

issued against him 5 June 1735. To be heard 2 Nov. 1736. Endorsed in writing :
 "Decree revers'd y^e £1000 por'con and Int. to be consid^d as part of y^e Intestates
 p'sonal estate and the negroes to be accounted for."

Respondents' Case.

John Lewis, formerly of Kingston, in Jamaica, afterwards of Blackheath, in Kent, merch^t.

John Vassall made his wife and mother executrices, but in case of his wife's death or marriage, his four brothers were to be his Ex'ors., and soon after died. In 1716 Wm. Lewis made his addresses which were disapproved of by the mother, but after the mother's death he renewed them and entered into the bond. Wm. Lewis was first cousin to Sam Smith then beginning to settle a plantation. Several sheets of legal notes appended. (Add. MS. 36,216, fo. 90.)

ANTIGUA.

John Dunbar, Esq., and Eleanor his wife, Wm. Gunthorpe, Esq., and Eliz., his wife, and Ann Watkins, an infant by her Guardian (the said Eleanor, Eliz., and Anne, being the three only surviving children and coh. of Tho. Watkins, Esq., dec^d), and Stephen Blizard, Jonas Langford, Wm. Mackinen, Rob. Christian, and John Watkins, Esquires (some of them Ex'ors of Tho. Watkins dec^d, and others of Sam. Watkins, Esq., dec^d who was father of the said Thomas), and all the said five last-named being, Guardians of Eleanor, Eliz., and Anne, Appellants. (Ashton Warner Esq., late Attorney Gen. but being dec^d), Harry Webb Esq., the present Att. Gen., Daniel Warner Esq., Relator, De la Court Walsh Esq., Margaret Watkins widow of Sam. Watkins, the father, John Watkins, second son of the said Sam., Chr. Baldwyn and Jane, his wife, a dau. of Sam., and Mary Watkins, infant, the other dau. of the said Sam. and Richard Lee Esq., her Guardian, Respondents.

The Appellants' Case.

Samuel Watkins and Jacob Morgan being agreed on a marriage between Tho. W., eldest son of Sam., and Eliz. eldest dau. to Jacob Morgan, and being each seized of a considerable plantation an Ind're quinquepartite of Release of 20 Aug. 1726 between Sam. Watkins of the 1st part; Jacob Morgan of the 2^d; Chester and Hassel the trustees of the 3^d; Tho. Watkins of the 4th; Eliz. Morgan of the 5th, both plantations were settled.

1 Sept. 1726 the marriage was had, and several children born, the only 4 living on 19 Oct. 1744 were the 3 Appellants and one other dau. whose true name was Mary (and not Margaret), since dead. Eliz. Morgan wife of Tho. Watkins, d. 10 June 1742. Sam. Watkins made his will 4 July 1740, provided largely for his 2^d son, and for all his children, and left the residue to his eldest son Thomas, and d. 5 Feb. 1745, and 3 days after, on 8 Feb. 1745 Tho. Watkins the s. died and left no widow, but only 3 daus., the Appellants', minors.

Soon after it was pretended he made a will whereby he gave his estate, valued at £30,000, to any person the Council and Assembly should dispose of. 13 April 1747 a Bill was filed in Chancery by the Att^y Gen. against the Appellants. Sam. W. after the marriage purchased 60 slaves, and d. without bequeathing them expressly, and they vested in Tho. W.* Will of latter given: Antigua 19 Oct. 1744, Tho. Watkins, planter. To my 4 daus. Eleanor, Eliz., Anne, and Margaret W. £2000 c. each at 18. Having no male issue my father's

* This will is in the Registrar's office, but in a very bad condition and only partly legible.