- Friday 9 Vere THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR. [By William Shakespeare.] Probably Wintershall acted Slender. COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company. According to John Dennis, in the Dedication to The Comical Gallant (1702), when this play was revived in the times of Charles II, Wintershall acted Slender.
- Saturday 10 THE SILENT WOMAN. [By Ben Jonson.] Cast not known. Vere COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company.
- Monday 12 Vere COMMENT. According to M. Summers (A Bibliography of Restoration Drama, p. 13) Love's Mystery was entered into but erased from Herbert's original manuscript under this date. (See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116.) The King's Company.
- Tuesday 13 LOVE LIES A BLEEDING. [Pbilaster, by Francis Beaumont and John Fletcher.] Vere Cast not known.

COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company.

- Thursday 15LOVE'S CRUELTY. [By James Shirley.] Possibly Mohun acted Bellamante.VereCOMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company.According to Wright, Historia Histrionica, 1699, Mohun played Bellamante shortly after the Restoration.
- Salisbury COMMENT. Possibly Davenant opened Salisbury Court on this date, but no certain evidence exists. (See Spencer, Shakespeare Improved, pp. 37-39; Nicoll, Restoration Drama, p. 300.)
- Friday 16 THE WIDOW. [By Thomas Middleton.] Cast not known. Vere COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company.
- Saturday 17 Vere THE MAYDS TRAGEDY. [By Francis Beaumont and John Fletcher.] Downes (Roscius Anglicanus, p. 5) lists a cast which (in part) pertains to this period: King – Wintersel; Melantius – Major Mohun; Amintor – Hart; Calianax – Shatterel.

COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company. An edition of this play, published in 1661, lists no cast, no prologue, no epilogue.

Monday 19 THE UNFORTUNATE LOVERS. [By Sir William Davenant.] Cast not known, Vere but Downes (Roscius Anglicanus, p. 19) lists: Arthiope – Kynaston.

COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company. It is surprising to see a Davenant play acted by the King's Company. Edward Gower to Sir R. Leveson, 20 Nov. 1660: Yesternight at the Fleece Tavern... The gentlemen were discussing the play which they then came from, by name The Unfortunate Lover; at the latter end of the play there was a duel upon the stage; which, they, discounting upon, drew their swords in jest to show wherein they failed (HMC, 5th Report, 1876, p. 200).

At Court

THE SILENT WOMAN. [By Ben Jonson.] Cast not known. Prologue.

COMMENT. Edward Gower to Sir R. Leveson, 20 Nov. 1660: Yesternight the King, Queen, Princess, &c. supped at the Duke of Albemarle's, where they had the Silent Woman acted in the Cockpit (HMC, 5th Report, 1876, p. 200). The King's Company.

Pepys, Diary, 20 Nov. 1660: This morning I found my Lord in bed late, he having been with the King, Queen, and Princess, at the Cockpit all night, where General Monk treated them; and after supper a play, where the King did put a great affront upon [John] Singleton's musique, he bidding them stop and bade the French musique play, which, my Lord says, do much outdo all ours.



The Prologue was printed in 1660: The Prologue to His Majesty at the At Court first Play presented at the Cock-pit in Whitehall, Being part of that Noble Entertainment which Their Majesties received Novemb. 19. from his Grace the Duke of Albemarle. [The Prologue has been reprinted by Wiley, *Rare Prologues and Epilogues*, pp. 11–12. Bodleian Wood 398 has a MS note: By Sir Jo: Denham.]

THE BEGGAR'S BUSH.	[By John Fletcher.]	Cast not known, but see below and
also 7 Nov. 1660.		

COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company. Pepys, Diary: Mr Shepley and I to the new Play-house near Lincoln's-Inn-Fields (which was formerly Gibbon's tennis-court), where the play of "Beggar's Bush" was newly begun; and so we went in and saw it, it was well acted: and here I saw the first time one Moone [Mohun], who is said to be the best actor in the world, lately come over with the King, and indeed it is the finest play-house, I believe, that ever was in England.

THE SCORNFUL LADY. known.	[By Francis	Beaumont and	John Fletcher.	] Cast not	Wednesday 21 Vere
COMMENT. See Herb	ert, Dramatic	Records, p. 110	6. The King's	Company.	

THE TRAITOR. [By James Shirley.] Traitor – Mohun. COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company. Pepys, Diary: I to the new playhouse and saw part of the "Traitor," a very good Tragedy; Mr Moon [Mohun] did act the Traitor very well.

- THE ELDER BROTHER. [By John Fletcher.] Cast not known. Fri COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company. Vo
- THE CHANCES. [By John Fletcher.] Cast not known. COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company.
- THE OPPORTUNITY. [By James Shirley.] Cast not known. COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 116. The King's Company.
- THE SCORNFUL LADY. [By Francis Beaumont and John Fletcher.] Cast not known.

COMMENT. Pepys, *Diary*: I to a play, "The Scornfull Lady." [Because this play was offered at Vere Street on 21 Nov. 1660 and because Pepys had been attending that playhouse, it seems likely that this was also a production of the King's Company.]

THE HUMOROUS LIEUTENANT. [By John Fletcher.] Cast not known. Thu COMMENT. See Herbert, Dramatic Records, p. 117. The King's Company. Ver

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THE ALCHEMIST. [By Ben Jonson.] Downes (Roscius Anglicanus, pp. 4-5) lists [Vere] a cast, a part of which may have acted in the play at this time: Face – Mohun; Sir Epicure – Cartwright; Surly – Burt; Ananias – Lacy; Wholesome – Bateman. Downes also lists Wintersel for Subtil, but since Clun acted it on 3 Aug. 1664, he may have done so at this time. Prologue to the Reviv'd Alchemist.



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Tuesday 20 Vere

Tbursday 22 Vere

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Tbursday 29 Vere