THE MESSIAH. Principal Vocal Parts, Leader as 24 Feb.

Friday 2 King's CG

THE FIRST GRAND SELECTION OF SACRED MUSIC FROM THE WORKS OF HANDEL. Principal Vocal Parts as 24 Feb., but omitted: Mrs Addison. Leader, Organ as 24 Feb.

PARTI. Overture (OCCASIONAL ORATORIO). Loathsome urns by Bartleman (TIME AND TRUTH). Great Jebovah's awful word by Mrs Second (ISRAEL IN EGYPT). Lord of eternity by Chorus; Behold the nations by Bartleman; O Baal by Chorus (DEBORAH). Total eclipse by Harrison; O first created beam by Chorus (SAMSON). From mighty Kings by Mrs Billington (JUDAS MACCABAEUS). He gave them bailstones by Chorus (ISRAEL IN EGYPT).

PART II. Overture and Dead March (SAUL). In sweetest barmony by Mrs Billington; O fatal day by Chorus (SAUL). The smiling dawn by Mrs Second (JEPHTHA). Fallen is the foe by Chorus (JUDAS MACCABAEUS). Gentle airs by Harrison (ATHALIA). Then round about the starry throne by Chorus (SAMSON). O worse than death and Angels ever bright and fair by Mrs Billington (THEODORA). Fix'd in his everlasting seat by Chorus (SAMSON).

PART III. Fifth Grand Concerto. Tyrants would by Mrs Billington and Chorus (ATHALIA). Pleasure my former ways by Harrison (TIME AND TRUTH). No more to Ammon's God by Chorus; Te sacred priests and Farewell, ye limpid springs by Mrs Billington (JEPHTHA). He layeth the beams by Bartleman (EZIO). The Lord shall reign by Chorus; For the borse of Pharaob by Harrison; Sing ye to the Lord by Mrs Billington; The borse and his rider by Chorus (ISRAEL IN EGYPT).

THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL. As 11 Oct. 1791, but Sir Benjamin Backbite – Benson. Also THE PANNEL. As 13 Feb., but Leonarda – Miss Tidswell. SINGING. As 27 Sept. 1791.

Saturday 3 DL at King's

COMMENT. Receipts: £217 15s. (176/0; 40/0; 1/15).

THE ROAD TO RUIN. As 18 Feb. Also ROSINA. As 28 Feb., but omitted: C Sweet Bird.

COMMENT. Receipts: £309 7s. 6d. (300/16/6; 8/11/0).

LA LOCANDA. As 28 Feb. DANCING. As 14 Feb. throughout.

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CYMON. As 6 Feb. Also THE MAYOR OF GARRATT. As 27 Feb., but Heeltap – Benson; omitted: Roger.

Monday 5 DL at King's

COMMENT. [Afterpiece in place of THE SULTAN, advertised on playbill of 3 Mar.] Receipts: £255 10s. (205/8; 48/4; 1/6; tickets not come in: 0/12).

THE ROAD TO RUIN. As 18 Feb. Also A DIVERTISEMENT. As 26 Sept. CG

COMMENT. Benefit for the Author [of mainpiece, who is named in the Account-Book, but not on the playbill]. The Public are respectfully informed, that on account of the preparation for the New Theatre [i.e. the alterations in CG, for which see 1792–93], the Great Door in Hart-Street is unavoidably obliged to be shut up for the remainder of the Season. Receipts: £289 175. 6d. (284/1/0; 5/16/6; tickets: none listed) (charge: £105).

KING LEAR. King Lear – Kemble; Duke of Burgundy – Caulfield; Duke of Cornwall – Benson; Duke of Albany – Whitfield; Earl of Gloster – Packer; Earl of Kent – Aickin; Edgar – Wroughton; Edmund – Barrymore; Gent. Usher – R. Palmer; Esquire – Dignum; Physician – Jones; Attendant – Fawcett; Captain – Maddocks; Herald – Cooke; Old Man – Hollingsworth; Gentleman – Phillimore // Goneril – Mrs Cuyler; Regan – Mrs Ward; Cordelia – Mrs Siddons. Also The Deserter. As 25 Oct. 1791, but Russet – Bannister; Flint – Benson // Margery – Mrs Davis.

Tuesday 6 DL at King's



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"Kemble said that, however singular it might be, in Lear an audience quite unsettled him; the noise of the box-doors caught his ear, and routed all his meditated effects; and he found it absolutely impossible to do that at night which he had thrown out during the rehearsal in the morning" (Boaden, Siddons, II, 376). Receipts:

£350 9s. 6d. (310/9/6; 38/12/0; 1/8/0).

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ORPHEUS AND EURYDICE. As 28 Feb. Also THE PRISONER AT LARGE. Muns – Fawcett; Lord Edmond – Bloomfield; Jack Connor – Macready; Count Fripon – Marshall; Tough – Rock; Frill – Farley; Father Frank – Rees; Landlord – Thompson; Trap – Powel; Phelim – Ledger; Dowdle – Wilson // Rachael – Mrs Harlowe; Mary – Miss Stuart; Adelaide – Miss Chapman.

COMMENT. Mainpiece: With additional Music by Reeve. Afterpiece: 1st Time at this Theatre [1st acted at the HAY, 2 July 1788]. Receipts: £174 145. 6d. (158/0/6; 16/14/0).

HAY

LA LOCANDA. As 28 Feb.

DANCING. As 14 Feb. throughout.

Wednesday 7 King's ACIS AND GALATEA. Principal Vocal Parts, Leader as 24 Feb.

PARTS I, II. As 29 Feb.

PART III. A GRAND MISCELLANEOUS ACT. Awake! Awake! Aeolian lyre by Reinhold (Arnold). Te sons of Israel by Chorus (JOSHUA). Let the bright Seraphim by Miss Barclay (SAMSON). Concerto on the violoncello by Lindley (1st performance at this theatre). Ask if yon damask rose be sweet by Mrs Bland (SUSANNA). The many rend the skies by Chorus (ALEXANDER'S FEAST). Angels ever bright and fair by Master Welsh (THEODORA). Search round the world [singer not listed]; May no rash intruder by Chorus (SOLOMON). Te sacred priests by Mrs Crouch (JEPHTHA). Glory be to the Father by Chorus (JUBILATE). MUSIC. As 29 Feb.

COMMENT. Instrumental performers as 24 Feb., but added: Cantelo.

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ALEXANDER'S FEAST. Principal Vocal Parts, Leader as 2 Mar. Organ as 29 Feb. PART I. 'Twas at the royal feast by Harrison. Happy, bappy pair by Harrison and Chorus. Timotheus placed on high by Harrison. The song began from Jove by Mrs Second. The list'ning croud by Chorus. With ravish'd ears by Mrs Second. The praise of Bacchus by Harrison. Bacchus ever fair and young by Bartleman. Bacchus' blessings by Chorus. Sooth'd with the sound by Harrison. He chose a mournful muse and He sung Darius by Mrs Billington. With downcast looks the joyless victor sat and Behold Darius great and good by Chorus. The mighty master and Softly sweet in Lydian measure by Mrs Billington. War he sung by Mrs Second. The many rend the skies by Chorus. The prince unable by Mrs Billington. The many rend the skies [repeated] by Chorus.

PART II. Now strike the golden lyre by Harrison. Break his bands of sleep asunder by Chorus. Hark, bark, the borrid sound by Harrison. Revenge, revenge, Timotheus cries and Behold a ghastly hand by Bartleman. Give the vengeance due and The princes applaud [singer not listed]. Thais led the way by Mrs Billington. The princes applaud [repeated] by Chorus. Thus long ago by Harrison. At last divine Cecilia came by Chorus. Tour roices tune by Mrs Billington. Let's imitate her notes above by Harrison and Bartleman. Let old Timotheus by Chorus.

