

- Thursday 26**
DL THE RECRUITING OFFICER. Plume – Palmer; Brazen – King; Justice Balance – Havard; Worthy – Packer; Serjent Kite – Bransby; Bullock – Moody; Welsh Collier – Baddeley; Recruits – Parsons and Messink; Lucy – Mrs Love; Rose – Miss Reynolds; Melinda – Mrs Reddish; Sylvia – Mrs Dancer. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct.
DANCING. II: *The Gardners Holiday*, as 20 Nov.
COMMENT. Mainpiece: Not acted in 3 years. [See 18 May 1765.]
- CG LOVE IN A VILLAGE. As 13 Nov., but Margery – Mrs Baker; Eustace – Dyer. Also THE OXONIAN IN TOWN. As 7 Nov., but *Prologue* and *Epilogue* omitted.
DANCING. II: *New Comic Dance* by Arnauld and Miss Valois.
COMMENT. Paid Colman the clear receipt of last Monday Night for the *Oxonian*, and the Alterations of *The Rehearsal* and *King Lear*, £230 6s. 6d. (Account Book). Receipts: £182 2s. (Account Book).
- Friday 27**
DL THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE. As 30 Oct., but Lovewell – Cautheryly. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct.
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Desire.
- CG THE WONDER. Felix – Powell, 1st time; Briton – Smith; Lopez – Bennet; Pedro – Morris; Gibby – Shuter; Lissardo – Woodward, 1st time; Frederick – Gardner; Isabella – Mrs Mattocks; Flora – Mrs Pitt; Inis – Mrs Green; Violante – Miss Macklin. Also MIDAS. As 27 Oct.
DANCING. II: *The Female Archer*, as 29 Oct.; IV: *The Merry Sailors*, as 9 Oct.
COMMENT. Don Felix pretty well by Powell. . . . Lissardo inimitably by Woodward (the first time these 9 years). Read his part and that of Gibby. The play on the whole was pretty well performed. Baker does Beard's part in *Midas*. His not acting is a great loss to the public, as he was inimitable in some things. Stood in the well all night (Neville MS Diary). Receipts: £163 4s. (Account Book).
- Saturday 28**
DL THE PLAIN DEALER. Plain Dealer – Holland; Freeman – Palmer; Novel – King; Lord Plausible – Parsons; Major Oldfox – Love; Vernish – Packer; Jeremy Blackacre – Weston, 1st time; Quillett – Baddeley; Oakam – Moody; Fidelia – Mrs Jeffries, 1st time; Olivia – Mrs Pope; Eliza – Miss Reynolds; Widow Blackacre – Mrs Clive. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct.
- CG JANE SHORE. As 16 Oct. Also THE IRISH FINE LADY. Parts by Macklin, Dyer, Woodward, Dunstall, Morris, Cushing, Barrington, Quick, Wignell, Mrs Green, Mrs Pitt, Mrs Evans, Miss Helm, Miss Macklin. *Prologue* by Macklin. [Murrough O'Dogherty – Macklin; Count Mushroom – Woodward; Hamilton – Dyer; Fitzmongrel – Dunstall; Major – Morris; Mrs O'Dogherty – Miss Macklin; Catty Farrel – Mrs Pitt; Lady Kinnegad – Mrs Green; Lady Bab Frightful – Mrs Evans; Mrs Gazette – Miss Helm; Mrs Jolly – Mrs White (Genest, v, 188, and Kirkman, *Memoirs of Macklin* (1799 ed.) II, pp. 1-2. The Larpent MS lists three newsmen in addition, and shows the original title "The Trueborn Irishman."]
DANCING. End of Play: *The Dutch Milkmaid*, as 14 Nov.
COMMENT. [*Theatrical Monitor*, No VI appeared this day with a blast, in the form of an occasional *Epilogue*, at the morals, language and plan of the *Oxonian in Town*. This was the first performance of Macklin's afterpiece in London. It had been played in Dublin. "Its curious idiom, half-brogue, and half Cockney, puzzled the audience, as did its highly topical Irish allusions. With his usual candor, Macklin observed: 'I believe the audience are right. (The play was withdrawn after this single performance.) There's a geography in humor as well as in morals, which I had not previously considered—'" Cooke, *Macklin*, p. 270. According to Kirkman, in his curtain speech Macklin "courageously admitted: 'Ladies and Gentlemen, I am very sensible that there are several passages in this play which deserve to

- be probated and I assure you that they shall never offend your ears again! As soon as Mr Macklin had finished this address, the audience testified their approbation of his determination, by loud and reiterated plaudits" (Kirkman, *Memoirs of the Life of Macklin*, II, 3). See also *Charles Macklin: An Actor's Life* by William W. Appleton (Cambridge Mass., 1960), p. 141.] Saturday 28
CG
- TIGRANE. *Cast not listed.* See 27 Oct. King's
- TAMERLANE. As 5 Nov., but Dervise – Moody. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct. Monday 30
DL
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire.
- KING RICHARD III. As 7 Nov., but Tressel – Casey. Also THE OXONIAN IN TOWN. As 26 Nov. CG
DANCING. III: *Comic Dance*, as 6 Nov.
COMMENT. Paid Charles Sarjant for the Like sum advanc'd towards the repairs of the Houses in Bow St . . . £110 (Account Book). Receipts: £170 10s. 6d. (Account Book).

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- THE STRATAGEM. Archer – Garrick; Aimwell – Palmer; Sullen – Burton; Boniface – Love; Scrub – Weston; Gibbet – Baddeley; Foigard – Moody; Sir Charles – Aickin; Dorinda – Mrs Reddish; Lady Bountiful – Mrs Cross; Gipse – Mrs Simson; Cherry – Miss Pope; Mrs Sullen – Mrs Dancer. Also THE MOCK DOCTOR. As 18 Nov. Tuesday 1
DL
DANCING. IV: *The Gardners Holiday*, as 20 Nov.
COMMENT. *The Stratagem* not acted for 3 years. Archer not acted by Garrick for 5 years. [See 20 May 1766, and 13 Oct. 1762.] I had not time to dine, Garrick being to play. Tho' I got into the Pit 15 minutes past 4, oblig'd to stand in the well. . . . Scrub very well by Weston. . . . The play was very well performed. The Doctor very well done by Love (Neville MS Diary).
- LOVE IN A VILLAGE. As 26 Nov. Also THE ROYAL CHACE. As 19 Nov. CG
DANCING. II: *Comic Dance*, as 24 Oct.
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. Receipts: £206 18s. (Account Book).
- TIGRANE. *Cast not listed.* See 27 Oct. King's
COMMENT. The Comic opera is oblig'd to be deferred on account of the sudden indisposition of Sga Guadagni.
- THE RECRUITING OFFICER. As 26 Nov., but Kite – Love. Also HARLEQUIN'S INVASION. As 8 Oct. Wednesday 2
DL
DANCING. I: *Hearts of Oak*, as 22 Oct.; II: *The Lilliputian Camp*.
COMMENT. Mainpiece: By Particular Desire. At 5 went into the Pit to see Love do Kite—like him better than Bransby in that character. End Act II a Pantomime dance by children called the *Lilliputian Camp*: Adjutant by Miss Rogers. J. Palmer did Bounce in *Harlequin's Invasion*, but not as well as Bransby. When King runs off in the Dancer's scene, Rooker comes on, jumps, King not being able, having had his thigh-bone broken 2 years ago (Neville MS Diary).