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passed before the instruction against such acts and has had its effect.] [pp. 78, 136-7, 167.]

6 July. Antigua. [300.] [An Antigua act of Aug. 1773,—for the embodying and better regulation of the matrosses on the forts and fortifications of this island—is disallowed in accordance with a Committee report of 20 June, agreeing with a Board of Trade representation referred to them on 20 May. Mr. Jackson considered the act improper, in exempting those who enlisted in the service stated from arrests for their just debts.]

[pp. 78, 137, 168.]

6 July.
North
Carolina.

[301.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of George Casey, master of the ship *Hope*, for a day for hearing his appeal from the condemnation of the ship and cargo by a decree of the Vice Admiralty Judge of North Carolina, 16 July, 1773, at the instance of William Dry, collector of customs for the port of Brunswick.]

6 July. Jamaica. [302.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Sir Edward Hughes, Kt., that the Council dismiss with costs for non-prosecution the appeal of Nathaniel Philips from a decree of the Jamaica Chancery, 22 April, 1773, on Hughes' bill against Philips, Philip Pinnock, and Susannah, widow of Edmund Hyde.]

[p. 185.]

(1775.) 23 Jan. [On the Committee report of 12 Jan., the appeal is dismissed with 20l. stg. costs for non-prosecution.] [pp. 351, 375.]

22 July. Jamaica.

[303.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Stephen Attlay, gent., of Kingston, Jamaica, for a day for hearing his appeal from a Chancery order of 21 July, 1773, in his suit against Sarah Tiplar, widow, concerning a mortgage on the estate of her late husband, John.] [pp. 191, 211.]

(1776.) 31 May.

[On the Committee report of 16 May, Attlay is allowed to withdraw the appeal. George Clinton, executor of Mrs. Tiplar, is named as the respondent.] [XII. pp. 564, 580.]

14 Sept.

Massachusetts Bay.

[304.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of John Wentworth, Surveyor General of H.M. woods in North

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America, for a day for hearing his appeal from a decree of the Vice Admiralty Judge of Massachusetts Bay, 3 May, 1773, dismissing his libel against James and William Bowdoin, James Pitts, Silvester Gardiner, and Benjamin Hallowell, for the forfeiture of certain logs seized in Kennebec river. On 21 June the hearing was fixed for 3 Aug.] [p. 213; XII. p. 34.]

19 Oct. Military Stores.

[305.] [Order prohibiting the export of arms or ammunition for six months—renewed for six months on 5 April, 1775, and then periodically renewed for three months. On 27 Sept., 1775, saltpetre was included in the prohibition. On 24 Feb., 1783, it was intimated to the Customs that the order would not be renewed.

Of about 350 passes to carry munitions to the colonies during this period, 150 are for the West Indies (including the Mosquito Coast &c.), over 80 for Quebec, and 40 for the Floridas. Between 1778 and 1782 about 24 passes were granted for New York, South Carolina and Georgia. The others were chiefly for Newfoundland. Hudson's Bay and Nova Scotia. Transports were also allowed to carry powder for making signals. The object of sending the powder was in many instances the Indian trade, but defence was given as the reason in some cases, especially by West Indian islands. Supplies were sent for privateers fitting out in America against the rebels, and English coasting vessels were allowed to carry guns to defend themselves against American privateers.

Most of the petitioners were London merchants. Of the outports only Bristol figures prominently, but there also occur Liverpool, Poole, Falmouth, Portsmouth, Glasgow and Greenock.

On the day on which the following order was made, 8 such passes were granted for Quebec and 3 for West Florida on condition of carrying 20 to 50 soldiers in each case.] [p. 226.]

Whereas application hath been made to this Board by John Strettell of London Merchant praying leave to Export to Montreal on board the Ship Hector George Jeffery Master, three hundred and fifty four Indian Fusees one hundred and seventeen Barrels of Gunpowder one hundred and six hundred

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(1777.) 19 Feb.