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Watkins, Mrs Wrighten, Mrs Bradshaw, Miss Lings, Miss Platt, Mrs Millidge, Miss Collett, Mrs S. Smith. Dances by Daigville, Atkins, Giorgi, Sga Vidini, Sga Giorgi, &c.

COMMENT. A New Pantomime of Mr Messinks went off with great Applause (Hopkins Diary). Music By Dibdin. New Scenes, Habits, and Machines. Nothing under Full Prices will be taken. [Repeated.] Paid 4 days salary list at £85 125. 11d., £342 111. 8d.; Miss Mansell on acct £5 51.; Mr Clinch ditto, £6 61.; Dr Arne for Mrs Bradley 2 nights per order £5 51.; Stopages nil (Treasurer's Book). [Full description of the new Pantomime is given in the Westminster Magazine (January 1773): Harlequin born to the Pigmies comes to manhood, gets a job from the Register Office in a Nobleman's family where he meets Colombine. They love, and elope, a chase ensues through several noted places in London, which are detailed in the review. The union of the lovers is finally consented to, and all closes with dancing. "Some of the paintings in the scenery are well executed; and the generality of Mr Dibdin's music deserves equal praise." In it Mrs Wrighten gives a ludicrous imitation of Miss Catley's manner of singing. The reviewer's general thesis about the London stage of this period, given first in the preliminary number, I Jan. 1773 continues: "The Stage seems now buried in universal darkness . . . The Publick for several weeks, has been fed with the lean carcass of two villainous pantomimes."] Receipts: £162 13s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).

THE MISER. As 21 Oct., but Mariana - Mrs Bulkley. Also HARLEQUIN SORCERER. Harlequin - Lewes; Pantaloon - Morris; Clown - Cushing; Colombine - Miss Twist; The Witches: Mattocks, Miss Wewitzer, Legg, Baker, Owenson, Fox, Miss Valois, Mrs Lampe, Mrs Jones, &c.; Shepherd - DuBellamy; Shepherdess - Miss Wewitzer; Pluto - Reinhold; Proserpine - Mrs Baker. The Dances by Fishar, Sga Manesiere, Mas. Blurton, Miss Besford.

COMMENT. Pantomime reviv'd not acted these 8 years. [See 17 May 1765.] Paid Mrs Topsham for Women's cloaths as per bill f_{24} (Account Book). Receipts: £228 55. 6d.

ARTASERSE. Cast not listed. King's DANCING. As 8 Dec. COMMENT. By Particular Desire.

THE GAMESTER. As 23 Oct. Also THE PIGMY REVELS. As 26 Dec. Monday 28 COMMENT. Paid Hopkins's bill for licenses £5 55.; Miss Younge for cloaths f 10 10s. (Treasurer's Book). Full Prices (Winston MS 10). Receipts: f.157 16s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).

A BOLD STROKE FOR A HUSBAND. Feignwell – Woodward; Modelove – Dyer; Prim – Shuter; Perriwinkle – Quick; Tradelove – Dunstall; Freeman – Hull; Mrs Prim - Mrs Pitt; Ann Lovely - Miss Macklin. Also HARLEQUIN SOR-CERER. As 26 Dec.

COMMENT. Paid Buxton & Enderby (oyl merchants) £128. Paid Mr Darley for 2 Books of Colloureld Prints £4 6s. 6d. (Account Book). Receipts: £203 6s.

- THE DRUMMER; or, The Haunted House. Sir George Trueman J. Aickin; Tuesday 29 DL Tinsel – Dodd; Vellum – Parsons; Fantome – Packer; Gardener – Weston; Butler – Love; Coachman – Moody; Lady Trueman – Mrs Hopkins; Abigail – Miss Pope. Also THE PIGMY REVELS. As 26 Dec. COMMENT. Receipts: £172 111. (Treasurer's Book).
 - THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE. As 23 Sept., but Chambermaid Mrs Kniveton. Also HARLEQUIN SORCERER. As 26 Dec. COMMENT. Paid Bulmer (scowerer) £5 115. (Account Book). Receipts: £156 115. 6d.