

- Monday 30*
YB CONCERT.
 COMMENT. *London Gazette*, No. 3396, 26-30 May 1698: This present Monday being the 30th of May, Mr Nichola's Consort of Vocal and Instrumental Musick, will be performed in York-Buildings. [This is, presumably, Nichola Matteis.]
- Pepys's CONCERT.
 COMMENT. Evelyn, *Diary*: I dined at Mr Pepyss, where I heard that rare Voice, Mr Pate, who was lately come from Italy, reputed the most excellent singer, ever England had: he sang indeede many rare Italian Recitatives, &c.: & severall compositions of the late Mr Pursal, esteemed the best composer of any Englishman hitherto.
- Late May*
DL VICTORIOUS LOVE. [By William Walker.] Edition of 1698: Prologue, Sent by a Friend, Between a Tragaedian and a Comoedian. Epilogue, by the same Gentleman, Spoke by Mrs Cross. [Apparently Zaraida was played by Mrs Cross, her husband by the author, William Walker.]
 COMMENT. Rich's Company. The date of the première is not known, but the fact that the play was advertised in the *Post Man*, 19-21 June 1698, suggests a first performance probably not earlier than the middle of May.
 Preface, Edition of 1698: I am sufficiently Recompenc'd by the Kind Reception it met with among those whom I design'd to please; . . . I am blam'd for suffering my Play to be Acted at the Theatre-Royal, accus'd of Foolish Presumption, in setting my weak Shoulders to Prop this Declining Fabrick, and of affronting the Town, in Favouring whom they Discountenance.

June 1698

- DL THE REVENGEFUL QUEEN. [By William Phillips.] Edition of 1698: Prologue. No actors' names. Epilogue, Spoken by Miss Dennis Chock.
 COMMENT. Rich's Company. The date of the première is not known, but the fact that the play was advertised in the *Post Man*, 2-5 July 1698, suggests that the first performance probably occurred not later than June 1698.
- DL THE CAMPAIGNERS; or, The Pleasant Adventures at Brussels. [By Thomas D'Urfey.] Edition of 1698: Prince Landevile - Evans; Don Leon - Sympson; The Sieur Bondevelt - Johnson; Col. Darange - Mills; Kinglove - Thomas; Min Heer Tomas - Penkethman; Marqui Bertran - Cibber; Van Scopen - Fairbank; Mascarillo - Bullock; Angellica - Mrs Knight; Madam la Marquise - Mrs Verbruggen; Anniky - Mrs Powel; Gusset - Mrs Kent; Fardell - Mrs Lynsey. Prologue, Spoken by Mr Pinkethman, in a Cloak, with a Poetical Wreath on. Epilogue, By Mr Cibber, Acting the Fr. Marquis.
 COMMENT. Rich's Company. The date of the first performance is not known, but the fact that the play was advertised in the *Post Man*, 7-9 July 1698, suggests a première in June 1698. In addition, the Preface replies to Jeremy Collier, whose *Short View* had a second edition appear in mid-May, and the presence of some younger actors—Fairbank and Bullock, for example—in the cast suggests a summer performance. The music for the songs was composed by Daniel Purcell. *A Comparison Between the Two Stages* (1702), p. 20: Damn'd.
- LIF QUEEN CATHARINE; or, The Ruines of Love. [By Mrs Mary Pix.] Edition of 1698: Prologue, Spoken by Mr Batterton. Epilogue, Written by Mrs Trotter, Spoken by Miss Porter. Edward the Fourth - Scudamore; Duke of Clarence -

Verbruggen; Duke of Gloucester – Arnold; Earl of Warwick – Kynnaston; Mallavill – Bayly; Owen Tudor – Batterton; Lord Dacres – Freeman; Sir James Thyrrold – Thurmond; Queen Catharine – Mrs Barry; Isabella – Mrs Bracegirdle; Esperanza – Mrs Martin.

COMMENT. Betterton's Company. The date of the first performance is not known, but the fact that the play was advertised in the *Post Boy*, 26–28 July 1698, suggests that the première occurred probably in mid-June or late June 1698. *A Comparison Between the Two Stages* (1702), p. 20: Damn'd.

CONCERT.

COMMENT. *Post Boy*, No 479, 28–31 May 1698: At the Request of several Persons of Quality, Mrs Cressea's Entertainment of Vocal and Instrumental Musick will be performed in York Buildings, on Wednesday next, the first of June.

Wednesday 1
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THE PLAIN DEALER. [By William Wycherley.] Plain Dealer – Captain Griffin.

COMMENT. Rich's Company. *Post Boy*, 31 May–2 June 1698: London, June 2nd. This Day, at the Theatre in Drury-Lane, will be Acted a Play, called, The Plain-Dealer, upon a very charitable Account, the Profits of the Play being given for the Release of a distressed Gentleman from Prison: And the chief Part is acted by Capt. Griffin, formerly a famous Actor, and lately Captain of a Company of Foot in His Majesty's Service, through the Wars in Ireland.

Thursday 2
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CONCERT.

COMMENT. *Post Boy*, No 482, 4–7 June 1698: At York Buildings this Day, being the 7th of June, will be performed an Entertainment of New Musick, Vocal and Instrumental, Mr Pate, Mr Leveridge, Mr Freeman, Mr Bowen, and all the best Masters perform their Parts. Composed by Mr Daniel Purcell for his Benefit.

Tuesday 7
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CONCERT.

COMMENT. *Post Boy*, No 482, 4–7 June 1698: Tomorrow, being Wednesday, the 8th Instant, in the Great Room at Lambeth Wells, will be performed a Consort of Musick, with some new Voices. To begin exactly at Five; price of Coming in but One Shilling. The same Consort will perform every Wednesday, the remaining Part of the Season.

Wednesday 8
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CONCERT.

COMMENT. *Post Man*, No 481, 25–28 June 1698: To Morrow being Wednesday the 29th in the great Room at Lambeth Wells, will be performed a Consort of new Vocal and Instrumental Musick, with some new Voices. The same Consort will be performed every Wednesday all this Season, to begin exactly at 5. Price of coming in but 1s.

Wednesday 29
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July 1698

THE TEMPEST. [Altered from William Shakespeare by Thomas Shadwell.] *Cast not known.*

COMMENT. Rich's Company. *Post Boy*, No 494, 2–5 July 1698: This Day is Acted the *Tempest*, at the Kings Playhouse in Drury-Lane, for the Entertainment of a Foreign Prince, who, we are positively inform'd, is the Prince of Parma in Person.

Tuesday 5
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