KING LEAR. King Lear – Digges; Gloster – Hull; Bastard – Aickin; Kent – Clarke; Albany – L'Estrange; Cornwall – Thompson; Gentleman Usher – Brunsdon; Burgundy – Robson; Edgar – Lewis // Goneril (1st time) – Miss Platt; Regan – Miss Ambrose; Arante – Miss Green; Cordelia – Miss Younge (of DL). Also POOR VULCAN! Characters by Quick, Mattocks, Reinhold, Robson, Leoni // Mrs Morton, Miss Brown. [Cast from text (G. Kearsly, 1778): Vulcan and Crump – Quick; Jupiter and Stud – Mattocks; Mars and Pike – Reinhold; Apollo and Wiseman – Robson; Adonis and Joe – Leoni // Grace – Miss Dayes [i.e. later Mrs Morton]; Venus and Maudlin – Miss Brown [all the characters, except Grace, are alternately Gods and mortals].]

Monday 28

COMMENT. Books of the Burletta to be had at the Theatre.

THE SECOND PART OF KING HENRY THE FOURTH. Falstaff – Henderson; King Henry – Bensley; Prince of Wales – Palmer; Chief Justice – Aickin; Archbishop of York – Packer; Prince John – Lamash; Gloster – Mrs Colles; Clarence – Miss Collett; Westmoreland – Farren; Mowbray – Hurst; Hastings – Wrighten; Justice Silence – Parsons; Pistol – Baddeley; Poins – R. Palmer; Bardolph – Wright; Davy – Waldron; Page – Master Pulley; Justice Shallow – Yates // Hostess – Mrs Bradshaw; Doll Tearsheet – Mrs Davies. Also The Padlock. Leander – Vernon; Don Diego – Bannister; Mungo – Quick (of CG) // Ursula – Mrs Love; Leonora – Miss Brown (of CG).

Tuesday 29

DANCING. End of Act IV of mainpiece The Irish Fair by the Miss Stageldoirs, &c. COMMENT. Receipts: £157 4s. 6d. (122/18/0; 34/6/6; 0/0/0).

THE WIVES REVENGED. As 18 Sept. Also THE PROVOK'D HUSBAND. Lord Townly - Digges; Manly - Clarke; Squire Richard - Wewitzer; J. Moody - Dunstall; Count Basset - Lee Lewes; Sir F. Wronghead (1st time) - Wilson // Lady Grace - Mrs Lessingham; Lady Wronghead - Mrs Pitt; Miss Jenny (with a song) - Mrs Wilson; Lady Townly - Miss Farren. Also Rose AND COLIN. As 18 Sept. DANCING. As 25 Sept.

Wednesday 30

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THE BATTLE OF HASTINGS. Edgar Atheling – Henderson; Earl Edwin – Palmer; Earl Waltheof – Brereton; Earl of Northumberland – Aickin; Earl of Mercia – Norris; Siffric – R. Palmer; Raymond – Wrighten; Reginald – Chaplin; Duncan – Chambers; Harold – Bensley // Matilda – Miss Younge; Sabina – Mrs Colles; Edwina – Mrs Yates. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. Harlequin – Wright; Mercury – Davies; Snip – Parsons; Simon – Moody; Gasconade – Baddeley; Corporal Bounce – Carpenter; Abram – Waldron; Justice – Wrighten; Forge – Griffiths; Bogg – Holcroft; Taffy – Burton // Old Woman – Mr Davies [i.e. doubled Mercury]; Mrs Snip – Mrs Bradshaw; Sukey Chitterlin – Mrs Davies; Dolly Snip – Miss Pope.

Thursday 1

COMMENT. Account-Book, 22 Sept.: Paid Renters' Interest £8 [this paid daily]. Receipts: £158 2s. (129/17; 26/16; 1/9).

ANNETTE AND LUBIN. Characters by Mrs Farrell, Wilson, Fearon // Miss Brown. [Cast from text (G. Kearsly, 1778): Lubin – Mrs Farrell; Bailiff – Wilson; Lord of the Manor – Fearon // Annette – Miss Brown.] Also THE BUSY BODY. Marplot – Lewis; Sir George Airy – Wroughton; Charles – Whitfield; Sir Jealous

Friday 2 CG



Friday 2 CG Traffic – Dunstall; Sir Francis Gripe – Quick; Whisper – Cushing // Scentwell – Mrs Poussin; Isabinda – Mrs Lessingham; Patch – Mrs Pitt; Miranda – Mrs Mattocks. Also Cross Purposes. Grub – Wilson; Chapeau – Lee Lewes; George Bevil – Whitfield; Consol – Jones; Robin – Wewitzer; H. Bevil – Booth; F. Bevil – Thompson // Emily – Miss Ambrose; Mrs Grub – Mrs Green.

COMMENT. 1st piece [1st time; CO I, by Charles Dibdin, based on ANNETTE ET LUBIN, by Charles Simon Favart and Jean Baptiste Lourdet de Santerre. Music by the author]. Books of the new Musical Piece to be had at the Theatre. Public Advertiser, 2 Oct.: This Afternoon at Four is published ANNETTE AND LUBIN (6d.).

Saturday 3 DL A SCHOOL FOR FATHERS. Lionel - Webster; Col. Oldboy - Parsons; Sir John Flowerdale - Aickin; Jenkins - Bannister; Harman - Davies; Jessamy - Dodd // Diana - Mrs Wrighten; Lady Mary Oldboy - Mrs Hopkins; Jenny - Mrs Davies; Clarissa - Mrs Baddeley. Also The Lyar. Young Wilding - Palmer; Old Wilding - Chambers; Sir James Elliot - Davies; Papillion - Burton // Miss Godfrey - Mrs Colles; Kitty - Mrs Johnston; Miss Grantham - Mrs Davies.

Dancing. End of mainpiece dance (composed by Zuchelli), The Strength of Lore, by Sg and Sga Zuchelli (1st appearance on this stage), Henry, Sga Crespi. [On 8 Oct. this was entitled The Power of Lore, on 13 Oct. and thereafter The Force of Lore.]

COMMENT. [The ballet had 1st been performed at King's, 7 Dec. 1776. Sg and Sga Zuchelli were from King's.] Receipts: £160 14s. (125/13; 34/5; 0/16).

Monday 5 CG ANNETTE AND LUBIN. As 2 Oct. Also KING RICHARD THE THIRD. King Richard - Henderson (of DL); King Henry - Clarke; Richmond - Wroughton; Buckingham - Hull; Stanley - Fearon; Tressel - A Gentleman (1st appearance on any stage [Burghall]); Prince Edward - Miss Morris; Duke of York - Mast. Pulley; Norfolk - Booth; Lieutenant - L'Estrange // Duchess of York - Miss Platt; Lady Ann - Mrs Jackson; Queen - Mrs Mattocks. Also Polly Honeycombe - Combe. Mr Honeycombe - Quick; Scribble - Lee Lewes; Ledger - Booth // Mrs Honeycombe - Mrs Pitt; Nurse - Mrs Poussin; Polly Honeycombe - Mrs Wilson.

COMMENT. [Burghall is identified by MS annotation on BM playbill.]

Tuesday 6 DL THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL. Sir Peter Teazle – King; Sir Oliver Surface – Yates; Joseph Surface – Palmer; Sir Benjamin Backbite – Dodd; Crabtree – Parsons; Rowley – Aickin; Moses – Baddeley; Snake – Packer; Careless – Farren; Tnp – Lamash; Charles – Smith // Mrs Candour – Miss Pope; Maria – Mrs Brereton; Lady Sneerwell – Miss Sherry; Lady Teazle – Mrs Abington. Also The Quaker. Lubin – Vernon; Solomon – Parsons; Easy – Wrighten; Steady – Bannister // Gillian – Miss Walpole; Cicely – Mrs Love; Floretta – Mrs Wrighten. SINGING. In Act III of mainpiece song by Vernon.

COMMENT. Afterpiece: The Music composed by Dibdin. Receipts: £281 51.64. (265/19/0; 15/3/0; 0/3/6).

Wednesday 7

ANNETTE AND LUBIN. As 2 Oct. Also A BOLD STROKE FOR A WIFE. Col. Feignwell (1st time) - Lee Lewes; Obadiah Prim - Wilson; Sir Philip Modelove-Booth; Periwinkle - Quick; Tradelove - Dunstall; Freeman - Whitfield; Sackbut-Fearon; Simon Pure - Wewitzer // Mrs Prim - Mrs Pitt; Mask'd Lady - Mrs Willems; Ann Lovely - Mrs Mattocks. Also THE WIVES REVENGED. As 18 Sept.

DANCING. As 21 Sept.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 4 years.

