MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. Benedick - Garrick; Claudio - Palmer; Dogberry - Parsons; Don Pedro - Packer; Leonato - Havard; Balthazar (with song) - Vernon; John - Aickin; Antonio - Hurst; Borachio - Ackman; Town Clerk - Baddeley; Sexton - Weston; Beatrice - Miss Pope; Hero - Mrs Baddeley, 1st time. In Act II, a Masquerade Dance proper to the play, by Grimaldi, &c. To Conclude with a Country Dance by the characters of the play. Also THE VIRGIN UNMASKED. As 9 Oct.

Wednesday 28

COMMENT. Read the principal parts of *Much Ado About Nothing*. Dined at St Clements Chop House, entered into a political conversation with a young gentleman, which prevented me from getting into the Pit till 5 o'clock. Was so squeez'd I could scarcely use my glass. [Lists parts.] The play was concluded by Comic Dance by the characters. How well and with what Agility Garrick dances (Neville MS Diary).

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. As 14 Oct., but Jessica – Mrs Mattocks. CG Also Love A-LA-Mode. As 21 Sept.

DANCING. III: New Comic Dance, as 24 Oct.; IV: Irish Lilt, as 21 Sept.

COMMENT. Receipts: £204 135. 6d. (Account Book).

OTHELLO. Othello - Barry; Iago - Holland; Roderigo - Dodd; Cassio - Palmer; Brabantio - Burton; Duke - Bransby; Lodovico - Packer; Montano - Aickin; Gratiano - Hurst; Emilia - Mrs Hopkins; Desdemona - Mrs Dancer. Also A PEEP BEHIND THE CURTAIN. As 23 Oct.

Thursday 29

THE DISTREST MOTHER. Orestes - Powell; Pylades - Perry; Pyrrhus - Clarke; Phoenix - Gardner; Hermione - Mrs Yates; Cleone - Mrs Stephens; Cephisa - Mrs Barrington; Andromache - Mrs Bellamy. Also THE ROYAL CHACE. As 26 Oct.

DANCING. End of Play: The Female Archer by LaRiviere, Mrs Bulkley, &c. COMMENT. Receipts: £163 8s. 6d. (Account Book).

THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE. As 12 Sept., but Lovewell – Reddish, Friday 30 1st time; Chambermaid – Mrs Jeffries. Also A PEEP BEHIND THE CURTAIN. DL As 23 Oct.

COMMENT. At 6, the Pit being full, went into the First Gallery . . . Love does Stirling with propriety, but not with that ease and humour with which Yates does it (Neville MS Diary).

COMUS. Comus - Smith; 1st Spirit - Hull; Elder Brother - Clarke; Younger Brother - Perry; 2nd Spirit - R. Smith; Lady - Mrs Bellamy; Bacchanals: Mahoon, DuBellamy, Dibdin; Bacchants: Mrs Pinto, Mrs DuBellamy; Euphrosyne - Mrs Thompson; Sabrina, The Pastoral Nymph, and the Song of Sweet Echo - Mrs Pinto. Chorusses: Legg, Baker, Ryley, Mrs Lampe, Mrs Jones, &c.; Dances by Fishar, Sga Manesiere, Mrs Bulkley, Miss Valois, &c. Also The ROYAL CHACE. As 26 Oct.

COMMENT. Receipts: £ 98 1s. (Account Book).

OTHELLO. As 29 Oct. Also A PEEP BEHIND THE CURTAIN. As 23 Oct. Saturday 31 COMMENT. Half past 4 went into the first Gallery to see Barry do Othello. DL Holland is the best Iago we have (Neville MS Diary).

THE JEALOUS WIFE. Oakly - Powell, 1st time; Sir Harry - Woodward, 1st cG time; Russet - Dunstall; Charles - Bensley; Trinket - Dyer; Major Oakly - Yates, 1st appearance that stage; Harriet - Miss Ward; Lady Freelove - Mrs Green; Mrs Oakly - Mrs Ward. Also MIDAS. As 27 Oct.

