THE ROYAL MERCHANT. Merchant - Havard; Clause - Hulett; Higgen -Penkethman; Prig - Rosco; Woolfort - Richardson; Hubert - Bardin; Vandunk -Huddy; Boor - Norris; Gertrude - Mrs Haughton; Jaquelin - Mrs Hamilton. Also DAMON AND PHILLIDA. Cast not listed, but see 18 Sept. 1734. SINGING AND DANCING.

Monday 24

COMMENT. Benefit Rosco. At the Desire of several Ladies of Quality and Distinction.

ARLEQUIN ASTROLOGUE, RAMONEUR, ENFANT, STATUE, SKELLETE, HAY NEGRE. Cast not listed. Also ARLEQUIN HULLA. Cast not listed. DANCING.

COMMENT. Benefit Verneuil, Mrs Verneuil, Miss Mimi Verneuil. By Command of his Royal Highness.

CONCERT.

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MUSIC. Singing by Farinelli and Cuzzoni. COMMENT. A public concert. [See Egmont, Diary, 11, 164.]

THE MAN OF TASTE. As 8 March, but Valentine, Harcourt, Horatio, Lewis, Diligence, Alamanzor, Lady Henpeck, Lisetta omitted. Also HARLEQUIN ORPHEUS. Cast not listed, but Ballet: by Denoyer, Mrs Walter, Villeneuve, Pelling, Davenport, Mrs Pelling, Mrs Davenport, Miss Brett. COMMENT. Benefit the Author.

Tuesday 25

THE WAY OF THE WORLD. As 6 Dec. 1734, but Mirabel - A. Hallam; Lady CG Wishfort - Mrs Martin. Also THE TOY SHOP. As 3 Feb. SINGING. Tippling Philosophers by Leveridge.

DANCING. La Coquette Francoise by Lally, S. Lally, Mlle Salle. Scot's Dance, as 11 March. Richmond Maggot by Le Sac and Miss Rogers.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Hallam. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality. Mainpiece: Written by the late Mr Congreve. [Tickets at Mrs Hallam's Lodgings, at Mr Baily's, Corner of James-street, Long Acre.]

LADY JANE GRAY. As 8 Feb. Also JUPITER AND IO. As 6 March, but GF Nymphs by Mrs Woodward, Miss M. Hughes, Mrs Vallois, Miss Norman; Courtezan - Lyon.

COMMENT. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality and Distinction.

POLIFEMO. Cast not listed, but see I Feb.

King's

DEBORAH. Cast not listed. With a New Concerto on the Organ; also the first Concerto in the Oratorio of Esther. CG

Wednesday 26

L'ETOURDY. Cast not listed. Also ARLEQUIN SAUVAGE. Cast not listed. MUSIC. Several Concertoes, particularly a Grand Concerto with French Horns and Trumpets; and another with one French Horn, the French Horn part by Mr Charles.

HAY

COMMENT. Benefit De Fesch. At the Desire of several Persons of Quality.

THE CONSTANT COUPLE. As 22 Nov. 1734, but Vizard, Errand, Constable, Darling, Parly omitted. Also AN OLD MAN TAUGHT WISDOM. As 24 March.

Thursday 27 DL

DANCING. Amorous Swain and Rival Nymphs by Lalauze, Mrs Walter, Miss Mann. Russian Sailor by Denoyer, &c. French Peasant by Nivelon.

COMMENT. Benefit Johnson. [For a discussion of the impending bill to restrain the playhouses, see Prompter, 27 March.]



The Amorous Widow. Cast not listed, but see 23 Jan. Also The Rape of Proserpine. As 8 Feb., but Savoyard – Thompson.

GF OTHELLO, MOOR OF VENICE. As 4 Jan., but Lodovico, Gratiano, Montano omitted. Also FLORA. Hob – Daniel French of Hampstead, who performed it twice last year at CG.

DANCING. 1: Pastoral Dance by Vallois and Mrs Bullock. III: La Follette c'est Ravise by Tench and Mrs Woodward. v: Scotch Dance by Mrs Bullock.

SINGING. II: By Miss Jones. IV: By Mrs Chambers.

COMMENT. Benefit Huddy. At the particular Desire of several Persons of Quality,

HAY L'HEUREUX NAUFRAGE. Cast not listed. Also ARLEQUIN ESPRIT FOLET.

Cast not listed.

DANCING.

COMMENT. Benefit a Family in Distress. By Command of their Royal Highnesses the Duke, the Princesses Maria and Louisa.

HIC CONCERT.

COMMENT. Benefit Signor Arrigoni. 7 P.M. Tickets half a guinea.

Friday 28
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DeBorah. Cast not listed, but Dean, Handel's Dramatic Oratorios, p. 238, conjectures:
Deborah - Signora Strada; Barak - Carestini; Jael - Miss Cecilia Young; Priest of Baal - Hussey, with Reinhold and Beard possibly singing also. With a new Concerto on the Organ; Also the two Concertos in the Oratorio of Esther.

COMMENT. London Daily Post and General Advertiser, 27 March: We hear . . . that to perfect the Performance, Mr Handel designs to introduce, to-morrow Night (in the Oratorio of Deborah) a large new Organ, which is remarkable for its Variety of curious Stops; being a new Invention, and a great Improvement of that Instrument.

HAY ARLEQUIN BALOURD. Cast not listed, but see 27 Dec. 1734.

DANCING. I: Les Warriors. II: Les Transfigurations. III: The Prisoner. IV: Comical Pantomime Dance. V: Pierot and Peraitte. Wooden Shoe Dance. Pantomime after the

Venetian Manner. All by Castiglione. COMMENT. Benefit Castiglione.

SH CONCERT.

MUSIC. Seventy select voices and instruments perform the four anthems composed by Handel for the Coronation. A violin solo by Festing.

COMMENT. Benefit Winsch. 6 P.M. 5s. Gallery 2s. 6d.

DL THE MAN OF TASTE. As 8 March, but see 25 March. With the Original Prologue, and a new Epilogue recommending the Support of the English Theatre—To the Beauties of Great Britain, Both spoken by Mr Cibber. Also THE MOCK DOCTOR. Doctor - Cibber; Dorcas - Mrs Clive, but see 9 Oct. 1734.

DANCING. III: Drunken Peasant by Le Brun. v: Russian Sailor by Denoyer. End of Afterpiece: Amorous Swain, as 27 March.

COMMENT. Benefit Cibber. At the particular Desire of several Ladies of Quality. Afterpiece: Taken from Moliere. [Tickets of Cibber at Newton's Warehouse (the Crown and Scepters) in Tavistock-street.]

THE GAMESTER. Gamester - Chapman; Sir Thomas - Mullart; Dorante - Hippisley; Lovewell - Hale; Marquis - Neale; Cogdie - Aston; Hector - Morgan; Galloon - James; Angelica - Miss Bincks; Lady Wealthy - Mrs Bullock; Favourite - Mrs Stevens; Mrs Security - Mrs Martin; Betty - Miss Horsington. Also THE TOY SHOP. Cast not listed, but see 3 Feb.

