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# The Admirable Crichton

presented by the INGLEWOOD DRAMATIC SOCIETY

INGLEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL HALL,

JULY 27th, 29th, 30th AT 8 P.M.

## Characters—

The Earl of Loam .....	Dennis McGrath
Lord Brocklehurst .....	Donald Sattler
Hon. Ernest Woolley .....	Ray Biesiek
Rev. John Treherne .....	Geoff Blackburn
Mr. Crichton .....	Alan Spurdle
A Naval Officer .....	Henry Rumball
Countess of Brocklehurst .....	Elsa Flavell
Lady Mary Lasenby .....	Mary Susans
Lady Catherine Lasenby .....	Diane Plumb
Lady Agatha Lasenby .....	Annette Taylor
Fisher .....	Dale Mantle
Tweeny .....	Ann Blackburn

## The Servants of Loam House—

Mrs. Perkins, Tilley Taylor; Monsieur Fleury, Henry Rumball; Mr. Rolleston, Mike McCallum; Mr. Tomsett, Murray Brown; Miss Simmons, Benna Kuklinski; Mademoiselle Jean, Jenny Haughton; Thomas, David Susans; John, Barry Gyde; Jane, Sharlewe Lamplough; Gladys, Glennis Nicoll; Odds and Ends, Alistair O'Dinnell, Paul Bracegirdle.

Produced by Ava Somerfield

Decor and set construction, Alan Stevenson, Loris Drake, Benna Kuklinski, Shirley Richards and Gwen Hill; Prompt, Dale Mantle; Sound Effects, Peter Cramer; Properties, Loris Drake and Jenny Haughton; Costumes and Make-up, Y. Brown and members of cast; Business Manager, Anderson and helpers.

## 'The Admirable Crichton'

### A World Famous Fantasy - Comedy

This famous fantasy-comedy by J. H. Barrie is about a servant named Crichton (Alan Spurdle) who believes that there must always be a master and a servant ("One to command one to obey").

Lord Loam (Dennis McGrath) who is a widower living with his three unmarried daughters, Lady Mary (Mary Susans), Lady Agatha (Annette Taylor), Lady Catherine (Diane Plumb) and fifteen servants in a large house in Mayfair. Crichton the butler is devoted to Lord Loam his master who has rather radical views on man's equality. Every month he invites the servants to afternoon tea and expects his family to wait on them.

In the near future Lord Loam plans to sail away on a yacht to distant parts of the earth. He takes with him the Hon. Ernest Woolley (Ray Biesiek), the Rev. Treherne (Geoff Blackburn) together with his three daughters and decides they shall have only one maid instead of three to wait upon them during the voyage. Eventually Tweeny (Ann Blackburn) and Crichton join the party and they set sail upon their journey.

Unfortunately they are driven off their course "far from the track of commerce" and wrecked on a lonely island where "night falls suddenly and savage animals begin to prowl and roar."

Here we feel it would spoil the enjoyment of the play if we divulge any further details of the plot.

It is rather interesting to note that when "The Admirable Crichton" was first produced in London in 1902, the critics were appalled and the packed audience rose to its feet and applauded.

Today this play is still considered to be one of the finest of its kind ever written.

### — SYNOPSIS OF SCENES —

Act 1: One of the reception rooms in Loam House.

Act 2: Two months later on a desert island in the Pacific.

### I-N-T-E-R-V-A-L OF 10 MINUTES

Refreshments will be served during the interval. Profits to go to Red Cross. Arranged by Mr. Diprose and pupils.

Act 3: Two years later in their island home.

Act 4: Some months later. Same as for Act 1.