Paris for Mlle Guimard by Noverre, Les Caprices de Galatée [performers not listed, but see 26 May].

Thursday 7 King's

COMMENT. Benefit for Mlle Guimard. Tickets to be had of Mlle Guimard, No. 10, Pall Mall.

THE HEIRESS. As 23 Oct. 1788, but Sir Clement Flint – Kemble; Lord Gayville – Barrymore; omitted: Mrs Sagely, Tiffany. Also THE DOCTOR AND THE APOTHECARY. As 14 Mar. DANCING. As 7 May.

Friday 8 DL

CG

COMMENT. Benefit for Barrymore. [Afterpiece in place of ARTHUR AND EMMELINE, advertised on playbill of 7 May.] Public Advertiser, 5 May: Tickets to be had of Barrymore, No. 1, Southampton-street, Strand. Receipts: £251 4s. (44/18/0; 16/13/6; 1/12/6; tickets: 188/0/0) (charge: £107 4s. 4d.).

A SCHOOL FOR WIDOWS. Characters by Lewis, Ryder, Quick, Pope, Farren, Davies, Fearon // Mrs Mattocks, Miss Tweedale, Mrs Rock, Miss Wewitzer, Mrs Abington. [Cast from London Chronicle, 9 May, and Larpent MS: Jack Marmoset – Lewis; Mr Worldly – Ryder; Sir Wilful Wayward – Quick; Frederick – Pope; Lord Mirabel – Farren; Mr Gayless – Davies; Sterling – Fearon; John – Evatt // Mrs Worldly – Mrs Mattocks; Arabella – Miss Tweedale; Lucy – Mrs Rock; Mrs Gayless – Miss Wewitzer; Lady Charlotte Richmore – Mrs Abington.] Prologue spoken by Pope. Epilogue spoken by Mrs Abington. Also The High-Land Reel. As 2 May.

COMMENT. Mainpiece [1st time; C 5, by Richard Cumberland, altered by the author from his THE COUNTRY ATTORNEY. Prologue and Epilogue probably by Cumberland. MS: Larpent 828; not published; synopsis of plot in *Universal Magazine*, May 1789, p. 267]: With new Dresses, &c. Receipts: £165 6s. 6d. (155/5/6; 10/1/0).

MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS. As 28 Mar. Also THE LYAR. Probably as 24 Nov. 1788.

Saturday 9 DL

King's

COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece, who is named in Kemble Mem., but not on the playbill. As afterpiece the playbill announces COMUS, but it was not acted. Kemble Mem. lists the substitute play]. Receipts: £137 151. 6d. (117/7/0; 19/8/0; 1/0/6; tickets: none listed) (charge: £122 101.).

A SCHOOL FOR WIDOWS. As 8 May. Prologue and Epilogue as 8 May. Also CG MARIAN. As 4 Apr.

COMMENT. Receipts: £110 75. (94/4/6; 16/2/6).

LA VENDEMMIA. Principal Characters by Benucci (1st appearance in England), Borselli, Forlivesi, Fineschi // Sga Sestini, Sga Borselli, Sga Storace (1st appearance this season). [Cast from libretto (L. Wayland, 1789): Il Conte Zefiro – Benucci; Cardone – Borselli; Don Achille – Giuseppe Forlivesi; Don Fausto – Fineschi // Artemisia – Sga Sestini; Lauretta – Sga Borselli; Agatina – Sga Storace.]

DANCING. As 4 Apr. throughout.

COMMENT. A new Comic Opera (never performed [in London; 1st performed at Florence, 1778]); the Music by Gazzaniga [with additions by Storace, Posi, Tarchi (*World*, 11 May)], under the direction of Mazzinghi.

"At the London production of La Vendemmia, the duet (Count-Susanna) Crudel perché finora from Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro was sung by Benucci and Anna Storace; probably the first piece of any Mozart opera which was heard on the London stage" (Loewenberg, 364). [In June 1789 it was published by Birchall and Andrews, as "A favorite duett . . . sung in . . . La Vendemmia . . . by Sg Benucci and Sga Storace". See Illustration.

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