Saturday 14 DL Clifford – Smith // Miss Alscrip – Miss Pope; Miss Alton – Mrs Crouch; Mrs Blandish – Mrs Wilson; Tiffany – Miss Tidswell; Mrs Sagely – Mrs Booth; Waiting Maid – Miss Barnes; Lady Emily – Miss Farren. Wilson, Chaplin, Mrs Love are unassigned. Larpent MS 578 adds, unassigned: Chairman, Servants // Country Girl, Milliner.] Prologue spoken by King. Epilogue spoken by Miss Farren. [These were spoken, as here assigned, at the 1st 15 performances only (see 7 Feb.).] Also The Quaker. As 17 Sept. 1785, but Gillian – Mrs Forster [i.e. formerly Miss Field].

SINGING. In Act II a song in character by Mrs Crouch. [This was For tenderness formed, adapted by Linley Sen. from Saper bramate in Il Barbiere di Siviglia by Paisiello. It was sung, as here assigned, in all subsequent performances.]

COMMENT. Mainpiece [1st time; C 5, by John Burgoyne, based in part on LE PÈRE DE FAMILLE, by Denis Diderot. Prologue by the Hon. Richard Fitzpatrick; Epilogue by the author (see text)]: With a Variety of new Scenes [by Greenwood (Daily Universal Register, 16 Jan.)], Dresses, and Decorations. Public Advertiser, 4 Feb. 1786: This Day is published THE HEIRESS (1s. 6d.).

"It rarely happens that all the characters of a piece are so well sustained" (Morning Chronicle, 16 Jan.). "We never saw a play more admirably performed in all its parts" (Gazetteer, 16 Jan.). "In point of performance the comedy had every advantage" (Morning Herald, 16 Jan.). Receipts: £226 25. (205/10; 20/7; 0/5).

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SHE WOU'D AND SHE WOU'D NOT. Trapanti – Lewis; Don Philip – Wroughton; Don Octavio – Davies; Soto – Wewitzer; Diego – Thompson; Don Lewis – Booth; Don Manuel – Edwin // Flora (1st time) – Mrs Martyr; Viletta – Mrs Wilson; Rosara – Mrs Lewis; Hippolita – Mrs Bates. Also Omai. As 7 Jan. COmment. Mainpiece: Not acted these 3 years [so stated on playbill of 13 Jan.; acted 6 Jan. 1784]. Receipts: £210 175. (207/13; 3/4).

Monday 16 DL THE HEIRESS. As 14 Jan., but omitted: Mrs Love, Miss Barnes. Also THE ENGLISHMAN IN PARIS. Buck – Palmer; Classic – Packer; Subtle – Waldron; Sir John Buck – Wrighten; Marquis – Burton; Robert – Chaplin // Mrs Subtle – Mrs Love; Lucinda (with a song) – Miss Stageldoir.

DANCING. In afterpiece The Minuet de la Cour by Hamoir and Miss Stageldoir. COMMENT. "So much has been curtailed of [THE HEIRESS] that the time of the representation is now three quarters of an hour less than it was on Saturday" (Morning Chronicle, 17 Jan.). Receipts: £250 45. (227/6/0; 21/6/6; 1/1/6; tickets not come in: 0/10/0).

CG THE GRECIAN DAUGHTER. As 5 Jan. Also OMAI. As 7 Jan. COMMENT. Receipts: £250 (243/0; 7/0).

Tuesday 17 DL THE HEIRESS. As 16 Jan. Also ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE. As 24 Sept. 1785.

COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece, who is named in the Account-Book, but not on the playbill]. Receipts: £216 1s. (186/18/0; 27/6/6; 1/16/6; tickets: none listed) (charge: £105).

CG ROBIN HOOD. As 2 Dec. 1785, but omitted: Outlaws, Stella. Also OMAI. As 7 Jan.

COMMENT. [Mainpiece in place of THE MISTAKE, announced on playbill of 16 Jan.] Receipts: £216 35. (213/2; 3/1).

Wednesday 18 THE COUNTRY GIRL. As 18 Oct. 1785, but Lucy - Mrs Wilson. Also THE DL ROMP. As 21 Nov. 1785.

COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. Receipts: £311 55. 6d. (297/3/0; 12/16/0; 1/6/6).

