

November 1749

- Wednesday 1*
DL THE LONDON CUCKOLDS. As 30 Oct.
DANCING. Entertainments by Grandchamps, Mlle Auretti, Matthews, Mrs Addison, &c.
COMMENT. By Y^e King's Command but not (by order) in y^e Bills (Cross). Present His Majesty, 2nd time this season. [The George Garrick Drury Lane MS Treasurer's Book makes its first entry Mon. 30 Oct. 1749, indicating an expenditure to date of £1,733 2s. 7d. as against an income of £3,455 6s. 6d. and that Mon. was the twenty-ninth night of performance. The Treasurer's Book carries full entries until the 165th night, Sat. 28 April 1750. First itemizing of expenditures begins Wed. 1 Nov. 1749 as follows: Paid to Pipe & Tabor to Sat., 10s. 6d.; to 2 French Horns and a Kettle Drum, 15s.; to 12½ lbs. Wax Candles, £1 11s. 3d.; To Properties and King's servants, £3 2s. 5d. [N.B. The use of extra musical instruments (horns, flutes, cymbals, kettle drum) averaged 6s. per night for the 165 nights. The season extended to 174 nights; so the approximate total cost for instruments came to £52 4s. Properties expense averaged 5s. per night. The approximate total cost was £43 11s. No further itemization of these will be made.] This month was publish'd *The Rosciad: a Poem*, by Charles Churchill (*Gentleman's Magazine*, Register of Books). Receipts: £70 (Cross); £73 2s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).
- CG THE RECRUITING OFFICER. Ballance – Quin; Plume – Ryan; Worthy – Ridout; Kite – Marten; Scruple – Oates; Scale – Redman; Brazen – Dyer; Bullock – Dunstall; Welch Collier – Hacket; Rose – Mrs Ridout; Lucy – Mrs Dunstall; Recruits – Bencraft and Cushing; Melinda – Mrs Horton; Sylvia – Mrs Woffington. Also DAMON AND PHILLIDA. As 25 Sept.
COMMENT. Receipts: £61 6s.
- Thursday 2*
DL OTHELLO, MOOR OF VENICE. Othello – Barry; Brabantio – Berry; Cassio – Palmer; Roderigo – Yates; Duke – Winstone; Lodovico – Blakes; Gratiano – Simpson; Officer – Usher; Desdemona – Mrs Elmy; Emilia – Mrs Pritchard; Iago – Garrick. Also THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D. As 17 Oct.
COMMENT. Paid Mr Oram [Scene-painter] on acct. £10 10s. by order Lacy (Treasurer's Book). This month was published (*Gentleman's Magazine*, Register of Books) *Some Considerations on the establishment of the French Strollers*, the behaviour of their Bully Champions, and other seasonable matters at this critical juncture. Printed for R. Freeman. Receipts: £180 (Cross); £160 2s. (Treasurer's Book).
- CG JANE SHORE. Gloster – Quin; Hastings – Delane; Dumont – Ryan; Alicia – Mrs Vincent; Jane Shore – Mrs Woffington. Also HOB. As 19 Oct.
COMMENT. Receipts: £61 3s.
- Friday 3*
DL MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. As 5 Oct. Also THE LOTTERY. As 26 Oct., but Lovemore, Stocks omitted.
DANCING. *The Grand Scotch Dance*, as 31 Oct., and the *Venetian Gardeners*, as 31 Oct.
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. Paid to Printer's Bill, £8 2s.; Paid towards a Bonfire for the Birthday, £2 2s.; Paid a Bill to Mr Cross, 12s. [probably for writing parts]; Paid Mr Deport for a wig for Eumenes £1 11s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book). [The printer's bill was a weekly constant which amounted to £309 2s. for the season and will not be further itemized.] Receipts: £140 (Cross); £103 16s. (Treasurer's Book).

- ORONOKO; or, The Royal Slave. Imoinda – Mrs Dyer, 1st appearance that stage; Oronoko – Delane; Aboan – Sparkes; Governor – Anderson; Blandford – Ridout; Driver – Dunstall; Stanmore – Gibson; Widow – Mrs Bambridge; Daniel – Collins; Jack Stanmore – Baker; Hotman – Bransby; Charlotte – Mrs Ridout; Lucy – Miss Haughton. Also MERLIN. As 27 Oct. Friday 3
CG
COMMENT. Receipts: £35 8s.
- TAMERLANE. Tamerlane – Sowdon; Moneses – Havard; Axalla – King; Prince of Tanais – Blakes; Bajazet – Barry; Dervise – Berry; Haly – Usher; Stratocles – Palmer; Selima – Mrs Elmy; Arpasia – Mrs Pritchard. *Usual Prologue*. Also THE INTRIGUING CHAMBERMAID. As 28 Sept. Saturday 4
DL
COMMENT. Paid Candlemen, £1 10s.; Hickman (Porter), 18s.; Paddick rais'd, 10s.; Salary list at £49 17s. 7d. per day, £299 5s. 6d. Paid Cross for paper & pens, 7s.; Paid Bill Stickers, £2 14s.; Paid Brooks & Mason Hand Bills, 12s. (Treasurer's Book). [The payment to Billstickers and for Handbills, for Candlemen, and for Hickman, the porter, are weekly constants. They are averaged for the season in the following table and will not be further itemized.]
- | Item | Weekly Average | Season Total |
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| Billstickers | £2 14s. | £86 8s. |
| Handbills | 12s. | £22 4s. |
| Candlemen | £1 10s. | £48 |
| Hickman | 18s. | £28 16s. |
- Receipts: £130 (Cross); £131 11s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).
- TAMERLANE. Tamerlane – Delane; Moneses – Ryan; Axalla – Lee; Omar – Sparkes; Prince of Tanais – Anderson; Bajazet – Quin; Dervise – Arthur; Stratocles – Ridout; Haly – Baker; Selima – Mrs Vincent; Arpasia – Mrs Woffington. With the song, *O gentle Sleep!* by Lowe. With the *Usual Prologue*. Also MERLIN. As 27 Oct. CG
COMMENT. Receipts: £144 5s.
- TAMERLANE. As 4 Nov. Also THE LYING VALET. As 21 Oct. Monday 6
DL
COMMENT. Paid to G. Garrick by order of managers £5 5s.; Paid to Glovers Bill 18s.; Paid a bill per order Mr Garrick £4 2d. (Treasurer's Book). [Further records this season indicate that "Glover's Bill" which occurs regularly each Monday was a constant sum paid to a tavern or coffee house, rather than to a glover. The average payment was £1 15s. weekly, amounting to about £56 for the season. It will not be itemized further.] Receipts: £120 (Cross); £115 3s. (Treasurer's Book).
- TAMERLANE. As 4 Nov. Also THE MOCK DOCTOR. As 18 Oct., but Dorcas not listed. CG
COMMENT. Receipts: £121 17s.
- THE PROVOK'D WIFE. As 23 Oct. Also THE ANATOMIST. As 23 Sept. Tuesday 7
DL
DANCING. By Matthews, Mrs Addison, &c.
SINGING. By Master Mattocks.
COMMENT. By Desire. Paid Blandford (Tallow Chandler) £18 8s. 1d.; Paid Middlebrook for a B[lack] & W[hite] Feather 15s. (Treasurer's Book). Receipts: £130 (Cross); £88 15s. (Treasurer's Book).
- THE SUSPICIOUS HUSBAND. As 23 Oct. Also APOLLO AND DAPHNE. As 31 Oct. CG
COMMENT. Receipts: £49 10s.