

PLAYHOUSE CREATURES

*As Doll exits Mrs Barry enters furtively, a young plain woman.*

Mrs Barry This is where they sit. This is where they put their costumes on and take them off again and go out into the night. The smell of this place. It's heavenly! Heavenly! I just want to stand here for ever. I never want to leave. I just want to live in the corner there. Oh happy corner! Dear God please let me be an actress please, please. If I could have just this one thing. I'd give anything, anything. I know I'm not pretty. I'd tear out my heart and give it to you, God, if you just let me have this one thing. Just to be an actress. Please. Please. The world outside is grey and boring. But here, everything is different. It's magic. Magic.

*She sits down dreamily.*

*Curtain.*