

XXI.

Bills of an unusual and extraordinary nature.

And whereas great mischiefs may arise from passing of Bills of an unusual and extraordinary nature and importance, in Our Plantations, which Bills remain in force there from the time of enacting until Our Pleasure be signified to the contrary: We do will and require you not to pass or give your assent to any Bill or Bills of an unusual and extraordinary nature and importance, wherein Our Prerogative or the Property of Our Subjects may be prejudiced, or the Trade and Shipping of this United Kingdom shall be in anywise affected, until you shall have first transmitted unto Us, through One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, a Draft of such Bill or Bills, and shall have received Our Royal pleasure thereupon, unless you take care that there be a clause inserted therein, suspending and deferring the execution thereof until Our Pleasure shall be known concerning the same.

XXII.

Bills to which Royal assent has been refused.

And it is Our further Will and Pleasure that you do not reenact any Law to which the assent of Us or Our Royal Predecessors has been once refused, without express leave for that purpose first obtained from Us, upon a full representation by you to be made to Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, of the reasons and necessity of passing such Law; or unless a clause be inserted therein suspending and deferring the execution thereof until Our pleasure be known concerning the same.

XXIII.

Bills for levying Money, Fines, &c.

You are to take care that in all Acts or Orders to be passed within Our said Island in any case, for imposing fines and penalties, express mention be made that the same are granted or reserved to Us, Our Heirs and Successors, for the Public uses of the said Island, and the support of the Government thereof, as by the said Act or Order shall be directed.

XXIV.

Appropriation of the Public Money.

You are not to suffer any public money whatsoever, whether it be appropriated to any particular service or not, by the Act granting the same, to be issued or disposed of otherwise than by Warrant under your hand, by and with the consent of the said Executive Council; but the Assembly may, nevertheless, be permitted from time to time to view and examine the Accounts of money or value of money disposed of by virtue of Laws made by them, as there shall be occasion.

XXV.

Public Accounts.

You are to take care that fair Books of Accounts of all receipts and payments of all such monies be duly kept, and in which Books shall be specified every particular sum raised or disposed of, together with the names of the persons to whom any payment shall be made, to the end that We may be satisfied of the right and due application of the Revenue of Our said Island, with the probability of the increase and diminution of it under every head and article thereof.