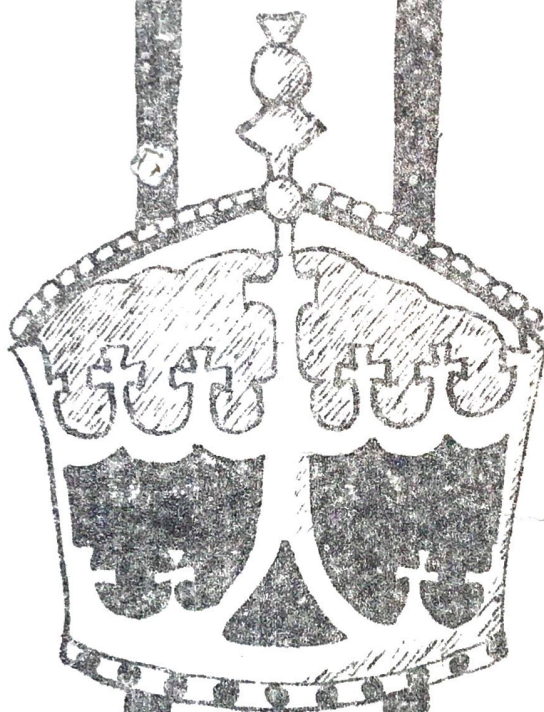


THE  
ROYAL PARDON



2p

John Arden &  
Margaretta D'Arcy

APPLETON SCHOOL

presents

"THE ROYAL PARDON"

by

John Arden and Margaretta D'Arcy

Luke	..	...	...	..	...	Steven Heath
Clown	)					Michael Hobday
Esmeralda	)	Strolling Actors				Anita Griffin
Mr. Croke	)		...	...		Christopher Fulford
Mrs. Croke	)					Linda Cray
William	..		...	...	..	..
Constable	.	..	...	...	...	Royston Paynter
Mr. Higginbottom	..	..	...	...	..	Alistair Wilson
Mrs Higginbottom	..	..	..	...	...	Denise Rozarieux
Lord Chamberlain	)	English Court				Linda Smith
King	)					Nigel Thomas
Prince	)					Duncan Tuck
An Officer	..	.	...	..	..	Julian Webb
Actress	.	..	...	.	.	Alison Hambridge
Actor	..	...	..	..	..	Jonathan Harris
King	.	..	...	..	..	Alan Harding
Princess	...	...	...	...	...	Lesley Dray
Cooks	..	..	...	..	..	Sandra Turner Linda Smith

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The First Act takes place in England during a period of time which cannot be accurately defined.

The Second Act begins with a disastrous shipwreck off the Coast of France.

"The Royal Pardon" had its origin in a series of bedtime stories which John Arden and his wife, Margaretta D'Arcy, told to their own children. It was first performed in Devon and then in the Beaford Arts Centre (which is a converted dwelling house). Although originally written with a young audience in mind, the play has proved to be extremely popular and entertaining to all age-groups. The play itself concerns a company of strolling players, who are joined by a vagrant soldier. After several dramatic incidents they are selected by the King of England to perform at the French Court, but their performance is almost sabotaged by the jealous French actors who are striving to win the prize of one hundred guineas.

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Stage Manager	..	..	..	..	Andrew Prestwich
Stage Crew	...	...	...	..	Richard Bettany William Brightmore
Lighting	...	...	..	...	Gerald Creech Christopher Henderson Steven Deal Adrian Pegg Mark Aldrich
Make-up	..	..	...	..	Pauline Randall
Prompters	..	...	...	...	Julia Watson Sandra Turner
Producers	.....	...	.....	...	Mr. A. Challis Mr T. Hammond

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