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42. Order of King in Council, referring to the Council of Trade and **Kensington.** Plantations the enclosed petition for their report. *Signed*, John Povey. Endorsed, Recd. April 4. Read April 5, 1700. Enclosed,

> **42.** i. Petition of Samuel Allen, Proprietor of New Hampshire in New England and late Governor thereof, to the King. Petitioner being come to his Province with his whole family to settle there, finds himself obliged to represent to your Majesty that the inhabitants are a considerable trading people wholly governed by their own private interest, without the least regard to your Majesty's authority, the laws established, the Acts of Navigation or to your petitioner. They have lately made a contract with the Portuguese for sending timber for building great ships and are still felling the best masts in the Province, which is the best for your Majesty's service. Unless a speedy stop be put to these proceedings, the woods will in a little time be destroyed to the prejudice of England and your Navy, now supplied with the best masts from your said Province, whence a ship is lately departed with 45 masts for your Majesty's great ships of war and more are expected, if not prevented by the illegal and destructive practices of the inhabitants. Petitioner prays that the Earl of Bellomont be instructed to oblige them to obey the laws accordingly. Copy. 1½ pp. [Board of Trade. New England, 10. Nos. 9, 9.i.; and 37. pp. 422–425.] [Now CO 5/861, Nos. 9, 9.i.]

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