Thursday 19 DL COMMENT. [Miss D'Evelyn is identified in MS list in Kemble playbills of new performers for this season.] Complaints having been made of the Box-Keepers and Door Keepers of this Theatre applying for Christmas Boxes, it is requested by the Proprietors that no such Application may be attended to; and any person belonging to the Theatre persevering in the Practice will be immediately discharged. Receipts: £197 15. 6d. (133/8/6; 61/11/6; 2/1/6).

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ABROAD AND AT HOME. As 3 Jan. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 3 Jan.

COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. Receipts: £481 151. (476/12; 5/3).

Friday 20 DL THEODOSIUS; or, The Force of Love. Theodosius – Barrymore; Varanes – Kemble; Marcian – Whitfield; Lucius – Trueman; Atticus – Packer; Leontine – Aickin; Aranthes – Holland // Pulcheria – Mrs Powell; Athenais – Mrs Siddons; Marina – Miss De Camp; Flavilla – Miss Leak; Julia – Miss Heard; Delia – Miss Tidswell. Also ROBINSON CRUSOE. As 13 Jan. SINGING. Mainpiece: Vocal Parts by Dignum, Sedgwick, Cooke, Wentworth, Maddocks, Welsh, Grimaldi, Evans, J. Fisher, Gregson, Tett // Mmes Butler, Maddocks, Granger, Roffey, Gawdry, Benson, Menage, &c.

"In the scene where Varanes kills himself, Kemble . . . was peculiarly striking. His manner of sheathing the sword in his body, after he has exclaimed, 'I feel the art'ry where the life-blood lies! It heaves against the point!—Now—Oh ye gods!' astonished us; and we turned, with horror, from the sight" (Monthly Visitor, Feb. 1797, p. 161). "I asked [Mrs Siddons] in which part she would most wish me to see her? She named Portia in the Merchant of Venice; but I begged to be excused . . . Mrs Siddons's warmest devotees do not hold her above a demigoddess in comedy. I have chosen Athenais; . . . her scorn is admirable" (Walpole [15 Jan. 1788], XIV, 42). Receipts: £231 9s. (175/2; 54/14; 1/13).

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A CURE FOR THE HEART ACHE. As 18 Jan. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 3 Jan.
COMMENT. Receipts: £431 125. (426/6; 5/6).

Saturday 21 DL THEODOSIUS. As 20 Jan. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 10 Dec. 1796, but Maddocks in place of Phillimore. SINGING. As 20 Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £214 10s. 6d. (143/0/0; 68/3/0; 3/7/6).

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A CURE FOR THE HEART ACHE. As 18 Jan. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 3 Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £405 151. (400/17; 4/18).

King's EVELINA. As 10 Jan.

DANCING. As 17 Jan. throughout.

Monday 23 DL THEODOSIUS. As 20 Jan., but omitted: Julia, Delia. Also ROBINSON CRUSOE. As 13 Jan., but omitted from ACT II: Principal Dancers.

DANCING. As 21 Dec. 1796.

SINGING. As 20 Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £260 31. 6d. (201/17/0; 54/18/6; 3/8/0).

CG A CURE FOR THE HEART ACHE. As 18 Jan. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 3 Jan.

COMMENT. Receipts: £428 6s. 6d. (423/11/6; 4/15/0).



Monday 23

THE BATTLE OF EDDINGTON; or, British Liberty. Principal Characters by Egerton, Meredith, Morton, Master Sincock, Holmes, Evans, Brent, Wilkinson // Mrs Sincock, Mrs Sidney. [Partial cast adjusted from Morning Herald, 30 Mar. 1796: Alfred – Egerton; Ceoluph – Wilkinson // Elsitha – Mrs Sidney. Text (Elmsley [et al], 1796) lists the other parts: Mervin (Alfred's dependent, Prince of South Wales), Ethelred (General of the English), Danish Captain of Auxiliaries, Ceoluph's vassal, Edmund (Son and Heir of Alfred, then very young) // Editha (An Old Woman inhabiting the Cottage).] Prologue spoken by Wilkinson. Also WAYS AND MEANS. Sir David Dunder – Baker; Young Random – Egerton; Scruple – Holmes; Old Random – Brent; Carney – Wilson; Paul Peery – Jones; Tiptoe – Meredith // Lady Dunder – Mrs Sincock; Harriet – Mrs Brent; Kitty – A Young Lady [unidentified].

SINGING. Mainpiece: Vocal Parts by Denman, Walker, Willoughby, Master Willoughby, Master Woodham // Mrs Laver, A Young Lady [probably Miss Jones (see 10 May)].

MONOLOGUE. End of mainpiece The Picture of a Playhouse; or, Bucks have at ye all by Meredith.

COMMENT. By Authority of the Lord Chamberlain. Mainpiece: 2nd Time [see 28 Mar. 1796. Prologue by the author (see text)]. The Music composed by Callcott.

The Doors to be opened at 5:30. To begin at 6:30. Boxes 5s. Pit 3s. Gallery 2s. Upper Gallery 1s. Tickets to be had of Wilkinson, No. 16, Lisle-street, Leicestersquare. Books of the Tragedy to be had at the Theatre.

THE RIVALS. As 8 Nov. 1796, but Coachman – Maddocks; added: Servants – Tuesday 24
Banks, Webb, Evans // Maid – Miss Tidswell. Also THE SHIPWRECK. DL
As 21 Jan.
COMMENT. Receipts: £162 51. (106/3/6; 52/10/0; 3/11/6).

A CURE FOR THE HEART ACHE. As 18 Jan. Also HARLEQUIN AND CO OBERON. As 3 Jan., but omitted from *Principal Vocal Parts*: J. Linton, Lee. COMMENT. Receipts: £391 151. (385/13; 6/2).

EVELINA. As 10 Jan. King's DANCING. End of Act I Les Délassements Militaires [performers not listed, but see 17 Jan.]; End of Opera L'Amour et Psiché, as 20 Dec. 1796.

THE PROVOK'D HUSBAND. As 22 Dec. 1796. Also No SONG NO SUPPER. Wednesday 25
As 19 Jan.

DANCING. As 21 Dec. 1796.

COMMENT. Receipts: £226 55. 6d. (155/13/6; 66/2/0; 4/10/0).

FORTUNE'S FOOL. As 8 Nov. 1796, but Toms in place of Middleton; omitted Wilde, Curties. Epilogue as 29 Oct. 1796. Also HARLEQUIN AND OBERON. As 29 Dec. 1796, but added: The Storm by Incledon; omitted from Principal Vocal Parts: J. Linton, Lee, Philipps.

COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. Receipts: £468 6s. 6d. (458/0/6; 10/6/0).

THEODOSIUS. As 20 Jan. Also THE SHIPWRECK. As 21 Jan.

DANCING. As 21 Dec. 1796.

SINGING. As 20 Jan.

Characteristics of the Shipwreck. As 21 Jan.

DL

COMMENT. [Afterpiece in place of ROBINSON CRUSOE, advertised on playbill of 25 Jan.] Receipts: £230 9s. 6d. (162/11/0; 61/19/0; 5/19/6).

