COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Martyr. [In 1st piece the playbill retains Mrs Martyr as Dolly, but "Dolly was undertaken, at a short notice, by Mrs Chapman, upon the sudden indisposition of Mrs Martyr" (Monthly Mirror, June 1800, p. 366). "In consequence of Mrs Martyr's accouchement . . . the part of Dolly was sustained by Miss Sims" (Dramatic Censor, II, 140).] 2nd piece [1st time; M.INTI, author unknown. MS not in Larpent; not published]: To conclude with a Representation of the Storming the City of Acre by the French [17 Mar.-20 May 1799], and the Heroic Defence made by the Turkish Troops led on by the British Sailors [under the command of Sir Sidney Smith]. Morning Chronicle, 23 Apr.: Tickets to be had of Mrs Martyr, No. 16, Martlett-court, Bow-street, Covent Garden. Receipts: £333 4s. 6d. (118/3/6; 11/16/6; tickets: 203/4/6).

A BOLD STROKE FOR A WIFE. As 15 Apr. Also MY GRANDMOTHER. Thursday 8 As 13 Nov. 1799. DL

COMMENT. The New Comedy of INDISCRETION [advertised on playbill of 7 May] is obliged to be deferred till Saturday next, on account of the indisposition of a principal performer. Receipts: £104 12s. (59/19; 44/6; 0/7).

THE GOOD-NATURED MAN. As 22 Apr., but omitted: Butler. Also PAUL CG AND VIRGINIA. As I May. DANCING. As 3 May. SINGING. As 3 May.

COMMENT. By Command of Their Majesties. Receipts: £333 6s. 6d. (313/7/6; 19/19/0).

I ZINGARI IN FIERA. AS 11 Jan.

DANCING. Between the Acts a Divertisement (1st time) [performers not listed]; End of Opera a Grand Fairy Ballet in 2 acts, Laura et Lenza; ou, Le Troubadour, by all the principal Dancers [see 28 June].

COMMENT. Benefit for Mme Hilligsberg. Tickets to be had of Mme Hilligsberg, No. 43, Gerrard-street, Soho. 2nd ballet [1st time]: Composed by Didelot, the music by Bossi. With new Scenes, Dresses and Decorations. The Public are respectfully informed that a Programme of the Ballet may be had at the doors.

DE MONTFORT. As 3 May. Prologue, Epilogue as 29 Apr. Also OF AGE Friday 9 TO-MORROW. As 8 Mar. SINGING. As 3 May.

COMMENT. [Afterpiece in place of NO SONG NO SUPPER, advertised on playbill of 8 May.] Receipts: £166 14s. (124/2/0; 41/12/6; 0/19/6).

SPEED THE PLOUGH. As 25 Apr. Also PAUL AND VIRGINIA. As I May. CG DANCING. As 3 May.

SINGING. As 3 May.

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COMMENT. Receipts: £,201 75. 6d. (196/19/6; 4/8/0).

INDISCRETION. Characters by King, Bannister Jun., Barrymore, Talbot, Palmer, Holland, Wewitzer, Wathen, Webb, Evans // Miss Pope, Mrs Jordan, Miss Biggs, Mrs Walcot, Miss Heard, Mrs Coates. [Cast from text (J. Barker, 1800), and Larpent MS 1293: Sir Marmaduke Maxim - King; Burly - Bannister Jun.; Clermont - Barrymore; Algernon - Talbot; Frederic - Palmer; Gaylove - Holland; Lounge - Wewitzer; Thomas - Wathen; Francis - Webb; John - Evans // Victoria -Miss Pope; Julia - Mrs Jordan; Fanny - Miss Biggs; Mrs Goodly - Mrs Walcot; Laura - Miss Heard; Betty - Mrs Coates.] Prologue spoken by Talbot. Epilogue spoken by Miss Biggs. Also THE LIAR. As 5 Apr.

SINGING. [not listed on playbil]. In mainpiece: I rise with the morn by Mrs Jordan; in Act IV a Glee by Dignum, Trueman, Danby (Dramatic Censor, II, 169, 171).

DL

Saturday 10 DL

Wednesday 7

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Saturday 10 DL COMMENT. Mainpiece [1st time; C5, by Prince Hoare. Prologue by Richard Cumberland; Epilogue by John Taylor (see text)]. Receipts: £220 161. 6d. (163/9/0; 56/6/6; 1/1/0).

CG

THE SCHOOL FOR WIVES. Belville – Holman; General Savage – Munden; Leeson – H. Johnston; Torrington – Emery; Capt. Savage – Whitfield; Spruce – Farley; Conolly – Betterton (1st appearance in that character) // Mrs Belville – Mrs Pope; Lady Rachael Mildew – Mrs Davenport; Miss Leeson – Miss Sims; Miss Walsingham – Mrs Glover, late Miss Betterton. Also THE HONEST THIEVES. As 25 Oct. 1799, but Ruth – Miss Mills; omitted: Servant, Bailiffs. Also THE SOLDIER'S FESTIVAL. As 23 Apr., but omitted: Irish Song, Adjutants, Serjeant Adair, Aid-de-camp.

VAUDEVILLE. End of 1st piece Black Ey'd Susan by Incledon. After which W bims & Fancies; or, Patches from Harlequin's Jacket (an Entertainment, both Serious and Comic, selected from the best Authors), in which a Variety of Characters will be delineated by Betterton; to conclude with The Bull and Boat; or, Law! Law! Law! After which The Snug [i.e. Tight] Little Island by Townsend.

COMMENT. Benefit for Betterton. 1st piece: Not acted these 6 years [acted 22 May 1797]. Receipts: £206 155. (89/10; 5/15; tickets: 111/10).

- King's ALESSANDRO E TIMOTEO. As 6 May. DANCING. As 19 Apr. throughout.
- Monday 12 DL THE INCONSTANT; or, The Way to Win Him. Old Mirable (1st time) – Dowton; Young Mirable – Talbot; Captain Duretete – Bannister Jun.; Dugard – Trueman; Petit – De Camp // Oriana – Miss Biggs; Bisarre – Mrs Jordan; Lamorce – Miss Tidswell. Also THE PANNEL. As 27 Mar.

SINGING. In afterpiece The Blue Bell of Scotland by Mrs Jordan, accompanied by her on the Lute.

COMMENT. Benefit for Mrs Jordan. Receipts: £597 25. 6d. (264/4/6; 52/17/0; 4/10/0; tickets: 275/11/0) (charge: £201 155. 1d.).

CG

LIBERAL OPINIONS. Principal Characters by Lewis, Munden, Fawcett, H. Johnston, Murray, Farley, Emery, Simmons, Rees, Wilde, Atkins, Abbot, Curties // Miss Chapman, Mrs Davenport, Mrs Mills, Miss Mills, Mrs Whitmore, Miss Murray. [Cast from text of THE SCHOOL FOR PREJUDICE (T. N. Longman and O. Rees, 1801): Frank Liberal – Lewis; Old Liberal – Munden; Ephraim – Fawcett; Mildmay – H. Johnston; Counsellor Friendly – Murray; Squire Chace – Farley; John Grouse – Emery; Parchment – Simmons; Bailiff – Rees; Take – Wilde; Touch – Atkins; Tap – Abbot; Servant – Curties // Mrs Howard – Miss Chapman; Miss Liberal – Mrs Davenport; Fanny Liberal – Mrs Mills; Jenny – Miss Mills; Rachel – Mrs Whitmore; Marian – Miss Murray.] Prologue spoken by Mansel. Also PAUL AND VIRGINIA. As I May. Also THE HORSE AND THE WIDOW. As 18 Oct. 1799. DANCING. As I May.

SINGING. As I May.

COMMENT. Ist piece [Ist time; C3, by Thomas John Dibdin. In 1801 expanded by the author to 5 acts, and entitled THE SCHOOL FOR PREJUDICE. Author of Prologue unknown.]. Receipts: £205 175. 6d. (202/10/0; 3/7/6).

Tuesday 13 DL INDISCRETION. As 10 May, but omitted: Mrs Coates. Prologue as 10 May. Epilogue omitted [and thereafter]. Also LODOISKA. As 1 Jan., but Gustavus – Chippendale; Kera Khan – Barrymore; Ithorak – Dignum; Camazin – Clarke // Princess Lodoiska – Mrs Crouch; omitted from Horde: Fisher. COMMENT. Receipts: £219 16s. (139/11/0; 79/11/6; 0/13/6).

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