whether the colonies were warranted in passing such acts of naturalisation, and, if not, suggested a circular instruction to that effect. Vide infra and Appendix I.