ABROAD AND AT HOME. As 21 Nov. Also LOVERS' QUARRELS. Sancho – Fawcett; Don Carlos – Holman; Lopez – Munden; Don Lorenzo – Claremont; Don Alvarez – Davenport; Don Felix – Thompson // Angelina – Miss Chapman; Isabella – Mrs Platt; Jacintha – Mrs Mattocks; Leonora – Mrs Pope. COMMENT. Receipts: £126 35. 6d. (121/10/0; 4/13/6).

Saturday 17

L'AMOR FRA LE VENDEMMIE. As 6 Dec. DANCING. As 13 Dec. throughout.

King's

THE LONDON MERCHANT. As 12 Dec. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 10 Dec.

Monday 19

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DANCING. End of mainpiece The Scotch Gbost, as 12 Nov., but omitted from Fanny: Hornpipe.

COMMENT. Receipts: £243 75. (184/10; 55/6; 3/11).

ZARA. Lusignan – Murray; Osman – Hargrave; Nerestan – Middleton (Act I only), read by Davenport (remainder of play); Orasmin – Macready; Chatillon – Hull; Melidor – Thompson // Selima – Miss Chapman; Zara – Mrs Pope. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON; or, The Chace to Gretna. Principal Vocal Parts. Incledon, Townsend, Linton, Gray, Street, Blurton, Tett, J. Linton, Lee, Philipps, &c., Masters Woodham, Platt, Goodwin, Paul, Ramage, Speare, Bernard // Mrs Henley, Mrs Castelle, Miss Burnett, Miss Leserve, Miss Walcup, Miss Owen, Mrs Masters, Mrs Watts, Miss Gray, &c. Principal Pantomime Characters. Simpson, Follett, Delpini, Hawtin, Simmons, Powers, Wilde, Abbot, Thompson, Lee, Rayner, Cranfield, Claremont, Curties, Lewiss, Davies, &c. // Mlle St. Amand, Mrs Gilbert, Mrs Norton, Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Blurton, &c., and the Fantoccini, executed by Marinelli. [Cast from Airs (T. N. Longman, 1796): Postman – Townsend; Lieutenant – Linton; Gypsies – Gray, Street, &c.; Oberon – Miss Gray; Harlequin – Simpson; Clown – Follett; Lover – Delpini; Father – Hawtin; Lover's Servant – Simmons // Old Gypsey – Mrs Henley; Colombine – Mlle St. Amand. No other parts assigned.]

COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 6 years [acted 7 Oct. 1791]. "Middleton, after performing the first scene of Nerestan, retired abruptly into the wardrobe, pulled off his coat, and telling the dresser he should be back in ten minutes, left the theatre; he did not return, however, according to his appointment, and Davenport read the remainder of the character: a fit of insanity is supposed to have seized him" (*Monthly Mirror*, Jan. 1797, p. 55). [Middleton did not appear on the stage again until 27 Feb. 1797.]

Afterpiece [1st time; P 2(?), by James Wild and John Follett. MS of Songs only: Larpent 1148; synopsis of action in *Pocket Magazine*, Dec. 1796, p. 412]: With entire new Scenery, Machinery, Music, Dresses and other Decorations. The Overture and Music by Reeve. The Scenery painted by Phillips, Blackmore, Hollogan, Thorne, Byrn, &c. The Machinery, Trick and Changes of Scenery invented and executed by Cresswell and Sloper. The Dresses by Dick, Mrs Egan, &c. Books of the Songs to be had at the Theatre. "Among the changes are a trunk into a gingerbread nut-man's wheel-barrow—a poor man's hut into an old oak, with a group of Gypsies boiling their kettle under it—one of the clowns into a thick candle, and the candle afterwards into a green-house tub, with a large shrub in it" (*Oracle*, 20 Dec.). Receipts: £193 55. 6d. (183/4/6; 10/1/0).

THE CONSCIOUS LOVERS. Sir John Bevil - Packer; Mr Sealand - Aickin; Young Bevil - Kemble; Myrtle - Wroughton; Cimberton - King; Humphrey - Maddocks; Tom - Bannister Jun.; Daniel - Suett // Mrs Sealand - Mrs Booth; Isabella - Miss Tidswell; Indiana - Miss Farren; Lucinda - Miss Heard; Phillis - Miss Mellon. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 10 Dec., but omitted: Miss De Camp.

Tuesday 20 DL



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SINGING. In Act II of mainpiece a song by Master Welsh.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted these 12 years. Receipts: £136 91. (93/3/6; 42/9/6; 0/16/0).

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THE DRAMATIST. As 23 Sept., but Neville - Toms. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 19 Dec.

COMMENT. Receipts: £174 15s. 6d. (149/9/0; 25/6/6).

King's

The 1st Act of L'AMOR FRA LE VENDEMMIE. Cast not listed, but see 6 Dec. Also IL CONSIGLIO IMPRUDENTE. Principal Characters by Viganoni, Morelli, Rovedino // Sga Fabrizzi. [Cast from Larpent MS 1147: Lindoro - Viganoni; Filiberto - Morelli; Brunella - Rovedino; Riccardo - De Giovanni // Giannina – Sga Fabrizzi; Costanza – Sga Salimbeni; Rosina – Sga Pastorelli.] DANCING. End of 1st piece Peggy's Love [performers not listed, but see 6 Dec.]; End of 2nd piece L'Amour et Psiché [performers not listed, but see 13 Dec.].

COMMENT. 2nd piece [1st time]: A new Comic Opera in one act; the Music entirely new, and composed here by Bianchi. The Poetry by Da Ponte.

Wednesday 21 THE DISTRESS'D MOTHER. Orestes - A Young Gentleman (1st appearance [Faulkner]); Pyrrhus - Palmer; Phoenix - Packer; Pylades - Barrymore // Andromache - Mrs Powell; Cephisa - Miss Tidswell; Hermione - Mrs Siddons; Cleone -Miss Mellon. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 10 Dec., but Miss Mellon in place of Miss De Camp.

DANCING. End of mainpiece The Scotch Ghost, as 14 Dec., but omitted from Fanny: Hornpipe.

COMMENT. [Faulkner is identified in MS list in Kemble playbills of new performers for this season.] Receipts: £185 19s. (117/6; 63/17; 4/16).

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THE SUSPICIOUS HUSBAND. Ranger – Lewis; Strickland – Murray; Jack Meggot - Macready; Bellamy - Toms; Tester - Townsend; Buckle - Farley; Frankly - Holman // Mrs Strickland - Miss Chapman; Lucetta - Mrs Mattocks; Jacintha - Miss Mansel; Milliner - Mrs Watts; Clarinda - Mrs Pope. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 19 Dec.

COMMENT. Receipts: £205 16s. 6d. (183/6/0; 22/10/6).

Thursday 22 DI.

THE PROVOK'D HUSBAND. As 22 Nov., but omitted: James, Poundage, Constable, Servant. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 21 Dec. DANCING. As 21 Dec.

COMMENT. [Mainpiece in place of THE COUNTRY GIRL, advertised on playbill of 21 Dec.] Receipts: £166 12s. (109/4/6; 53/16/6; 3/11/0).

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THE MYSTERIES OF THE CASTLE. Hillario - Lewis; Fractioso - Quick; Montauban - Incledon; Carlos - Pope; Valoury - Munden; Cloddy - Fawcett; Count Montoni - Toms; Bernardo - Macready // Annette - Mrs Mattocks; Constantia - Mrs Mountain; Julia - Miss Mansel. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 19 Dec.

COMMENT. Receipts: £252 19s. (238/10/6; 14/8/6).

Friday 23 DL

THE GAMESTER. As 6 Oct., but Beverley – Barrymore; Lewson – C. Kemble; Dawson - Phillimore; Waiter - Webb. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 21 Dec. COMMENT. Receipts: £91 14s. 6d. (60/11/6; 27/9/6; 3/13/6).

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ABROAD AND AT HOME. As 21 Nov., but omitted: Linton, Gray, Street. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 19 Dec. COMMENT. Receipts: £220 13s. (207/16; 12/17).

