

however, would, in our humble opinion, be more effectually attained if this district could be severed from the Charter of the Province of Massachusetts Bay and erected into a separate province under the immediate government of the Crown; but how far this may be done without the consent and concurrence of the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay, we do not take upon us to determine."

(b) Bernard's grant involves further consideration in view of the prohibition of the acceptance by Governors of gifts or presents from the Assembly; but Bernard's conduct has been without reproach, and there is no room to suspect undue influence in the case of a grant which cannot take effect without his Majesty's permission. "The two branches of the legislature are represented to have concurred merely from considerations of the very great expense which the Governor has been at in taking out two commissions for that government before he could receive any advantage from it. The B. of T. recommend confirmation of the grant unless it may tend to invalidate any right of the Crown.

[617.] NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY. *Boundary*. B. of T. 20 July. report proposing the names of commissioners; and Com-IV. p.687. mittee report of 14 Dec.

[618.] APPEALS. Committee reports on *Webb and Herbert* 27 July. v. *Bourke (Nevis)*; *Macfarlane v. Dickinson (Jamaica)*; *Freebody v. Brenton (Rhode Island)*; *Mackenzie v. Woodhouse (Jamaica)*; *Dupouy v. Laraldi &c. (Jamaica)* (with another report of 28 July); *Bayly v. Jackson (Jamaica)*; *Danielson and West v. Fish*; and *Danielson v. Throop (Connecticut)*; *Dudley v. Richards (Massachusetts Bay)*.

[IV. pp. 687-8; 536; 395-6; 436-7; 527; 472; 325; 688.]

[619.] MASSACHUSETTS BAY. *List of 13 Acts passed in* 10 Sept. *June*. Received from B. of T. IV. p.805.

[620.] SOUTH CAROLINA. *Palatine settlers*. Petition of 13 Sept. P. Cust &c. IV. pp. 689-90.