HENRY THE FOURTH. [Part I, presumably, by William Shakespeare.] See 2 Nov. 1667.

Tuesday 7 Bridges

COMMENT. The King's Company. Pepys, *Diary*. [After looking in at the Nursery and at LIF] and "Henry the Fourth" at the King's house; but, not finding them, nor liking either of the plays, I took my coach again.

FEIGN'D INNOCENCE; or, Sir Martin Marall. [By John Dryden.] See 15 Aug. 1667.

Wednesday 8

COMMENT. The Duke's Company. This performance is on the L. C. list, 5/139, p. 125. See also Nicoll, Restoration Drama, p. 347.

B Dec. Friday 10 Bridges

AGLAURA. [By John Suckling.] Cast not known. For a previous cast, see 28 Dec. 1661.

COMMENT. The King's Company. Pepys, Diary: With my wife and Deb.

COMMENT. The King's Company. Pepys, *Diary:* With my wife and Deb. to the King's house, to see "Aglaura," which hath been always mightily cried up and so I went with mighty expectation, but do find nothing extraordinary in it at all, and but hardly good in any degree.

Saturday 11 Bridges

THE WILD GOOSE CHACE. [By John Fletcher.] Cast not known.

COMMENT. The King's Company. Pepys, Diary: And wife and Deb. to the King's house, there to see "The Wild-goose Chase," which I never saw, but have long longed to see it, being a famous play, but as it was yesterday I do find that where I expect most I find least satisfaction, for in this play I met with nothing extraordinary at all, but very dull inventions and designs. Knepp come and sat by us, and her talk pleased me a little, she telling me how Mis Davis is for certain going away from the Duke's house, the King being in love with her; and a house is taken for her, and furnishing; and she hath a ring given her already worth £600: that the King did send several times for Nelly, and she was with him, but what he did she knows not; this was a good while ago, and she says that the King first spoiled Mrs Weaver, which is very mean, methinks, in a prince, and I am sorry for it, and can hope for no good to the State from having a Prince so devoted to his pleasure. She told me also of a play shortly coming upon the stage, of Sir Charles Sidly's, which, she thinks, will be called "The Wandering Ladys," a comedy that, she thinks, will be more pleasant; and also another play, called "The Duke of Lerma"; besides "Catelin," which she thinks, for want of the clothes which the King promised them, will not be acted for a good while.

t. *Monday 13* d At Court

THE INDIAN EMPEROUR. [By John Dryden.] Acted by persons of the Court. COMMENT. The Journal of Sir Richard Bulstrode (p. 19): This evening is repeated in the great Hall by foure persons of quality the Indian Emper, but the Company is made very private, soe as few attempt to gett in.

Jean Chappuzeau, Le Théâtre François (Paris, 1675), p. 55, states that in 1668 he saw a revival of The Indian Emperor in London.

Pepys, Diary: 14 Jan.: They fell to discourse of last night's work at Court, where the ladies and Duke of Monmouth and others acted "The Indian Emperour"; wherein they told me these things most remarkable: that not any woman but the Duchesse of Monmouth and Mrs Cornwallis did any thing but like fools and stocks, but that these two did do most extraordinary well: that not any man did any thing well but Captain O'Bryan, who spoke and did well, but, above all things, did dance most incomparably. That she did sit near the players of the Duke's house; among the rest, Mis Davis, who is the most impertinent slut, she says, in the world; and the more, now the King do show her countenance; and is reckoned his mistress, even to the scorne of the whole world; the King gazing on her, and my Lady Castlemayne being melancholy and out of humour, all the play, not smiling once. The King, it seems, hath given her a ring of £700, which she shews to every body, and owns that the King did give it her; and he hath

