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FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW "LITTLE LORD FAUNTLEROY"



Freddie Bartholomew is a little English boy who will soon appear at the State Theatre in an interesting picture called "Little Lord Fauntleroy." He is only eleven years old, but he has been an actor for about eight years. He first stood on the stage when he was three years old. He recited a poem, and was so successful that his aunt, Miss Mylicent Bartholomew, decided that he should become an actor.

From that time on, he took part in plays and programs at concerts and parties. Freddie never thought that he would be in the movies some day. His aunt had trained him to be an actor, but she had not told him that he would be good enough for the screen.

Then one day, while Freddie and his aunt were having their vacation in New York, the aunt read the an-

nouncement that Mr. David O. Selznick needed a boy to play in "David Copperfield," the classic written by Charles Dickens. Freddie was thrilled by the idea of appearing as the young "David," because the book was one of his favorites. So the boy and his aunt went to Hollywood and Freddie applied for the role of "David." Out of 10,000 contestants for the part, Freddie was selected.

If you have seen "David Copperfield," then you know what a good actor Freddie is. As the young David, the newspapers praised him. He at once became a favorite with people who go to the movies. This is not strange, for Freddie is not only a beautiful boy, but he also can speak very clearly and distinctly. His pronunciation is even better than that of older actors. He can

act well and he can remember his lines easily. For these reasons, he earns hundreds of dollars a week.

Freddie is a very successful little movie actor, but his success does not go to his head. He still likes simple things, like plain, good food and ordinary boy's clothes. He is interested in many games like cricket and ball games. His friends are American children who are actors like himself. Among them are Jackie Cooper, Mickey Rooney, Jackie Searl, and others. He has brothers and sisters in England. His father and mother are still living, although his aunt is his legal guardian. He sends money every month to his family in England, for he believes that he should help his parents send his brothers and sisters to good schools. He himself was taught mostly at home by his aunt, although he once attended a private school before he came to America. He has read many good books. Because of this, his work in the movies is made easier, as he already knew most of the characters that he was to act on the screen. Besides "David Copperfield," Freddie has acted in "Anna Karenina" and "Professional Soldier."

As "Little Lord Fauntleroy," Freddie takes the part of a little American boy who comes to England to inherit the wealth and title that his father left him. Freddie fits very well into this role, and everything has been done to make the picture a success. Dolores Costello Barrymore is his mother in the picture. Little Lord Fauntleroy called his mother "Dearest." Other fine actors are in the picture: C. Aubrey Smith, Guy Kibbee, Mickey Rooney, and Jackie Searle. Wait for "Little Lord Fauntleroy" at the State Theatre where it will first be shown.