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play'd agen, y^e Epil: was a parody upon Shakespear's Stage of Life, & was Lik'd Saturday 17 (Cross). No Part of Pit will be rail'd into the Boxes. Ladies send servants by three. Tickets to be had of Woodward at Clarendon's Warehouse, and of Hobson at the stage door. Last time of performing the mainpiece this season. [Larpent MS 92, indicates the afterpiece as a criticism from the actors' view of the way they are handled by audiences, and of their own damnation of a play presented to them. All works up to the *Epilogue*:

> "All the town's a farce-he says and swears, And all the men and women merely players . . ."

which is severe upon politicians, doctors, statesmen and connoisseurs. The characters appear under their own names, Cross, Clive, etc.] Receipts: £300 (Cross.)

ZARA. Osman - Barry, 1st time; Lusignan - Sparks; Nerestan - Dyer; Chatillon -CG Lacey; Orasmyn - Ridout; Selim - Mrs Elmy; Zara - Mrs Cibber. DANCING. As 26 Sept. 1750.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Cibber. Play By Command of Prince & Princess of Wales. Play "taken from the French of M de Voltaire. Never acted there before." Pit and boxes to be laid together, where the Ladies and Gentlemen will be admitted as at the Oratorios. And for the better accommodation of the Ladies the Stage will be form'd into an amphitheatre (with particular care to keep it warm) where servants will be allowed to keep places, as also in the Pit. Ladies send servants by three o'clock.

SAMSON. Cast not listed.

COMMENT. At the Castle Tavern, Paternoster Row (Deutsch, Handel, p. 704).

VENICE PRESERV'D. As 24 Oct. 1750, but Priuli – Bridges; Renault – Burton. Also THE CHAPLET. As 16 Feb.

DANCING. By Devisse and Mad Auretti.

COMMENT. Benefit for Miss Bellamy. Ladies send servants by 3 o'clock. Tickets of Miss Bellamy at her house in King St., James's Square, and at stage door. Receipts: £200 (Cross).

ROMEO AND JULIET. As 17 Jan., but Gregory - Cushing; Escalus - Anderson; CG Balthazar – Bransby. Also THE MOCK DOCTOR. As 5 Feb., but none listed.

DANCING. As 26 Sept. 1750.

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COMMENT. Benefit for Barry. Last time of performing mainpiece this season. N.B. A New Tomb will be made use of, so modell'd as to prevent any obstruction to persons sitting on the stage, from seeing the performance. Pit and boxes will be laid together. Amphitheatre on stage. Servants admitted to keep places. Tickets at Mr Barry's in Bow St., Covent Garden and at Stage Door.

THE INCONSTANT. As 12 March. Also BAYES IN PETTICOATS. As 12 March, but a New Epilogue – Mrs Clive.

DANCING. By Devisse and Mad Auretti, Harvey, Mad Camargo, &c.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Ward. Tickets to be had of Mrs Ward, next door to the Chapel, in Little Wild St., and of Hobson at the stage door. Tickets deliver'd out for *Jane Shore* will be taken.

A Pamphlet having lately appeared in Ridicule of the late performance of Otbello at Drury Lane, to which was subjoined an Advertisement in my name, from whence Occasion has been taken to assert, that I was the publisher, the Publick may be assured that advertisement was inserted without my knowledge or consent, that I am entirely ignorant of the Author, nor am the least concerned in that mean invidious affair. F. Stamper (General Advertiser). [Stamper possibly refers to "A satirical Dialogue Humbly address'd to the Gentlemen who deformed the

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