

8 EXTRACT from Duke of Manchester's Commission, &c. JAMAICA.

65. You are to enquire whether there be any Minister within your government who preaches and administers the Sacrament in any orthodox church or chapel without being in due Orders, and to give an account thereof to the said Bishop of London.

66. We do further direct that no Schoolmaster be henceforth permitted to come from this Kingdom and to keep a school in the Island without the license of the said Bishop of London; and that no other person now being at the Island, or that shall come from other parts, be admitted to keep school without your license first obtained.

67. And to the end the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the said Lord Bishop of London may take place in the Island, so far as conveniently may be it is our will and pleasure that you give all countenance and due encouragement to the said Bishop of London, or his Commissaries, in the legal exercise of such ecclesiastical jurisdiction, excepting only the collating to Benefices, granting licenses for marriages, and probates of wills, which we have reserved to you our Governor, and to the Commander in Chief of our said Island for the time being.

68. And whereas doubts have arisen whether the afore-mentioned powers of collating to Benefices, granting licences for marriages, and probates of wills, commonly called the Office of Ordinary, which we have reserved to you our Governor as aforesaid, can be exercised by députation from you to any other person within our aforesaid Island under your government; it is our express will and pleasure and you are hereby directed and required not to grant Deputations for the exercise of the said powers, commonly called the Office of Ordinary, to any person or persons whatsoever in our said Island under your government.

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