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in the said Colonies) any Competent Jurisdiction for the Tryal and Punishment of Persons guilty of Murder within the Admiralty Jurisdiction in the said Colonies and therefore proposing that a Bill with New Provisions adapted to such Crimes, may be prepared immediately to be Offered to the Consideration of Parliament in the present Sessions [and on considering the opinion of the law officers of the Crown on questions put to them by the Board of Trade about Acts for the punishment of murder, the Board of Trade are ordered, with the advice of the Advocate, Attorney and Solicitor General, forthwith to prepare the draft of such a bill to be laid before Parliament.] [p. 107.]

[475.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition and appeal of] Samuel Rickards, Archibald Maclane, Israel Mauduit, Edmund Lardner and William Cooke of London Merchants Assignees of the Estate and Effects of George Buchanan and William Hamilton late of London Merchants and Bankrupts Executors of the last Will and Testament of Neil Buchanan late of London Esquire Deceased, Francis Jerdone and Robert Duncanson of your Majestys Colony of Virginia Merchants and Ann Buchanan of the City of Glasgow in North Britain Widow another of the Executors of the said Neil Buchanan Deceased from a Decree made in the General Court of Chancery in Virginia on the 10th of April 1761 in favour of John Hudson and Ann his wife William Johnson and Martha his wife Roger Gregory Executor of Lane Jones, Orlando Jones, Rolling Jones and Francis Barber Jones relating to the Payment of several Legacys. [p. 196.]

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[On the Committee report of 15 July, the decree, which should not have been carried into execution pending the appeal, is reversed, and the money received by the respondents is to be repaid with 4% interest, deducting the dividend of seven shillings in the pound now payable under the commission in respect of debts from the bankrupt's estate, which, debts with 4% interest to the time of the bankruptcy,

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amounted to 3,858*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Ann Hudson, Martha Johnson, and the Joneses named above were all children of Lane Jones deceased, and other names mentioned in the report are Elizabeth Milner of the Strand, London; her nephew, William Timson, of Virginia; her niece, Mary Barber; Anna Maria, the wife, and William and Samuel (*alias* John), the sons of William Timson; Maurice Keys, William Goslin, and Walter Robotham, executors of Mrs. Milner's will, dated 20 March, 1719: Lane Jones and William Timson, cousins of the younger Timsons; another William Timson, son of John: Sarah, the widow, and Walter and Charles, sons of Robotham the executor, Mr. Manly, Col. Edmund Scarburgh, whom Anna Maria Timson or Barber married on the death of Mr. Barber, John Thornton, another husband of Anna Maria, James Buchanan, a London merchant, Mr. Hanbury, and Charlton Palmer.] [pp. 288-93, 326.]

12 April. [476.] [Reference to the Committee of two Board of  
Nova Scotia. Trade representations of 5 March, 1761, and 8 April, 1762,]  
relative to a Plan of Mr. Alexander McNutt for making a large  
Settlement in His Majestys Province of Nova Scotia.

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29 April. The Lords of the Committee this Day took the said Representations into their Consideration, By the first of which it appears that the said Mr. McNutt had engaged Six hundred Persons from the Continent of America to become Settlers on several Tracts of Land, which the late Governor of that Province reserved and Allotted to him for the Establishment of Seven Townships of One hundred thousand Acres each, and that he intended to compleat the Settlement of the said Townships by the Introduction of Colonists from the Northern parts of Ireland and therefore prayed that Grants might be made him of the said Lands upon the Terms he had proposed to the said Lords Commissioners and by the Subsequent Representation it further appears, that Mr. McNutt did the last year carry over with him about three hundred Persons