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Thursday 25 CG THE WONDER; or, A Woman Keeps a Secret. Gibby, the Scotsman – Shuter, first time; Col. Briton – Smith; Don Felix – Gibson; Lopez – Arthur; Pedro – Collins; Frederick – Anderson; Lissardo – Dyer; Isabella – Mrs Barrington; Flora – Mrs Pitt; Inis – Mrs Baker; Violante – Mrs Woffington. Also The Knights. As 22 March, but Hartop – Shuter, first time; Sir Gregory – Bennet; Prologue omitted.

DANCING. Fingalian Dance, as 26 Nov. 1755.

ENTERTAINMENT. 1: Cries of London, with additions - Shuter; End of Play: Hippisley's Drunken Man by Shuter.

COMMENT. Benefit for Shuter. Mainpiece: Not acted these 10 years. [See 15 April 1748.]

HAY

ORATORIO from First Book of Paradise Regained. Cast not listed.

COMMENT. Mr Barbaut's Second Subscription Oratorio, taken from the First Book of Milton's Paradise Regained and set to music by Mr Charles Barbant in two parts with a solo upon the Violin by Signor Marella; a solo upon the German Flute by Mr Tacet; a Concerto on the Lute by Mr Se[rvi?]; a Hautboy concert by Mr Barbant; and an organ concerto ditto; and a Great Concerto with Clarinets, French Horns and Kettle-Drums, composed by Mr Barbant. Boxes and Pit put together at Half a Guinea each, Gallery 3s. Tickets to be had at Mr Barbant's, at Mr White's in Marshall St., Carnaby-Market; and at Mr [sic] Browne's, Stationer, facing the Opera House, Haymarket. To begin at half an hour after six. N.B. the Books of the Oratorios stitched in Blue Paper at 1s. each are sold at Mrs [sic] Browne's in the Haymarket, and at the House on the night of the performance.

Friday 26 CG JUDAS MACCHABAEUS. Cast not listed. [Parts were: Judas, Israelite Man, Israelite Woman, Chorus, Simon (Brother to Judas); Messenger; Eupolemus (Jewish Ambassador to Rome) (Larrent MS).]

COMMENT. To begin at Half an Hour after Six o'clock.

Saturday 27 DL

CG

THE LADY'S LAST STAKE; or, The Wise's Resentment. Lord George Brilliant – Woodward; Lord Wronglove – Palmer; Sir Friendly Moral – Berry; Lady Gentle – Mrs Pritchard; Mrs Conquest – Mrs Davies; Miss Notable – Miss Macklin; Heartshorn – Miss Minors; Lady Wronglove – Mrs Clive, being the first time of their appearance in those characters. Also Lethe. Cast not fully listed, but with a new scene by Garrick, and New Mimic Italian Song by Mrs Clive. [Lord Chalkstone – Garrick; Mercury – Beard; Fine Gentleman – Woodward; Mrs Riot and Fine Lady – Mrs Clive; Aesop – Bransby; Charon – W. Vaughan; Drunken Man – Yates; Frenchman and Old Man – Blakes; Tatoo – Marr; Mrs Tatoo – Miss Minors (Edition of 1756).]

DANCING. IV: Last New Sailor's Dance, as 17 Feb.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Clive. Mainpiece: Written by Colley Cibber. [The Old Maid for 8 May 1756 reviewed this performance of Lethe, or possibly the one with the same cast on 30 April. The reviewer was "particularly diverted with Mrs Clive's Italian Song, in which this truly humorous actress parodys the Air of the Opera, and takes off the action, of the present favorite female at the Hay-Market, with such exquisite ridicule, that the most zealous partisans of both, I think, must have applauded the comic genius of Mrs Clive, however they might be displeased with this application of it." The reviewer is lukewarm in praise of the "New Character" . . . "What is there new in a Lord's having Gout, loving a bottle, pretending to taste, or being follow'd by a flatterer?"] Receipts: £210 (Cross).

THEODOSIUS. As 19 Nov. 1755, but Marcian – Ryan. Also THE ENGLISH-MAN IN PARIS. Buck – Foote; Subtle – Costollo; Sir John – Gibson; Classic – Anderson; Marquis – Holtham; Roger – Dunstall; Dauphine – Wignell; Mrs

