DANCING. III: Hearts of Oak, as 31 March.

ENTERTAINMENT. End of Play: Bucks have at ye all – Dodd.

COMMENT. Benefit for Dodd. Mainpiece: Not played in 2 years. [See 14 April 1768.]

THE MAID OF THE MILL. As 9 Feb., but Giles – Reinhold; Aimworth – CG Mattocks; Mervin – DuBellamy. Also THE OXONIAN IN TOWN. As 21 Nov. 1769, but Rook, Mac Shuffle and Shark restored as 18 Oct.

DANCING. End of Opera: The Whim, as 23 Nov. 1769.

COMMENT. Benefit for Dyer. Afterpiece: By Particular Desire. Charges £64 155. 6d. Balance to Dyer £22 115. plus £158 6s. from tickets (Box 434; Pit 232; Gallery 150) (Account Book). Receipts: £87 6s. 6d.

THE MESSIAH. As 23 March.

MUSIC. As 28 March.

COMMENT. By Command of their Majesties.

Wednesday 4
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THE DEATH OF ABEL. Cast not listed. Parts were for four characters and a CG chorus: Adam, Eve, Abel, Cain, Chorus of Angels (BM 1342 k. 19).

MUSIC. As 7 March.

COMMENT. Last Oratorio, but one this season. From the Italian of Metastasio. The Music by Sg Nicolo Piccini, the composer of *La Buona Figluola* with additional Chorusses. Charges: £35.

ZENOBIA. As 26 March. Also THE JUBILEE. As 3 Feb., but Mrs Scott Thursday 5 replaces Mrs Baddeley.

COMMENT. For the House. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire.

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. As 27 March, but Shylock – Macklin; Nerissa – CG Mrs Lessingham; Portia – Miss Macklin. Also Love A-LA-Mode. Sir Callaghan – Shuter; Groom – Woodward; Goodchild – Dunstall; Mordecai – Quick; Charlotte – Miss Macklin; Sir Archy – Macklin. DANCING. IV: The Whim, as 23 Nov. 1769; End of Play: A Minuet by Fishar and Miss Macklin.

COMMENT. Benefit for Miss Macklin. Part of Pit will be laid into the Boxes. Come as early as possible to avoid confusion. Charges £64 10s. Balance to Miss Macklin £79 18s., plus £146 from Tickets (584 Box & Pit at one price of 5s. each); Paid Mr Monk £2 12s. 6d. for mending the Owl & a new Spring (Account Book). [The bonus value of the benefit to an actor or member of the company staff may be seen when one considers that Miss Macklin's regular salary was £7 per week, or about £28 per month. On this one benefit performance she made a profit in book value equal to her previous eight month's salary. Book value because the Account Book records, for the tickets which she delivered, only the face value of 5s. each. It is probable that many a wealthy theatre-goer gave her on this occasion, by way of appreciation for the pleasure of her performances, much more than the face value of the ticket.] Receipts: £144 8s.

GIOAS RE DI GIUDA. As 29 March. SINGING AND MUSIC. As 29 March.

King's

THE MESSIAH. As 23 March.

MUSIC. Concerto on Hautboy by Fischer; Solo on Violincello by Duport.

COMMENT. By Command of their Majesties.

Friday 6

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THE RESURRECTION. As 9 March.

MUSIC. As 30 March.

COMMENT. Oratorio By Particular Desire, the fourth time. Charges: £35.

