

*Thursday 28*  
DL  
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. Benedict – Garrick; Don Pedro – Havard; Leonato – Berry; Don John – Winstone; Claudio – Lee; Friar – Bridges; Borachio – Blakes; Dogberry – Taswell; Balthazar (with a Song in Character) – Beard; Verges – Neale; Conrade – Usher; Town Clerk – James; Sexton – Ray; Hero – Mrs Elmy; Margaret – Mrs Havard; Ursula – Miss Cole; Beatrice – Mrs Pritchard. In Act II, a *Masquerade Dance* by Mathews and Mrs Addison. To conclude with a *Country Dance* by the characters of the play. Also THE INTRIGUING CHAMBERMAID. Lettice – Mrs Clive; Drunken Colonel – Woodward.  
COMMENT. It being the first time of Mr Garrick's playing since his Marriage, the Jest in Benedick were receiv'd with uncommon applause: he married Mad: Violette, on y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> of June : 1749 (Cross). Receipts: £180 (Cross).

SOU  
THE RECRUITING OFFICER. *Cast not listed.* Also DAMON AND PHILLIDA. *Cast not listed.*  
COMMENT. At the Great Tiled Booth [Bowling Green?]. By particular desire . . . By the same Company that performed *The Busy Body* on Monday night (*Daily Advertiser*).

*Friday 29*  
CG  
THE PROVOK'D HUSBAND; or, A Journey to London. Townley – Ryan; Manly – Delane; Lady Grace – Mrs Barrington; Basset – Anderson; Mrs Motherly – Mrs Cushing; Myrtilia – Miss Young; Trusty – Miss Haughton; Sir Francis – Arthur; Lady Wronghead – Mrs Bambridge; Squire Richard – Collins; Moody – Dunstall; Miss Jenny – Miss Minors, being her 1st appearance on that stage; Lady Townley – Mrs Woffington. Also PHOEBE; or, The Beggar's Wedding. Hunter – Lowe; Chaunter – Bridgwater; Quorum – Marten; Tippet – Miss Young; Phebe – Mrs Dunstall.  
COMMENT. [Mrs Barrington, formerly Mrs Hale.] To the Author of the *General Advertiser*, &c. Sir: I am far from being of the opinion of too many of my countrymen, who exclaim against the performances of foreigners be they ever so extraordinary: on the contrary whenever I hear of a person who merits Encouragement from the Publick, I use all my interest in his favour; and will always continue so to do, though he should come from the extremity of the globe—Nor am I of the opinion of another class, who imagine no man can be a great performer unless he comes from a strange land. I am convinced we have an artist at present among us, as excellent in his way as ever was seen in Britain. He is an Englishman, and citizen of London; and without any instruction (as I am inform'd) performs all the surprizing Equilibres on the Slack Rope that were exhibited by the famous Turk. I have seen his performances once already and they gave me infinite pleasure. Tomorrow evening I intend to see them again, at the Theatre in the Haymarket, and heartily wish him the success he deserves, Yours, &c A. B. [See 23 Dec. 1749 note about Rich's engaging Caratha the Turk, and note, 28 Oct. 1749.] Receipts: £67 9s.

*Saturday 30*  
DL  
THE LONDON MERCHANT. As 22 Sept. Also THE DEVIL TO PAY As 22 Sept.  
SINGING. IV: By Master Mattocks.  
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Desire. Receipts: £60 (Cross).

## October 1749

*Monday 2*  
CG  
KING RICHARD III. Richard – Quin; King Henry – Delane; Richmond – Ridout; Buckingham – Sparkes; Stanley – Redman; Oxford – Bencraft; Catesby – Gibson; Ratcliff – Anderson; Tressel – Cushing; Norfolk – Bransby; Lord Mayor –

Marten; Tirrel – Dunstall; Lieut- Oates; Blunt – Holtham; Prince Edward – Miss Morrison; Duke of York – Miss Mullart; Queen – Mrs Horton; Dutchess of York – Mrs Bambridge; Lady Anne – Mrs Woffington. Also PHOEBE. As 29 Sept., but none listed. Monday 2  
CG

COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 3 years. [See 29 Feb. 1748.] Containing the distresses and death of King Henry VI; the Artful acquisition of the Crown by King Richard; The cruel Murder of Prince Edward and his brother in the Tower; the landing of the Earl of Richmond, and the death of King Richard in the memorable battle of Bosworth Field, being the last that was fought between the Houses of York and Lancaster. [Customary advertisement for this play this season. It will not be repeated further.] This month was published *Characters in Dancing; with a Rhapsody* (*Gentleman's Magazine*). Receipts: £164 13s.

THE ORPHAN. *Cast not listed.* Also THE VIRGIN UNMASKED. *Cast not listed.* SOU

SINGING AND DANCING.

COMMENT. At the Great Tiled Booth, Bowling Green, Southwark (*Daily Advertiser*).

HAMLET, PRINCE OF DENMARK. Hamlet – Barry; Polonius – Taswell; Ophelia – Mrs Clive; King – Bridges; Ghost – Berry; Horatio – Havard; Ostrick – Woodward; Laertes – Blakes; Lucianus – James; Rosencraus – Simpson; Guildenstern – Usher; Bernardo – Marr; Player King – Winstone; Player Queen – Mrs Yates; Gravediggers – Yates and Ray; Queen – Mrs Pritchard. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. Fribble – Yates; Puff – James; Tag – Mrs James; Flash – Woodward; Capt Loveit – Havard; Bidy – Mrs Green. Tuesday 3  
DL

COMMENT. Afterpiece: By Desire. Mr Barry play'd Hamlet. Receipts: £170 (Cross).

THE VIRGIN UNMASKED. *Cast not listed.* THE AMOURS OF HARLEQUIN; or, The Bottle Conjurer Outdone. *Cast not listed.* BHB

COMMENT. At the Great Tiled Booth, Blackheath. To begin at Twelve and end at Nine each Night, during the Time of the Fair. Pit 1s. 6d. First Gallery 1s. Upper Gallery 6d. (*Daily Advertiser*).

OTHELLO, THE MOOR OF VENICE. Othello – Quin; Iago – Ryan; Brabantio – Sparks; Cassio – Ridout; Lodovico – Anderson; Roderigo – Cushing; Montano – Bransby; Emilia – Mrs Bambridge; Desdemona – Mrs Woffington. Also DAMON AND PHILLIDA. As 25 Sept. Wednesday 4  
CG

COMMENT. We hear that Mrs Cibber is so extremely ill at the Bath, that her life is despaired of (*General Advertiser*). Receipts: £107 4s. 6d.

THE STRATAGEM. *Cast not listed.* SOU

ENTERTAINMENTS.

COMMENT. At the Great Tiled Booth, Southwark. Care will be taken to have the Performance conducted with the greatest decorum (*Daily Advertiser*).

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. As 28 Sept., but Claudio – King. Also THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D. As 21 Sept. Thursday 5  
DL

COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. [Lee had returned to Covent Garden. See Winston MS 7.] Notwithstanding the reports of Mrs Cibber's Indisposition, we hear that she is not ill at Bath. We hear that the Comic part of the *Little French Lawyer* is alter'd from Beaumont and Fletcher, and will be acted very soon at Drury Lane, the part of the little French Lawyer will be perform'd by Woodward (*General Advertiser*). [See 7 Oct.] Receipts: £170.