

Torrance wore a violet costume with a toque to match; Miss Torrance, pretty blue toilette with a blue hat wreathed with flowers; Mrs. Southey Baker in a handsome black gown with a black and white toque; Mrs. Langguth, white cloth costume, black hat with white feathers.

**"AT HOME."**

The weather was ideal on Wednesday afternoon and made the "At Home" given by Mrs. Brett at her lovely home a most delightful one. "Te Kiteroa," with peeps of Lake Takapuna glistening between the shrubs, was looking exceptionally well, the profusion of flowers in the borders round the lawns being extremely beautiful. The sweet pea and carnations were most prominent, and some of them decorated the tea tables. The weather being so perfect, Mrs. Brett made the function a semi-fresco one. The guests were able to disperse over the lovely grounds, and the shade in the maze of romantic walks, the grottoes and borders of the Lake was very acceptable. Strawberries and cream were handed round during the afternoon. The "Alphabet" Competition prizes were won by Mrs. Annesse first and Mrs. O'Neil second. Mrs. Brett spared no trouble over the pleasure of her visitors, who bade farewell with expressions of regret that the "At Home" had come to an end. The hostess received in a black crepe and silk toilette; Mrs. Rainger wore a light grey costume; Miss Moon, cream gown; Mrs. C. Williamson, black silk and cream lace fichu; Mrs. Pierre, black silk; Miss Pierre, cream costume; Mrs. Gerard, pale blue Empire gown, and blue hat; Mrs. Goldie, brown shot Radium silk; Mrs. Annesse, black silk and black hat; Mrs. Prater, blue voile; Mrs. Kirk, black silk; Mrs. W. Geddis, golden brown taffetas and cream lace hat; Mrs. Monckton, black voile and smart green hat; Mrs. Devore, black crepe de chine; Miss Devore, very pretty pale pink mousseline de soie and pink hat; Mrs. Arthur Brett, brown taffetas toilette; Mrs. Quick, cream silk blouse and dark skirt; Miss Kirk, rose pink frock; Mrs. Cory, cream costume; Mrs. H. Lloyd Brett, grey muslin and pink hat; Mrs. Porter, pale grey gown; Mrs. J. Donald, cream serge; Mrs. Esdaile, white silk; Mrs. Warren Blyth, pretty pale grey costume; Mrs. Muir, cream and pale blue; Mrs. Purdie, floral muslin, white hat with black velvet; Mrs. F. Kenderline, black and white check with black velvet bands, and crimson hat with poppies; Mrs. Weston, cream Sicilian gown and green hat; Mrs. Tompkins, navy blue gown; Miss Williamson, pretty pale green frock; Miss Hutton, black costume; Mrs. Shakespeare, black toilette; Mrs. Derry, grey silk; Mrs. E. T. Hart, white embroidered linen, white and blue hat; Mrs. Parr, cream coat over dark gown, pink hat; Miss Abbott, cream Shantung silk with frills of Valenciennes lace on bodice; Miss Maude Abbott, lovely heliotrope mousseline de soie, with bolero composed of frills of Valenciennes lace and heliotrope hat; Mrs. Boak, white embroidered muslin and black and white hat; Miss Houchen; Mrs. Moren, cream silk; Miss Alison, rose pink costume, hat en suite; Miss Alison, lovely point d'esprit frock; Mrs. Green, black and white floral muslin; Miss Pickering; Mrs. O'Neil, grey muslin; Miss Gordon, cream serge costume; Miss La Trobe, pale green frock; Mrs. Ashton, smart golden brown taffetas; Mrs. McClune, cream; Mrs. Bradstreet, cream costume; Mrs. Mactier, black silk; Miss Scanlan, white silk blouse and black skirt; Miss Corry, pretty pale blue muslin; Mrs. Crisp, black.

**MISS PALOTTA'S RECEPTION.**

Owing to the awful deluge of rain on Thursday last, a large number of those invited to meet Miss Grace Palotta were absent. However those who braved the weather spent a delightful afternoon, and found that talented young lady more charming and gracious even than we expected. The dining-room at the Star Hotel had been transformed into a reception room, and was prettily decorated with yellow and white flowers, and tea was served at small tables which held four or six. Miss Palotta received us in a becoming black velvet corselet skirt, dainty white crepe de chine blouse, veiled in beautiful gold embroidered net, and a black picture hat with white feather

**MR. WALTER IMPETT'S THIRD MUSICAL EVENING**

By his students was given in the Y.M.C.A. Lecture Hall on Friday evening

last, before a large audience. The success achieved was considerable, and while the efforts of the more youthful performers were full of promise, the work of the senior pupils was, in some instances, worthy a position on any concert programme. The entire evening's entertainment was contributed by pupils, and the two hours spent in the hall was very enjoyable. Encores were frequent, and in many instances the pupils played and sang from memory. The following list of items was gone through—Pianoforte trio, "Zinga" (Bonheur). Misses Winnie, Elsie, and Madge Sterle; piano solo, "Sans Patrie" (Heins). Master Owen Knight; piano solo, "Eighteenth Norwegian Dance" (Muller). Master Arthur Billington; vocal solo, "When the birds go North Again" (Willeby). Miss Agnes Monro; piano solo, "Hand in Hand" (Orth). Miss Beryl Knight; piano solo, "Au Bois Enchanté" (Heins). Miss Iris Baker; vocal solo, "The Dewdrop and the Tear" (Lambert). Miss Irene Russell; piano solo, "Peasants' Dance" (Heins). Miss Maggie Healey; vocal solo, "With Verdure" (Clair) (Haydn). Miss Annie Parry; piano solo, "Le Papillon" (Ascher). Miss Ida Histed; duo for organ and piano, "The Erl King" (Schubert). Messrs. H. Lamb and W. Impett; vocal duet, "Why Listen to the Carols" from "Ruy Blas" (Mendelssohn). Misses G. McDonald and I. Russell; piano solo, "Douxme Mazurk" (Godard). Miss Gladys Lind; vocal solo, "Angus McDonald" (Roedel). Miss G. McDonald; piano solo, "Polish Dance" No. 1 (Scharwenka). Miss Olive Forsdick; piano solo, "Mazurka de Concert" (Lange). Master W. Green; vocal solo, "The Spring has Come" (M. V. White). Miss Ada Kirk; piano solo, "Balancelle" (Wachs). Miss Ivy Crisp; piano solo, "Galop de Bravoure" (Ketterer). Miss Nellie Keen; vocal solo, "The Four-Leafed Clover" (Willeby). Miss Annie Parry; duo for organ and piano, "Zanzetta" (Auber). Messrs. H. Lamb and W. Impett. Among those present were: Misses Bagnall, Miss Cooper (Wellington), Mrs. Knight, Mrs. A. B. Reynolds, Misses Muriel and Dorothy Knight, Mrs. G. H. Baker, Miss Wingfield, Mrs. Walter Impett, Mrs. W. Lind, Miss Isa Lind, Mrs. C. E. Histed, Mrs. Davenport, Miss Oswald, Mrs. G. B. Monro, Mrs. Billington, Misses Dewar, Miss Hill, Mrs. Smith, Miss Woods, Mrs. Mackay, Misses Matthews, Mrs. Chatteris, Miss McGregor, Mrs. McGregor, Miss Court, Mrs. S. H. Matthews, Mrs. C. F. Elger, Mrs. and Miss Manning, and many others.

**PHYLLIS BROWN.**

**NAPIER.**

Dear Bee, Dec. 8.

Last Thursday evening the Napier Orchestral Society gave

**AN EXCELLENT CONCERT IN THE THEATRE ROYAL.**

Mr. Spackman and his enthusiastic band have earned for themselves a high reputation for their artistic performances. Amongst the audience I noticed Mrs. T. Wilson wearing soft grey frock, bodice trimmed with cream lace; Mrs. Parker, black silk, white lace vest; Miss Oakland, white silk and lace dress, touches of pale blue; Miss Lyons, black satin frock, white lace yoke; Miss McLean, pretty pink frock, cream lace on bodice; Mrs. Kettle, black silk and lace frock; Miss Kettle, white silk frock, white cloth coat; Miss McLernon, pink silk and lace blouse, black satin skirt; Miss C. McLernon, becoming black taffeta frock, bottle of white lace; Mrs. Williams, yellow silk frock, touches of violet on bodice; Miss Williams, white silk frock, pale blue bow on bodice, lace bolero; Mrs. Hetley, black silk frock; Miss Hetley, soft white silk blouse, dark skirt; Miss Flossie Hetley, handsome pink brocade and lace blouse, black skirt; Miss Saunders, pale blue silk blouse, trimmed with frills of Valenciennes lace, black satin skirt; Mrs. Reading, pretty blue chiffon blouse, blue cloth skirt; Mrs. Luke, black and white spotted dolman dress, cream lace fichu; Miss Luke, white muslin frock; Mrs. Kennedy, black satin frock, white lace on bodice; Miss D. Kennedy, navy blue silk frock, bolero of lace; Miss Brown, white silk frock, pretty long white coat; Mrs. Cornford, black frock trimmed with lace, red coat; Mrs. Allan, becoming white satin frock, silver braid on bodice, and pleated chiffon; Miss Humphries,

pale pink muslin and lace frock; Miss Dicken, pink satin blouse trimmed with cream lace, black skirt; Miss Clark, black silk frock, lace berthe; Miss MacKenzie, white silk frock, chiffon frills on the bodice; Miss E. Humphries, handsome lace robe over blue silk; Miss Graham, soft white silk frock, Valenciennes lace vest; Miss Sheath, pink silk blouse, black satin skirt; Miss Taylor flowered muslin frock, pink folded belt; Mrs. O'Dean, blue and white floral muslin and lace frock; Miss Newbell, white silk frock trimmed with chiffon; Miss McLean, white muslin frock, touches of pink, pink ribbons in hair; Mrs. King, red silk blouse, trimmed with black velvet, black satin skirt; Miss Wimbor, blue silk blouse, trimmed with white insertion; Mrs. St. Paul, pale blue voile frock trimmed with black velvet and lace; Miss St. Paul, white silk frock;

Mrs. Dinwiddie, white silk, lace blouse; white voile skirt; Miss Macfarlane, white voile frock, heliotrope folded belt; Miss Thompson, white lace over blue, black chiffon bodice; Miss Smith, black silk frock, red flowers on bodice; Miss Ruth-erford, white silk blouse, dark skirt; Miss King, dainty white muslin frock; Mrs. Hunter, black satin frock, cream lace berthe and pink roses; Miss McGregor, grey voile frock, bands of grey velvet on bodice, pink folded belt; Miss Campbell, fawn muslin frock, blue belt; Mrs. Edwards, white silk blouse, white voile skirt, red belt; Mrs. H. Bear, white silk and lace frock, handsome blue coat, white satin collar; Miss Bell, white lace blouse, touches of blue velvet, black taffeta skirt; Miss Graut, yellow silk frock trimmed with lace, green belt.

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