

September 1780

- Friday 1** SUMMER AMUSEMENT. As 15 June. Also FIRE AND WATER! As 8 July.
HAY DANCING. As 15 June.
- Saturday 2** A WIDOW AND NO WIDOW. As 19 July. Also THE GENIUS OF NONSENSE.
HAY Harlequin, Vocal and Rhetorical – Bannister Jun.; Ditto, Mum! – Lamash; Agreeable Companion in a Post-Chaise – Webb; Landlord – Usher; Dame Turton – Edwin; Goody Burton – Wood; Gammer Gurton – Bannister; Pantaloon – Massey; Clown – Hussey (1st appearance on any stage these 20 years); Head Boy of the Marine Society – Master Edwin; Officer in the Camp – Wood [i. e. doubled Goody Burton]; Attendant – Stevens; Irishman – Egan; Emperor of the Quacks – Bannister Jun. [i.e. doubled Harlequin] // Columbine – Miss Wewitzer; Maid – Miss Wood; Chambermaid – Mrs W. Palmer; Goddess of Health *and* Genius of Nonsense – Mrs Cargill.
DANCING. In afterpiece, by Master and Miss Byrne. [This dance was included in all subsequent performances.]
COMMENT. Afterpiece [1st time; P 1, by George Colman, the elder. His authorship has hitherto been questioned, but for its authentication see Peake, II, 54. MS: Larpent 532; not published]: An Original, Whimsical, Operatical, Pantomimical, Farcical, Electrical, Naval, Military, Temporary, Local Extravaganza. The Overture and new Musick by Dr Arnold. With new Scenes [by Canter (*Public Advertiser*, 5 Sept.)], Dresses and Decorations. The views of the Temple of Health and the Camp in St. James's Park designed and executed by Rooker. Books of the Songs to be had at the Theatre.
- Monday 4** THE SPANISH FRYAR. As 22 Aug. Also THE GENIUS OF NONSENSE.
HAY As 2 Sept.
- Tuesday 5** LOVE FOR LOVE. Valentine – Palmer; Scandal – Bensley; Foresight – Edwin;
HAY Tattle – R. Palmer; Sir Sampson Legend – Usher; Jeremy – Baddeley; Trapland – Barrett; Ben (with a *song* in character [*A soldier and a sailor*]) – Wilson // Miss Prue – Mrs Wilson; Mrs Foresight – Mrs Lloyd; Mrs Frail – Mrs Cuyler; Nurse – Mrs Love; Angelica – Miss Farren. Also HENRY AND EMMA. Henry – Palmer // Venus (with *songs*) – Miss Harper; Emma – Miss Farren. Also THE SON-IN-LAW. As 13 June, but omitted: Stevens, Kenny, Mrs Lefevre.
DANCING. End of 1st piece, as 15 June.
COMMENT. Benefit for Palmer. 1st piece: Never acted here. 2nd piece: Altered from Prior. Never acted here. The Songs and Chorusses composed by Shield.
Tickets to be had of Palmer at his house in Bow-street, Bloomsbury.
- Wednesday 6** THE SUICIDE. As 23 June. Also THE GENIUS OF NONSENSE. As 2 Sept.
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- Thursday 7** THE SPANISH BARBER. As 24 June, but Barrett in place of Wewitzer. Also
HAY THE GENIUS OF NONSENSE. As 2 Sept.
- Friday 8** THE MINOR. Smirk *and* Mrs Cole – Bannister; The Minor – R. Palmer; Shift –
HAY Bannister Jun. [in announcement on playbill of 7 Sept.: 1st appearance in that character]; Sir William Wealthy – Baddeley; Mr Richard Wealthy – Gardner; Loader – Davis; Transfer – Barrett; Dick – Stevens // Lucy – Mrs Jewell. Also THE GENIUS OF NONSENSE. As 2 Sept.