April 1747

JUDAS MACCHABAEUS. Judas - Beard; Simon and Eupolemus - Reinhold; 1st Israelite Woman - Signora Gambarini; 2nd Israelite Woman, Priest and Israelite Man - Signora Galli (Dean, Handel's Dramatic Oratorios, p. 471). Also a new concerto.

COMMENT. Text by the Rev. Dr Thomas Morrell; Music by Handel. [Dean quotes Lord Shaftesbury as saying the oratorio went off with great applause.]

Wednesday 1

PATIE AND ROGER. Cast not listed. SINGING. Select Songs, by Cunningham.

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COMMENT. By Desire of several Gentlemen and Ladies. Benefit Cunningham.

JULIUS CAESAR. As 28 March. Also THE DRAGON OF WANTLEY. Cast not listed, but see 10 March.

Thursday 2

SINGING. I: An Italian Song in Italian, by the Mechels with a dance by Muilment. DANCING. II: Louvre and Minuet by the Mechels. III: Sailor's Dance by the Mechels. IV: By Mlle Mechel. V: Grand Comic Dance by the Mechels &cc.

COMMENT. Benefit the Mechels. Tickets deliver'd out for the Confederacy will be taken.

THE STRATAGEM. As 3 Nov. 1746, but Archer – Ryan. Also MISS IN HER COTEENS. As 30 March.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: At the Desire of Several Persons of Quality. Benefit John Hippisley. [Receipts: £72 17s. 6d. plus £93 1s. from tickets without Stage (Account Books, Egerton 2268)]. Receipts: £165 18s. 6d.

We hear Mr Hippisley is so far recover'd from his late illness, that, tho' considerably alter'd in his physiognomy, and lower'd in spirits, he persuades himself a crowded house on Thursday next, at the Stratagem for his benefit, will create a smile on his countenance, raise his spirits, and make him appear as much a Scrub as ever.

THE WONDER; A Woman Keeps a Secret. Felix - Goodfellow; Cibby - L. Hallam; Lissardo - Cushing; Violante - Mrs Hallam; Flora - Mrs Cushing. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. Fribble - Cushing; Tag - Mrs Cushing; but see 24 March.

SINGING. By Brett.

DANCING. As 24 Nov. 1746.

COMMENT. Benefit Brett and Mrs Cushing.

JUDAS MACCHABAEUS. Cast not listed, but see I April.

Friday 3 CG

OTHELLO. As 4 Feb., but Desdemona – Mrs Elmy. Also THE INTRIGUING CHAMBERMAID. Chambermaid – Mrs Clive; Drunken Colonel – Macklin; but see 27 Oct. 1746.

Saturday 4 DL

DANCING. II: By Muilment &c. v: Sailor's Dance, as 2 April.

SINGING. IV: By Lowe.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Elmy. Tickets and places of Hobson, and of Mrs Elmy at her lodgings at the Star in Bow St., Covent Garden.

THE DISTRESS'D MOTHER. Distress'd Mother – Mrs Cibber; Pylades – CG Havard; Phoenix – Rosco; Cephisa – Mrs Hale; Cleone – Mrs Bland; Pyrrhus – Quin; Orestes – Ryan; Hermione – Mrs Pritchard. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. As 30 March.



Saturday 4

DANCING. As 31 Dec. 1746.

COMMENT. By Command of Prince and Princess of Wales. A Free Benefit for Mrs Cibber. [Receipts: £117 15s. 6d. plus £149 5s. from tickets, a clear profit to Mrs Cibber of £267 or. 6d.]. Paid Servandoni on acct. £21. [Notice of 23 March about amphitheatre repeated.] Tickets deliver'd out for the 19th will be taken.

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THE TEMPEST. Antonio - Gentleman who has benefited; but see 19 Jan. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. Cast not listed, but see 2 April.

singing. By Brett.

DANCING. As 24 Nov. 1746, but Louvre and Minuet by the Gentleman and Mrs

ENTERTAINMENT. End of Farce: fireworks.

COMMENT. Benefit a Gentleman under Misfortunes.

King's

BELLEROPHON. Cast not listed.

DANCING.

Monday 6

THE PROVOKED HUSBAND. As 3 Jan. Also THE DRAGON OF WANTLEY. As 10 March, but Gubbins - Sullivan; Dragon - Reinhold. DANCING. By Salomon, Sga Padouana, Mlle Mechel, Salomon's Son, &c.

CG

THE SPANISH FRYAR. As 7 March, but Gomes - James. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. As 30 March.

DANCING. As 31 Dec. 1746.

COMMENT. Benefit Mrs Horton. Receipts: £55 81. plus £51 161. from tickets. [The Account Book does not indicate this as a Free Benefit, nor does it specify charges.] Paid Garrick on Acct. £105.

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2 HENRY IV. Falstaff - Paget; Falstaff's Page - Paget's son, first time on any stage. Also THE TRAGEDY OF TRAGEDIES; or, The Life and Death of Tom Thumb the Great. Tom Thumb - Paget's other son, first time on any

DANCING. As 26 Nov. 1746, but Hornpipe by Williams.

COMMENT. Written by Shakespear (Daily Post). The Whole concluding with an Epilogue of Thanks wrote by Mr Paget, and spoken by him and the two children (Daily Post). Benefit Paget. Stage and Front Boxes 3s. Pit and First Gallery 2s. Upper Gallery 1s.

Tuesday 7 DL

THE CONSCIOUS LOVERS. As 31 March, but Daniel omitted. Also FLORA. As 10 Feb.

DANCING. By Salomon, Sga Padouana, Salomon's Son, &c. COMMENT. Tickets deliver'd out for this play will be taken.

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THE DISTRESS'D MOTHER. As 4 April. Also THE LYING VALET. As 26 March, but Gayless - Anderson; Valet - Chapman; but Dick - Arthur. Chapman as Sharp to speak the Original Epilogue, By desire.

COMMENT. [Written by Garrick.] Mainpiece: At particular desire of several Ladies of Quality. Benefit Chapman. [Receipts: £63 7s. 6d., plus £76 8s.; charges £60.] Subscrib'd to the Hospital for Curing Smallpox £2 2s.

GF

HAMLET. Hamlet - Goodfellow, his last on any stage; Ophelia - Miss Budgell; rest omitted; but see 29 Jan. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. Cast not listed. but see 2 April.

singing. By Brett.

DANCING. As 24 Nov. 1746.

COMMENT. Benefit Goodfellow. As Mr Goodfellow's Friends have always express'd a very great dislike of his belonging to the Stage, he has Resolv'd upon taking this Benefit, to enable him to return to his former employment.

