COMMENT. On account of Mrs Jordan's indisposition the new Drama of THE CASTLE-SPECTRE [advertised on playbill of 9 Dec., and originally announced for 2 Dec., but deferred for the same reason] is again obliged to be deferred for a few days. Afterpiece [in place of THE VIRGIN UNMASK'D, advertised on playbill of 9 Dec.]: The Musick by Attwood. Receipts: £237 95. 6d. (173/8/6; 62/13/0; 1/8/0).

Monday 11

FALSE IMPRESSIONS. As 23 Nov. Also THE ROUND TOWER. As 24 Nov. COMMENT. Receipts: £200 115. 6d. (190/18/0; 9/13/6).

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THE SIEGE OF BELGRADE. As 20 Nov., but added: Michael - Hollingsworth; Soldier - Trueman. Also THE PRIZE. As 21 Sept.

COMMENT. Receipts: £91 15. 6d. (49/3/0; 41/0/6; 0/18/0).

Tuesday 12

THE HEIR AT LAW. Daniel Dowlas - Quick; Dick Dowlas - Knight; Doctor Pangloss - Fawcett; Henry Morland - Toms; Stedfast - Murray; Zekiel Homespun - Munden; Kenricke - Johnstone; John - Abbot; Waiters - Simmons, Wilde // Lady Duberly - Mrs Davenport; Caroline Dormer - Miss Mansel; Cicely Homespun (with the original *Epilogue*) - Mrs Gibbs. Also THE ROUND TOWER.

As 24 Nov. COMMENT. By Permission of the Proprietor of the Theatre Royal, Haymarket. [Epilogue by George Colman, the younger.] Receipts: £138 os. 6d. (134/10/6; 3/10/0).

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EVELINA. Principal Characters by Rovedino, Viganoni // Mme Banti. [Cast adjusted from libretto (Da Ponte, 1797): Arviro – Rovedino; Irvino – Viganoni; Vellino – Bonfanti; Modred – Braghetti; Messala – De Giovanni // Evelina – Mme Banti.]

King's

DANCING. As 2 Dec. throughout.

COMMENT. A Serious Opera, with Chorusses. The favourite Trio will be sung in the 2nd Act instead of the 1st Act.

Wednesday 13 DL

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. As 2 Dec., but Gratiano – R. Palmer; Shylock – Archer (from the Theatre Royal, Edinburgh; 1st appearance on this stage). Also THE CITIZEN. As 23 Nov., but Young Wilding – R. Palmer; omitted: Quildrive.

COMMENT. [Afterpiece in place of THE DESERTER, advertised on playbill of 12 Dec.] Receipts: £134 15s. (78/6/0; 53/8/6; 3/0/6).

FALSE IMPRESSIONS. As 23 Nov. Also THE ROUND TOWER. As 24 Nov. CG COMMENT. Receipts: £149 3s. (142/4/6; 6/18/6).

THE CASTLE-SPECTRE. Characters by Barrymore, Wroughton, Kemble, Palmer, Bannister Jun., Aickin, Dowton, Trueman, Davis, Wentworth, Gibbon, Packer, Wathen // Mrs Jordan, Mrs Walcot. [Cast from text (J. Bell, 1798): Osmond – Barrymore; Reginald – Wroughton; Percy – Kemble; Father Philip – Palmer; Motley – Bannister Jun.; Kenric – Aickin; Hassan – Dowton; Saib – Trueman; Muley – Davis; Alaric – Wentworth; Harold – Gibbon; Allan – Packer; Edric – Wathen // Angela – Mrs Jordan; Alice – Mrs Walcot; Evelina ['s Ghost] – Mrs Powell (see 21 May 1798).] Prologue spoken by Wroughton. Epilogue spoken by Mrs Jordan. [These were spoken, as here assigned, at the 1st 9 performances only (see 28 Dec.), but Epilogue again on 21 May 1798.] Also The VIRGIN UNMASK'D. As 9 Nov.

COMMENT. Mainpiece [1st time; MD 5, by Matthew Gregory Lewis; incidental music by Michael Kelly (see 2 Feb. 1798), with one selection from Jomelli. Prologue and Epilogue by the author (*Monthly Mirror*, Dec. 1797, pp. 357–58)]: With new Dresses, Scenery, and Decorations. The Scenery designed by the late Mr Green-

Thursday 14 DL



Thursday 14 DL wood [who died on I Nov.], and executed by his Son, Pugh, and others. Times, 15 Jan. 1798: This day is published THE CASTLE-SPECTRE (2s.). "There is a sufficient number of Ghosts, Hobgoblins, Cells and Trap-doors to serve for a pantomimical exhibition of the most extravagant nature, and the whole may, with no breach of propriety, be termed a Speaking Pantomime, of which Kemble is made the Harlequin and Mrs Jordan the Columbine" (Morning Herald, 16 Dec.). Receipts: £316 18s. 6d. (257/6/6; 58/17/0; 0/15/0).

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MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. As 6 Oct. Also THE ROUND TOWER. As 24 Nov.

DANCING. As 6 Oct.

COMMENT. Receipts: £150 19s. (145/3/6; 5/15/6).

Friday 15 DL THE CASTLE-SPECTRE. As 14 Dec. Also THE SMUGGLERS. As 11 Dec. COMMENT. [Afterpiece in place of BON TON, advertised on playbill of 14 Dec.] Receipts: £204 15s. 6d. (148/3/6; 54/18/0; 1/14/0).

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FALSE IMPRESSIONS. As 23 Nov. Also THE ROUND TOWER. As 24 Nov. COMMENT. Receipts: £105 75. 6d. (100/15/6; 4/12/0).

Saturday 16 DL THE CASTLE-SPECTRE. As 14 Dec. Also THE HUMOURIST. As 28 Sept., but Beaumont – Caulfield.

COMMENT. Receipts: £261 131. (195/11/6; 63/16/6; 2/5/0).

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THE ITALIAN VILLAGERS; or, The Bride Groom. Principal Characters by Quick, Incledon, Munden, Fawcett, Murray, Knight, Hull, Farley, Simmons, Gray // Mrs Mountain, Mrs Clendining, Mrs Henley, Mrs Castelle, Mrs Martyr. [Cast from Airs (T. Rickaby, 1797): Saveall – Quick; Lorenzo – Incledon; Jeremy Maythorn – Munden; Valentine – Fawcett; Duke of Urbino – Murray; Hillary – Knight; Octavio – Hull; Marco – Farley; Premiss – Simmons; Lawyer's Clerk – Gray // Isabel – Mrs Mountain; Lucilla – Mrs Clendining; Rodriga – Mrs Henley; Flora – Mrs Castelle; Annetta – Mrs Martyr.] Also THE ROUND TOWER. As 24 Nov.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: 7th Time [i.e. in continuation of the reckoning for the previous season]. The Overture and the rest of the Music composed and selected by Shield. The Harp by Weippert. Receipts: £118 95. 6d. (112/10/0; 5/19/6).

King's

EVELINA. Cast not listed, but see 12 Dec.

DANCING. With Ariadne and Bacchus [performers not listed, but see 28 Nov.].

Monday 18 DL THE CASTLE-SPECTRE. As 14 Dec., but omitted: Wentworth, Gibbon. Also COMUS. As 24 Nov.

COMMENT. The Fatigue attending the representation of some of the Characters [in THE CASTLE-SPECTRE] renders it impossible to repeat the performance every night in the week. The 5th night will be on Wednesday. Account-Book: Paid One years' House & Window Tax £222 os. 6d. Receipts: £396 5s. (315/9/6; 78/0/6; 2/15/0).

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THE MYSTERIES OF THE CASTLE. Hillario – Lewis; Fractioso – Quick; Montauban – Incledon; Carlos – Pope; Valoury – Munden; Cloddy – Fawcett; Count Montoni – Toms; Bernardo – Clarke; Chorus of Soldiers and Sailors – Linton, Street, Gray, Abbot, Blurton, Little, &c. // Chorus of Country Girls – Miss Wheatley, Miss Sims, Mrs Henley, Mrs Follett, Mrs Watts, Miss Leserve, Mrs Castelle, Mrs Norton, Mrs Gilbert, Mrs Masters, Mrs Lloyd, Miss Walcup, Miss Gray, Miss Burnett, &c.; Annette – Mrs Mattocks; Constantia – Mrs Mountain; Julia – Miss Mansel. Also A DIVERTISEMENT. As 2 Oct. DANCING. As 13 Oct.

COMMENT. Receipts: £144 os. 6d. (130/10/6; 13/10/0).

