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propose to do by building a Fort and Garrisoning the same, The said Lords Commissioners are of Opinion that it may be for Your Majestys Service to comply therewith, And as the Petitioners propose to Advance a considerable Sum of Money at the first Outset the said Lords Commissioners Submit whether it might not be proper as a further Encouragement to so beneficial an Undertaking that at the Expiration of the Term of Ten Years the Petitioners should be obliged to pay Quit Rents for no more of the said Lands than they shall have Cultivated within that time conformable to Your Majestys Instructions to the Governor of the said Colony and the Laws in force there relative to the Seating and Cultivating of Lands, [the Board of Trade prepared a draft instruction accordingly, the approval of which is recommended by the Committee. P.R.] [XII. pp. 189-92, 215.]

10 Feb. [76.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of  
New York. Daniel Horsmanden, Esq., of New York, complaining of Governor Clinton for suspending him from his seat in the Council and from being Judge of the Supreme Court and Recorder of the city of New York.] [p. 541.]

8 Mar. [Committee. The petitioner's agent declaring that Clinton's reasons for removing Horsmanden had been transmitted to the Board of Trade, a copy is ordered to be laid before the Committee.] [p. 569.]

(1750.) [Committee order a copy of the petition to be sent to Clinton  
2 Feb. for his answer.] [XII. p. 448.]

19 Feb. [77.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Philip  
Jamaica. Wilkinson and Daniel Ayrault, merchants of Newport, R.I., owners of the *Fame* privateer, for a day for hearing their appeal from a decree of the Jamaica Chancery, 23 Feb., 1747, in favour of Moses Mendez, Abraham Musquitta, Mary Edgar, Patrick Yeamans and Arthur Hassall, relating to a half part of the third share of a Spanish prize taken by the said privateer.] [p. 548.]

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[On Committee report of 17 Dec., 1750, the decree is affirmed] without prejudice to any further Relief that the Appellants may seek in the Court of Vice Admiralty there. [The first two respondents and John Edgar were the owners of the *New Exchange* privateer: Yeamans and Hassall with George Hall were agents for disposing of the *San Francisco* prize.] (1751.) 30 April. [XIII. pp. 103, 104, 119, 126, 208.]

[78.] [Reference to Committee of a Board of Trade representation of 4 March for repealing a South Carolina Act of June, 1747, to empower two Justices and three freeholders or a majority of them to determine in all actions of debt of between 20*l.* and 75*l.* currency, *i.e.* between 4*l.* and 15*l.* proclamation money.] 22 Mar. South Carolina. [p. 621.]

[Reference to Committee of the petition of Peregrine Fury, agent for S. Carolina, to be heard in favour of the Act and against the contrary petition to the Board of Trade of George Morley, the Provost Marshal, and James Wedderburn, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas.] 30 June. [XII. p. 56.]

[Orders for repealing the Act and signifying his Majesty's high displeasure to the Governor for giving his assent in breach of the 20th article of his Instructions, are given in accordance with the Committee report of 21 July, agreeing with the Board of Trade representation, by which it appears] that in the Year 1692 the Proprietors of the said Province passed an Act empowering One or more Justices of the Peace to Determine Actions not exceeding Forty Shillings Current Money of that Province which said Sum of Forty Shillings was by an Act passed in the Year 1721 enlarged to Ten pounds and by another Act passed in 1726 to Twenty pounds Current Money. That this Act establishes a New Jurisdiction in two Justices and three Freeholders or a Majority of them who are empowered thereby to try and Determine all Actions of Debt whatsoever for any Sum or Matter not exceeding the Value of Seventy five pounds Current Money of the said Province which being equal to Twelve pounds Sterling The 4 Aug.