Friday 15 DL COMMENT. Benefit for Wells. Public Advertiser, 9 Apr.: Tickets to be had of Mrs Wells, No. 417, Strand. Afterpiece [1st time; F 2, by Edward Topham, with incidental music by James Hook. Prologue-Epilogue by Edward Topham (Public Advertiser, 21 Apr.)]. Morning Herald, 25 Apr. 1786: This Day is published THE FOOL (1s.). Receipts: £174 15s. 6d. (45/3/0; 20/14/6; 0/2/0; tickets: 108/16/0) (charge: £108 13s. 9d.).

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ROBIN HOOD. As 12 Mar. Also COMUS. As 7 Mar., but Principal Bacchant and Euphrosyne (with Sweet Echo, accompanied [on the oboe] by W. Parke) – Mrs Martyr.

DANCING. As 9 Apr.

SINGING. As 5 Apr.

COMMENT. Benefit for Brett. Public Advertiser, 2 Apr.: Tickets to be had of Brett, No. 73, Longacre.

HAY

A NEW PANTOMIME [DON JUAN]. Characters by Simonet, Henry, Menage, Mrs Dagville, Miss Cooper, the two Miss Simonets, and Clown – Delpini. Also THE DESERTER. As 14 Feb., but omitted: Duquesney, Miss L. Simonet. *IMITATIONS*. End of 1st piece, as 7 Feb.

COMMENT. By Permission of the Lord Chamberlain. Under the Direction of Delpini. 1st piece: With a Kitchen Scene. [The new pantomime is identified in *Public Advertiser*, 16 Apr. The same newspaper on 2 Apr. states that it was the same as that produced at DL for Delpini's benefit in 1782 [10 May].]

Saturday 16 DL ELFRIDA. As 14 Apr. Also Who's THE DUPE? As 21 Oct. 1784. SINGING. As 14 Apr.

COMMENT. Receipts: £139 17s. 6d. (124/3/0; 14/13/6; 0/8/6; tickets not come in: 1/12/6).

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FASHIONABLE LEVITIES. As 2 Apr. Also THE NUNNERY. As 12 Apr. DANCING. End of mainpiece Leap Tear, as 22 Oct. 1784, but Miss Matthews in place of Mrs Goodwin.

King's

ARTASERSE. Principal Characters by Crescentini, Bartolini, Cremonini, Babbini (1st appearance in this country) // Sga Schinotti, Sga Ferrarese. [Partial cast from London Magazine, Apr. 1785, p. 303: Arbace – Crescentini; Artabano – Babbini // Semira – Sga Schinotti; Mandane – Sga Ferrarese. Libretto (G. Bigg, 1779) also lists Artaserse, Megabise.]

COMMENT. A Serious Opera (SER 3); originally written by Metastasio; the Music selected from the most eminent Composers, under the Direction of Cherubini. [Babbini was from the Opera, Rome.]

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DANCING. As 29 Mar. throughout.

Monday 18 DL THE SONS OF ANACREON. In which several capital Catches and Glees, selected from the most Eminent Masters. The celebrated Anacreontic Song by Bannister. Two Imitative Songs by Bannister Jun. The principal Vocal Parts by Bannister, Dignum, Suett, Williames, Barrymore, Chapman, Master Clarke. Also THE WINTER'S TALE. Leontes – Smith; Polixenes – Bensley; Florizel – Bannister Jun.; Camillo – Aickin; Old Shepherd – Packer; Clown – Suett; Autolicus – Dodd // Perdita – Miss Bannister; Paulina – Mrs Hopkins; Hermione – Miss Farren. Also AN AUTHOR ON THE WHEEL; or, A Piece cut in the Green-Room. Principal Characters by Palmer, Bannister Jun., Aickin, Suett, R. Palmer, Baddeley. [Larpent MS lists the parts: Drama, Prompter, Vainwit, Thespis, Sock, Buskin, Period.] Also ROSINA. As 6 Apr.

SINGING. In 2nd piece the Sheep-shearing Song by Miss Phillips. IMITATIONS. In 3rd piece, by Bannister Jun.

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