Thursday 29 King's LA BUONA FIGLIUOLA. Principal Characters by Jermoli, Rossi, Coppola, Micheli // Sga Jermoli, Sga Pollone, Sga Pozzi, Sga Sestini. [Libretto (T. Cadell, 1777) lists the parts: Il Cavaliere Armidoro, Il Marchese della Conchiglia, Tagliaferro, Mengotto // La Marchesa Lucinda, Paoluccia, Cecchina, Sandrina.]

DANCING. End of Act I Les Oiseleurs, as 23 Jan.; End of Act II Annette et Lubin, as 24 Nov. 1778; End of Opera New Ballet, as 27 Feb.

COMMENT. Benefit for Sga Sestini. Tickets to be had of Sga Sestini, No. 8, Great Suffolk-street, Charing-cross.

Friday 30 DL THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL. As 6 Oct. 1778. Also THE IRISH WIDOW. As 19 Sept. 1778.

DANCING. As 19 Sept. 1778. SINGING. As 6 Oct. 1778.

COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. THE DOUBLE DECEPTION [announced on playbill of 29 Apr.], on account of the Benefits, is obliged to be deferred till Thursday next. Receipts: £240 25. (222/9/0; 17/9/6; 0/3/6).

DOUGLAS. As 14 Jan., but Douglas – Lewis; Old Norval – Younger (1st appearance these 4 years) // Lady Randolph – Mrs Jackson (1st appearance in that character). Also THE FARMER'S RETURN FROM LONDON. As 27 Apr. Also GALLIC GRATITUDE; or, The Frenchman in India. Characters by Wewitzer, Fearon, Robson, Thompson, L'Estrange // Mrs Morton, Miss Leeson. [Cast from text (E. Johnson, 1779): La Bronze – Wewitzer; Cossim – Fearon; Haroun – Robson; Decca – Thompson; Sir Thomas Callico – L'Estrange; Ali – Jones; Derby O'Rudder – Egan // Teresa – Mrs Morton; Harriet – Miss Leeson.] Prologue spoken by Mrs Jackson in the character of Britannia.

SINGING. In 3rd piece the Vocal Parts by Reinhold, Miss Thornton, Mrs Wrighten. COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Jackson. 3rd piece [1st time in London; F 2, by James Solas Dodd, based on LE NAUFRAGE, by Joseph de la Font, and 1st acted at Smock Alley Theatre, Dublin, 1772, as THE FUNERAL PILE. "The performers were exceedingly correct, which is unusual in a benefit piece" (Oulton, 1796, 1, 81). Prologue by the author (Town and Country Magazine, May 1779, p. 270)]: With an Indian Procession. Public Advertiser, 24 Apr.: Tickets to be had of Mrs Jackson in the Great Piazza, Covent Garden.

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Saturday 1

THE WAY OF THE WORLD. As 19 Oct. 1778, but Fainall – Farren (1st appearance in that character) // Mrs Fainall – Mrs Davies; Millamant – Miss Farren (1st appearance in that character). Also COMUS. As 15 Dec. 1778, but The Lady (1st time) – Mrs Brereton.

SINGING. End of Act IV of mainpiece Tally bo!, as 13 Apr.; In afterpiece Sweet Echo, as 13 Apr.

COMMENT. Benefit for Farren and Miss Sherry. Tickets delivered by Bidwell, Mrs Pulley, and for The Way of the World will be taken. *Public Advertises*, 29 Apr.: Tickets to be had of Farren, No. 14, Catherine Street, Strand; of Miss Sherry, No. 2, Little Russel-street, Covent Garden. Receipts: £214 131. (39/8/0; 15/17/6; 0/12/6; tickets: 158/15/0) (charge: £69 31.).

CG THE WIVES REVENGED. As 18 Sept. 1778. Also ALEXANDER THE GREAT.
As 26 Dec. 1778, but Alexander – Peile; Clytus – Bensley // Parisatis – Mrs Whitfield. Also THE FARMER'S RETURN FROM LONDON. As 27 Apr.
Also MIDAS. As 27 Mar.

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