

- Saturday 28*  
CG COMMENT. 1st piece: For the 1st Time compress'd [anonymously] into 2 Acts. "MacNally brought [Arthur Murphy] to Covent-garden Theatre to see [ROBIN HOOD]; when, to the surprise of the author . . . the opera was that night performed as an afterpiece, having been, without his knowledge, cut down into two acts" (O'Keeffe, I, 45). 3rd piece: Not acted these 16 years [acted 12 Dec. 1780]. Receipts: £212 14s. 6d. (209/14/0; 3/0/6).
- Monday 30*  
DL OTHELLO. Othello – Kemble; Roderigo – Dodd; Cassio – Barrymore; Brabantio – Aickin; Lodovico – Packer; Duke – Fawcett; Montano – Whitfield; Gratiano – Phillimore; Iago – Bensley // Æmilia – Mrs Ward; Desdemona – Mrs Powell (1st appearance in that character). Also THE PADLOCK. Probably as 12 Nov.  
COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 3 years [acted 27 Oct. 1787]. [As afterpiece the playbill announces THE ISLAND OF ST. MARGUERITE, but "Kelly's illness prevented . . . The Island" (Kemble Mem., which lists the substitute play).] Receipts: £139 15s. (110/0; 28/4; 1/11).
- CG JANE SHORE. Hastings – Holman; Glo'ster – Aickin; Belmour – Hull; Ratcliff – Gardner; Catesby – Thompson; Derby – Evatt; Dumont – Farren // Alicia – Miss Brunton; Jane Shore – Mrs Pope. Also THE TOUCHSTONE. *Cast not listed.* [Partial cast from *Diary*, 1 Dec.: Harlequin – Boyce; Pierrot – Reeve; Kit Keel – Ryder // Colombine – Mrs Mountain. And see 3 Dec.]  
COMMENT. Afterpiece: Not acted these 12 years [acted 21 May 1782]. An Operatic, Comic Pantomime, with material Alterations and Additions, particularly a Grand Spectacle, being a Representation of a Jubilee Procession of the Nobles, Clergy, and People at Rome ["which consisted of artificial figures, horse and foot, cars, &c.; it was very well managed" (*Morning Post*, 1 Dec.)]. The new Airs, Chorusses, &c. by Reeve. With new Music, Scenes, Dresses, and Decorations. Words of the Songs, &c. to be had at the Theatre. Receipts: £264 19s. (255/4; 9/15).

## December 1789

- Tuesday 1*  
DL THE HAUNTED TOWER. As 24 Nov. Also HIGH LIFE BELOW STAIRS. Lovel – Bannister Jun.; Duke's Servant – R. Palmer; Sir Harry's Servant – Whitfield; Philip – Baddeley; Freeman – Fawcett // Kitty – Miss Pope.  
DANCING. In afterpiece a *Mock Minuet* by R. Palmer and Miss Pope.  
COMMENT. Receipts: £215 8s. 6d. (193/15/0; 20/15/0; 0/18/6).
- CG AS YOU LIKE IT. As 20 Nov. Also ROSINA. As 10 Nov.  
DANCING. End of Act I of mainpiece *Divertissement*, as 2 Oct.  
COMMENT. Paid 1/2 Years Land and House Tax £106 2s. 7d. Receipts: £187 1s. (182/6/6; 4/14/6).
- Wednesday 2*  
DL THE HYPOCRITE. Doctor Cantwell – Moody; Sir John Lambert – Packer; Darnley – Wroughton; Seyward – Barrymore; Colonel Lambert – Whitfield; Officer – Maddocks; Servant – Lyons; Maw-worm – Parsons // Lady Lambert – Mrs Kemble; Old Lady Lambert – Mrs Hopkins; Betty – Miss Tidswell; Charlotte – Miss Farren (1st appearance in that character). Also THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D. As 1 Oct., but Quaver – Barrymore.  
COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 12 years [acted 4 Oct. 1781]. Receipts: £132 6s. 6d. (102/3/0; 27/0/0; 3/3/6).

- THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE. As 27 Nov., but Sir John Melvil – Farren. *Wednesday 2*  
Also BARNABY BRITTLE. Barnaby Brittle – Quick; Jeremy – Edwin; Love- CG  
more – Davies; Clodpole – Bernard; Jeffery – Rock; Sir Peter Pride – Cubitt //  
Damaris – Miss Stuart; Lady Pride – Mrs Davenett; Mrs Brittle – Mrs Mattocks.  
COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. To prevent inconvenience,  
Ladies and Gentlemen are requested to be early at the Theatre—and to order  
their Servants to keep Places at Four o’Clock. Receipts: £396 14s. 6d. (394/8/0;  
2/6/6).
- THE HAUNTED TOWER. As 24 Nov., but Dignum in place of Kelly; Suett of *Thursday 3*  
Dignum; Hollingsworth of Suett. Also THE FIRST FLOOR. As 12 Sept., DL  
but Landlord – Maddocks; omitted: Postboy, Frank.  
COMMENT. Benefit for the Author and Composer [of mainpiece, who are  
named in Kemble Mem., but not on the playbill]. Receipts: £161 10s. (141/18/0;  
16/16/6; 2/15/6; tickets: none listed) (charge: £105).
- THE DRAMATIST. As 14 Oct. Also THE TOUCHSTONE. As 30 Nov., but CG  
Harlequin – Milburne; added: Street-singer – Blanchard; also Darley and Mrs  
Martyr [who probably acted Watchman and Feridon] (*Diary*, 4 Dec.).  
COMMENT. “The Pantomime has undergone some curtailment. The last scene  
was omitted, and Milbank [*sic*] played Harlequin instead of Boyce, which are  
alterations certainly for the better” (*Public Advertiser*, 4 Dec.). Receipts: £242  
15s. 6d. (229/11/6; 13/4/0).
- THE HAUNTED TOWER. As 24 Nov. Also THE HUMOURIST. As *Friday 4*  
25 Nov. DL  
DANCING. In Act II of mainpiece a *Dance* by the young D’Egville, Miss Blanchet,  
Miss De Camp.  
COMMENT. Receipts: £161 11s. (136/3; 23/17; 1/11).
- THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR. Probably as 9 Oct. Also THE DEVIL CG  
UPON TWO STICKS. Probably as 31 Oct.  
DANCING. *The Deserter*, probably as 13 Nov.  
COMMENT. [The playbill announces THE BEGGAR’S OPERA (in place of  
THE MAID OF THE MILL, advertised on playbill of 3 Dec., but “deferred  
on account of the Indisposition of Johnstone”) and THE TOUCHSTONE. But  
“Mrs Billington was taken ill & The Merry Wives of Windsor with The Deserter &  
Devil on Two Sticks were substituted for B. Opera & Touchstone” (MS annotation  
on BM bill: CG, Vol. VII). *World*, 5 Dec., states that THE MAYOR OF GAR-  
RATT was the afterpiece, but the Account-Book lists THE DEVIL UPON TWO  
STICKS.] Receipts: £126 18s. (115/0/6; 11/17/6).
- THE HAUNTED TOWER. As 3 Dec., but Mrs Heard in place of Mrs Booth. *Saturday 5*  
Also THE LYING VALET. Sharp – Dodd; Dick – Suett; Beau Trippit – DL  
Lamash; Justice Guttle – Hollingsworth; Gayless – Whitfield // Melissa – Miss  
Collins; Mrs Gadabout – Mrs Heard; Kitty Pry – Mrs Wilson.  
DANCING. As 4 Dec.  
COMMENT. Receipts: £208 1s. 6d. (183/2/0; 24/7/0; 0/12/6).
- THE FORCE OF FASHION. Characters by Lewis, Ryder, Farren, Bernard, CG  
Macready, Harley // Mrs Achmet, Mrs Bernard, Miss Stuart, Mrs Powell, Mrs  
Pope. [Cast from *European Magazine*, Dec. 1789, p. 459: Sedley – Lewis; William –  
Ryder; Sir Charles Dormer – Farren; Lord Lapwing – Bernard; James – Macready;  
Montfort – Harley // Julia Montfort – Mrs Achmet; Miss Danby – Mrs Bernard;  
Maid Servant [Larpent MS: Minikin] – Miss Stuart; Lucretia – Mrs Powell  
[Larpent MS]; Lady Dormer – Mrs Pope.] *Prologue* spoken by Bernard. *Epilogue*  
spoken by Mrs Pope. Also THE CITIZEN. As 13 Nov.