

on that Day by the Masters and Lovers of Music, as well in England as in Foreign Parts. [Henry Purcell signed the Preface: To the Gentlemen of the Musical Society, and particularly the Stewards.] An advertisement in *Vinculum Societatis*, 1691, states that Christopher Fishburn composed the verse.

Thursday 22
MS

December 1683

A JOVIAL CREW; or, The Merry Beggars. [By Richard Brome.] Edition of 1684: Prologue. Oldrents – Gillow; Hearty – Lee; Springlove – Perren; Vincent – Carlile; Hilliard – Boman; Randall – Persivel; Master Sentwell – Buher; Friend to Justice Clack – Freeman; Oliver – Wiltshire; Master Clack – Jevern; Master Talboy – Montfort; Martin – Bright; Chaplain – Lowe; Usher to Oldrents – Norris; Butler to Oldrents – Sanders; Cook to Oldrents – Mrs Cooke; Rachel – Mrs Persevel; Meriel – Mrs Twyford; Amie – Mrs Norris; Autum Mort – Griffing; Patrico – Norris; Souldier – Bight [Bright]; Lawyer – Montfort; Courtier – Sander. Epilogue.

DL

COMMENT. The United Company. The date of this revival is not known, but the fact that this edition was entered in the *Term Catalogues*, February 1683/4, makes it likely that the revival occurred not later than December 1683. A new song, "There was a jolly beggar," in Act IV, Scene ii, was probably written for this revival. It was printed in *Choice Ayres and Songs*, The Fifth Book, 1684.

January 1684

COMMENT. Evelyn, *Diary*: [On the frozen Thames] There was likewise Bull-baiting, Horse & Coach races, Puppet-plays & interludes . . . so as it seem'd to be a bacchanalia, Triumph or Carnoal on the Water.

Thursday 24
Thames

Wednesday 30

A FAST DAY FOR THE MARTYRDOM OF CHARLES I

February 1684

COMMENT. An unnamed play was given by the United Company. See *A Calendar of the Middle Temple Records*, ed. Hopwood, p. 180.

Saturday 2
MT

VALENTINIAN. [Adapted from Fletcher by John Wilmot, Earl of Rochester.] Edition of 1685: Prologue spoken by Mrs Cook the first Day. Written by Mrs Behn. Prologue to Valentinian Spoken by Mrs Cook the second Day. Prologue intended for Valentinian, to be spoken by Mrs Barry. Epilogue, Written by a Person of Quality, spoken by Mrs Barry. No actors' names. Downes (*Roscus Anglicanus*, p. 40): Valentinian – Goodman; Aecius – Betterton; Maximus – Kynaston; Pontius – Griffin; Lucina – Mrs Barry.

Monday 11
At Court