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27 Aug. [246.] NEW JERSEY. *Four Councillors dismissed*. B. of T. II. pp. report on a letter from Gov. Hunter. These members 667, 819. had rendered all his endeavours for her Majesty's service ineffectual: 14 Bills were rejected, most of them on the second reading; those committed were reported without amendments and so rejected, or were clogged with such clauses that it was impossible the Assembly should pass them, three of these being the Bills which the Governor had been instructed to endeavour to have passed into laws—*re* relief of the creditors of bankrupts in this kingdom; qualification of jurors; and building and repair of gaols. Wm. Morris is named amongst the new councillors to be appointed, in addition to those given in Vol. II.

? Sept. [247.] CANADA. *The Hill-Walker Expedition of 1711*. II. p. 660. Petition for relief of five widows of soldiers who had served in Gen. Merriday's regiment and were lost in the St. Lawrence on 22 Aug. 1711, whither they had been sent under the command of Col. Winder. The women (with 13 children) escaped, having been sent on board hospital ships to look after the sick. They had an Order the last Council to the Admiralty, but that Board can do nothing, as the men belonged to the land service.

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Received [248.] ST. CHRISTOPHER. *Old French lands*. Address of 18 May. the Council and Assembly, commending Lt.-Gov. Lambert; II. p. 569. and hoping that, when the old French lands are disposed of, the inhabitants of the island may be first preferred.

28 July. [249.] JAMAICA. *Orby and Hopegood v. Long*. Minute of II. pp. the Council of Jamaica, on an allegation by Sir C. Orby and 566-7. Dame Anne Hopegood, about the clandestine altering of the minutes of the Council by R. Rigby. Resolutions were passed condemning the neglectful or malicious conduct of R. Mackenzie, the Clerk, in not entering an order to Rigby and J. Stewart to revise and settle the minutes in this case, nor their report, which was adopted by the Council.