Generated on 2014-04-24 18:09 GMT / http://hdl.handle.net/2027/mdp.39015012265909 Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial / http://www.hathitrust.org/access\_use#cc-by-nc Wednesday 29 DL COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Egerton. Afterpiece: Not acted in 3 years. [See 3 April 1769.]

[Genest in Volume of News Clippings (Harvard Library) quotes Edinburg Evening Courant of 29 April: "Last night between the play and the farce at Drury Lane Theatre, a disturbance arose which continued for a full hour. Mr Weston it appeared was in debt to the managers a considerable sum of money, on which account they had impounded all the cash received on his benefit night. This the comedian did not like, and therefore yesterday evening sent word that he could not play, that he was arrested and detained in a springing house, but desired that no apology should be made of his being 'suddenly ill' (the usual stage plea) as it would be an egregious falsehood. After the play Mr Vernon came forward and inform'd the audience that Mr Weston 'was suddenly taken ill' and could not perform. Weston instantly started up in the front of the upper Gallery, and inform'd the house that he was not ill, but in the custody of an officer, and if the audience would have patience he'd inform them of the whole affair. A long altercation ensued. The Managers sent on Mr Vernon repeatedly; and after much pro and con Weston came down and played his part of Sneak." The article must have referred to the 24th of April, when Weston played Sneak in The Mayor of Garratt. "The Managers promis'd the Town a publication of the whole affair."]

Paid Mr Brathwait for men's cloaths £3 3s. Receipts: £200 8s. Charges: £70 12s. Profit to Mrs Egerton: £129 16s. (Treasurer's Book).

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LOVE IN A VILLAGE. As 21 Feb., but Woodcock - Quick, 1st time; Deborah - Mrs Barrington, 1st time; Rosetta - Mrs Woodman, 1st time. Incidental Dance restored. Also THE INTRIGUING CHAMBERMAID. As 11 Oct. 1771. SINGING. 1: The Favourite Irish Song call'd Ailen Aroon will be sung by Mrs Woodman.

DANCING. II: The Old ground Young, as 30 Oct. 1771.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Woodman. Charges £64 15s. 6d. Profit to Mrs Woodman £17 8s. plus £42 1s. from tickets (Box 77; Pit 110; Gallery 63). Paid half year's paving &c. for the theatre due Lady day last £18 5s. (Account Book). Receipts: £82 3s. 6d. (Account Book).

Thursday 30 DL THE GRECIAN DAUGHTER. As 29 Feb., but without *Prologue* or *Epilogue*. Also THE LYING VALET. As 27 Feb.

COMMENT. House (Hopkins Diary). Paid Printer's Bill £9 6s. (Treasurer's Book). Receipts: £243 (Treasurer's Book).

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THE RIVAL QUEENS. As 7 April, but Clytus – Bensley; Roxanna – Miss Miller; Statira (that night only) – a Young Lady, never on any stage before. Sysigambis and Parisatis omitted. Also HARLEQUIN DR FAUSTUS. As 26 March. DANCING. End of Play: The Old ground Toung, as 30 Oct. 1771.

COMMENT. Benefit for Miss Miller. Charges £73 7s. Profit to Miss Miller £64 14s. 6d. plus £47 1s. from tickets (Box 157; Pit 52). Cash advanc'd to Redman as per note £8 8s. (Account Book). Receipts: £138 1s. 6d. (Account Book).

## May 1772

Friday 1 DL TWELFTH NIGHT. As 24 April. Also THE PADLOCK. As 13 Nov. 1771. SINGING. End of Play: Several Catches and Glees, part of which will be entirely New, Composed by Dibdin, for that evening, and Part selected from the most admired Composers.



DANCING. The Sailors Revels, as 8 Oct.

Friday 1 DL

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COMMENT. Benefit for Dibdin. Paid Duke of Bedford half year's rent to Lady Day last (£182 101. Taxes allowed £25 71.) £157 31.; Subscription to St George's Hospital 1 year to Lady Day, £10 101.; Mr Calthorpe's 2nd and last payment £157 101. (Treasurer's Book). Receipts: £134 21. Charges: £68 151. Profits to Dibdin: £65 121. (Treasurer's Book).

JANE SHORE. As 7 March, but Ratcliff – Davis; Derby – Wignell. Also CATHERINE AND PETRUCHIO. As 17 Dec. 1771.

DANCING. II: By Particular Desire, a Minuet, by Aldridge and Mrs Bulkley; III: (Not done these 3 years) a Dance call'd the Tambourine by Aldridge and Sga Manesiere [see 1 May 1770]; End of Play: (For THAT NIGHT ONLY) a New Grand Pantomimical Dance call'd The Recruits: (Recruiting Captain – Aldridge; Drummer – Mas. Harris; Serjeant – Hussey; Soldiers and recruits by Petre, King, Settree, Merrifield, Holloway, &c.; Captain's Lady – Sga Manesiere; Landlady – Mrs White; Landlady's Daughter – Miss Twist; Soldiers, wives and country girls – Mrs Willems, Mrs Hartle, Mrs Invill, Miss Stede, Miss Lawrence, &c.); End Act I of the Farce: a Hornpipe by Miss Matthews.

COMMENT. Benefit for Aldridge. Charges £64 51. Profit to Aldridge £22 121. plus £46 151. from tickets (Box 90; Pit 125; Gallery 55). Receipts: £86 171. (Account Book).

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. As 11 Jan., but Antonio – Bannister. Also Saturday 2
THE MAYOR OF GARRATT. As 31 March.

ENTERTAINMENT. IV: Scrub's Trip to the Jubilee, as 27 April; and (for that Night only) a Variety of Imitations – Bannister.

DANCING. End of Play: The Sailor's Revels, as 8 Oct.

COMMENT. Benefit for Bannister. Rec'd stopages £11 15s. 6d.; From Sinking Fund, 1st, £157 1os. (Treasurer's Book). [N.B. this last bookkeeping transfer seems to have enabled treasurer to pay off Mr Calthorpe. See 1 May 1772.] Paid Salary list £497 18s. 6d.; Mrs Abington's cloaths acct £2; Mr S. French £1 10s.; Master Brown 3 nights £1 2s. 6d. Receipts: £140 9s. 6d. Charges: £58 16s. 6d. Profits to Bannister: £81 16s. (Treasurer's Book).

ROMEO AND JULIET. As 24 Feb., but Mattocks and Phillips omitted from Solemn Dirge; Romeo – a Young Gentleman, never on any stage before; Nurse – Mrs Gardner; Juliet a Young Lady, 1st appearance any stage (playbill). Also THE SPANISH LADY. As 11 April. Also TRUE BLUE. As 21 April, but Mrs Baker in place of Mrs Mattocks (playbill).

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Baker. Charges £70 19s. Profit to Mrs Baker £13 18s. 6d., plus £66 19s. from tickets (Box 93; Pit 208; Gallery 125) (Account Book). [The Young Gentlewoman – Miss Dayes (Hogan).] Receipts: £84 17s. 6d. (Account Book).

ARTASERSE. As 21 April.

DANCING. As 28 April.

COMMENT. By Command of their Majesties.

King's

ISABELLA; or, The Fatal Marriage. Biron – Palmer; Villeroy – Packer; Carlos – Monday 4
Aickin; Baldwin – Jefferson; Belford – J. Aickin; Nurse – Mrs Johnston; Isabella – DL
Mrs Barry, 1st time; Sampson – Bransby; With the Epithalamium – Mrs Wrighten,
Mrs Scott. Also The Humours of the Turf. As 25 April, but
Tipperary – Hartry; Jack Riot – Wheeler; Sir Samuel – Waldron.

DANCING. II: The Sailors Revels, as 8 Oct. 1771; v: The entertainment A Picture
of the Playhouse, or Bucks Have at ye All by Palmer.

