Wednesday 8

wood, Bob Smart, Soloman Common Sense; Count Hunt Bubble, Sir John Ketch, Hic and Hac (Scribblers), Hydra, Lady Lucy Loveit, Miss Diana Single-life, Miss Brilliant, Miss Bashfull (Larpent MS 96).]

HAY

THE GENTLE SHEPHERD. Cast not listed.

COMMENT. Benefit for Stuart. [The thirteenth and last performance.]

Thursday 9 DL MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. As 19 March, but Hero – Mrs Mills; Margaret – Mrs Yates. Also THE SHEPHERD'S LOTTERY. As 2 April. DANCING. By Sg Piettro, Mad Janeton Auretti, Master Piettro.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Mills. Tickets deliver'd out by Taswell, Sg Piettro, and Mr Oswald, as well as those for *Lady Jane Gray* will be taken. Receipts: £128 (Cross).

CG

COMMITTEE. As 6 Feb. Also HARLEQUIN SORCERER. Cast not listed, but see 11 Feb.

CHAPEL

THE MESSIAH. Cast not listed.

COMMENT. At the Chapel, Foundling Hospital (Deutsch, Handel, p. 725). The number of Tickets was 1,200 (Gentleman's Magazine, April).

Friday 10 DL KING HENRY VIII. King – Sowdon; Wolsey – Mossop, 1st time; Buckingham-Ross, 1st time; Norfolk – Palmer; Suffolk – Blakes; Surrey – Lee; Cranmer – Havard; Gardiner – Taswell; Sandys – Shuter; Lord Chamberlain – Winstone; Anne Bullen – Mrs Mills; Queen – Mrs Pritchard; Cornwell – Mozeen; Patience (with a proper song) – Miss Norris. Exact representation of the Coronation. Also DON QUIXOTE. As 6 April, but Fairlove and Loveland omitted.

COMMENT. Benefit for Sowdon. No building on the stage on account of the Coronation. [With] The Death of the Duke of Buckingham; the Tryal and Divorce of Queen Catherine; The Death of Cardinal Wolsey; the Christening of Princess Elizabeth; and many other historical passages. Tickets to be had of Sowdon, next door to the Black Lyon, in Little Russel-St., Covent Garden; at Will's Coffee House in Cornhill; at Mr Thomas Sowdon's in Blackman St., Southwark, and at the stage door. Mainpiece: Not acted in 6 years [see 1 Jan. 1746]. Receipts: £230 (Cross).

CG

HAMLET. As 11 Oct. 1751, but Ostrick - Cushing. Also THE ORACLE. As 6 April.

DANCING. Grand Comic Ballet, as 16 Dec. 1751.

COMMENT. Benefit for Ridout. Afterpiece: Acted for the last time but one. Tickets deliver'd out by Mr Stephens will be taken.

Saturday 11 DL THE MOURNING BRIDE. As 7 March, but add Heli – Blakes. Also DUKE AND NO DUKE. As 7 Nov. 1751.

DANCING. V: A Dance, Sg Piettro, Janeton Auretti and Master Piettro.

SINGING. II: Dryden's Incantation Song; sung by Beard.

COMMENT. Benefit for Havard. Tickets at his house in Broad Court, upper end of Bow St., Covent Garden; Bedford Coffee House; and at Stage Door. Receipts: £160 (Cross).

CG THE WAY OF THE WORLD. As 22 Oct. 1751. Also HARLEQUIN SOR-CERER. Cast not listed, but see 11 Feb.

HAY THE OLD WOMAN'S ORATORY. As I April, but Bombasto and Bombasino omitted.

COMMENT. Benefit for a Widow Gentlewoman in Distress.

