Saturday 30 HAY COMMENT. Mainpiece [1st time; MD 3, by George Colman, the younger]: The new Musick (with a Martial Overture) by Dr Arnold. The Scenery by Rooker. The Characters will be dressed [playbill of 6 Aug.: The Dresses by Whitfield] in the Habits of the Times. Books of the Songs [T. Cadell, 1791] to be had at the Theatre.

August 1791

Monday 1 SEEING IS BELIEVING. As 18 June. Also THE SURRENDER OF CALAIS. HAY As 30 July.

Tuesday 2

HAY

THE COUNTRY GIRL. Moody – Bensley; Harcourt – Williamson; Sparkish (for that night only) – Bannister Jun.; Belville – Bland; Footman – Farley; Ralph – Barrett; William – Rock // Alithea – Mrs Whitfield; The Country Girl – Mrs Jordan (last appearance on this stage); Lucy – Miss Fontenelle. Also THE VILLAGE LAWYER. As 21 June.

COMMENT. Benefit for Parsons. Morning Chronicle, 29 July: Tickets to be had of Parsons at his house, near the Asylum, Lambeth.

Wednesday 3 A QUARTER OF AN HOUR BEFORE DINNER. As 29 June. Also THE HAY SURRENDER OF CALAIS. As 30 July.

Thursday 4 HALF AN HOUR AFTER SUPPER. As 16 June. Also THE SURRENDER OF CALAIS. As 30 July.

INKLE AND YARICO. As 19 July. Also THE MAYOR OF GARRATT.

Sir Jacob Jollup – Usher; Major Sturgeon – Bannister; Jerry Sneak – Bannister Jun.

(1st appearance in that character on this stage); Crispin Heeltap – Burton; Bruin –

Cubitt; Lint – Barrett; Roger – Farley; Snuffle – Lyons; Mob – Ledger, Abbott,

&c. // Mrs Sneak – Mrs Webb; Mrs Bruin – Mrs Powell.

DANCING. As 1 July.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Webb. "The Jerry Sneak of the younger Bannister [whose 1st appearance in that part was at DL, 5 Apr. 1791] is comic perfection—the purity of his Cockney dialect, the inanity of his laugh, and the diverting nonsense of his *Duckies*, convulsed the audience with their odd effect" (*Oracle*, 18 Aug.). *Oracle*, 3 Aug.: Tickets to be had of Mrs Webb, No. 19, Catherine-street, Strand.

Saturday 6 SEEING IS BELIEVING. As 18 June. Also THE SURRENDER OF CALAIS. HAY As 30 July.

Monday 8 A QUARTER OF AN HOUR BEFORE DINNER. As 29 June. Also THE HAY SURRENDER OF CALAIS. As 30 July.

Tuesday 9
PIETY IN PATTENS. The Squire – R. Palmer; Butler – Cornellys // Polly Pattens
(1st time) – Mrs Brooks; Mrs Candy – Mrs Powell. Also THE SURRENDER
OF CALAIS. As 30 July.

Wednesday 10 INKLE AND YARICO. As 19 July, but Sir Christopher Curry – Wilson (1st appearance in that character). Also A TRIP TO ELYSIUM; or, Foote, Weston, Shuter, and Edwin in the Shades. Foote (in the character of the Devil [in The Devil Upon Two Sticks]) – Bannister; Weston (as Doctor Last [in the



same]) – Wewitzer; Shuter (as Justice Woodcock [in LOVE IN A VILLAGE]) – Parsons; Edwin (as Lingo [in The Agreeable Surprise]) – Wilson; Wilson – Evatt. Also Peeping Tom. Earl of Mercia – Cubitt; Mayor of Coventry – Wewitzer; Harold – Davies; Count Louis – Lyons; Tom – Wilson (1st appearance in that character); Crazy – Barrett // Godina – Mrs Cuyler; Emma – Mrs Bannister; Mayoress – Mrs Webb; Maud – Mrs Kemble.

Wednesday 10

COMMENT. Benefit for Wilson. [2nd piece: 1st acted at the HAY, 10 Aug. 1784, as A PEEP INTO ELYSIUM.] Oracle, 6 Aug.: Tickets to be had of Wilson, Park-lane, Church-lane, Chelsea.

A QUARTER OF AN HOUR BEFORE DINNER. As 29 June. Also THE SURRENDER OF CALAIS. As 30 July.

Thursday 11 HAY

THE YOUNG QUAKER. As 23 June, but Araminta (1st time) – Mrs Iliff. Also THE MINOR. As 1 July, but Mrs Cole – A Gentleman (1st appearance on any stage [unidentified]).

Friday 12 HAY

COMMENT. Benefit for Mr and Mrs Iliff.

NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOURS. As 18 July, but omitted: Prologue, Epilogue [and thereafter]. Also THE PADLOCK. Don Diego – Bannister; Leander – Davies; Mungo – Cornellys; Scholars – Evatt, Farley // Leonora – A Young Lady (1st appearance on any stage [unidentified]); Ursula – Mrs Webb. Also THE IRISH-MAN IN SPAIN. Characters by R. Palmer, Evatt, Wewitzer, Farley, Rock // Mrs Goodall, Miss Fontenelle. [Cast from text (J. Ridgway, 1791), and European Magazine, Aug. 1791, p. 142: Don Carlos – R. Palmer [in text: Farley (see 3 Sept.)]; Don Fabio – Evatt; Don Guzman – Wewitzer; Servant – Farley; Kilmainham – Rock // Olivia – Mrs Goodall [in text: Miss Heard (see 2 Sept.)]; Viletta – Miss Fontenelle.] Prologue spoken by R. Palmer.

Saturday 13 HAY

COMMENT. 3rd piece [1st time; F 2, by Charles Stuart, "from the Spanish"; on 2 Sept. reduced to 1 act. Prologue by the author (see text)]. "The Piece, we understand, was originally founded on some topics that have of late engrossed the conversation of much of the fashionable world... The Lord Chamberlain thought [it] too delicate a nature to appear with the allusions and title it then bore, She would be a Duchess. The consequence was that the offensive bits were expunged and the piece re-christened... It would be unfair to make any observations... in the mutilated state it was presented" (Public Advertiser, 15 Aug.). "Some part of the plot was supposed to allude to the late occurrences in the family of General [John] Gunning, who was indulged with the privilege of erasing [from the MS] that which he disliked, and who reduced it to its present feeble and unconnected form" (Gazetteer, 15 Aug.). [The reference in the original title is to the simultaneous flirtation of Miss Elizabeth Gunning, the General's daughter, with the eldest sons of the Dukes of Marlborough and Argyll (see DNB, under Susannah Gunning). MS of She would be a Duchess: Larpent 915.]

THE SURRENDER OF CALAIS. As 30 July. Also THE LIAR. Sir James Monday 15 Elliot – R. Palmer; Old Wilding – Aickin; Young Wilding – Palmer; Papillion – HAY Burton // Miss Godfrey – Miss Heard; Miss Grantham – Mrs Brooks; Kitty – Miss Hale.

THE BATTLE OF HEXHAM. As 8 June, but Marquis of Montague – Cubitt; La Varenne – Evatt; Prince of Wales – Miss Kemble (1st appearance on any stage); Drummer – Chapman // Adeline – Miss Heard (1st appearance in that character); added: Goodman Hobbs – Rock; Rasher – Burton; to Robbers – Bannister, Davies // to Villagers – Mrs Bland, Mrs Powell, Miss Hale, Mrs Edwin. Also The Northern Inn; or, The Days of Good Queen Bess. Characters by R. Palmer, Wilson, Evatt, Bannister Jun., Wewitzer, Abbott // Miss Fontenelle, Mrs Taylor.

Tuesday 16 HAY

