

CONTENTS

	<i>Page</i>
FOREWORD	5
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS	8
LIST OF PLATES	9
LIST OF LINE DRAWINGS	11
<i>Chapter</i>	
1 The Character of Melodrama	13
2 The Dramatic and Theatrical Background	40
3 Gothic and Eastern Melodrama	67
4 Military and Nautical Melodrama	93
5 Domestic Melodrama	118
6 Later Melodrama and Sensation Drama	145
7 The Decline of Melodrama	177
APPENDIX: Melodramatic Acting	190
BIBLIOGRAPHY	211
INDEX	215
Plays, Books, and Periodicals	215
Authors, Actors, and Artists	220
Theatres	223