

- and that he makes sport of her, and swears she hath had all she could get of him; and Hart, her great admirer, now hates her; and that she is very poor, and hath lost my Lady Castlemayne, who was her great friend also: but she is come to the House, but is neglected by them all. Monday 26  
Bridges
- VOLPONE; or, The Fox. [By Ben Jonson.] *Cast not known*, but see 14 Jan. 1664/5. Wednesday 28  
At Court  
COMMENT. The King's Company. This performance is on the L. C. list 5/139, p. 129, but not on the second list, 5/12, p. 17. See Nicoll, *Restoration Drama*, p. 344.
- COMMENT. Pepys, *Diary*: And went twice round Bartholomew fayre; which I was glad to see again, after two years missing it by the plague. BF
- PATIENT GRISELL [Puppet-Play]. Pepys, *Diary*: I to Bartholomew fayre, to walk up and down; and there, among other things, find my Lady Castlemayne at a puppet-play, "Patient Grizill," and the street full of people expecting her coming out. I confess I did wonder at her courage to come abroad, thinking the people would abuse her; but they, silly people! do not know her work she makes, and therefore suffered her with great respect to take coach, and she away, without any trouble at all, which I wondered at, I confess. I only walked up and down. Friday 30  
BF

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*Monday 2*

### A PUBLIC FAST

- MUSTAPHA. [By Roger Boyle, Earl of Orrery.] [Solyman] – Betterton; [Mustapha] – Harris. Wednesday 4  
LIF  
COMMENT. The Duke's Company. Pepys, *Diary*: To the Duke of York's play house, and there saw "Mustapha," which, the more I see, the more I like; and is a most admirable poem, and bravely acted; only both Betterton and Harris could not contain from laughing in the midst of a most serious part, from the ridiculous mistake of one of the men upon the stage; which I did not like.
- ENTERTAINMENTS: At Mr Croome's, at the Sign of the Shoe and Slap, near the Hospital Gate in West Smithfield, is to be seen, THE WONDER OF NATURE, A Girl, above Sixteen Years of Age, born in Chesire, and not above Eighteen Inches long, having shed the Teeth seven several Times, and not a perfect Bone in any part of her, only the Head; yet she hath all her senses to Admiration, and Discourses, Reads very well, Sings, Whistles, and all very pleasant to hear. Sept. 4, 1667. GOD SAVE THE KING. (Henry Morley, *Memoirs of Bartholomew Fair*, p. 189). BF
- HERACLIUS. *Author not known*, but see 8 March 1663/4. *Cast not known*, but see 8 March 1663/4. Thursday 5  
LIF  
COMMENT. The Duke's Company. Pepys, *Diary*: With Sir W. Pen, my wife, and Mary Batelier to the Duke of York's house, and there saw "Heraclius," which is a good play; but they did so spoil it with their laughing, and being all of them out, and with the noise they made within the theatre, that I was ashamed of it, and resolve not to come thither again a good while, believing that this negligence, which I never observed before, proceeds only from their want of company in the pit, that they have no care how they act.