

Talma Studios, Sydney.

Miss May Chevalier.

portraits of the leading members of the Company, and some outlines of their biography will be appropriate. Mr Hastings is a native of Toronto (Canada), where he was called to the bar in 1890, but he has never practised. Adopting the stage as a profession he has played all sorts of parts under the leading managers of America, and was specially selected by Mr Gillette for the roles in which Aucklanders have been privileged to see him.

Miss May Chevalier, the leading lady, came out to Australia under engagement to Mr J. C. Williamson for the "Ben Hur" production. When seen by Mr Williamson in England, she was playing the part of Mrs Dane in "Mrs Dane's Defence," having been specially chosen for the part by the author,