

# CLAUDIA

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NOVEMBER 26th to DECEMBER 8th, 1956 at 7-30 p.m.

Programme 3d.

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#### Characters in order of appearance

MRS. BROWN	 	 JOAN A. BAILEY
DAVID NAUGHTON	 	 ANTHONY WITTICH
CLAUDIA NAUGHTON	 	 SUSAN COTTERILL
BERTHA	 	 JACQUELINE BOITEUX
FRITZ	 	 SAM MORRIS
JERRY SEYMOUR	 	 STUART SHERWIN
MADAME DARUSCHKA	 	 PAT BROWN
JULIA NAUGHTON	 	 SHEILA BULLIN

The Play Produced by CHARLES KERSWILL

#### SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

The action of the play takes place at the Naughton's Farm—seventy miles from New York.

ACT I. A Friday evening in early Autumn.

ACT II. The following afternoon.

Act III. Evening of the same day.

Time—the present

Scenery built by
The Repertory Players

Setting painted by Paul Clarke

Furniture by The Old Times Furnishing Co.

Additional Lighting and Electrical Equipment by the STRAND ELECTRIC & ENGINEERING CO. LTD.

Telephone Equipment lent by the Post Office

Extra Costumes by Morris Angel & Son Ltd.

Furs by Colman Sumberg Ltd.

Sound Equipment by ERNEST BEARD

Ladies Hair Styling by
M. Huntbach & Co., Hairdressing Dept.

STAGE MANAGER ASST. STAGE MANAGER PROPERTY MISTRESSES

for CLAUDIA Tom Lovatt
John Greenwood
Madeleine Pointon and
May Morris

#### PLAYS AND PLAYERS

Life is very complex. It always has been and always will be.

And there is a lot of truth in the saying that life is what you make it. It is also true to say that if we could shape our lives we might, perhaps, sometimes say as Claudia does, "is it too much to ask for everything to be just the way it is—always?"

Claudia, the central character of our play, tries to avoid coming to terms with the inevitable changes in life. This, as we know, is impossible and overwhelming changes in Claudia's life produce surprising results.

Although the action of the play takes place in America, no attempt has been made at an American accent.

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British Legion personnel supervise the park but no responsibility is accepted by the Repertory Players.

No charge is made for parking but gratuities may be accepted by the British Legion man on duty.

Our next Production is:-

ANASTASIA by MARCELLE MAURETTE February 4th to February 16th, 1957