- THE SPANISH BARBER; or, The Fruitless Precaution. Principal Characters by Palmer, Parsons, Blissett, Wewitzer, R. Palmer, Egan, Stevens, Edwin // Mrs Bannister. [Cast adjusted from playbill of 27 Aug. 1782: Count Almaviva – Palmer; Doctor Bartholo – Parsons; Basil – Blissett; Argus – Wewitzer; Tall Boy – R. Palmer; Alguazile – Egan; Notary – Stevens; Lazarillo – Edwin // Rosina – Mrs Bannister.] Prologue as 31 May. Also THE AGREEABLE SURPRISE! As 31 May, but Blissett in place of Gaudrey; Kenny in place of Ledger. DANCING. End of mainpiece, as 31 May.
- LA BUONA FIGLIUOLA. Principal Characters by Viganoni, Morigi, Bartolini, King's Micheli // Sga Pollone, Sga Gherardi, Sga Carnevale, 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 Il Riposo del Campo, as 13 Mar., but omitted: Slingsby, Mlle Theodore, La Recrue par Force; End of Act III Le Tuteur Trompé, as 6 May, with a Pas de Deux by Slingsby and Mme Simonet.

COMMENT. Benefit for the Singers and Dancers. The Orchestra under the Direction of Barthélemon.

THE BUSY BODY. As 23 Sept. 1782, but Isabinda – Mrs Whitfield; Miranda – Mrs Wilson (1st appearance in that character); added: Whisper – Stevens // Scentwell – Mrs Poussin. Also TOM THUMB. As 27 Sept. 1782.
DANCING. End of Act 111 of mainpiece, as 31 Dec. 1782; End of mainpiece Diversion a-la-Mode, as 11 Dec. 1782, in which The Devonshire Minuet, as 29 Nov. 1782. COMMENT. Benefit for Beeston, Brereton, Longley & Colley. Tickets delivered by Robson, Stephenson, Robinson, Varley, Smallwood, Jennings, Halliburton,

by Robson, Stephenson, Robinson, Varley, Smallwood, Jennings, Halliburton, Shuter, Pilbrow, Turtle, Wm. Ansell will be admitted this Evening. Receipts: $\pounds 263$ 95. (24/14; 1/18; tickets: 236/17).

LOVE IN A VILLAGE. As 2 June, but Justice Woodcock – Parsons; Sir William H Meadows – Aickin; omitted: Carter, Cook, Housemaid. *Prologue* as 31 May. Also THE AUTHOR. Cadwallader – Bannister; Young Cape – Whitfield (of CG); Sprightly – R. Palmer; Vamp – Baddeley; Governor Cape – Usher; Robin – Davis; Devil – Stevens; Poet – Bannister Jun. // Arabella – Mrs Cuyler; Mrs Cadwallader – Mrs Wells.

DANCING. End of Act II of mainpiece The Nosegay Lovers by Mr and Miss Byrn [and see II June].

ISABELLA. AS 10 Oct. 1782. Also THE APPRENTICE. As 4 Dec. 1782, but Wingate – Fearon (of CG).

COMMENT. The last Time of the Company's performing this Season. [Mainpiece acted for the 22nd time this season. The playbill states, "for the 23rd Time"; on the Kemble playbill this has been corrected in MS to 22nd. Genest, VI, 262, says that this play was also acted on both 3 and 4 June. But on those nights the theatre was dark.] Receipts: £270 115. (260/7; 10/4; after-money not listed).

Account-Book, 5 June: Paid Mrs Siddons a Present from the Proprietors £100; 6 June: Paid 100 Renters £20 41. apiece; 23 June: Received of Their Majesties £156.

THE SON-IN-LAW. Characters by Parsons, Edwin, Wewitzer, Wood, Egan, H Barrett, Stevens, Kenny, Bannister // Mrs Lefevre, Mrs Bannister. [Cast adjusted from *Public Advertiser*, 17 Aug. 1779, and playbill of 29 June 1786: Cranky – Parsons; Bowkitt – Edwin; Vinegar – Wewitzer; Bouquet – Wood; Idle – Egan; Orator Mum – Barrett; John – Stevens; Signor Arionelli – Bannister // Dolce – Mrs Lefevre; Cecilia – Mrs Bannister. Kenny is unassigned.] *Prologue* as 31 May. Also THE AGREEABLE SURPRISE! As 3 June. Also MEDEA AND

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JASON. Creon (in the Character of Punch) – Wewitzer; Prince de la Cour (as a Running Footman) – Byrn; Furies (in the Character of Chimney Sweepers) – Rossi, Nicolini, &c.; Captain of the Guard – Master Edwin; Jason (in the Character of Pierrot) – Delpini // Creusa (en dishabille Françoise) – Miss Byrn; Nurse – Mr Painter; Children – Miss Painter, Master Clarke; Medea (in the Character of Mother Shipton) – Mme Dagueville.

COMMENT. 3rd piece: Ballet Tragi-Comique, composed by Signior Novestris [i.e. George Colman, the elder]. The Music by Gluck. With new Scenes, Dresses and Decorations. Machinist and Painter – Signior Rookereschi. Tailor – Signior Walkerino.

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> THE MAN OF THE WORLD. As 20 Nov. 1782, but Lord Lumbercourt – Wewitzer (1st appearance in that character); Counsellor Plausible – Jones. Also ROSINA. As 29 Jan.

COMMENT. The last Time of the Company's performing this Season. [On this night Wewitzer acted both at CG and the HAY.] Receipts: f_{13531} . 6d. (132/14/6; 2/9/0).

Account-Book, 7 June: Paid Harris for One Year's Superintendence f_{500} , Garton [treasurer] in full of his Salary f_{23} 8, Miss Younge in lieu of Cloaths this Scason f_{200} ; 30 June: Paid Lewis in full for Salary as Acting Manager f_{200} . Between 7 and 30 June various sums, a few of which are here specified, were entered in the Account-Book as being paid to the following tradesmen and others: perukemaker, fireworks maker, blacksmith [f_{277} 6s.], basketmaker, scalemaker, haberdasher, sadler, bill-sticker, turner, harpsichord-tuner, silk-dyer, printer, sawyer, plumber, linen-draper, woollen-draper, brazier, coal merchant [f_{189} 8s.], timber merchant [f_{500} 8s.], stonemason, hosier, music copier, shoemaker, painter, tinman, oil merchant [f_{452} 2s.], gunsmith, worsted laceman, book-binder, glazier, copper laceman [f_{127} 15s.], silk mercer, tallow chandler, stationer, engine-maker, bricklayer [f_{226} 14s.], wax chandler [f_{501} 2s.], upholsterer [f_{729}]. Many of these disbursements had to do with the extensive rebuilding of the theatre.

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HAMLET. Hamlet – Williamson (from the Theatre Royal, Edinburgh; 1st appearance on this stage); King – Gardner; Horatio – Aickin; Rosencraus – Stevens; Guildenstern – Egan; Polonius – Edwin; Laertes – R. Palmer; Ostrick – Riley (1st appearance in London); Marcellus – Booth; Grave Diggers – Parsons, Massey; Ghost – Bensley // Ophelia – Mrs Bannister; Player Queen – Mrs Poussin; Queen – Mrs Wheatley. Prologue as 31 May. Also NATURE WILL PREVAIL: A Dramatic Proverb. Characters by Palmer, Gardner // Mrs Wells, Mrs Cuyler. [Cast adjusted from playbill of 12 Aug. 1786: Current – Palmer; Padlock – Gardner // Finette – Mrs Wells; Almadine – Mrs Cuyler.] Also MEDEA AND JASON. As 5 June.

COMMENT. [Playbill of 5 June says mainpiece "Not acted here these 7 years." It was acted 17 Aug. 1780.]

DANCING. End of Act I La Bégueule (performers not listed, but probably as 31 May);

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Saturday 7

LOVE IN A VILLAGE. As 2 June, but Sir William Meadows – Aickin; omitted: Carter, Cook, Housemaid. *Prologue* as 31 May. Also THE GENIUS OF NON-SENSE. Harlequin, Vocal and Rhetorical – Bannister Jun.; Ditto, Mum! – Spencer; Agreeable Companion in a Post-Chaise – Egan; Landlord – Usher; Dame Turton – Edwin; Goody Burton – Wood; Gammer Gurton – Bannister; Pantaloon – Massey; Clown – Delpini; Head Boy of the Marine Society – Master Edwin; Officer in the Camp – Wood [i.e. doubled Goody Burton]; Emperor of the

L'OLIMPIADE. As 31 May.

End of Act 11 Le Tuteur Trompé, as 3 June.

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