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.

LIP

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.

HAY

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.

CONCERT.

HIC

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.

