

70 ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL (COLONIAL).

1708. § 193 *cont.*]

Mrs. Katherine Freeman establish the facts that negroes have been seized on the pretence of a defective title, and that the Governor had asserted that he could not regrant them to their owners, but must by his instructions grant them to the first informer. The B. of T. point out that, on the contrary, the instructions forbid the disposal of escheats, fines or forfeitures until they have been reported to the Treasury and the Board of Trade, and her Majesty's directions had therein. The case of Capt. Samuel Jones is also included in the report.

30 July. ———. B. of T. representation enclosing an instruction to Gov. Handasyd.

22 June. [194.] JAMAICA AND BERMUDA. *Acts*. Two B. of T. II. *pp.* representations (*a*) for confirming two Jamaica Acts; (*b*) for 832, 835, approving two amended Acts of Bermuda about the trial of 563-4. debts under 20s. and about quieting estates; and for allowing a Bill to be passed for building a house at the ferry.

26 June. [195.] NEW HAMPSHIRE. *Allen v. Waldron*. Allen's II. *p.* 367. petition for a hearing: and another of — Aug.

28 June. [196.] NEW YORK. *Attorney General*. B. of T. representation II. *pp.* in favour of J. Rayner, with a certificate signed by 522-6. Littleton Powys and seven others on 13 May.

8 July. [197.] BARBADOS. *Complaints against A. Skene, the* II. *pp.* *Secretary*. B. of T. representation. (1) As to the deportation 489-90. of F. Lee, Skene denied that he was an accessory, having been called only to suppress a riot and prevent bloodshed. (2) To the affidavits of William Baily and Henry Keys that in May 1704 they were denied liberty to sail until they had paid the unwonted fees of 17s. 6d. for a petition to the Governor and 3s. 9d. for license to depart, Skene replied that he took only the customary fee of 5s. for the license and 12s. 6d. for drawing the petition as public notary: he referred to a minute of the Barbados Council, 21 Nov. 1704, that all vessels sailing from the island should first make application by way of petition