Tuesday 29 DL

THE STRATAGEM. As 3 Nov. Also HOB IN THE WELL. Hob - Moody; Friendly - Davies; Sir Thomas Testy - Hurst; Old Hob - Parsons; Dick - Burton; Roger - Keen; Hob's Mother - Mrs Bradshaw; Flora - Mrs Scott; Betty - Miss Platt.

DANCING. IV: The Irish Fair, as 17 Sept.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. Receipts: £269 3s. (Treasurer's Book).

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ARTAXERXES. Arbaces - Mrs Mattocks; Artaxerxes - Mattocks; Artabanes -Reinhold; Rimenes - DuBellamy; Semira - Mrs Baker; Mandane - Miss Catley; Also THE UPHOLSTERER. Razor - Woodward; Quidnunc - Dunstall; Rovewell Davies; Belmour - Thompson; Pamphlet - Shuter; Harriet - Miss Valois; Termagant - Mrs Green.

DANCING. 1: The Reel, as 28 Oct.; End of Opera: The Vintage Festival, as 7 Oct.

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Wednesday 30 THE MAID OF THE OAKS. As 26 Nov. Also CATHARINE AND PETRU-CHIO. Petruchio – King; Grumio – Baddeley; Catherine – Miss Pope; Biondello -Lamash; Hortensio - Wheeler; Baptista - Wright; Tailor - Burton; Bianca -Miss Platt; Curtis - Mrs Bradshaw.

COMMENT. Paid Mr Barthelemon's Bill for Music, Maid of Oaks, £24 35. Receipts: £199 3s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).

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THE WEST INDIAN. As 25 Nov., but Louisa Dudley - Mrs Bulkley, first time. Also THE DRUIDS. As 21 Nov.

COMMENT. Both pieces By Command of Their Majesties.

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Thursday 1 DL

THE COUNTRY GIRL. Moody - King; Belville - Cautherly; Harcourt - Palmer; Sparkish - (With song) - Dodd; Alithea - Mrs Greville; Lucy - Miss Pope; Country Girl (with a song, and an Address to the Audience) - a Young Gentlewoman (who never appeared up on any stage before); A New Occasional Prologue - Palmer. Also THE DESERTER. As 21 Nov., but Skirmish - Parsons; Simkin - Dibdin; Fawcett replaces Carpenter as a Soldier (playbill), but Carpenter remains in Public Advertiser.

DANCING. III: The Sailors Revels, as 20 Sept.

COMMENT. Miss Robins made her first appearance upon the Stage in the part of the Country Girl an agreeable figure as a Woman & also in Breeches—she has a particular Cuddenish way with her wch is not amiss in this Character, but 1 am afraid it will be a disadvantage to her in any other. Mr G. took great pains with her, & a long time in Training her before he brought her out he wrote & introduc'd a Song in the part and a New Prologue to introduce her & alter'd the Epilogue. all which & the Lady were very well receiv'd (Hopkins Diary). [Mac-Millan's note from Kemble differs slightly in wording.] The Songs introduced in the Comedy [mainpiece] will be printed, and given at the doors of the Theatre. [The Westminster Magazine for December remarked of Miss Robbins' performance and reception, "The first was spirited and characteristic; the latter very favorable, and in our opinion deservedly so. She is no beauty but has strong expression. Her voice is pleasing, and her articulation was extremely distinct and proper." Receipts: £149 16s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).

