

Smith, J. & L. Caswall. Brutus (Basil Gill). London: Virtue & Co., [between 1903 and 1908]. Folger ART File G475 no.1 PHOTO (size M)

Like many actors, Basil Gill (1877-1955) played some of the same roles over decades, not just years, performing Brutus many times between 1903 and 1934. This studio photo was likely taken at the beginning of that run, during a period when Gill was considered a heart-throb. The photographer Lizzie Caswall Smith was known for her celebrity photographs.