DANCING. End of Act IV, Pantomime Dance as 26 Sept.; End of Play, The Irish Lilt as 21 Sept.

Tuesday 6 CG

COMMENT. [Neville was present in the pit, liked Macklin, Shuter, Miss Macklin, and Dyer well.] Receipts: £227 15s. 6d. (Account Book).

THE JEALOUS WIFE. As 19 Sept., but Charles - Palmer. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 26 Sept.

Wednesday 7 DL

COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Desire.

THE ENGLISH MERCHANT. As 5 Oct. Also HARLEQUIN DR FAUSTUS. As 5 Oct., but R. Smith replaces Du Bellamy (playbill), although DuBellamy remains in *Public Advertiser*.

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COMMENT. Read the two last acts of the *Merchant of Venice*, which I had not time to read last night (Neville MS Diary). Receipts: £108 4s. 6d. (Account Book).

THE SCHOOL FOR LOVERS. Sir John Dorilant - Holland; Modely - Palmer; Bellmour - Packer; Steward - Castle; Araminta - Mrs Abington, 1st time; Celia - Mrs Palmer; Lady Beverley - Mrs Clive. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 26 Sept., but Messink omitted.

Thursday 8 DL

THE MAID OF THE MILL. Aimworth - Mattocks; Sir Harry - Shuter; Giles - Morris; 1st time, Mervin - DuBellamy; Fairfield - Gibson; Ralph - Dibdin; Lady Sycamore - Mrs Pitt; Theodosia - Mrs Baker; Fanny - Mrs Thompson; Patty - Mrs Mattocks. End Act I a Dance incidental to the Opera by Fishar, Arnauld, Sga Manesiere, Miss Valois, &c. Also THE APPRENTICE. Apprentice - Woodward; Wingate - Dunstall; Gargle - Massey; Simon - Cushing; Charlotte - Mrs Evans.

DANCING. II: Pantomime Dance, as 26 Sept.

COMMENT. Romeo and Juliet oblig'd to be deferr'd on account of Indisposition of Powell. Paid Jos. Besford for performing the Lyon two nights in Perseus 55.; Paid Wm Gard for performing on the Horse and in the Lyon two nights in Perseus 75. (Account Book). [See Perseus and Andromeda 19 and 25 Sept.] Receipts: £103 75. 6d. (Account Book).

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EVERY MAN IN HIS HUMOUR. Kitely – Garrick; Bobadill – King, 1st time; Master Stephen – Dodd; Brainworm – Baddeley, 1st time; Cob – Moody; Wellbred – Palmer; Old Knowell – Havard; Young Knowell – Aickin; Downright – Bransby; Cash – Packer; Justice Clement – Burton; Mas. Matthew – Wingfield; Bridget – Miss Simson; Tib – Mrs Bradshaw; Dame Kitely – Mrs Baddeley, 1st time. Also The Virgin Unmasked. Coupee – Dodd; Goodwill – Parsons; Blister – Love; Quaver – Fawcett; Thomas – Strange; Lucy – Mrs Abington.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 2 years. [See 22 May 1766.] [Neville was present at 4:15 in the pit. Liked the performance of all parts, save that King's figure not as suited to the part of Bobadill as Woodward's, "of whom I think I could perceive an imitation."]

THE CONFEDERACY. As 26 Sept., but Jessamin – Quick. Also HARLEQUIN DR FAUSTUS. As 7 Oct., but Harlequin – Miles. Others by Legg, Mrs Baker, Morris, R. Smith, Banks, Wignel, Dibdin, Holtom, Weller, Mrs Copin, Baker, Mrs Lampe, Miss Helm, Mrs Dyer, Miss Pitt. Dances as 5 Oct.

DANCING. III: A New Dance call'd *The Merry Sailors*, by Aldridge, &c.

COMMENT. [The Theatrical Monitor, No. v (21 Nov.) includes a letter from Bathyllus: "As Dancing has ever been receiv'd by the greatest of dramatic writers, with encomiums suitable to its distinguished merit; you will be pleased through the

channel of your justly spirited paper, to express the satisfaction I met with from Mr Aldridge in the *Merry Sailors*: his stature, strength, agility, and swiftness, are



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beyond anything I ever saw on Covent Garden theatre: he stands tip-toe on the pinnacle of perfection, and gives us an idea of Homer's pyrrhick dance delineated on the shield of Achilles."] Receipts: £74 17s. (Account Book).

Saturday 10 DL

CYMBELINE. Posthumus - Reddish, 1st time; Iachimo - Holland; Cymbeline -Hurst; Cloten - King; Belarius - Havard; Arviragus - J. Palmer; Guiderius -Aickin; Lucius - Bransby; Cornelius - Burton; Pisanio - Packer; Queen - Mrs Johnston; Imogen - Mrs Baddeley, 1st time. In Act 11, a Masquerade Scene, with dancing by Grimaldi, Sg and Sga Giorgi, &c., and Singing by Miss Young. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct.

COMMENT Imogen, for 1st time, Mrs Baddeley, pretty well,—but an indifferent figure in Breeches.—Mrs Johnston hissed in the Queen (Hopkins MS Notes).

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THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. As 6 Oct. Also LOVE A-LA-MODE. As

DANCING. 111: A Tambourine, by Master Blurton as 27 April 1767; IV: The Merry Sailors, as 9 Oct.

COMMENT. At Half Past 5 went into the Pit to see Macklin do Shylock a second time . . . Woodward is inimitable as Squire Groom [in the afterpiece] Oblig'd to stand all night (Neville MS Diary). Receipts: £,227 25. 6d. (Account Book).

Monday 12 DL

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. As 16 Sept., but Mrs Peachum - Mrs Love. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct.

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ROMEO AND JULIET. As 25 Sept., but Sga Manesiere replaces Mrs Bulkley in Minuet. Also HARLEQUIN DR FAUSTUS. As 9 Oct., but Harlequin -Woodward.

COMMENT. Paid John Sutherland for playing the Bagg Pipes 4 nights in Dr Faustus f. 1 (Account Book). Receipts: f. 190 3s. 6d. (Account Book).

Tuesday 13 DI.

CYMBELINE. As 10 Oct., but Queen – Mrs Hopkins. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct.

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THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. Macheath - Mahoon, 1st appearance this kingdom; Peachum - Shuter; Lockit - Dunstall; Filch - Holtom; Player - Gardner; Beggar -Bennet; Mat-o-Mint - Baker; Lucy - Mrs Baker; Mrs Peachum - Mrs Stephens; Diana Trapes - Mrs Pitt; Mrs Slammekin - Mrs Green; Polly - Mrs Pinto. With Hornpipe - Miss Pitt, and a Country Dance by the Characters in the opera. Also HARLEQUIN DR FAUSTUS. As 12 Oct. DANCING. II: The Irish Lilt, as 21 Sept.

COMMENT. Paid for Licensing The Oxonian in Town £2 2s. Paid for Licensing the New Prologue £1 1s. (Account Book). Receipts: £138 18s. (Account Book).

Wednesday 14 TANCRED AND SIGISMUNDA. Tancred - Holland; Siffredi - Love; Osmond -Aickin; Rodolpho – Ackman; Officers – Keen, Strange, Marr, &c.; Laura – Mrs Hopkins; Sigismunda – Mrs Dancer, 1st appearance there. Also HIGH LIFE BELOW STAIRS. Lovell - King; Sir Harry's Servt - Dodd; Philip - Baddeley; Duke's Servt - Palmer; Freeman - Packer; Kitty - Mrs Clive. DANCING. End of Play: The Irish Haymakers, as 19 Sept

> COMMENT. Sigismunda by Mrs Dancer, being her first appearance on this stage,—was well received and great applause,—She is a good figure, and has a great deal of merit,—and is an acquisition to the theatre (Hopkins MS Notes). Mainpiece: Not acted these 2 years. [See 21 Nov. 1765.] Got with difficulty into the Pit before the play began. Holland played Tancred pretty well but can never

