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le printemps dernier, devant des auditoires compacts.

Deux merveilleuses chansons de lui, des joyaux, figuraient au programme de notre compatriote, la "Chanson de fol" et "l'Adieu".

J'ai cueilli ce brin de bruyère, L'automne est morte, souviens t'en, Nous ne nous verrons plus sur terre, Odeur du temps, brin de bruyère Et souviens toi que je t'attendes ?

Comme Mlle. Sophie Wyss sut animer tout cela ! Nous ne savons qu'admirer et féliciter.

L'exécution des mélodies des auteurs français, Claude Debussy et Georges Hüe, ne le céda en rien à celle des suisses, qui valut à la cantatrice, parmi beaucoup de fleurs, une gerbe fraîche où des chrysanthèmes rouges et blancs formaient la croix fédérale. Pierre Jacot.

SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

In connection with the scholastic programme the following lectures were given by the students during last week:—

Mr. A. Lorenzelli, Yverdon: "The Evolution of 'New-Model' Armies." Mr. W. Sieber, Münsingen: "Chemical Industry of Basle and England." Mr. L. E. Pessina, Ligornetto: "The Origin of Fascism." Mr. L. W. Pauli, Zurich: "Christmas in the Alps." Mr. Willy Frey, Lucerne: "Rowing." Mr. Maurice d'Espiné, Geneva: "My Impressions of a Visit to Canterbury." Mr. Fritz Meier, Winterthur: "Revolutionary Days in Italy." Miss Augusta Anz, Rheinfelden: "Modern Art." Miss Hanna Meili, St. Gallen: "A Visit to Whitechapel." Mr. Magnus Wehrli, Lausanne: "About Politeness." Mr. Max Kern, Zurich: "A Journey on Ice."

The debating classes dealt with the following subjects:—

"Do you consider Mussolini a great statesman?" Proposer, Mr. Emil Thürig, Triegen; Opposer, Mr. L. W. Pauli, Zurich.

A Lecture was given by Miss S. Moshkowitz, Barrister-at-Law, Lincoln's Inn, on "Reminiscences of Modern Russia" on December 16th. A very interesting Lecture by a Russian lady who was present at the downfall of Czarism and the start of Sovietism. A vivid picture of the terror was described by this lady, and the causes of the Revolution were enumerated in a clear manner, without prejudice against either side.

GOLF.

It has been suggested to us that the many golf enthusiasts in the Colony might be grouped together for the purpose of a Competition which would be carried out somewhat on the following lines:—

The Competition shall be over 72 holes with full handicap. The winner shall be the one who returns the lowest net aggregate. Competitors are required to send in their handicap and the name of the Club to which they belong, but should they be anybody wishing to take part in this competition who has no official handicap or is not a member of any Club, he will be given an opportunity to hand in two cards and a handicap will be allotted to him. Partners will be drawn for, and will be required to keep each other's scores and be responsible for the correctness of same. Entry fee will be fixed at a reasonable figure according to the number of competitors.

Will all those interested kindly communicate as soon as possible with us, and address their letters to "Golf Competition," c/o "Swiss Observer," 23, Leonard Street, E.C.2.

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