

- Thursday 28*
CG THE UNHAPPY FAVOURITE; or, The Earl of Essex. Essex – Lee; Burleigh – Sparks; Southampton – Ridout; Raleigh – Anderson; Rutland – Mrs Vincent; Nottingham – Mrs Ridout; Queen Elizabeth – Mrs Horton. Also PERSEUS AND ANDROMEDA. As 23 Nov.
COMMENT. Not acted these seven years. [But see 26 Dec. 1744.] Receipts: £97 6s. 6d.
- Friday 29*
DL THE BUSY BODY. As 16 Sept., but Sir Jealous – Bridges. Also A DUKE AND NO DUKE. As 26 Dec.
SINGING. By Master Mattocks.
DANCING. *Savoyard Travellers*, as 10 Nov.
COMMENT. Mrs Auretti danc'd first since she hurt her leg (Cross). Receipts: £40 (Cross); £47 6s. (Treasurer's Book).
- CG THE MERRY WIVES. As 6 Dec., but Shallow – Collins; Slender – Bennet. Also PERSEUS AND ANDROMEDA. As 23 Nov.
COMMENT. Receipts: £108 4s.
- Saturday 30*
DL MACBETH. As 17 Oct., but Witch – Shuter in place of Neale; Hecate omitted; Mrs Clive omitted from Vocals. Also THE ANATOMIST. As 1 Dec., but add Old Gerald – Shuter; Beatrice – Mrs Bennet.
COMMENT. Paid Mr Spencer writing Music for *Chaplet* £6 8s. 6d.; Salary list £254 7s. 11d.; Norton 4 chorus singers £1; Mrs Hobson a bill 10s. 5d. (Treasurer's Book). Receipts: £100 (Cross); £105 9s. 6d. (Treasurer's Book).
- CG THE CONSTANT COUPLE. As 21 Nov., but Tom, Constable, Lady Darling, and Parley not listed. Also PERSEUS AND ANDROMEDA. As 23 Nov.
COMMENT. Receipts: £132 14s.

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- Monday 1*
DL THE TEMPEST; or, The In enchanted Island. Prospero – Bridges; Ferdinand – King; Trincalo – Yates; Hippolito – Mrs Willoughby; Caliban – Blakes; Stephano – Shuter; Mustachio – James; Ventoso – Ray; Sycorax – Taswell; Miranda – Miss Cole; Dorinda – Mrs Green; Ariel – Mrs Clive (with Proper Songs). With *Decorations*, particularly: *A Dance of Aerial Spirits* by Mlle Mariet, Miss Baker, Mrs Shawford, and Mrs L'Font. *A Dance of Winds* by Macneale, Shawford, Pelling and Master Shawford. *A Grand Dance of Fantastic Spirits* in the shapes of four Demons, four Monsters, and four Pigmies. Infernals by Reinhold and Bennet. The whole to conclude with the *Masque* of Neptune and Amphitrite. Neptune – Beard; Amphitrite – Miss Norris. Also THE ANATOMIST. As 30 Dec. 1749.
COMMENT. With proper scenes, Machines, &c. [This is the Dryden-Davenant version.] Paid G. Garrick balance of his bill £6 13s.; Christmas Box to y^e Beadle 3s. 6d.; Mr Norton 5 chorus £1 5s.; Xmas Jury £1 1s.; Mr Madden for an Embroidered Coat and a velvet suit of Cloaths £12 (Treasurer's Book). [This month was published *A Dissertation on Comedy* (by John Hippisley, Jr) in which the Rise and Progress of that Species of the Drama is particularly considered and deduced from the earliest to the present age. By a Student of Oxford. Printed for T. Lowndes (*Gentleman's Magazine*, Register of Books). The "Student of Oxford" seems to have been a Garrick apologist in the extreme: "But whatever reason there may have been formerly for this complaint [the immorality of the stage] since Mr Garrick's management the Stage is become the school of manners and morality: Ribaldry