AESOP. Cast not listed.

Saturday 31

LIF

SINGING. As 4 Jan.

DANCING. By du Ruel, Cherrier, Mrs du Ruel, and Mrs Bicknell.

COMMENT. Being obliged at the Desire of several Persons of Quality. With some Scenes Reviv'd. [In Daily Courant, 30 March, Richard III had been announced for this day.]

THE VIRTUOSO. Also ACIS AND GALATEA. Casts not listed.

DANCING. By Mlle de la Val, Mrs Elford, Firbank, and others.

COMMENT. Benefit Cave Underhill. Mainpiece: Not Acted these Five Years.

At the Desire of several Persons of Quality. Boxes 5s. Pit 3s. Gallery 2s. It being the last time of Acting at this House.

[The theatres, closed during Passion Week, did not act again until Monday, 9 April.]

## April 1705

CONCERT.

*Monday 2* e YB

MUSIC. Vocal and instrumental, the vocal by Signora Juliana Celotti and the instrumental by twenty of the most eminent masters in London.

COMMENT. Benefit Signora Celotti. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality. At 7 P.M.

THE QUACKS. Cast not listed, but see 29 March. SINGING AND DANCING. By the best Performers.

Monday 9 DL

THE LOVES OF ERGASTO. By a new set of Singers, arriv'd from Italy [Downes, p. 48]. Prologue written by Sir Samuel Garth and spoken by Mrs Bracegirdle. Epilogue written by William Congreve and spoken by Mrs Bracegirdle.

Queen's

COMMENT. [Librettist unknown. Premiere. For the identification of this opera, see Loewenberg, pp. 58-59. Downes (p. 48) says that the opera lasted five days; Cibber (I, 325) states that it was given only three days, and those not crowded. This day marked the opening of the Queen's Theater in the Haymarket, the first new theatrical construction of the century. For a discussion of it, see Cibber, I, 319-22.]

THE QUACKS. Cast not listed, but see 29 March.

SINGING. By Leveridge, Hughs, Mrs Lyndsey, and the new Boy.

MUSIC. Instrumental by Paisible, Banister, Lully, and others.

DANCING. As 3 March.

Tuesday 10 DL

COMMENT. Benefit the Author.

THE LOVES OF ERGASTO [See 9 April].

Queen's

THE COMMITTEE. As 28 Oct. 1704, but Obadiah – Johnson. SINGING AND DANCING.

Wednesday 11 DL

THE LOVES OF ERGASTO [See 9 April].

Queen's

ARSINOE, QUEEN OF CYPRUS. Cast not listed, but see 16 Jan. COMMENT. Benefit the Composer.

Thursday 12 DL

