

Children's pantomime

OVER 300 Leeds schoolchildren can't be wrong, and they gave every appearance of intense enjoyment of "Dick Whittington" which had its first night in a 14-day run at the Civic Theatre, Leeds. Arthur Ridley, who wrote the script and produced it for the Leeds Children's Theatre (a group of Leeds Arts Centre) also played the part of Ald. Fitzwarren. Margaret Bentley was Dick, Joan Lake was Alice, and Arthur Starkie romped in his cat-skin amid cries of delight.

Slices of comedy were added broadly by Arthur Cox and Harry Dodd. One of the triumphs of the evening, however, belonged to Cora Greaves and her helpers who produced the colourful costumes from a score of sources, including an old wedding dress and a pair of brocade curtains.