VOLPONE. Cast not listed.

Wednesday 24

SINGING AND DANCING.

COMMENT. Written by the Famous Ben. Johnson. [In Daily Courant, 23 Nov., The Emperor of the Moon had been advertised for this day.]

THE EMPEROR OF THE MOON. Cast not listed.

Thursday 25

singing. By Mr Mason, who never appear'd upon the Stage before.

MUSIC AND DANCING.

COMMENT. At the Desire of several Ladies of Quality.

THE FAIR EXAMPLE. Cast not listed.

MUSIC. As 9 Nov. SINGING AND DANCING. Friday 26 DI.

MACBETH. Cast not listed.

Saturday 27 MUSIC. All the Musick being compos'd by Mr Leveridge, wherein he performs his own parts.

SINGING. As 25 Nov.

DANCING. Several comical Dances.

COMMENT. [This performance, following the Great Storm of 1703, aroused the wrath of the reformers, typified by Jeremy Collier's remark in his Dissuasive from the Play-House: "But Stupidity under that Convulsion was not the worst of our Case: No, that dreadful Hurricane, the Voice of an angry Heaven, and Terrour of Earth and Sea, was it seems a Jest at the Play House: Macbeth with his Lightning and Thunder the Entertainment of the Day, and the Mention of Chimnies blown down, clapt by the Audience with an unusual Length of Pleasure and Approbation" (p. 18).]

RULE A WIFE AND HAVE A WIFE. Cast not listed.

Monday 29 DI.

MUSIC. As 9 Nov.

SINGING. By Leveridge and Mason.

DANCING. By the Devonshire Girl and others.

THE DOUBLE DEALER. Cast not listed.

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MUSIC. By Seignior Olsii, lately come from Italy.

COMMENT. Never Acted there but Twice. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality.

CONCERT.

MUSIC. Vocal and Instrumental, in which Mrs Tofts performs several Songs in Italian and English, accompany'd by the best Masters in England.

Tuesday 30 DL

DANCING. By Labbe and others.

COMMENT. By Subscription. None to be admitted into the Pit or Boxes but by the Subscribers Tickets. The Boxes on the Stage and the Galleries are for the Benefit of the Actors. At 5 P.M.

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THE LANCASHIRE WITCHES. Cast not listed.

SINGING AND DANCING.

Wednesday 1

COMMENT. [In Daily Courant, 29 Nov., the premiere of The Lying Lover had been advertised for this day.]



THE TEMPEST. Cast not listed. Wednesday 1

COMMENT. [See Minutes of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in Secretan, p. 107: "1703. Dec. 16: Also that at the bottom of the said paper a query might be put, whether acting the 'Tempest' upon the next Wednesday after the late dreadful storm, at the new play-house in Little Lincoln's Inn Fields, was proper or reasonable." See also The Terrible Stormy Wind and Tempest (1705), p. 24.]

Thursday 2 DL

THE LYING LOVER; or, The Lady's Friendship. Cast not listed, but edition of 1704 lists: Old Bookwit - Griffin; Young Bookwit - Wilks; Lovemore - Mills; Frederick - Toms; Latine - Cibber; Storm - Pinkeman; Charcoal - Bullock; Penelope – Mrs Rogers; Victoria – Mrs Oldfield; Betty – Mrs Cox; Lettice – Mrs Lucas. Prologue. Epilogue.

COMMENT. Written by the Author of The Funeral. [By Richard Steele.

Premiere.]

Friday 3 DL

THE LYING LOVER. Cast not listed, but see 2 Dec.

Saturday 4

THE LYING LOVER. Cast not listed, but see 2 Dec.

DL. Monday 6

THE LYING LOVER. Cast not listed, but see 2 Dec.

DL

THE LYING LOVER. Cast not listed, but see 2 Dec.

Tuesday 7 DL

Wednesday 8 THE LYING LOVER. Cast not listed, but see 2 Dec.

DL

COMMENT. Benefit the Author.

Thursday 9

LOVE'S LAST SHIFT. Cast not listed.

DL

SINGING AND DANCING.

Friday 10 DL

THE EARL OF ESSEX; or, The Unhappy Favourite. Cast not listed.

MUSIC. As 9 Nov. DANCING. As 25 Oct.

COMMENT. At the Desire of several Ladies of Quality.

Saturday 11

DL

TIMON OF ATHENS; or, The Man-Hater. Cast not listed.

MUSIC. With the Original Masque, set to Musick by the late Mr Henry Purcell.

DANCING. As 19 Oct.

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CONCERT. MUSIC. Entirely new, composed by Mr Keller, and perform'd by the best Hands. With several Sonatas on the Violin by Signior Gasperini. And a piece of Musick composed for Flutes, to be perform'd by Mr Paisible and Mr Banister. And a piece for the Hautboy and Violin by Mrs Hodgson and Mr Cook.

COMMENT. At 8 P.M.

Monday 13

THE SILENT WOMAN. Cast not listed.

DL

MUSIC. As 9 Nov.

DANCING. By the Devonshire Girl. A Comical Entertainment between Scaramouch,

Harlequin, and Punchanello.

COMMENT. Written by the Famous Ben. Johnson.

Tuesday 14

CONCERT.

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MUSIC. Singing in Italian and English by Mrs Tofts [advertised, but not given; see 21 Dec.]. A new Piece of Vocal and Instrumental Musick never perform'd before, compos'd by Mr Leveridge.

