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November 1749

Wednesday 1

THE LONDON CUCKOLDS. As 30 Oct.

DANCING. Entertainments by Grandchamps, Mlle Auretti, Matthews, Mrs Addison, &c.

COMMENT. By Ye King's Command but not (by order) in ye 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 21. 7d. as against an income of £3,455 61. 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., 101. 6d.; to 2 French Horns and a Kettle Drum, 151.; to 12½ lbs. Wax Candles, £1 111. 3d.; To Properties and King's servants, £3 21. 5d. [N.B. The use of extra musical instruments (horns, flutes, cymbols, kettle drum) averaged 61. per night for the 165 nights. The season extended to 174 nights; so the approximate total cost for instruments came to £52 41. Properties expense averaged 51. per night. The approximate total cost was £43 111. 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 21. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).

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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 65.

Thursday 2

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).

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JANE SHORE. Gloster - Quin; Hastings - Delane; Dumont - Ryan; Alicia - Mrs Vincent; Jane Shore - Mrs Woffington. Also Hob. As 19 Oct. COMMENT. Receipts: £61 35.

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 25.; Paid towards a Bonfire for the Birthday, £2 25.; Paid a Bill to Mr Cross, 125. [probably for writing parts]; Paid Mr Deport for a wig for Eumenes £1 115. 6d. (Treasurer's Book). [The printer's bill was a weekly constant which amounted to £309 25. for the season and will not be further itemized.] Receipts: £140 (Cross); £103 165. (Treasurer's Book).

