## Announcement.

SHIPMAN has the honor to again announce to the public of Canada and the United States, the name of Effie Elaine Hext, the distinguished reader, who, in the short space of three years, has won an enviable position as one of the foremost elocutionists of this country.

The Press has accorded her unstinted praise as a reader of unusual merit, while letters of commendation have poured in from all parts of the country, testifying to the numerous triumphs of this fair artiste over the hearts of the people.

Miss Hext filled a large number of return engagements last season, which testify, even more eloquently than the press, to her ability as an entertainer of superior merit.

Miss Hext's powerful and constantly increasing repertoire will embrace many new dramatic and humorous selections this season.

Not the least successful features of her programmes have been her statuesque studies, and she has consequently felt encouraged in adding many new and attractive poses.

Read, in the following pages, press notices and private testimonials from places and people you know. For business particulars see last page of circular.

Respectfully yours,

HAMILTON, CANADA, September 1st, 1893.

E. G. M. SHIPMAN.