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William senior actor
at York. by Mr. Math

Sir / I did myself the honour of writing
to you three or four months since, upon
the subject of my re-engagement at Drury-
Lane; but not receiving any answer, I
must conclude, that, no positive arrange-
ments has been made. In my letter I
think I said every thing that could be
required from me, and therefore shall
add little, but, that I had flattered myself,
that, after twenty-six years hard service,
I had been entitled to some little mark of
attention: but perhaps I am too sanguine
in my expectations, and over-rate my
deservings; it may be so: but I will be
bold to say, that no Actor ever exerted
himself with more zeal, cheerfulness,
and alacrity to serve his employers than
I have done, and will do more, should I
be so fortunate as to perform in
my favourite Theatre next season.
- As many applications has been
made

made to me by different Managers, I intreat
that you will do me the kindness to send or cause
to be sent, a definitive answer, that I may be
reliev'd from my present incertitude and
make my subsequent engagements accordingly

I am, Sir,

With great respect
Your Obedient Servant
Jm Barrymore

August 2

Theatre Royal

Newcastle upon Tyne

known from the board -

I am decidedly of opinion
it should be a negative or
there never will be an
at all at discipline now
is wanted

Signature drawn
Barrymore

Richard Sheridan