Friday 24 DL upon the whole, was pretty well receiv'd (Hopkins). Books of the Opera to be sold at the Theatre.

A new English Opera, the Royal Shepherd—the Musick composed by Mr Rush.—Siga Cremonini made her first appearance,—sings very fine,—very graceful deportment, and is a great support to the Opera.—Some hisses—Many of the songs encored. Upon the whole was well liked . . . On this occasion the Stage was cut near two feet and a half to enlarge the orchestra, to make it contain the additional performers who belong to the Opera House, on whose account the Opera cannot be performed Tuesdays and Saturdays (Hopkins Diary—MacMillan).

CG MIDAS. As 22 Feb.

DANCING. 1: Venus Reveng'd, as 22 Dec. 1763; 11: The Knife Grinders, as 12 Oct. 1763. COMMENT. Author's Night.

Saturday 25 THE JEALOUS WIFE. As 12 Oct. 1763, but Harriet - Mrs Hopkins. Also THE DL RITES OF HECATE. As 31 Jan.

COMMENT. [Rich's Register lists mainpiece as *The Inconstant*.] Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. Mr Holland in giving out the play said to *morrow* instead of Monday. A great Laugh he found his Mistake & gave it out again properly (Hopkins). Receipts: £126 19s. (MacMillan).

CG MIDAS. As 22 Feb.

DANCING. I: The Knife Grinders, as 12 Oct. 1763; II: The Calabrian Peasants, as 22 Dec. 1763.

King's SENOCRITA. Cast not listed, but see 21 Feb.

DANCING. I: The Turkish Coffee House; II: Le Matellot Provencalle - Fischer and
Miss Auretti; III: As 21 Feb.

Monday 27

The Royal Shepherd. As 24 Feb. [but see note below].

DANCING. I: The Hunters, as 24 Feb.; II: The Faggot Binders, as 24 Feb.; End of Opera: A Dance, as 24 Feb.

COMMENT. Well rec'd: all but the 1st Chorus w[hic]h was Hiss'd. First Dance Hiss'd off. Mr Norris being ill, Mrs Dormond perform'd in his room, much applauded (Cross Diary). Acted but once. Books of the Opera to be sold at the Theatre. Receipts: £169 1s. 6d. (MacMillan).

CG MIDAS. As 22 Feb.

DANCING. I: Venus Reveng'd, as 22 Dec. 1763; II: The Calabrian Peasants, as 22 Dec. 1763.

Tuesday 28 MACBETH. As 29 Nov. 1763, but Malcolm – Jackson. Also THE DEUCE IS IN H1M. As 18 Feb.

COMMENT. Receipts: £158 10s. 6d. (MacMillan).

CG MIDAS. As 22 Feb.

DANCING. 1: Venus Rereng'd, as 22 Dec. 1763; II: The Calubrian Peasants, as 22 Dec. 1763.

COMMENT. Author's Night.

King's SENOCRITA. Cast not listed.

DANCING. I: Le Matellot Provencalle, as 25 Feb.; II: Le Famme Maitresse; III: As 21 Feb.

