

478 ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL (COLONIAL).

1779-80. § 375 *cont.*]

of Bridger Goodricke, William Shedden, Andrew Miller, and Abraham Evening, merchants residing in Bermuda, setting forth that they and other loyal subjects fitted out privateers against the enemy,] That many of the principal Inhabitants of the said Islands, as if determine to obstruct every Loyal Endeavour to support the Honor of His Majestys Crown, did sometime ago by an association, forbid all Interourse, either of Friendship or Commerce with the Petitioners, and all others concerned in privateers, and have since by an Act of Assembly passed and concurred to by the Governor and Council, Imposed a Tax of three and three quarters per Cent, upon all prizes taken by Privateers, and sold in the said Islands, whereby the Petitioners are deprived of Considerable Sums of Money, to their great loss and Detriment, and which the Petitioner humbly Conceive to be altogether Impolitic, Illegal and unjust. [The reference to the Board of Trade has a marginal note—] This order was never taken out by Mr. Ingram, the agent for the petitioners. [p. 391 ; XVIII. p. 430.]

1780. [376.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of  
5 Jan. William Pyle of St. Johns, Antigua, the owner of the sloop  
St. Christopher. *Linnet*, Peter Cockran, the master, and Lucas Berners, of  
St. Eustatius, the owner (along with Pyle) of the cargo, for a  
day for hearing their appeal from the condemnation of ship  
and cargo by John Fahie, Judge of the Vice Admiralty Court  
of St. Christopher, 18 Jan. 1779, in favour of Henry Bennett,  
collector of customs.] [pp. 489, 546.]

(1781.) [On the Committee report of 12 May, the sentence is reversed.  
18 May. The case was heard *ex parte*, no appearance having been  
entered for the respondent.] [XIX. pp. 90, 322-4, 347.]

2 Feb. [377.] [Reference to the Committee of the appeal of  
Jamaica. Thomas Harrison, Attorney General of Jamaica, from an  
order of the Chancellor, 19-21 Aug. 1779, allowing a plea put  
in to his bill against Thomas Barker, late collecting constable  
for Westmoreland parish, for an account of his receipts and  
payments from 1768 to 1771.] [p. 521.]