- Tuesday 4COMMENT. Benefit for Wroughton. Mainpiece: Not acted these 7 years.CG[not acted since 17 Feb. 1772]. Afterpiece: Not acted these 7 years. [Miss Brunton's
Ist appearance as Palmira was at Bath, 24 May 1785.] "By the inattention of those
behind the scenes, the interest of the play was three or four times injured and
interrupted by persons crossing the stage in sight of the audience" (Public Adver-
tiser, 5 Apr.). Receipts: £228 12s. (164/2; 6/8; tickets: 58/2) (charge: £105).
- King's LA SCUOLA DE GELOSI. AS 11 Mar. DANCING. End of Act 1 New Divertissement, as 11 Mar.; End of Opera Le Premier Navigateur, as 23 Mar., but with Alterations, and added to Mélide: with a new Pas Seul.
- Wednesday 5 REDEMPTION. Vocal Parts as 3 Mar., but omitted: Carter; Violin as 10 Mar. DL MUSIC. End of Part 1 concerto on the bassoon by Parkinson.
- Tbursday 6THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. Shylock King; Gratiano Dodd; Bassanio (1st
time) Kemble; Launcelot Parsons; Duke Packer; Lorenzo (with songs) -
Williames; Antonio Bensley // Jessica (with a song) Mrs Forster; Nerissa Mrs
Wilson; Portia Mrs Siddons. Also CATHERINE AND PETRUCHIO. Pe-
truchio (for that night only) Kemble; Grumio Baddeley; Baptista Wright;
Biondello R. Palmer; Taylor Burton; Music-master Fawcett; Pedro Philli-
more; Hortensio Wilson // Bianca Miss Simson; Curtis Mrs Love; Catherine -
Mrs Wrighten.

DANCING. End of Act III of mainpiece The Lucky Return, as 5 Jan.; End of Act IV Minuet de la Cour, as 16 Jan.

COMMENT. Benefit for Kemble. Mainpiece: Not acted these 2 years. "Mrs Siddons spoke the speech on mercy as it certainly should be spoken — but as in truth we never heard it spoken—as a reply to 'On what compulsion must I?' From every other Portia it has always appeared as a *recitation*, prepared for the occasion" (*Morning Chronicle*, 8 Apr.). *Morning Chronicle*, 20 Mar.: Tickets to be had of Kemble, No. 19, Charles-street, Covent-garden. Receipts: £284 2s. 6d. (160/19/0; 20/17/6; 1/1/0; tickets: 101/5/0) (charge: £107 os. 5d.)

- THE DUENNA. As 7 Mar. Also OMAI. As 13 Mar. COMMENT. Receipts: £263 195. (257/14; 6/5).
- King's DIDONE ABBANDONATA. As 14 Feb., but Sga Schinotti in place of Sga Catenacci. DANCING. End of Act 1 New Divertissement, as 11 Mar.; End of Opera L'Amour Jardinier, as 1 Apr., but added: Miss Hervey, and L'Amour – Miss De Camp. SINGING. In the beginning of the 2nd act a Bravura Song by Mme Mara. COMMENT. Benefit for Mme Mara. Tickets to be had of Mme Mara, No. 24, Henrietta-street, Cavendish-square. Opera: With the last Scene new.
- Friday 7REDEMPTION. Vocal Parts as 5 Apr.; Violin as 10 Mar.DLMUSIC. As 24 Mar.COMMENT. Account-Book, 8 June: Received Oratorios 11 nights at £28, £308.
- *Saturday 8* DL

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- THE HEIRESS. AS 16 Jan. Also THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D. AS 24 Jan. COMMENT. Receipts: £246 55. 6d. (225/18/0; 18/8/6; 1/19/0)
- THE FOUNDLING. Faddle Lewis; Sir Charles Raymond Wroughton; Colonel Raymond – Farren; Sir Roger Belmont – Fearon; Villiard – Gardner; John – Helme; Young Belmont – Holman // Rosetta – Mrs Warren; Fidelia – Miss Brunton (1st time of her appearing in comedy). Also THE POOR SOLDIER. As 25 Nov. 1785.

DANCING. As 3 Nov. 1785.

COMMENT. Benefit for Lewis. Mainpiece: Never performed at this Theatre. Receipts: £265 2s. (190/18/6; 8/12/6; tickets: 65/11/0) (charge: £105).

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