

July 1666

- Tuesday 17* COMMENT. Roger Boyle, Earl of Orrery, to Edward, Viscount Conway, 17 July 1666: If we meet at London you will see a Play Acted, w^h I writt by y^e Kings Command; I call it, Edward y^e Black Prince; And if ever I writt anythinge fit for y^e Theatre this Play is it (*Calendar of State Papers, Ireland, 1666-1669*, p. 158; in *The Dramatic Works of Roger Boyle*, I, 43).

August 1666

- Friday 3* COMMENT. The *London Gazette*, 2-6 Aug. 1666, published a notice prohibiting the keeping of Bartholomew Fair and Sturbridge Fair.
- Wednesday 22 Moorfields* PUPPETRY. Pepys, *Diary*: I with my wife, Knipp, and Mercer, by coach to Moorefields, and there saw "Polichinello," which pleases me mightily.
- Wednesday 29 Moorfields* PUPPETRY. Pepys, *Diary*: And so back to Moorfields, and shewed Batelier, with my wife, "Polichinello," which I like the more I see it.
- Bridges* COMMENT. On this day Pepys heard a report about the reopening of the play-houses which probably was an erroneous rumor: And found Sir W. Pen talking to Orange Moll [Mary Meggs] of the King's house, who, to our great comfort, told us that they begun to act on the 18th of this month.

September 1666

- Saturday 1 Moorfields* PUPPETRY. Pepys, *Diary*: Sir W. Pen and my wife and Mercer and I to "Polichinelly," but were there horribly frighted to see Young Killigrew come in with a great many more young sparks; but we hid ourselves, so as we think they did not see us. By and by they went away, and then we were at rest again; and so, the play being done.