

defrayed at its own Expence which it was then in a Condition to bear and that it has since provided for the same by an Act of Assembly ; Which Allowance has been from that time to the present discontinued accordingly ; That in 1745 the petitioner was appointed Attorney General of the said province To hold the said Office with the Salaries Fees Profits and perquisites thereunto belonging.

That to the said Office was annexed a Yearly Salary of Eighty pounds only the greatest part of which is still in arrear and owing to him occasioned by a Deficiency in the Annual Collections of Your Majestys Quit Rents as the petitioner has been informed but no adequate provision has been yet made for payment of Fees to him on executing the particular Branches of the Crown Business incident to his Office, to the known disparagement of Your Majestys Service as well as to the petitioners very great Loss and prejudice ; He therefore most humbly prays, That the said Annual Sum of Two hundred Pounds commencing from June 1754 to the present time . . . may be granted to him in lieu of Fees on executing the particular Branches of the Crown Business incidental to his Office and in full of all Demands whatsoever on that Account, And that Your Majestys proper Officers of Your Revenue in the said Province may be authorized and enjoyned forthwith to pay the same to the Petitioner in the Provincial Currency, ad Valorem of so much Sterling Money in Great Britain. [The Committee, finding by a certificate from John Rutherford, the Receiver General, that the facts were correctly stated, recommended that the petition be granted.]

[pp. 376, 387-9, 480.]

[388.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Lewis Burwell, gent., of the county of James City, Va., and Frances, his wife, the widow and one of the executors and sole residuary devisee of James Bray, for a day for hearing their appeal from a decree of the General Court, 10 April, 1758, dismissing their bill against Carter Burwell, an executor of James Bray, and against Philip Johnson and Elizabeth, his

14 April.
Virginia.

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wife, daughter and heiress of Thomas Bray, for an account of the slaves belonging or due to James Bray at his death, and for delivery of the said slaves.] [p. 487.]

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5 April.

[On the Committee report of 16 March, the decree is affirmed. The case concerns the estate of James Bray, grandfather of the James Bray whose widow is now Frances Burwell. She was the daughter of Edwin Thacker, and they with Lewis and Carter Burwell, were her husband's executors. The heirs of James Bray, senr., were his daughter, Elizabeth Allen, his grandson, James Bray, and his son, Thomas Bray.]

[Geo. III. Vol. II. pp. 130-5, 168.]

23 April.

Cape Breton
Island.

[389.] [On the Admiralty report of 18 April on a reference of 14 April, the petition is granted of John Thane, late lieutenant of H.M.S. *Tilbury*] setting forth That he was wrecked in the said Ship in September 1757 on the Island of Cape Breton, and being sent Prisoner to Old France on his arrival there, by express Order from the French King was confined and treated in a cruel and most singular manner for no other Reason than because he was an Officer under Admiral Warren when Louisbourgh was taken last War and from thence had perfect knowledge of that place and was known to some of the French Officers to have been Instrumental and active in that Service. That after Eighteen Months Imprisonment he was Exchanged and from real cruel treatment is become an Object of His Majestys Compassion and therefore humbly praying that His Majesty will be graciously pleased to Order the Petitioner his full pay from the time of his being so Shipwrecked to the time of His Arrival in England. [pp. 486, 488.]

23 April.

Antigua.

[390.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Henry Wilmot, agent for Antigua, for cannon, field pieces and other particulars for the defence of the island. On 26 April the Committee referred the petition to the Ordnance for a report, and, if the stores are necessary and can be spared, for an estimate.] [pp. 489, 494.]