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- 1 May. [On the Lord Admiral's report order is given for sending a fourth rate frigate to New England against the next spring.]

 [p. 372.]
- 17 May. [Draft letters to Colonel Dudley to exhort the Councils and Assemblies to make due provision for their own defence are approved and ordered to be despatched.] [p. 390.]
- is ordered to be laid before her Majesty by the Earl of Nottingham at a proper opportunity to consider of a proper method of defraying such charges,] there being nothing given by Parliament to that office for supplying any of the Plantations with stores.

 [p. 402.]
- 30 July. [The Board of Trade representing the necessity of sending great guns and stores for the defence of the castle near Boston in New England, their Lordships are requested to report specifically what guns and stores are required for these fortifications.]
- 24 April. [900.] [To the Committee for Appeals is referred the petition of Richard Knights for a hearing of his appeal against three decrees of the Barbados Court of Chancery, all proceedings in the case having now been sent over.] [p. 368.]
- 17 May. [The Council approve the compromise effected by the Committee, who report that Knights appealed from three decrees], the one made the 18th day of June 1684 in favor of John Woodward Merchant, against Colonell John Hallett, Richard Hallett and Christopher Fowler, Executors of Benjamin Knights late of Barbados in Trust for the Appellant, one other made the said 18th day of June 1684, in favor of Enoch Woodward against the Executors in Trust as aforesaid for the Appellant, and the other made the 6th day of August 1685, in favor of William Chester Executor of the said John Woodward, against Thomas du Boiss Attorney of Francis Bond Esqr. who was Attorney of the Executors in Trust as aforesaid for the Appellant, and having heard the

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Partys concerned therein with their Councill Learned, and both the said Partys Declareing before the said Committee to be content that the said Decree made the 6th day of August 1685, stand confirmed by Her Majesty and that the two other Decrees made the 18th of June 1684, be reversed by Her Majesty and the Appellant lett into Possession of Twenty two Acres of Land in Barbados, late of the said Benjamin Knights, Extended by Force of the said Decrees, upon the Appellant's paying the Sume of Two hundred and Nineteen pounds ten shillings and Seven pence to John Edgington and Sarah his Wife Executors of William Chester Junr. Son and Heir and Executor of William Chester Senr. Deceased who was Executor of the said John Woodward. [pp. 386 and 392.]

[901.] [On reading a representation from the Board of Trade with the draft of a commission for John Usher as Lieut.-Governor of New Hampshire, and] the Petition of Major William Vaughan on behalfe of himselfe and other Inhabitants of the Province of New Hampshire . . . praying that the said Commission be Stopt, and that no Letter may be Writt to put Mr. Allen into the Possession of any Wast Lands till the Petitioner be heard by His Councill, [the petition is referred to the Board of Trade and Mr. Usher's commission is not to pass the Great Seal till her Majesty's further pleasure be known].

1 May. New Hampshire.

[The Council approve, and give orders in accordance with 10 June. the report of the Board of Trade]:—That Mr. Usher does not appear to Us to have been Guilty of the mismanagements and misdemeanors layd to his Charge by the Petitioner, dureing his being Lieutenant Governor there: But that the Disturbances which happened in that time did in great measure proceed from the disorderly Practices of some of those Men, who now oppose his being restored by Your Majesty to that Government.

And Whereas those Disorders seem to have arisen from the Difference in Point of Interest between the present Possessors of the Lands and Samuell Allen Esqr. the