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> rewards be granted thereout for the encouragement of Agriculture. [pp. 264, 405.]

5 Aug. Jamaica.

[78.] [Reference to the Committee of the petition of Charles Kelsal, planter of St. Catherine parish, Middlesex co., Jamaica, that the Council dismiss for non-prosecution the appeal of William Morris from a Chancery decree of 7 July, 1767, in a case arising from a bill filed by Stephen Lost against Kelsal, Morris and Morris's wife Mary, touching the discharge of sundry bonds with interest thereon.]

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On the Committee report of 22 Dec. the appeal is dismissed (1769.)11 Jan. with 201. stg. costs for non-prosecution.] [pp. 399, 422.]

12 Aug.

[79.] [On the Committee report of 9 Aug., an additional Nova Scotia. instruction is approved for the Governor of Nova Scotia to require the Assembly to repeal two acts of Aug., 1767, explaining and amending the several laws relating to the duties of impost and excise respectively on beer, rum and other spirituous liquors, and to pass others establishing the duties upon the same footing as before the acts of Aug., 1767. On 4 May a Board of Trade representation of 29 April had been referred to the Committee, who on 28 June directed the preparation of the above instruction, finding] that these laws appear to be calculated for the encouragement of a Commodity manufactured in, and imported from another Colony, in prejudice to a Domestick Manufacture long established in the province of Nova Scotia undertaken at a great expence, and conducted with Answerable Success, That this is a measure clearly contradictory to all true policy, and which cannot but operate to the disadvantage of that Improving Colony and to the discouragement of that Commerce which it carries on with the West India Islands; that His Majesty's Revenue is likely to be prejudiced by the Alteration these Acts propose to make in the mode of Collecting the Duties, and . . the Duties of Impost are much more Subject to fraud and evasion than the Duties of Excise. [pp. 161, 215, 271, 298.]