Wednesday 27
THE EARL OF ESSEX. Earl of Southampton - Adcock; Lord Burleigh - Martin;
Sir Walter Raleigh - Maffet; Essex - Wilkinson // Queen Elizabeth - Mrs Sidney;
Countess of Nottingham - Mrs Sincock; Rutland - A Young Lady (1st appearance on any stage [unidentified]). Also THE CITIZEN. Young Philpot - Wilkinson // Maria - The Lady who performs Rutland.

MONOLOGUE. End of mainpiece Collins's Ode on the Passions by Wilkinson.

COMMENT. By Permission of the Lord Chamberlain. Benefit for a Widow. Tickets delivered for the 25th will be admitted. The Doors to be opened at 5:30. To begin at 6:30.

Thursday 28 ROMEO AND JULIET. As 25 Apr., but Romeo – Wroughton. Also THE DL PRIZE. As 10 Mar.

SINGING. As 25 Apr., but omitted: Miss De Camp.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: In Act II a Masquerade Scene. "Neither in conception nor in power is [Mrs Jordan] adequate to the character... This play has not often been so ill performed in a London theatre as it was on this evening" (Monthly Mirror, May 1796, p. 50). Receipts: £231 81. (162/14/6; 67/15/6; 0/18/0).

CG THE WAY TO GET MARRIED. As 14 Apr., but Miss Mansel in place of Miss Wallis. Also LOCK AND KEY. As 26 Apr. COMMENT. Receipts: £181 35. (176/7; 4/16).

Friday 29

HAMLET. Claudius - Packer; Hamlet - Wroughton; Polonius - Dodd (1st appearance in that character); Horatio - Whitfield; Laertes - C. Kemble; Rosencrantz - Caulfield; Guildenstern - Trueman; Osrick (for that night only) - Bannister Jun.; Marcellus - Benson; Bernardo - Phillimore; Ghost of Hamlet's father - Bensley; Players - Maddocks, Hollingsworth; 1st Grave-digger - King (1st appearance in that character); 2nd Grave-digger - Burton // Gertrude - Mrs Siddons (1st appearance in that character [in London]); Ophelia (in which she will introduce an additional Air, lately composed by W. Linley) - Mrs Jordan (1st appearance in that character [in London]); Actress - Miss Tidswell. Also The Wedding Day. As 26 Apr.

MONOLOGUE. End of mainpiece a Serio-Comic, Poetic, Prosaic Paraphrase on

Shakespeare's Seven Ages by King.

COMMENT. Benefit for King. [Mrs Siddons's 1st appearance as Gertrude was at Liverpool, 23 July 1777; Mrs Jordan's as Ophelia at Richmond, 19 Aug. 1795.]

Morning Herald, 28 Apr.: Tickets to be had of King, No. 56, Store-street, Bedford-square; 30 Apr.: The dresses [in Hamlet] were all modern. Receipts: £498 175. 6d. (284/11/6; 55/9/0; 2/5/0; tickets: 156/12/0) (charge: £232 75. 6d.).

THE WOODMAN. Sir Walter Waring – Quick; Capt. O'Donnel – Johnstone; Fairlop – Bowden; Medley – Townsend; Bob – Haymes; Ralph – Linton; Welford – Incledon // Dolly – Mrs Martyr; Bridget – Mrs Watts; Miss Di Clacket – Mrs Davenport; Polly – Miss Standen; Emily – Mrs Mountain. Also The Prisoner At Large. Muns – Fawcett; Jack Connor – Macready; Lord Edmond – Toms; Frill – Farley; Father Frank – Davenport; Trap – Powel; Count Fripon – Rees; Phelim – Ledger; Dowdle – Munden // Rachael – Mrs Townsend; Mary – Mrs Fawcett; Adelaide – Miss Chapman.

SINGING. End of Act 1 of mainpiece The Storm by Incledon; End of mainpiece a Grand Harmonic Selection, with Admiral Benhow by Incledon; The Sailor Boy cap'ring on Shore by Fawcett; O bring me wine by Bowden; The Land of Potatoes by Johnstone; The Group of Lovers; or, Beauty at her Levee by Munden; Old Towler by Incledon.

