

- Monday 14 HAY** A REHEARSAL OF KINGS; or, The Projecting Gingerbread Baker: With the unheard of Catastrophe of Macplunderkan, King of Roguomania And the Ignoble Fall of Baron Tromperland, King of Clouts. First Queen Incog – Mrs Eliza Haywood; Don Resinando – Mrs Charke; King of Clouts – Roberts; Mynheer Maggot – Jones; Mynheer Wiserman – Lacy; Crimcrowky – Davies; other characters are King Roguomania, King Bombardino, King Pamper Gusto, King Taxyburndus, King Lexoneris, Sardonides, Bandiquamonti, Campanardicoff, and Ghost of a Dutch Statesman.
 COMMENT. Never Acted before. [Author not known. Apparently not published.] By a Company of Comedians dropt from the Clouds, late Servants to their thrice-renown'd Majesties, Kouly Kan and Theodore. With new Scenes, Habits, and proper Decorations. Boxes 5s. Pit 3s. Gallery 2s. 1st N.B. To prevent the Imposition of Box-Keepers, Gentlemen and Ladies are humbly desir'd to take Tickets at the Office, or to send for them at the Theatre, where Attendance will be given every Day, and Places may be taken. 2d N.B. The Company will endeavour to entertain the Town the remaining part of the Season. [In advance bill in *Daily Advertiser*, 23 Feb.: 2d N.B. Considering the extraordinary Expence that must necessarily attend equipping so many Monarchs of different Nations, the Proprietor hopes the Town will not take Umbrage at the Prices being rais'd. 3rd N.B. The Proprietor begs leave to enter his Caveat against all (what Names soever distinguish'd) who may hire, or be hir'd, to do the Drudgery of Hissing, Catcalling, &c. and entreats the Town would discourage, as much as in them lies, a Practice at once so scandalous and prejudicial to Author, Player, and every Fair Theatre Adventure.]
- HIC** CONCERT.
 COMMENT. Benefit Benj. Field, now under Misfortune.
- Tuesday 15 DL** THE ORPHAN. Castalio – Milward; Orphan – Mrs Cibber; Acasto – Berry; Chamont – Quin; Polydore – Mills; Chaplain – Turbutt; Ernesto – Winstone; Serena – Miss Holiday; Florella – Mrs Grace; Page – Miss Cole. Also THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D. Lucy – Mrs Clive, but see 18 Oct. 1736.
 DANCING. *English Maggot* by Villeneuve and Mrs Walter. *Russian Sailor* by Denoyer.
 SINGING. As 12 March.
 COMMENT. Benefit Milward.
- CG** THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. Macheath – Walker; Polly – Miss Bincks; Lucy – Miss Rogers; Peachum – Hippiisley; Lockit – Mullart; Mrs Peachum – Mrs Martin; Filch – Clarke; Mat – Stoppelaer; Player – Paget; Beggar – James; Jenny – Mrs Forrester; Sukey – Mrs Templer; Mrs Slammekin – Mrs Kilby, but see 14 Jan. Also THE WALKING STATUE; or, The Devil in the Wine Cellar. Sir Timothy Tough – Hippiisley; Sprightly – Houghton; Cut'em – James; Toby – Salway; Leonora – Miss Bincks; Robin – Dan French.
 DANCING. I: *Comic Dance* by Nivelon and Mrs Le Brun. II: *Comic Dance* by Nivelon, Lalauze, Mrs Laguerre, Miss Le Brun. In III: *Hornpipe* by Ferguson. End of After-piece: *Glover's Dance of Sailors*.
 SINGING. V: *As I saw Fair Clara* by Beard and Salway.
 COMMENT. Benefit Walker. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality. Mainpiece: Written by the late Mr Gay.
- LIF** SIR HARRY WILDAIR. Lady Lurewell – Mrs Giffard; Sir Harry – Giffard; Standard – Wright; Fireball – W. Giffard; Marquis – Bardin; Clincher – Penkethman; Dicky – Norris; Angelica – Mrs Hamilton; Parley – Miss Tollett. Also HYMEN'S TRIUMPH. As 10 March.
 COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Giffard. At the particular Desire of several Ladies of Quality.
- HAY** A REHEARSAL OF KINGS. As 14 March.

- DEMETRIUS. *Cast not listed*, but see 12 Feb. Also POURCEAUGNAC AND GRILETTA. *Cast not listed*, but see 25 Jan. Tuesday 15
King's
- ALEXANDER'S FEAST. *Cast not listed*, but Deutsch, *Handel*, p. 429, speculates concerning a possible cast. With Concertos on the Organ, and other Instruments. Wednesday 16
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COMMENT. By Command of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales [who were present]. An Ode, written by Mr Dryden. The Pit will be floored over, and laid into the Boxes.
London Daily Post and General Advertiser, 17 March: The Prince and Princess of Wales seem'd to be highly entertain'd, insomuch that his Royal Highness commanded Mr Handel's Concerto on the Organ to be repeated.
- CONCERT. DT
MUSIC. Solo on the Violin by M. C. Festing; and a Solo on the German Flute by Weideman.
COMMENT. Benefit Barrett.
- THE SCORNFUL LADY. Scornful Lady – Mrs Furnival, the first time of her appearance on that stage; Elder Loveless – Mills; Young Loveless – Cross; Wel-ford – Milward; Savil – Johnson; Morecraft – Shepard; Sir Roger – Griffin; Poet – Oates; Captain – Winstone; Martha – Miss Holiday; Widow – Mrs Grace; Abigail – Mrs Willis. Also THE KING AND THE MILLER OF MANS-FIELD. As 14 Feb. Thursday 17
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COMMENT. By Command of Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales [who were present]. Mainpiece: Written by Beaumont and Fletcher. Afterpiece: Written by the Author of the Toy Shop. [For a letter on the disputes between the footmen and the gentlemen, see *Grub St. Journal*, 17 March.]
[There is in the Bennett Collection, I, 93, in the Birmingham Library, an exceptionally curious advance notice for a performance to be given at Drury Lane soon after Easter of *The Conscious Lovers* and *The Devil to Pay*, with no cast for either play in the bill. The announcement appears to refer to the spring of 1737 and presumably appeared around the middle of March. It is intended for the benefit of a Widow under Misfortunes and the bill bears the heading: Gift and Pleasure. According to the announcement, the widow has been left Italian pictures, antiques, jewels, and precious stones; and she intends, for the encouragement of her benefactors, to make a gift of all the objects, which will be placed in three hundred parcels. Tickets for the performance are advertised at five shillings, and no one is to be admitted without a ticket. The pit and boxes are to be put together at two tickets for each person, and the first and second galleries are placed together at one ticket for each spectator. The tickets are not to be left with the door-keepers as usual, but only shewn and kept. On the day following the benefit a raffle will be held, by Mr Foubert's Patent Mathematical Machine, at Hickford's Great Room in Brewers Street, Golden Square, and only holders of tickets will be admitted to the raffle. After this entry was set, an advertisement was found in the *Daily Advertiser*, 18 April 1738, announcing this performance for 13 May 1738. The *Daily Advertiser* on 5 May 1738, however, announced that the proposed performance had been cancelled.]
- THE CONSCIOUS LOVERS. Young Bevil – Delane; Myrtle – Ryan; Indiana – Mrs Horton; Tom – Chapman; Phillis – Miss Bincks; but see 8 Jan. Also THE CHEATS OF SCAPIN. As 28 Jan. CG
SINGING. In II: The Song written by Sir Richard Steele, and designed by him originally for this Play, will be new set to Musick by Mr Howard and sung by Mr Beard. III: A Chancon a Boire, beginning *Crowns of Sweet Roses* by Leveridge and Laguerre. v: *As I saw Fair Clara* by Beard and Salway.
DANCING. IV: Glover's *Dance of Sailors*. End Afterpiece: *Comic Dance* by Nivelon, Lalauze, Mrs Laguerre, Mrs Le Brun.
COMMENT. Benefit Ryan. By particular Desire.