LOVE IN A VILLAGE. As 8 Dec. 1785, but Young Meadows (1st time) – Brown // Margery (1st time) – Mrs Brown; Lucinda – Mrs Morton; Rosetta – Mrs Billington. Also ST. PATRICK'S DAY. As 19 Sept. 1785.

DANCING. As 13 Feb.

Thursday 16

COMMENT. The New Opera, called THE PERUVIAN [announced on playbill of 14 Mar.] is obliged to be deferred on account of Johnstone's Indisposition. [Afterpiece in place of THE COUNTRY WIFE, also announced on same playbill.] Receipts: £173 145. (171/12; 2/2).

I VIAGGIATORI FELICI; or, The Happy Travellers. Principal Characters by Babbini, Tasca, Morigi, Schinotti // Sga Sestini, Miss Wheeler, Sga Ferrarese del Bene. [Cast adjusted from libretto (J. Jarvis, 1785): Giannetto – Babbini; Don Gastone – Tasca; Patterio – Morigi; Pasquino – Schinotti // Isabella – Sga Sestini; Lauretta – Miss Wheeler; Bettina – Sga Ferrarese del Bene.]

King's

DANCING. End of Act I New Divertissement, as 11 Mar., but omitted: Mlle Mozon, Fabiani; End of Opera Divertissement Villageois, as 18 Feb., but omitted: Mlle Mozon. SINGING. Sga Sestini will introduce some favourite songs.

COMMENT. Benefit for Sga Sestini. A Comic Opera; the Music by Anfossi. Tickets, 10s. 6d. each, to be had of Sga Sestini, No. 38, Mount-street, Berkeley-square.

REDEMPTION. Vocal Parts and Violin as 10 Mar.

Friday 17

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THE STRANGERS AT HOME. As 4 Feb. Also THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D. As 24 Jan.

Saturday 18 DL

DANCING. End of mainpiece The Lucky Return, as 5 Jan.

COMMENT. [Mainpiece in place of MACBETH, announced on playbill of 16 Mar., q.v.] Receipts: £162 131. (135/1/0; 26/9/6; 0/10/0; tickets not come in: 0/12/6).

THE PERUVIAN. Characters by Johnstone, Quick, Edwin, Palmer, Booth, Darley, Meadows, Mrs Kennedy // Mrs Martyr, Mrs Morton, Mrs Billington. [Cast from text (J. Bell, 1786): Belville – Johnstone; Sir Gregory Craveall – Quick; Dry – Edwin; Frankly – Palmer; Sir Harry Cripplegate – Booth; Captain – Darley; Sailor – Meadows; Blandford – Mrs Kennedy; Servant – Swords // Clara – Mrs Martyr; Susan – Mrs Morton; Coraly – Mrs Billington.] Also The Country Wife. As 7 Feb.

COMMENT. Mainpiece [1st time; co 3, by A Lady [unidentified], based partly on L'AMITIÉ À L'ÉPREUVE, by Charles Simon Favart and Claude Henri de Fusée de Voisenon]: The Overture and the new Music composed by Hook. Books of the Songs to be had at the Theatre. Public Advertiser, 30 Mar. 1786: This Day at Noon is published The Peruvian (1s. 6d.). [The music was printed under the title of The Fair Peruvian (S. A. & P. Thompson [1786]), which was the original title as given in the MS (Larpent 727).] Receipts: £246 8s. (242/16/6; 3/11/6).

LA SCUOLA DE GELOSI. As II Mar. DANCING. As II Mar. throughout.

King's

CYMON. As 6 Jan. Also THE ENGLISHMAN IN PARIS. As 11 Feb. DANCING. In mainpiece, as 6 Jan.; In afterpiece, as 16 Jan.

Monday 20 DL

COMMENT. SHE WOU'D AND SHE WOU'D NOT [announced on playbill of 18 Mar.] is postponed on account of the Indisposition of Parsons. Mainpiece: Procession, as 6 Jan. Receipts: £93 12s. 6d. (66/16/0; 24/8/0; 1/13/6; tickets not come in: 0/15/0).



Monday 20 THE PERUVIAN. As 18 Mar. Also THE FOOL. As 15 Dec. 1785, but Mrs CG Morton in place of Mrs Wilson.

COMMENT. Receipts: £214 175. (209/8; 5/9).

Tuesday 21 ISABELLA. As 23 Feb. Also THE ROMP. As 21 Nov. 1785. DL SINGING. As 23 Feb.

MONOLOGUE. End of mainpiece A Sketch of the Fashions; or, Belles have ye all by Mrs Iordan.

COMMENT. Benefit for Smith. Part of the Pit will be laid into the Boxes. To prevent Confusion Ladies are desired to send their Servants by half past Four o'Clock. *Morning Chronicle*, 25 Feb.: Tickets to be had of Smith, No. 7, Beaufort Buildings, Strand. Receipts: £325 175. 6d. (163/2/0; 8/2/6; 0/16/0; tickets: 153/17/0) (charge: £65 105.).

CG THE PERUVIAN. As 18 Mar. Also THE FOOL. As 20 Mar.

COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece, who is named in the Account-Book, but not on the playbill]. Receipts: £217 7s. (210/9; 6/18; tickets: none listed) (charge:£105).

King's PERSEO. Principal Characters by Babbini, Tasca, Bartolini, Schinotti, Simonetti (1st appearance) // Sga Catenacci, Mme Mara. [Libretto (T. Cadell, 1774) lists the parts: Perseo, Barsene, Cefeo, Anfrisio // Andromeda, Tomiri.]

DANCING. End of Act I Divertissement Villageois, as 18 Feb.; End of Act II Dance incidental to the Opera by Henry, Duquesney [Jun.], the two Mlles Simonet; End of Opera New Divertissement, as 11 Mar.

COMMENT. A revived Serious Opera, with Grand Chorusses, New Dresses and Decorations; the Music by Sacchini. "In the second act [Mme Mara, who sang Andromeda] was encored in a song of *Bravura*... The amazing extent of her voice never appeared in a more conspicuous light... As to the Chorusses, we understand that they were under the immediate direction of Mme Mara, which accounts for the uncommon precision with which they were executed" (*General Advertiser*, 22 Mar.).

- Wednesday 22 REDEMPTION. Vocal Parts and Violin as 10 Mar. Selections as 10 Mar., but added: Pious orgies [by Miss George (Public Advertiser, 31 Mar.)]; March (JUDAS MACCABAEUS).

 MUSIC. End of Part II concerto, as 8 Mar.
- The Heiress. As 16 Jan. Also The Gentle Shepherd. As 23 Feb.

 DANCING. As 23 Feb.

 COMMENT. Receipts: £225 175. (207/11/0; 17/13/6; 0/12/6).
- CG THE PERUVIAN. As 18 Mar. Also BARATARIA. As 14 Mar., but Lady Tereza Panca Mrs Davenett.

 COMMENT. Receipts: £177 12s. 6d. (172/12/6; 5/0/0).
- King's

 I VIAGGIATORI FELICI. As 16 Mar.

 DANCING. End of Act 1 Divertissement Villageois, as 18 Feb., but Sga Angiolini in place of Sga Carolina; End of Opera a Grand Pantomime Ballet in 3 acts, Le Premier Navigateur; ou, La Force de l'Amour (originally composed by Gardel Sen., and acted at the Opera House in Paris with uncommon Applause, and now got up at this Theatre under the immediate Inspection of Vestris). Mélide Mlle Baccelli (1st appearance these 4 years); Sémire, Mother to Mélide Mlle Mozon; Venus Sga Angiolini; Daphnis Vestris; Faun Fabiani; Old Cottager D'Egville; Lovers of Melody Henry, Marseilles, Duquesney [Jun].; Morpheus and Priest of Hymen Marseilles; Cupid Miss De Camp. With a Pas de Quatre by Rozier Jun., Marseilles, Spozzi, Giorgi.

