THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. Cast not listed, but see 29 Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £176 14s. Probable attendance: boxes, 224 paid and 3 orders; stage, 75 paid; pit, 279 paid and 5 orders; slips, 60 paid and 1 order; pidgeon holes, 3 paid; first gallery, 444 paid and 4 orders; second gallery, 193 paid. [Both Daily Journal and Rich's Register call this the 35th performance; see 11 March.]

Saturday 16 -LIF

SIROE. Cast not listed, but see 17 Feb. COMMENT. Their Majesties present.

King's

DOUBLE FALSEHOOD. Cast not listed, but see 13 Dec. 1727.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Booth. At the particular Desire of several Ladies of Quality. Written Originally by Shakespear.

Monday 18

HAMLET, PRINCE OF DENMARK. Hamlet - Ryan; Ophelia - Miss Fenton, but see 8 Dec. 1727.

LIF

SINGING. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality Mrs Barbier will sing four Scotch and English Ballads between the Acts; as also *Tamo Tanto*, and the *French Horn Song* in *Admetus*, properly accompanied.

DANCING. Two Pierrots by Nivelon and Poitier.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Barbier. Tickets for *The Beggar's Opera* taken. Receipts: money £87 191.; tickets £73 111. Probable attendance: boxes, 63 by money and 262 by tickets; stage, 26 by money; pit, 158 by money and 49 by tickets; slips, 26 by money; pidgeon holes, 2 by money; first gallery, 271 by money and 7 by tickets; second gallery, 192 by money.

SHE WOU'D AND SHE WOU'D NOT; or, The Kind Imposter. Cast not listed. Also HARLEQUIN HAPPY AND POOR PIERROT MARRIED. Pierrot – Roger; Colombine's Father – Weaver; His Servants – Hallam Sr, Ray; Harlequin – Clark; Pierrot's Servants – Young Hallam, Young Wetherilt; Cupid – Miss Robinson Jr; Colombine – Mrs Mills; Bridemen – Lally, Essex, Boval, Rainton; Bridesmaids – Mrs Brett, Miss Lindar, Mrs Walter, Mrs Young; Children of Love representing two Harlequins – Young Master Lally, Miss Brett.

Tuesday 19 DL

COMMENT. Afterpiece: Composed by Mons Roger. With New Scenes and proper Decorations.

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. Cast not listed, but see 29 Jan.

LIF

COMMENT. Receipts: £177 18s. Probable attendance: boxes, 230 paid and 5 orders; stage, 67 paid; pit, 286 paid and 8 orders; slips, 58 paid and 7 orders; pidgeon holes, 5 paid; first gallery, 440 paid and 1 order; second gallery, 199 paid.

SIROE. Cast not listed, but see 17 Feb.

King's

COMMENT. King, Queen, Princesses Amelia and Carolina present. Delany (Autobiography, I, 165-66): Operas are somewhat mended within this fortnight; they are much fuller than they have been any time this Winter.

COMMENT. For the fortunes of *The Beggar's Opera*, see Gay to Swift, 20 March, in Correspondence of Pope, II, 478-79.

Wednesday 20 LIF

THE RIVALS. As 21 Feb.

DANCING. By Mrs Violante and Francisco.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Violante's Daughter and Mr La Fevre, being the only Reward allow'd them for Performing the whole Season.

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CONCERT.

MUSIC. Mr Corbett's New Bizzaria's; on all the New Gusto's of Italy, [for all Instruments, and] Pieces on the Viol d'Amore, and the two new Instruments call'd, The Chamber-Horns, never heard in Publick.



Wednesday 20 HIC COMMENT. Benefit Corbett, lately arriv'd from Italy, being the first and the last time of his Performing in Publick. At 7 P.M. Tickets 5s.

Thursday 21 DL THE CARELESS HUSBAND. As 14 Oct. 1727.

DANCING. The Pieraite by Roger and Mrs Brett. Sultana by Miss Robinson Jr, a scholar of Essex's.

COMMENT. Benefit Mills.

LIF

THE BATH UNMASK'D. Lord Wiseman - Milward; Sprightly - Ryan; Sir Captious - Hippisley; Pander - Chapman; Frippon - Walker; Sharper - Boheme; Lady Ambsace - Mrs Egleton; Liberia - Mrs Bullock; Cleora - Mrs Berriman; Honoria - Mrs Vincent; Miss Whiffle - Mrs Legar; Tippet - Mrs Morgan. SINGING. By Mrs Barbier, particularly Tamo Tanto and the French Horn Song in Admetus, properly accompanied; as also the Four Ballads she perform'd in her own Benefit.

DANCING. Two Pierrots by Nivelon and Poitier. Scottish Dance by Mrs Bullock. Fingalian by Newhouse and Mrs Ogden.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Bullock. Receipts: money £35 55.; tickets £90 135. Probable attendance: boxes, 51 by money and 223 by tickets; stage, 11 by money; pit, 43 by money and 154 by tickets; slips, 9 by money; pidgeon holes, 3 by money; first gallery, 45 by money and 118 by tickets; second gallery, 77 by money.

Friday 22 HAY THE RIVALS. As 21 Feb.

COMMENT. At the particular Desire of several Ladies of Quality.

Saturday 23 DL SHE WOU'D AND SHE WOU'D NOT. Cast not listed. Also HARLEQUIN DOCTOR FAUSTUS. Cast not listed, but see 6 Oct. 1727.

COMMENT. In Daily Post, 22 March, Albion Queens had been advertised for this day.

LIF

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. Cast not listed, but sec 29 Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £194 13s. Probable attendance: boxes, 232 paid and 6 orders; stage, 98 paid; pit, 301 paid and 1 order; slips, 59 paid and 6 orders; pidgeon holes, 2 paid; first gallery, 438 paid and 2 orders; second gallery, 196 paid.

King's

SIROE. Cast not listed, but see 17 Feb.

COMMENT. For a letter on opera, see London Journal, 23 March.

Monday 25 DL THE PROVOK'D WIFE. As 9 Nov. 1727, but Heartfree – W. Mills; Lady Fanciful – Mrs Horton.

DANCING. By Mrs Booth, Thurmond, Mrs Mills, Miss Robinson Jr.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Horton. At the Desire of several Ladies of Quality. Written by the late Sir John Vanbrugh.

LIF

THE CONFEDERACY. Sir Francis - Hippisley; Moneytrap - Spiller; Dick - Walker; Brass - Morgan; Clarissa - Mrs Bullock; Araminta - Mrs Vincent; Corinna - Mrs Legar; Flippanta - Mrs Younger; Mrs Amlet - Mrs Egleton. DANCING. End Act II: Scots Dance by Mrs Bullock. III: Scating Dance by Nivelon and Miss Fenton. V: Flag Dance in the Characters of Scaramouches by Nivelon, Salle, Poitier.

SINGING. End Act I: By Mrs Chambers. IV: No Kissing At All by Leveridge and Salway.

COMMENT. Benefit Nivelon. Written by the late Sir John Vanbrugh. Receipts: money £29 2s.; tickets £18 19s. Probable attendance: boxes, 33 by money and 29 by tickets; stage, 4 by money; pit, 65 by money and 78 by tickets; slips, 3 by money; first gallery, 44 by money; second gallery, 82 by money.

