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disappear, never to rise again. Oh! says Mr D——, mine was acted six Days; and I'll hold you a hundred Pound—just what I got by't—How's that?, says Boyer—I say, Sir, that I'll hold you, or any Man, a hundred Pound, 'twill be acted again ten times this Winter. With that B—— fell a laughing, and replies, Sir, says he, I'll stake my French Dictionary against your Criticisms on Blackmore, and that I think is odds enough—I say, I'll hold you that Bet, that you did not get fifty Shillings by't, and that the House lost a hundred Pound. This had like to ha' made sad work; but all was well, for neither of 'em have been acted since, for they both sleep in everlasting Tranquillity. [See also pp. 23-25 for other remarks about the two Iphigenia plays.]

LIF

A CURE FOR JEALOUSIE. [By John Corye.] Edition of 1701: No actors' names. COMMENT. Betterton's Company. The date of the première is not known, but the Preface indicates that it appeared during the run of *The Constant Couple*, which apparently was most frequently acted during November, December, and January.

Friday 1 DG ENTERTAINMENTS. [By William Joy.]

COMMENT. See the notice on 29 Nov. 1699.

Thursday 7

ENTERTAINMENTS.

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COMMENT. London Post, 4-6 Dec. 1699: At the Request of several Persons of Quality, on Thursday next, being the 7th Inst. at the Theatre in Dorset Garden, the Famous Kentishmen, Wm. and Rich. Joy, design to show to the Town before they leave it, the same Tryals of Strength both of them, that Wm. had the Honour of showing before His Majesty, and their Royal Highnesses, with several other Persons of Quality; for which, he receiv'd a considerable Gratuity. . . . Beginning exactly at 2, and Ending at 4. The Boxes 4s. the Pit 2s. 6d. 1st Gallery 2s. Upper Gall. 1s.

Wednesday 13 COMMENT. On this day James Brydges attended an unnamed play at this theatre LIF (Huntington MS St 26).

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CONCERT.

COMMENT. London Gazette, No. 3556, 7-11 Dec. 1699: On Wednesday next, the 13th Instant, will be performed at York-Buildings, a Consort of Musick, with the last St. Cecilia's Song, for the Benefit of Mr Pate and Mr [Daniel] Purcell, beginning exactly at 8 at night.

Thursday 14 DL THE MARRIAGE HATER [MATCHED]. [By Thomas D'Ursey.] Cast not known.

COMMENT. Rich's Company. Lady Morley attended this performance: Lady Morley and three in the Box at Marryage hater. 16s. See Hotson, Commonwealth and Restoration Stage, p. 378.

John Dryden to Mrs Steward, 14 Dec. 1699: Both the Iphigenias have been playd with bad Success; & being both acted, one against the other, in the same week, clashed together, like two rotten ships, which cou'd not endure the shock; & sunk to rights (The Letters of John Dryden, p. 131).

Saturday 16 DL THE EARL OF ESSEX. [The Unbappy Favourite. By John Banks.] Cast not

COMMENT. Rich's Company. Lady Morley attended this performance: Lady Morley in the Box at Earle of Essex. 4s. See Hotson, Commonwealth and Restoration Stage, p. 378.

