

1801.
April 9,
Halifax.
- Wentworth to King. Is sending dispatch by Brymer one of the Council. The instruction to encourage the growth of hemp is to be considered on the 15th, by the Council and others; the favourable quality of the intervale land for this crop. Iron of the best quality is in the province; its production would be greatly encouraged if ordered into the government works at the price for which it is imported. There is an abundant supply of timber in the province for masts, yards and bowsprits. Relief afforded to the sufferers from small pox: state of the province, &c. A. & W. I. vol. 598
- April 24,
London.
- W. Smith to King. Asks for return of papers; he would not take notice of a slanderer, but when he (King) declares he cannot place confidence in him (Smith), asks for the charges against him that he may defend himself. A. & W. I. vol. 598
- April 25,
Halifax.
- Wentworth to Secretary of State (Portland). Instructions for the detention of Russian, Swedish and Danish vessels and various documents as to style and titles, &c. [consequent on the union with Ireland] have been recorded and published. The steps he has taken to promote the culture of hemp: the climate and immense quantities of the soil are suitable; skilled persons for rotting and dressing, and good seed are wanted. Has had the accounts for various services audited; as soon as the sales of land can be completed, all the accounts shall be closed and transmitted. States the case of Gad Saunders, a negro, convicted of murder; recommends him for pardon. Col. Cor. N. S. vol. 35, p. 5
- Enclosed.* Report, 2nd February, of Blowers on the case of Saunders. 13
- Letter from Blowers, of same date, advising that the sentence be suspended. 17
- April 25,
Halifax.
- Wentworth to Secretary of State (Portland). Is sending accounts and vouchers for the expenses connected with the settlement and subsistence of the maroons. 21
- April 26,
Halifax.
- Same to King. A bank has been projected in Halifax and the capital raised. Shall have an act of incorporation passed, but with a suspending clause. Application to be made for five or six missionaries; the good effect of such an increase. The February packet spoken and supplied with provisions. Return of the "Cleopatra" and "Andromache"; unsuccessful attempt to cut out a guarda costa at Cuba, but several prizes were taken. Private news. A. & W. I. vol. 598
- May 30,
Halifax.
- Same to Secretary of State (Portland). Reports the state of the Council; had recommended Andrew Belcher, William Forsyth and Charles Mary Wentworth for the vacancies; now adds the name of Lawrence Hartshorne. Col. Cor. N. S. vol. 35, p. 25
- May 30,
Halifax.
- Same to the same. His sorrow that the delay in transmitting vouchers should have been thought to arise from neglect: many of the accounts were transmitted to the different offices. A complete statement shall be sent by Reynett, paymaster of the 7th regiment, who promises to deliver it. The delays were unavoidable and he asks that the suspension of his salary may be removed. 29
- June 6,
Whitehall.
- Secretary of State (Portland) to Wentworth. Is happy to find there is so favourable a prospect for the cultivation of hemp. Pardon issued for Gad Saunders, a negro convicted of murder. Col. Off. N. S. vol. 2, p. 362
- June 7,
Kensington Palace.
- Gordon to King. Sends extract from letter from Despard to Bowyer, respecting Murray. *Enclosed.* Extract.
- June 20,
Halifax.
- Letter and extract in A. & W. I. vol. 598.
- Wentworth to Secretary of State (Portland). Sends copies of his speech, addresses, &c., at the meeting of the General Assembly. The good disposition of both Houses; difficulty of obtaining a quorum of