

SIR ROGER'S VISIT TO SPRING GARDENS.—No. 383.

P. 41, l. 17. **Spring-garden.** Gardens at Fox, Faux, or Vauxhall. Pepys' Diary, May 28, 1667: "By water to Fox-hall and there walked in Spring Garden. A great deal of company and the weather and garden pleasant; and it is very pleasant and cheap going thither, for a man may go to spend what he will, or nothing, all is one. But to hear the nightingales and other birds, and here fiddles, and there a harp, and here a Jew's trump and here laughing, and there fine people walking, is mighty divertising."

P. 41, l. 23. **gossip.** From *God* and *sib* akin. First the name was applied to sponsors or God-parents as akin in God; later to the talk of those who were brought into affinity and near familiarity with one another by the act of a common sponsorship. See Trench, *English Past and Present*. p. 321.

P. 41, l. 27. **Temple-stairs.** The stairs at the bottom of the Temple gardens where the Thames watermen moored their boats.

P. 42, l. 5. **bate him**, excuse his missing, *bate*, abate.

P. 42, l. 7. **barge.** "They give this name in England to a sort of pleasure-boat, at one end of which is a little room handsomely painted and covered, with a table in the middle and benches round it; and at the other end, seats for 8, 10, 12, 30 or 40 rowers. There are very few persons of great quality but what have their barges. Their watermen wear a jacket of the same colour they give for their livery, with a pretty large silver badge upon their arm, with the nobleman's coat of arms embossed on it." Ashton, *Social Life*, vol. 11, p. 148.

P. 42, l. 14. **La Hogue.** The French fleet under Tourville was to land a French army in England to aid the Jacobites against William III. It was defeated with great loss by the allied English and Dutch fleets on May 19th, 1692. This destroyed the hopes of the Jacobites and the chance of the Catholic powers restoring the throne of England to James II., who was supposed to be in favor of making the Catholic church the national church.

P. 42, l. 21. **London Bridge.** The old London Bridge, built of stone. It was commenced in 1176 and remained in use until 1825. "A curious fabric it was, containing an immense quantity of stone arches of various shapes and sizes, piers so bulky as to render navigation between them very dangerous, and a row of buildings. These buildings were four stories in height, spanning across the passageway for traffic. The lowest story was frequently used as a shop; the other stories were dwellings." *Book of Days*.

P. 42, l. 22. **seven wonders of the world.** (1) The pyramids of Egypt. (2) The Hanging Gardens of Babylon, built by Nebuchadnezzar. (3) The Tomb of Mausolus, King of Caria. (4) The temple of