Daily Journal, 30 Dec.: And we hear, that ... the Grand Master and Wardens [of the Free Masons] and most of the Gentlemen present took Tickets to appear in White Gloves at ... Drury-Lane, this Evening, where the Play of Henry IV. Part II is to be acted for their Entertainment; and it is said a Prologue and Epilogue will be spoken suitable to the Occasion, and in Honour of that Society.

Monday 30 DL

THE CONFEDERACY. Cast not listed. Also THE NECROMANCER. Cast not listed, but see 29 Nov.

LIF

COMMENT. Afterpiece: With Alterations. Receipts: £51 11. Probable attendance: boxes, 38 paid and 11 orders; pit, 108 paid and 26 orders; slips, 6 paid and 14 orders; first gallery, 148 paid and 16 orders; second gallery, 179 paid and 1 order.

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. Macheath - Turner; Polly - Miss Careless; but see HAY 23 Dec.

COMMENT. Benefit Turner and Miss Careless.

THE MOURNING BRIDE. As 5 Oct. Also PERSEUS AND ANDROMEDA. Andromeda – Mrs Booth; but see 6 Dec.

Tuesday 31 DL

COMMENT. At the Desire of several Ladies of Quality. Mainpiece: Written by Mr Congreve.

LIF

THE OLD BATCHELOR. Old Batchelor - Quin; Fondlewife - Hippisley; Belmour - Walker; Vainlove - Ryan; Sir Joseph - Bullock; Sharper - Milward; Bluff - Hall; Setter - Chapman; Laetitia - Mrs Bullock; Araminta - Mrs Buchanan; Sylvia - Mrs Legar; Lucia - Mrs Egleton; Belinda - Mrs Younger.

DANCING. Scotch Dance by Mrs Bullock. Two Pierrots by Salle and Pelling. Les Vandangeurs by Moreau and Mrs Moreau.

COMMENT. Benefit Crokatt, Bookseller. Written by Mr Congreve. Receipts: money £25 51. 6d.; tickets £98 171. Probable attendance: boxes, 18 by money and 121 by tickets; pit, 52 by money and 398 by tickets; first gallery, 72 by money and 87 by tickets; second gallery, 81 by money.

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THE ROVER. Rover - Wilks; Hellena - Mrs Booth; Angelica - Mrs Porter; Belvill - Mills; Frederick - Williams; Blunt - Johnson; Pedro - Bridgwater; Antonio - Wm. Mills; Sancho - Norris; Florinda - Mrs Horton; Valeria - Mrs Cibber; Moretta - Mrs Mills.

DANCING.

Wednesday 1 DL

LIF

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. All the Parts to be perform'd by Lilliputians, but edition of 1728 lists: Peachum – Mary Shaftoe; Lockit – James Bencraft; Nimming Ned – James Bencraft; Macheath – Elizabeth Binks; Filch – Henry Woodward; Ben Budge – Henry Woodward; Beggar – Henry Woodward; Crookfinger'd Jack – James Weeks; Wat Dreary – James Weeks; Robin – John Wilson; Harry Paddington – Fisher Tench Charke; Player – Fisher Tench Charke; Mat – John Verhuyck; Mrs Peachum – Esther Wherrit; Diana Trapes – Esther Wherrit; Mrs Slammekin – Esther Wherrit; Polly – Elizabeth Rogers; Lucy – Susanna Rogers; Mrs Coaxer – Margaret Lowe; Dolly Trull – Sarah Foxwell; Mrs Vixen – Mary Vincent; Betty Doxy – Mary Weyman; Jenny Diver – Margaret Gold; Sukey Tawdry – Beatrice Boitar; Molly – Susanna Caun.



Wednesday 1 LIF COMMENT. Prince Frederick present. Receipts: £116 111. Probable attendance: boxes, 114 paid and 21 orders; stage, 8 paid; pit, 256 paid and 10 orders; slips, 20 paid and 32 orders; first gallery, 254 paid and 2 orders; second gallery, 205 paid.

Thursday 2 DL THE TEMPEST; or, The Inchanted Island. Prospero - Mills; Ferdinand - Wilks; Antonio - W. Mills; Gonzalo - Oats; Alonzo - Roberts; Hippolito - Mrs Cibber; Stephano - Shepard; Mustacho - Harper; Trincalo - Miller; Ventoso - Norris; Miranda - Mrs Booth; Dorinda - Miss Raftor; Ariel - Miss Robinson Jr. COMMENT. With all the Original Songs and Dances, and several new Decorations. [Prince Frederick and Princess Amelia present.]

LIF THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. As I Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £69 1s. 6d. Probable attendance: boxes, 74 paid and 14 orders; stage, 7 paid; pit, 183 paid and 11 orders; slips, 13 paid and 6 orders; first gallery, 133 paid and 7 orders; second gallery, 181 paid.

THE LOTTERY. As 10 Dec. 1728, but Plowshare – Pearce; Mrs Subtle – Mrs Palmer; Abigail – Mrs Clarke. With a new Prologue to the Town, and the Original Epilogue.

DANCING.

COMMENT. Benefit the Author.

Friday 3 THE TEMPEST. As 2 Jan., but Caliban – Johnson.

DL LIF

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. As I Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £55 10s. 6d. Probable attendance: boxes, 47 paid and 16 orders; stage, 3 paid; pit, 160 paid and 9 orders; slips, 15 paid and 3 orders; first gallery, 115 paid and 10 orders; second gallery, 113 paid.

Saturday 4 DL LOVE FOR LOVE. Cast not listed, but see 12 Sept. DANCING.

COMMENT. By Command of his Royal Highness. Written by Mr Congreve.

LIF THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. As I Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £88 75. 6d. Probable attendance: boxes, 112 paid and 7 orders; stage, 6 paid; pit, 228 paid and 22 orders; slips, 16 paid and 5 orders; first gallery, 151 paid and 5 orders; second gallery, 137 paid.

HIC CONCERT.

COMMENT. L. Granom's Weekly Concerts of Musick. [To begin this day. Each subscriber may have two printed tickets for each night for ladies only at a half guinea for the two tickets. At 7 P.M. To be continued on Saturdays.]

Monday 6 THE TEMPEST. As 3 Jan.
DL COMMENT. Universal Spe

COMMENT. Universal Spectator, 11 Jan.: Last Sunday Night [5 Jan.] Mrs Baker, the Actress of Drury-Lane Theatre, was buried in a very handsome Manner at St. Clement's Danes, the Master of the House and most of the Actors attending the same.

LOVE IN A RIDDLE. Cast not listed, but edition of 1729 lists: Arcas – Mills;

Aegon – Harper; Amyntas – Williams; Iphis – Mrs Thurmond; Philautus –

Cibber; Corydon – Griffin; Cimon – Miller; Mopsus – Oates; Damon – Ray;

Ianthe – Mrs Cibber; Pastora – Mrs Lindar; Phillida – Mrs Raftor. Prologue spoken by Wilks. Epilogue spoken by Egon [Harper].

COMMENT. [By Colley Cibber.] Never Acted before. A New Pastoral (of Three Acts). N.B. Printed Books of the Play will be sold at the Theatre.

