

house in Great Queen St., Lincoln's Inn Fields; or of Page at the stage door of the theatre. *Tuesday 13*
CG

Last Night their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales were at the Theatre Royal in Covent Garden to see the Merchant of Venice; when the Song of *Britons strike home* was commanded to be sung, which was accordingly done, with the Chorus's, accompanied by Trumpets, Kettle-Drums, etc. and met with the Greatest Applause.—*General Advertiser*, 14 March. [The notice about Miss Edwards' first attempt means in an acting role; she was a singer.]

ROXANA. *Cast not listed*, but see 15 Nov. 1743. King's

JOSEPH AND HIS BRETHREN. *Cast not listed*, but see 2 March. *Wednesday 14*
CG

MUSIC. Concerto on Organ.

COMMENT. Advertisement by Mr Leveridge. To be sung to the tune of "A Cobler there was, and he lived in a stall." [See 3 and 17 April.]

I.

Observing the papers for several days
Fill'd up with a number of Benefit plays
My Muse smiling said, Dick, it will not be wrong
To sound an advertisement in Merry song,
Derry, down, down, down, derry down.

II.

And thus now I raise up my voice to the town
To move Your kind thoughts against My Day comes on
And then with your favours my play to promote,
That Leveridge may sing (when he offers his note)
Derry down, &c.

THE REHEARSAL. As 9 Dec. 1743. Also THE AMOROUS GODDESS. As *Thursday 15*
DL
1 March, but Harlequin's Wife – Mrs Mann.

DON SEBASTIAN. As 12 March. Also THE ROYAL CHACE. As 28 Feb., CG
but Villeneuve replaces Picq; Mrs Delagarde replaces Mrs Domitilla.

SINGING. (By Desire) *To Arms*, and *Britons Strike Home*, by Leveridge, Beard, Reinhold, &c.

COMMENT. Mainpiece written by Dryden, acted but once these 20 years. For the Entertainment of His Excellency Hodge Brean Coritong, Ambassador from the Bey of Tripoli.

SAUL. *Cast not listed*. Parts were: Saul, Jonathan, David, High Priest, Abner, *Friday 16*
CG
Messenger, Apparition of Samuel, Amalekite, Michal, Merab, Abiathar, Witch of Endor (Larpet MS.). [For probable singers, see Dean, *Handel's Dramatic Oratorios*, pp. 299–300.]

MUSIC. Concerto on Organ.

THE COUNTRY LASSES; or, Custom of the Manor. Modely – Smith; Heartwell – Bowman (son of Late Bowman of Drury Lane); Flora – Mrs Smith; Aura – Mrs Daniel; Sir John – Daniel. Also THE FOND HUSBAND; or, The Intriguing Wife. *Cast not listed*. JS

SINGING. Blogg, Mrs Freeman.

COMMENT. Benefit Smith and a Tradesman under Misfortunes. 6 P.M. Boxes 2s. 6d. Pit 1s. 6d. Gallery 1s. Tickets at Ed. Pinchbeck's in Fleet St.

THE PROVOKED HUSBAND. As 12 March. Also THE AMOROUS GODDESS. As 15 March. *Saturday 17*
DL