COMMENT. Mr Baker made his first Appearance in Jerry Sneak – he is a tall, thin, awkward Figure, looked like a Pinmaker, is a very strong Copy of poor Weston, has some Requisites, may in Time be a tolerable Actor in low Comedy—pretty well received. [Note added by J. P. Kemble: Mr Baker, I have heard, had at this Time just received an Inheritance of fifteen thousand Pounds, which he so quickly dissipated as to be reduced within five years after to the Condition of Coachman to a Bristol Diligence] (Hopkins Diary). Receipts: £181 21.

Saturday 28 DL

NEWS FROM PARNASSUS. As 25 Sept. Also THE BEGGAR'S OPERA. As 27 Sept., but Lucy – Miss Catley; Polly – Miss Brown. Also MISS IN HER TEENS. Fribble – Quick; Puff – Dunstall; Captain Loveit – Fearon; Jasper – Thompson; Capt. Flash – Lee Lewes // Tag – Mrs Pitt; Miss Biddy – Miss Leeson. COMMENT. Receipts: £291 155. (291/11/6; 0/3/6).

Monday 30

ABOLD STROKE FOR A WIFE; or, The Quaker's Wedding. Colonel Feignwell – Comerford; Freeman – Smith; Sackbut – Lewis; Tradelove – Johnson; Obadiah Prim – Massey; Periwinkle – Newton; Simon Pure – Kenny; Quaker Boy – Master Russell; Sir Philip Modelove – Lloyd (from the Theatre Royal, Hay-market) // Anne Lovely – Mrs Wilks; Betty – Miss Taylor; Masked Lady – Mrs West; Mrs Prim – Mrs Ross. Also The Devil to Pay. Jobson – Massey // Nell – Mrs Ross. No other parts listed.

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SINGING. As 25 Sept.

IMITATIONS. By Master Russell.

COMMENT. Benefit for Massey. Tickets to be had of Massey, the Bell and Dragon, near Princes stairs.

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NEW BROOMS! As 21 Sept. Also THE RUNAWAY. George Hargrave – Smith; Mr Drummond – Bensley; Justice – Parsons; Jarvis – Palmer; Mr Morley – Aickin; Sir Charles Seymour – Brereton; Mr Hargrave – Yates // Emily – Mrs Baddeley (1st appearance in that character); Lady Dinah – Mrs Hopkins; Susan – Mrs Wrighten; Harriet – Miss P. Hopkins; Bella – Miss Younge. Also THE ELOPEMENT. Harlequin – Wright; Pantaloon – Grimaldi; Clown – Carpenter; Lover – Messink; Drunken Valet – Griffiths; Scaramouch – Follett // Country Girls – Miss Jarratt, Miss Collett, &c.; Colombine – Mrs Sutton.

Tuesday 1

comment. Afterpiece: To conclude with the Scene of the Waterfall, as it was originally performed. [This was included in all subsequent performances.] This Comedy (The Runaway) is much shortened since last Year and is the better for it (Hopkins Diary). Receipts: £197 71.

THE DISTREST MOTHER. Orestes - Barry; Phyrrhus - Aickin; Pylades - Whitefield; Phoenix - L'Estrange // Andromache - Mrs Hartley; Cephisa - Miss Dayes; Cleone - Mrs Poussin; Hermione - Mrs Barry. Also THE PADLOCK. As 25 Sept.

Wednesday 2

COMMENT. [Afterpiece in place of THREE WEEKS AFTER MARRIAGE, announced on playbill of 30 Sept.] Receipts: £265 85. (264/10/6; 0/17/6).

OROONOKO; or, The Royal Slave. Oroonoko - Comerford; Aboan - Smith; Hotman - Johnson; Captain Driver - Saul; Blandford - Newport; Stanmore - A Gentleman [unidentified]; Jack Stanmore - Dancer; Daniel - Kenny; Governor - A Gentleman (1st appearance on this stage [unidentified]) // Imoinda - A Young

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