- THE BUSY BODY. Marplot Lewis; Sir George Airy Wroughton; Charles Tbursday 22 Davies; Sir Jealous Traffic – Thompson; Whisper – Stevens; Sir Francis Gripe – CG Quick // Isabinda – Mrs Lewis; Scentwell – Miss Stuart; Patch – Mrs Pitt; Miranda – Mrs T. Kennedy. Also OMAI. As 20 Dec. COMMENT. Receipts: £232 (221/3; 10/17).
- THE STRANGERS AT HOME. As 20 Dec. Also THE ROMP. As 21 Nov. Friday 23 COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece, who is named in the Account-Book, but not on the playbill]. Receipts: £249 155. 6d. (205/6/0; 42/9/6; 2/0/0; tickets: none listed) (charge: £105).
- THE CONSTANT COUPLE. As 28 Sept., but Young Clincher Edwin; Alderman CG Smuggler – Wewitzer. Also OMAI. As 20 Dec. COMMENT. Receipts: £239 51. (234/2; 5/3).
- ZARA. Osman (1st time [in London]) Kemble; Nerestan Barrymore; Chatilion Mon Aickin; Orasmin - Packer; Melidor - Phillimore; Lusignan - Bensley // Selima - DL Mrs Ward; Zara (1st time) - Miss Kemble. Also HURLY-BURLY; or, The Fairy of the Well. Harlequin Clack - Bannister Jun.; Magician - Staunton; Doctor - Fawcett; Harlequin Lack - Wright; Clodpate - Grimaldi. The other Characters by Moody, Wrighten, Burton, Chapman, Waldron, Phillimore, Chaplin, Wilson, Jones, Spencer, Alfred, &c. // Mrs Wilson, Miss Cranford, Mrs Cuyler, Mrs Love, Mrs Booth, Miss Tidswell, Mrs Burnett, Mrs Heard, Miss Burnett, Miss Barnes, Miss Palmer, Miss Simson, Mrs Haskey, Mrs Wrighten. [For assignments of Moody, Mrs Wilson, Miss Cranford, Mrs Wrighten, see 29 Dec. Larpent MS 715 also lists: Lover, Lawyer, Clerk, Scotchman, Sailor, Taylor // Colombine.] DANCING. In afterpiece, by Hamoir, Williamson, Miss Stageldoir, Mrs Sutton, &c. [The dance was included, as here assigned, in all subsequent performances.]

COMMENT. [Kemble's 1st appearance as Osman was in Dublin (Genest, VI, 295).] Afterpiece [1st time; P 2 (?), by James Cobb and Thomas King]: Partly formed on the Plan of the Italian Comedy, and embellished with Music and Machinery. The paintings by Greenwood. The Music compiled and composed by Linley [Sen.]. Nothing under Full Price will be taken. Books of the Songs [which assign no parts], Introduction, &c. to be had at the Theatre. [Synopsis of action in Universal Magazine, Dec. 1785, p. 335.]

Account-Book, 31 Jan. 1786: Paid King for *Hurly-Burly* £165. Receipts: £181 25. (174/17; 6/5).

GEORGE BARNWELL. Barnwell – Farren // Millwood – Mrs Bates. [Acting edition (John Bell, 1792) adds: Thorowgood – Hull; Uncle – Booth; Trueman – Davies; Blunt – Thompson; Gaoler – Ledger // Maria – Mrs T. Kennedy; Lucy – Mrs Wilson.] Also OMAI [and see 20 Dec.]. Towha, the Guardian Genius of Omai's Ancestors – Mrs Rivers; Otoo, Father of Omai – Darley; Omai – Blurton; Harlequin, Servant to Omai – Kennedy; Oediddee, Pretender to the Throne – Mrs Kennedy; Oberea, an Enchantress – Mrs Martyr; Britannia – Mrs Inchbald; Don Struttolando, Rival to Omai – Palmer; Clown, his Servant, and Rival to Harlequin – Delpini; Father of Londina – Thompson; Mother – Mrs Davenett; Londina, the Consort destined to Omai – Miss Cranfield; Colombine, Maid to Londina – Miss Rowson; Old Fairy, Friend to Harlequin – Wewitzer; English Captain – Brett; Justice – Davies; A Travelled Otaheitean (with songr) – Edwin. [Songs (T. Cadell, 1785) adds: Constables – Doyle, Meadows, Swords.]

COMMENT. Afterpiece: With a Procession of the Inhabitants of Otaheite, New Zealand, Tanna, Marquesas, the Friendly, Sandwich, and Easter Islands, Tschutzki, Siberia, Kamtschatka, Nootka Sound, Onalashka, Prince William's Sound, and the other Countries visited by Captain Cook, exactly representing their Dresses and Weapons. Receipts: £237 191. (231/16; 6/3).

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