160 ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL (COLONIAL).

1726. § 344 cont.] of Connecticut was given on a case not authoritatively stated, and was not accepted by Rhode Island.

15 Ap. [345.] PENNSYLVANIA. Trade instructions on appointment III. p.124. of Deputy-Gov. P. Gordon. B. of T. representation.

Received [346.] BERMUDA. Suspension of G. Tucker, Secretary and

- 2 May. Provost Marshal. His petition. In 1722 he appointed his
- III. p. 86. sons Richard and John to act as his deputies. In Ap. 1725 Gov. Hope suddenly summoned him to St. George's, told him that Richard had behaved like a villain, and required him to execute the offices personally. He continued thus to oppress and exhaust him in spite of his indisposition. Accusations relating to his stay of an irregular execution against one Nairn and to the appraisement of Thomas Wood's estate were brought against him by Robert Dinwiddie, the collector of Customs and an intimate friend of the Governor; the Council dismissed the case, but on its rising the Governor sent his footman to summon Tucker before him and pronounced sentence against him. On another occasion the Governor struck him, in order to provoke him to retaliate and so find a pretext for suspending him. The Governor also debarred Tucker from receiving payment of several fees. A certificate in favour of the Tuckers being drawn up, the Governor examined singly and committed to the fort, prison or castle those whom he suspected to have the intention of signing it. In Aug. John Chaplain was appointed Deputy with the Governor's approbation. In Oct. he was ejected and papers were removed from the office; Tucker was suspended, and one Samuel Smith, a person entirely unqualified and ignorant of such business, put into the offices by the Governor.

31 May. [347.] BARBADOS. Hamilton v. Sutton and Jenkins.
III. p.126. Petition of D. Hamilton, and Order of reference to Committee. John Sutton left a widow Margaret, a son Edmund and a daughter Anna. Margaret died in 1714, leaving another daughter, Mary Jenkins. Anna married Claudius Hamilton; both died, leaving a daughter Margaret, who is also dead. Claudius' brother Daniel assigned his interest to the petitioner's father, Sir David Hamilton. Two of Claudius' executors, John Anderson and Thomas Gordon, are also named in the Order.

[348.] JAMAICA. Revenue Act. Report of Att. Gen. Yorke 20 June. and Sol. Gen. Talbot on the draft of an Act proposed to be III. pp. passed in Jamaica : with (a) a draft of the Act (27 pp.); (b) an 74-5. estimate of the present revenue and expenditure of the government of Jamaica; (c) B. of T. report of 4 May; and (d) Committee order referring it to the law officers.

The report of the Attorney and Solicitor General proposes a number of verbal changes. The only change discussed is the making it clearer for what the collector is to account *i.e.* not for the 1,250l. for forts and fortifications only, but for the whole revenue.

The B. of T. added 2,000*l*., the estimated expenditure for the maintenance of the two Independent Companies, and left a blank in the draft for the Duke of Portland to insert proper funds for the purpose, appropriating to it such branches of the revenue as have been raised by annual Acts for contingent expenses and have been found to answer the sum for which they were given.

Estimate of the present branches of the revenue and heads of the present expenses churgeable thereon.

CHARGES :—Governor, 2,500l. Forts and fortifications, 1,250l. Chief Justice, 120l. Attorney General, 400l. Officers and gunners at Fort Charles, 839l. 12s. 6d. Captain of the Train in Spanish Town, 45l. 12s. 6d. Clerk of the Council, 200l. Provost Marshal, 200l. Auditor General, 202l. 10s. Clerk of the Crown, 30l. Waiters, 120l. Register in Chancery (for issuing writs of election), 30l. Ordinary charges=public buildings, deputy marshals for prisoners and executing writs of election, Receiver-Wt. 39156.

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