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September 1748

Monday 5 HAY BUSIRIS, KING OF EGYPT. Nicanor – Stevens; Miris – Mrs Hickson; Mandana – Young Lady, first time on any stage; with an Occasional Prologue to be spoken by a gentleman and lady, in the character of the ghosts of Mr Booth and Mrs Oldfield. SINGING. IV: A Cantata by Doorsming, who never appeared in public. DANCING. V: Drunken Peasant by Matthews, &c.

COMMENT. At the Desire of several Eminent Citizens. A concert, etc. Benefit for Stevens (bookseller). Mainpiece: Written by E. Young, author of the *Midnight Thoughts*. Boxes 5s. Pit 2s. 6d. Gallery 1s. 6d.

Wednesday 7 SF THE NORTHERN HEROS; or, The Bloody Contest between Charles the Twelfth, King of Sweden, and Peter the Great, Czar of Muscovy. Charles XII – Usher; Prince of Wurtemburg – Jackson; Count Gillensternia – Hazard; Count Piper – Thomson; Mazeppa – Reid; Czar – Burton; Prince Dolguruki – Paget; Prince Menzikoif – Jones; Iwan – Shawford; Princess Ellimira – Mrs Cross. Also The Volunteers; or, The Adventures of Roderick Random and His Friend Strap. Roderick – Cross; Corporal Garbage – Bridges; Slim – Storer; Strap – Paddick; Widow Vanspriggen – Mrs Bridges; Moll Trotfutter – Mrs Vaughan; Mrs Rank – Miss Ferguson; Mrs File – Mrs Shawford; Mrs Machegogan – Mrs Paddick; Madge – Miss Tyler; Janny – Vaughan.

DANCING. Particularly a Hornpipe.

COMMENT. At Bridges, Cross, Burton, and Vaughan's Great Theatrical Booth on the Bowling Green, Southwark, (with a company from the theatres) during the short time of the Fair will be presented an Historical Drama (lately acted in Bartholemew Fair with universal applause) the Northern Heroes with the Loves of Count Gillensterniana, a Swedish General, and the fair Ellimira a Russian Princess, containing the most remarkable events of that time; and concluding with the memorable battle of Pultowa, and Charles's retreat into the Turkish dominions. Interspersed with a comic interlude, The Volunteers. Also the comical humours and amours of Corporal Garbage and Serjeant Slim, with Mrs Vanspriggen the Swedish sutler's widow, the merry pranks of her foolish son Janny, and several other diverting incidents. As the Fair will be of so short continuance, we shall begin very early each day (General Advertiser). [See 24 Aug. 1748, BF]

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THE TEMPEST; or, The Inchanted Island. Prospero - Goodman; Hippolito - Mrs Morgan; Ferdinand - Trye; Antonio - Brown; Gonzalo - Betts; Alonso - Machen; Stephano - Smith; Mustacho - Palmer; Ventoso - Richardson; Trinculo - Morgan; Caliban - Paget; Ariel - Master Paget; Sycorax - Simms; Miranda - Mrs Roberts; Dorinda - Mrs Phillips. Also HARLEQUIN IMPRISON'D; or, The Country Wake. Harlequin - Phillips; Gripe - Smith; Flash - Fie; Blunder - Morgan; Madge - Miss Minors; Colombine - Mrs Phillips.

DANCING. Grand Dance of Furies - D'Esser, Le Mont, Gramont, Fribourg; First Fury - Phillips.

COMMENT. At Phillips's Booth, Bowling Green, Southwark. Taken from the celebrated Shakespear. Prices: 2s. 6d., 1s. 6d., 1s., 6d. To begin at Twelve.

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THE FAIR MAID OF THE WEST. As 24 Aug. BF, but Sir Adam - Phenix; Lord Worthy - Cuthbert; Sir John Lovewell - Cunningham; Coachman - Harrison; Gardener - Thompson; Butler - Mason; Lucy - Mrs Peters; Gillian - Mrs Pile; The Scullion - Miss Jones; Second Witch - Adams. SINGING. Sailor's Song - Cunningham.

