9th. That within three months after such counter claim has been filed, and such notice given, the original claimant may file a replication to the said counter claim before the Assistant Commissioners, or the Commissioners in London, and give notice forthwith of such replication to the counter claimant or his agent, and a copy thereof be furnished to such counter claimant or his agent, on application at the office of the Commissioners in London, or of the Assistant Commissioners in the colony.

10th. That in case no replication be filed within the time aforesaid, the Commissioners may, on proof of notice of the counter claim having been served on the original claimant or his agent, proceed to consider the claim and counter claim, and give such further directions and make such award as to them shall seem fit in respect to the compensation to be paid thereon.

11th. That in case a replication shall be filed within the time aforesaid, the Commissioners may, either upon application of the parties interested, or their agent for such purpose, or if to the Commissioners it shall seem fit, direct proof to be adduced in support of such claim, counter claim, or replication, by the production of deeds or other documents, or by

interrogatories on oath or affirmation, to be drawn and exhibited to the parties or witnesses, or by affidavits, or by vivd voce examination of witnesses, as the case may require.

12th. That on such proof as aforesaid being made, the Commissioners shall, on the application of any of the parties interested, or their agents, cause a notice to issue to all the claimants and counter claimants in such proceedings named, that the said Commissioners will, on a day in such notice to be named, proceed to make their adjudication and award; copies of such notice to be served by the party applying for the same on all such claimants and counter claimants, or their agents.

13th. That all persons claiming to act on behalf of any party integested in the said compensation monies shall lodge with the Commissioners, or Assistant Commissioners, as the case may be, a power of attorney; or other authority, under the hand of the party or parties so interested, to be registered in the proceedings of the said Commissioners, or Assistant Commissioners, and no other than the person or persons named in such power of attorney or authority shall be entitled to act in that behalf so long as such power shall continue in force.

(B.)

Form of Claim for the Compensation to be awarded for Slaves:

Name of Estate, or Domicile of Slaves.

(Name of Colony.)

(No. (same number as return.)

The claim of A. B. of , in the parish of (as owner in fee, &c.), [a] (by C. D. his attorney, as the case may be), to the compensation for the said A. B. on the 1st day of August 1831, duly registered (except as under mentioned), [b] and described in the return made thereof on the day of 1831.

(Signed, &c.)

[a] Character in which the claim is made, as

Owner in fee,
Tenant in tail for life or for years,
Mortgagec,
Trustee,
Receiver,
Guardian,
Sequestrator,

Committee, Executor, Administrator, or otherwise.

[b] In case any children shall have been born between the last registration and the 1st August 1834, and included in the return, their names, ages, and names of mothers to be stated at foot of the claim.

And in case the property in any slave or slaves shall have been changed between the last registration and the 1st August 1834, the claimant must briefly state his title from the person in whose name the slaves were last registered.