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1703-4. § 108 *cont.*]

of the Act and in its substance infringing the royal prerogative, while the laws about property that would be thus set up might be unsuitable and create vexatious lawsuits; (b), "for the better and more certain support of ministers," was referred to the Bishop of London, and appears to be inconvenient and prejudicial to the clergy.

18 March. [109.] NEW YORK. *Act confirmed.* B. of T. representation II. p. 850. to allow Lord Cornbury to receive 2,000*l.* currency voted to him, his salary being only 600*l.* sterling.

16 Dec. [110.] CONNECTICUT. *Appeal.* Petition of Edward Palmes II. p. 453. that his appeals be admitted and heard, in spite of the refusal of the Court of Assistants to allow appeals to England. The Order of 12 June 1701 in Hallam's case is referred to as a precedent.

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5 Jan. [111.] LEEWARD ISLANDS. *Gov. Matthew's commission.* II. p. 797. B. of T. representation.

13 Jan. [112.] RHODE ISLAND. *Irregularities.* B. of T. representation. II. p. 457. The irregularities are (1) refusal to submit to Dudley's orders about the militia; (2) refusal to transmit copies of Acts passed; (3) harbouring pirates, smugglers, deserters, and runaway servants; (4) erection of an unauthorised Admiralty jurisdiction—to further their illegal practices in matters of trade. An Act relating to this court should be disallowed and the colony ordered to submit to the court constituted by H.R.H. in those parts. The opinion of Attorney General Ward and Solicitor General Trevor is quoted that, in case of extraordinary exigency by default or neglect of any proprietor, his Majesty might constitute a Governor; and it is proposed that Col. Dudley be appointed Governor of Rhode Island as well as of Massachusetts during the war.

16 Feb. ———. B. of T. representation with a draft letter to the Governor and Company.