

THE SCHOOL FOR WIVES. As 11 Dec., but 2nd Servant – Everard (MacMillan). *Friday 31*  
 Also THE MUSICAL LADY. Freeman – Fawcett; Lady Scrape – Mrs Johnston; *DL*  
 Laundress – Mrs Bradshaw; Mask – Dodd; Old Mask – Baddeley; Musical Lady –  
 Miss Pope. To Conclude with a *Country Dance*.

COMMENT. Paid Mr Dibdin per order Mr D. G. £10 10s.; 2 extra Guitars  
 4 nights £3. Receipts: £236 11s. (Treasurer's Book).

THE MISER. As 3 Dec. Also THE GOLDEN PIPPIN. As 26 Nov. *CG*

COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. The tragedy of *King Henry II*  
 cannot be performed, on account of the Indisposition of Miss Miller. Paid Mr Nix  
 the balance for London Lying In Hospital £23 6s.; Paid Garton balance for Thea-  
 trical Fund, £89 4s. 6d.; Paid Mr Helme the balance for the Discharge of persons  
 imprison'd for small debts £4 5s. Receipts: £129 12s. (Account Book).

## January 1774

A CHRISTMAS TALE. As 27 Dec. 1773. Also CATHARINE AND PETRU- *Saturday 1*  
 CHIO. As 11 Oct. 1773. *DL*

COMMENT. Paid 5 days salary list £441 15s.; King's extra salary £2 10s.;  
 Mr J. French on acct £5 5s.; Mr J. Palmer on note £21 (Treasurer's Book). [This  
 month was printed *An Apology for the Conduct of Charles Macklin*, Comedian, "which,  
 it is hoped, will have some effect in favour of an aged player, by whom the public  
 at large have been uncommonly gratified." Price 1s. Axtell (*Gentleman's Magazine*  
 Register). This year was publish'd *Miscellaneous Pieces in Verse and Prose, with*  
*Cursory Theatrical Remarks*, by P. Lewis, Comedian. Contains some apostrophes to  
 Garrick, Holland, etc.] Receipts: £213 4s. (Treasurer's Book).

KING RICHARD III. As 9 Dec. 1773, but King Henry – Younger; Ratcliff – *CG*  
 Thompson. Add Norfolk – Owenson. Also THE GOLDEN PIPPIN. As  
 26 Nov. 1773.

COMMENT. Afterpiece: By Particular Desire. Receipts: £133 13s. 6d. (Account  
 Book).

LUCIO VERO. As 27 Nov. 1773. *King's*  
 DANCING. As 30 Nov. 1773.

THE SCHOOL FOR WIVES. As 31 Dec. 1773. Also HIGH LIFE BELOW *Monday 3*  
 STAIRS. As 17 Dec. 1773. *DL*

COMMENT. The Author's 2nd Night. [Prologue to mainpiece printed in the  
*Public Advertiser*.] Paid Mr J. French on acct £5 5s.; Housekeeper's 2 Bills £11 6s.  
 1d.; Properties £2 6s. 5d. Receipts: £240 11s. 6d. Charges: £73 10s. Profit to author:  
 £167 1s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).

JANE SHORE. As 11 Oct. 1773, but Belmour – Owenson; Gloster – Hull (playbill). *CG*

Belmour – Hull; Gloster – Clarke (*Public Advertiser*). Also THE SYLPHS: or,  
 Harlequin's Gambols. Harlequin – Lewes; Principal Sylph – Miss Brown: Other  
 characters by: Quick, King, Wignell, Fox, Baker, Thompson, Banks, Wild, Harris,  
 Davis, Hollingsworth, Mrs Pitt, Mrs Willems, Mrs Helme, Mrs White; Colombine –  
 Miss Twist. The *Dances* by Fishar, Miss Valois, Miss Capon, &c. To Conclude with  
 a Capital Scene never exhibited by Servandoni.

COMMENT. Afterpiece: A New Pantomime (never performed). The Music  
 entirely new, by Fisher, New Scenes, Machines, Dresses, and Decorations. Books  
 of the Songs, Chorusses, &c. to be had at the Theatre. Nothing under FULL

- Monday 3*  
CG PRICE will be taken. [The note about full prices and availability of books of songs, &c. accompanies each subsequent bill for *Sylphs* this season. The *Westminster Magazine* (Jan. 1774) fears the afterpiece may have been composed by Woodward. The reviewer recounts the story in some detail, likes the paintings and scenery, but states categorically: "We do not hesitate to pronounce it the worst Harlequin entertainment we remember to have seen . . . The music too is very insipid and pilfered from other masters."] Receipts: £237 3s. 2d. (Account Book).
- Tuesday 4*  
DL A CHRISTMAS TALE. As 27 Dec. 1773, but Mrs Davies in place of Mrs Johnston. Also A TRIP TO SCOTLAND. As 22 Dec. 1773, but Griskin - Parsons.  
COMMENT. Author's 2nd night (Treasurer's Book). [See 21 Jan.] Receipts: £224 19s. (Treasurer's Book).  
CG THE PROVOK'D HUSBAND. As 1 Dec. 1773, but Manly - Hull. Also THE SYLPHS. As 3 Jan.  
COMMENT. Receipts: £174 4s. (Account Book).
- King's LUCIO VERO. As 27 Nov. 1773.  
DANCING. As 30 Nov. 1773.
- Wednesday 5*  
DL THE SCHOOL FOR WIVES, As 31 Dec. 1773. Also THE ANATOMIST. M. leMedecin - Baddeley; Crispin - Dodd; Old Gerald - Parsons; Beatrice - Mrs Love; Young Gerald - Wheeler; Martin - W. Palmer; Doctor's Wife - Mrs Bradshaw; Angelica - Miss Platt.  
COMMENT. Paid Chorus 4 nights (4th inst. incl.) £7 2s. Receipts: £219 14s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).  
CG THE STRATAGEM. Archer - Smith; Aimwell - Lewis; Scrub - Shuter; Gibbet - Woodward; Bonniface - Dunstall; Sir Charles - Lewes; Sullen - Kniveton; Foigard - Fox; Dorinda - Miss Barsanti; Cherry - Miss Brown; Mrs Sullen - Mrs Bulkley. Also THE SYLPHS. As 3 Jan., but Add Master Blurton to the Dancers.  
COMMENT. Both pieces By Command of their Majesties. Present Their Majesties. Gave Yeomen of Guards £2 2s. (Account Book). [Winston MS 10 suggests (from Burney Actor's MS) that Wignell died this day. If so his name is carried in the Bill for the *Sylphs* until 26 Jan., and he appears regularly upon the payroll through Sat 29 Jan. On this latter occasion he is marked for only half his customary salary, and does not appear thereafter. He would seem to have died in the middle of the week of 22 - 29 Jan. 1774.] Receipts: £243 1s. (Account Book).
- Thursday 6*  
DL A CHRISTMAS TALE. As 4 Jan. Also THE REGISTER OFFICE. As 8 Oct. 1773, but Scotchman - Parsons; Harwood - Wheeler.  
COMMENT. Receipts: £155 18s. (Treasurer's Book).  
CG THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. As 27 Oct. 1773, but Polly announced as for the last time this season by Miss Catley. Also THE SYLPHS. As 5 Jan.  
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. Paid Partridge (hosier) £36 15s.; Lowe & Lewis (woollen drapers) £22 1s. (Account Book). Receipts: £167 16s. (Account Book).
- Friday 7*  
DL THE SCHOOL FOR WIVES. As 31 Dec. 1773. Also THE LYAR. As 6 Oct. 1773.  
COMMENT. Paid tallow chandler's 4th Bill £44 14s.; half year's lighting &c. to Mich. last St Martin's £12 3s.; Mr Thomson (smith) £58 8s. 6d.; Mr Cole (turner) £10 6s.; Mr Scott (copper laceman) £46 4s. 6d.; Mr Palmer for Spermacetti Candles £275 4s.; Messrs Barrow & Co. for oil £50 15s.; Mr Chettell (timber merchant) £67 16s. 6d.; One year's Insurance of Wardrobe &c. to Xmas 1774 £15; 2 extra Guitars, 3 nights (6th Inst. incl.) £2 5s. Receipts: £220 11s. (Treasurer's Book).