(but see European Magazine, Feb. 1787, p. 118)].] New Prologue spoken by Mrs Mattocks.

Saturday 27

COMMENT. Afterpiece [1st time; F 2, by John O'Keeffe. Prologue by George Colman, the elder (Colman, *Prose*, III, 276)]. "The curtain was obliged to be dropt before the piece was finished, amidst the disapprobation of a very splendid and numerous audience "(*Public Advertiser*, 29 Jan.). Receipts: £219 6s. 6d. (216/5/0; 3/1/6).

GIANNINA E BERNARDONE. As 9 Jan.

King's

DANCING. As 20 Jan. throughout.

COMMENT. Receipts: £187 81. 6d. [non-subscription].

CYMBELINE. Posthumus – Kemble; Bellarius – Aickin; Guiderius – Barrymore; Arviragus – R. Palmer; Cymbeline – Staunton; Pissanio – Packer; Lucius – Phillimore; French Gentleman – Fawcett; Philario – Chaplin; Cornelius – Alfred; Cloten – Dodd; Iachimo – Smith // Queen – Mrs Hopkins; Imogen – Mrs Siddons (1st appearance in that character [in London]). Also The Romp. As 30 Sept. 1786.

Monday 29

DANCING and SINGING. In Act II of mainpiece a Masquerade Scene, with Dancing by Ferrere, Menage, Miss Stageldoir, and Singing by Miss Romanzini [The Dancing was included, as here assigned, in all subsequent performances]; End of Act III La Soirée Provençalle, as 13 Jan.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Siddons [whose 1st appearance as Imogen was at Bath, 15 Apr. 1779]. Part of the Pit will be laid into the Boxes. To prevent Confusion, Ladies are desired to send their Servants at half past Four o'Clock. *Public Advertiser*, 13 Jan.: Tickets to be had of Mrs Siddons, Gower-street, Bedford-square.

"The exact receipts of Mrs Siddons's house on Monday were £332 [actually £335 55., excluding the 2nd account and after-money], which, with bank notes for side-boxes, and gold tickets through all the boxes, raise the total to about £650 or £700. This benefit is clear of the nightly charges of the house" (Morning Chronicle, 1 Feb.). Receipts: £344 175. 6d. (161/10/0; 9/11/6; 0/1/0; tickets: 173/15/0) (charge: free).

ROMEO AND JULIET. As 23 Oct. 1786. Also THE ENCHANTED CASTLE. CG As 26 Dec. 1786.

DANCING. As 23 Oct. 1786.

SINGING. As 11 Dec. 1786, but omitted: Pemberton.

COMMENT. ARTAXERXES is obliged to be deferred on Account of the Indisposition of Mrs Billington. Receipts: £243 14s. 6d. (241/6/0; 2/8/6).

SHE WOU'D AND SHE WOU'D NOT. Probably as 12 Jan. Also THE FIRST FLOOR. As 13 Jan.

Wednesday 31

COMMENT. [As mainpiece the playbill announces THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL, but it was not acted. Its substitute is listed in the Account-Book.] Receipts: £206 18s. 6d. (166/14/0; 37/15/0; 2/9/6).

RULE A WIFE AND HAVE A WIFE. Leon - Holman; Duke - Macready; Juan - Davies; Cacafogo - Booth; Sanchio - Thompson; Alonzo - Fearon; The Copper Captain - Lewis // Margaritta - Mrs Inchbald; Altea - Mrs Morton; Clara - Miss Platt; Old Woman - Mrs Pitt; Maid - Mr Painter; Estifania - Mrs Abington. Also Three Weeks After Marriage. As 19 Oct. 1786, but Nancy - Mrs T. Kennedy; Lady Racket - Mrs Abington.

DANCING. End of mainpiece The Wapping Landlady by Blurton, Rayner, Miss

COMMENT. Receipts: £254 4s. 6d. (247/3/6; 7/1/0).

