

[Leaflet advertising appearances by "The Lilliputian Family" (the Brockstedt family) and General Tom Thumb at Davidge's Royal Surrey Theatre, Kennington Road, London in a 'ballet d'action'].

Publication/Creation

[1845?]

Persistent URL

<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/wvm32wgf>

License and attribution

This work has been identified as being free of known restrictions under copyright law, including all related and neighbouring rights and is being made available under the Creative Commons, Public Domain Mark.

You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, without asking permission.



Wellcome Collection
183 Euston Road
London NW1 2BE UK
T +44 (0)20 7611 8722
E library@wellcomecollection.org
<https://wellcomecollection.org>

DAVIDGE: ROYAL

1845

SURREY



THEATRE.

Under the Management of Mrs. FRANCIS DAVIDGE, Lessee, 1. Davidge Terrace, Kennington Road
Licensed by the Lord High Chamberlain, under the Act 6 and 7 Victoria, Cap 68.

EVERY EVENING!

THE

LILLIPUTIAN FAMILY

Henrick Christian, Maria Catherina,
And Christian Henri Brockstedt,

Aged **22, 18, & 13 Years**, Height, **36, 32, & 26 Inches.**

The Rarest Prodigies Nature ever produced

Being Two Brothers and a Sister—they are more Remarkable

Instances of Diminutive Perfection than the

General TOM THUMB!

These Extraordinary Beings have been engaged at an Enormous
Expence, and have been pronounced the

Greatest Wonders yet Exhibited;

they have been patronised by all the

Principal Courts & Crowned Heads on the Continent

and bear Testimonials of the admiration they created.

The Opinions of the Public Press,

as appeared in *The Post* and *Chronicle* on June 6 are submitted
to the Patrons of this Establishment, in order that they may judge
for themselves the singularity of the almost incredible Phenomena
they are about to witness:—

London is this season remarkably favored with visitors; we are now favored
with a visit from the THREE LILLIPUTIANS, said to be from Germany,
though they might be veritable inhabitants of the Isle of Laputa. The party
consists of two Brothers and a Sister. The eldest, Henrick Brockstedt, who
has entered his twenty-third year, presents the appearance of a finished gentle-
man who has attained his full growth; he is well shaped, has an expressive
countenance, and possesses the manners of a man, though but one third the
height of ordinary manhood; he measures thirty-six inches, and weighs the
exact number of pounds. The young lady, Maria Brockstedt, is eighteen years
of age, thirty-two inches high, and weighs twenty-two pounds; she is inclin-
ed to be stout, is rather good looking, and has the perfect form of a woman in
miniature. The younger brother, Christian Brockstedt, is the greatest curio-
sity, he is only one pound heavier than Tom Thumb, though some years the
General's senior; his age is thirteen, height twenty-eight inches, and weight
sixteen pounds; this miniature personation of humanity performs on a bugle
nearly as large as himself, and blows a blast as strong as if it came from the
lungs of Lablache. We seriously pronounce them to be certainly the
GREATEST WONDERS YET EXHIBITED.—*Morning Post*

THE GERMAN DWARFS, THREE IN NUMBER —One of our new visitors, Chris-
tian Brockstedt, is thirteen years old—"bona fide; right up and straight down,
and no mistake", to quote the classic Jack Bragg—it may be known to all men
by the certificate of his baptism and birth, duly signed and sealed by the local
authorities; he is only one inch taller, though some years older, than the
abridged AMERICAN, and weighs but one pound more. Moreover the German
blows lustily on the horn, and smokes no end of cigars. Then there is his sister,
Maria Brockstedt, eighteen years old, thirty-two inches high, and weighs
twenty-two pounds; a very nice little woman indeed, chubby, rosy and smiling,
dressed in a silk dress, of mature form, with a good head of hair, dressed a-la-
mode. Indeed we are by no means clear that these Soidisants Brockstedts are
not a party of those charming little folks to whom Grim and Muses have in-
troduced us, come to Earth, as was their wont, to do a good turn to some for-
tunate mortal; at all events, they are something very much out of the common,
and no doubt will prove the greatest Lions of the day.—*Morning Chronicle.*

They will perform **EVERY EVENING**
in a **Ballet d'Action**, entitled

NAPOLEON'S GENEROSITY!

S. G. Fairbrother and Son, Printers, 31, Bow Street, Covent Garden.