Monday 13 HAY Covent-garden). Also THE IRISH WIDOW. Sir Patrick O'Neale - Connell; Whittle - Smith; Nephew - Watts; Bates - Popplewell; Thomas - Decastro; Kecksey - Cross // Widow Brady (with Epilogue Song) - Mrs Sydney. DANCING. In Act III of mainpiece Hornpipe by Fairbrother. VAUDEVILLE. End of mainpiece a Scene in a Spouting Club, in which a Variety of

Imitations, Vocal and Rhetorical [performers not listed].

COMMENT. By Permission of the Lord Chamberlain. Benefit for Dighton. The Doors to be opened at 5:15. To begin at 6:15.

THE CARMELITE. As 2 Dec. Also ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE. AS

Tuesday 14 DL

18 Sept., but Miss Kitty Sprightly – Mrs Wilson.
COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece, who is named in the Account-Book, but not on the playbill]. Receipts: £171 51. (150/7/0; 20/0/6; 0/17/6; tickets: none listed) (charge: £105, with "author's allowance deducted").

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THE FOLLIES OF A DAY; or, The Marriage of Figaro. Principal Characters by Lewis, Quick, Edwin, Wilson, Wewitzer, Thompson, Holcroft, Mrs Martyr // Mrs Bates, Mrs Webb, Miss Wewitzer, Miss Younge. [Cast from text (G. G. J. and J. Robinson, 1785): Count Almaviva – Lewis; Don Guzman – Quick; Antonio – Edwin; Doctor Bartholo – Wilson; Basil – Wewitzer; Doublefee – Thompson; Figaro – Holcroft [in text: Bonnor (see 15 Dec.)]; Page – Mrs Martyr; Bounce – Stevens; Courier – Jones; Crier of the Court – Bates; Servant – Newton // Countess – Mrs Bates; Marcelina – Mrs Webb; Agnes – Miss Wewitzer; Susan – Miss Younge.] Prologue spoken by the Author. [This was spoken at the 1st 22 performances only (see 17 Dec., and 22 Feb. 1785).] Also THE CITIZEN. As 16 Nov.

COMMENT. Mainpiece [Ist time; C 5, by Thomas Holcroft, based on LE MARIAGE DE FIGARO, by Pierre Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais; incidental music by William Shield. In 1789 reduced to an afterpiece of 3 acts. Prologue by the author (*Europaen Magazine*, Dec. 1784, p. 467)]: With new Dresses, Decorations, &c. *Public Advertiser*, 10 Mar. 1785: This Day is published THE FOLLIES OF A DAY (11. 6d.). [For an account of Holcroft's shorthand transcription of the original, taken down during a performance in Paris, and the hasty rehearsals of it in London, see Elbridge Colby, *A Bibliography of Thomas Holcroft*, 1922, pp. 48-50.]

- Wednesday 15 THE CARMELITE. As 2 Dec. Also WHO'S THE DUPE? As 7 Dec. DL COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. Receipts: £265 161. (250/9/0; 14/15/6; 0/11/6).
- CG THE FOLLIES OF A DAY. As 14 Dec., but Bonnor in place of Holcroft. Prologue as 14 Dec. Also MIDAS. As 13 Dec.
- Tbursday 16THE DOUBLE DEALER. As 3 Dec. Also ARTHUR AND EMMELINE.DLAs 22 Nov.DANCING. As 3 Dec.COMMENT. Receipts: £103 115. 6d. (72/3/0; 29/11/0; 0/0/0; tickets not comein: 1/17/6).
- CG THE FOLLIES OF A DAY. As 15 Dec. Prologue as 14 Dec. Also ROSINA. As 28 Oct. DANCING. As 22 Oct. COMMENT. [This was Holcroft's last appearance on the stage.]
- Friday 17 THE CONFEDERACY. AS 10 Dec. Also ARTHUR AND EMMELINE. DL As 22 Nov. DANCING. AS 3 Dec.

COMMENT. Receipts: £103 11. (76/5/0; 26/14/6; 0/1/6).

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- THE FOLLIES OF A DAY. As 15 Dec. Prologue spoken by Davies [and there-Friday 17 after (see 14 Dec., and 22 Feb. 1785)]. Also THE MOCK DOCTOR. As 4 Dec. CG DANCING. As 1 Dec.
- THE CARMELITE. As 2 Dec. Also THE CHAPLET. Damon Dignum (who saturday 18 performed the characters of Young Meadows [on 14 Oct.] and Cymon [on 26 Nov.]); DL Palemon Williames // Pastora Mrs Wrighten; Laura Miss Phillips.

COMMENT. Afterpiece: Not acted these 3 years. Receipts: f_{170} 141. 6d. (146/4/0; 23/15/6; 0/10/0; ticket not come in: 0/5/0).

THE FOLLIES OF A DAY. As 15 Dec. Also THE POOR SOLDIER. As CG 21 Sept. DANCING. As 16 Nov.

IL CURIOSO INDISCRETO. Principal Characters by Tasca, Cremonini (1st appearance), Schinotti, Franchi // Sga Schinotti, Sga Pollone, Sga Rachele Dorta. [Cast from Larpent MS 677: Il Marchese Calandrano Curioso – Tasca; Aurelio – Cremonini; Prospero – Schinotti; Il Conte di Ripaverde – Franchi // Emilia – Sga Schinotti; Serpina – Sga Pollone; Clorinda – Sga Dorta.] DANCING. End of Act I an entirely new Divertisement (composed by Lepicq) by Nivelon, Mlle Dorival (from the Opera-House in Paris; their 1st appearance), Frederic, Mme Julien, Mlle Fusi, Mme Bithmer (their 1st appearance), Henry, Zuchelli, Sg and Sga Pitrot Angiolini (from the King's Theatre at Naples; their 1st appearance); End of Opera a new Grand Ballet (composed by Lepicq) Le Parti de Chasse d'Hemry IV. King Henry IV – Angiolini; the other Characters by Lepicq, Mme Rossi, Frederic, Mlle Dorival, Zuchelli, Nivelon, Sga Pitrot Angiolini.

COMMENT. A Comic Opera (1st time [in London; 1st performed at Rome, 1777]); the Music entirely new, by Anfossi. With new Scenes, painted by Novosielski; new Dresses and Decorations by Sestini, both for the Opera and Dances. By their Majesties Command No Person can be admitted behind the Scenes. Pit 105. 6d. 1st Gallery 55. 2nd Gallery 35. The Doors to be opened at 6:00, and begin exactly at 7:00 [see 7 June 1785]. Subscriptions are received at Messrs Ransom, Moreland and Hammersley's, bankers, No. 57, Pall-mall; who will deliver the Subscription Tickets. The Nobility and Gentry, Subscribers to the Opera-House, are respectfully intreated to send for them, as, in order to prevent future mistakes, no body can be admitted without producing a Ticket.

- CYMON. As 26 Nov., but Dignum's name listed in playbill. Also HARLEQUIN Monday 20 JUNIOR. As 23 Sept., but omitted: Grimaldi. COMMENT. Receipts: £115 165. 6d. (86/8/0; 29/3/6; 0/5/0).
- THE FOLLIES OF A DAY. As 15 Dec. Also RETALIATION. As 25 Nov., CG but Lucy Mrs Wilson. DANCING. As 22 Oct.

COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece].

- ISABELLA. AS 12 Oct. Also THE CHAPLET. AS 18 Dec. COMMENT. Receipts: £173 143. 6d. (153/18/0; 19/4/0; 0/2/6; tickets not DL come in: 0/10/0).
- THE BELLE'S STRATAGEM. As 24 Sept., but Miss Ogle Mrs Morton. CG Occasional Prologue spoken by Wroughton. Also ROSINA. As 28 Oct. COMMENT. Benefit for the Humane Society. [Prologue by Miles Peter Andrews (European Magazine, Dec. 1784, p. 467).]

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