

## June 1665

COMMENT. The dangerous increase in the plague resulted in a proclamation closing the theatres. L. C. 5/138, p. 417 (in Nicoll, *Restoration Drama*, p. 299n): Whereas it is thought Dangerous that soe greate resort of People should be permitted at yo<sup>r</sup> Theatre in this tyme of Infection of the Plague These are therefore to require you that you forbear Acting any more Playes vntill you shall receive further Order from mee. *Monday 5*

## August 1665

COMMENT. A proclamation forbidding the keeping of Bartholomew Fair (and Sturbridge Fair in Salisbury) is in the Chetham Library, Manchester. A similar notice is in *The Newes*, 17 August 1665. No doubt, Southwark Fair fell under a similar closing order. *Monday 7*  
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