Public Advertiser, 22 Mar.: At the particular Desire of the Nobility and Gentry, Tuesday 23 King's the Subscribers to this Theatre, on account of the young Prince's Christening there will be no Opera to-morrow. This delay will prove very convenient for compleating the great Preparations which in every respect are necessary to present [the new] Opera [see 25 Mar.] in all the Magnificence it requires. [Prince Octavius, 8th son of George III, was christened on 23 Mar.]

THE MESSIAH. Principal Vocal Parts and Violin as 19 Feb. MUSIC. As 3 Mar. COMMENT. Receipts: £280 131. (278/14; 1/19). [Account-Book itemizes as follows: Boxes held 170 at £89 51.; Pit 286 at £71 101.; 1st Gallery 526 at £92 11.;

OMNIPOTENCE. Vocal Parts as 3 Mar.

2nd Gallery 259 at £25 18s. – a total of 1,241 spectators.]

MUSIC. End of Part I concerto on the hautboy by Sharp; End of Part II concerto on the violin, as 3 Mar.

MEDEA. Jason - Smith; Creon - Bensley; Æson - Palmer; 1st Colchian - Packer; Lycander – Farren; Children – Miss G. Abrams, Master Pulley; Hecate – Hurst // Theano - Mrs Hopkins; Medea - Mrs Yates. Also A MONODY. As 11 Mar. Also A PEEP BEHIND THE CURTAIN. As 23 Mar. singing. Azure God by Mrs Wrighten.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Yates [who is named in the Account-Book, but not on the playbill]. Receipts: £238 13s. 6d. (216/8/0; 19/13/6; 2/12/0; tickets: none listed) (charge: £,70 175. 3d.).

A NEW PRELUDE AND PROLOGUE. As 23 Mar. Also CALYPSO. As CG 20 Mar. Also THE ENGLISHMAN IN PARIS. As 12 Dec. 1778. DANCING. In mainpiece, as 20 Mar.; In afterpiece, as 12 Dec. 1778.

ENEA E LAVINIA. Principal Characters by Pacchierotti, Adamberger, Coppola, King's Rovedino // Sga Pozzi, Sga Bernasconi. [Cast from libretto (G. Bigg, 1779): Enea – Pacchierotti; Latino – Adamberger; Turno – Coppola; Ilioneo – Rovedino // Amata – Sga Pozzi; Lavinia – Sga Bernasconi.]

DANCING. End of Act I a new Ballet, Hippomène et Atalante. Hippomène - Simonet // Atalante - Mlle Baccelli. And Sg and Sga Zuchelli, Mlle Vidini, Slingsby; End of Act II a new Ballet, connected with the Opera, Les Forges de Vulcain. Venus – Mme Simonet; the 3 Graces – Sga Zuchelli, Sga Tinti, Miss Rose; Cupid – young Miss Simonet; the 3 Cyclopes – Banti, Zuchelli, Le Det; Vulcain – Slingsby. With a grand Chorus of the Cyclopes, composed by Sacchini; End of Opera, a new Serious Ballet, La Fête du Ciel. Apollo - Mme Simonet; Flora - Sga Tinti; Zéphir – Banti; Iris – Mlle Baccelli. To conclude with a grand Chaconne, in which Mme Simonet will dance in a Man's Dress.

COMMENT. A New Serious Opera [1st time; SER 3, ascribed to Giovanni Gualberto Bottarelli]. The Music entirely new, composed by Sacchini. 2nd dance: The Music entirely new, composed by Charles Stamitz.

THE MESSIAH. Principal Vocal Parts and Violin as 19 Feb. MUSIC. As 3 Mar.

COMMENT. Paid Norris £105; Mrs Kennedy £115; Webster £80 17s.; Boy's Choir £52 10s.; David Richards £40; Parke £20; Advertisements in Public Advertiser £9 55.; Band £354 95. 6d.; Chorus Singers £174 195. 6d.; Cramer, Cervetto, Crosdill £5 55. a performance. Received from Stanley for Oratorio rent of theatre £308. Receipts: £206 3s. (204/10; 1/13).

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