## **The Park Sisters Cornet Quartet**

## Somerville, Massachusetts

- 1875 Annie Park (1864-?) begins studying the cornet at age 11 (*Women & Brass*, Gavin Holman).
- 1880s Annie studies at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston (Holman).
- 1887 Annie performs with the Boston Concert Company (Holman).
- 1890 Annie performs with the Hild-Park Company in Wheeling, WV (Holman).
- 1896 The four Park sisters performed with Henry Wood's Promenade Concert at Queen's Hall in London (Holman). This was a six-week engagement that followed a short tour in Paris. They had previously performed at the White House for the president and for the Prince & Princess of Wales (*The Sketch*, May 1897, photo 1).
- 1904 Annie marries George Angell in New York City.
- 1909 Georgia marries Edwin Penfrase in Boston.
- 1920 Ada was living in New York City and working as a musician (census).
- 1947 Georgia dies in Manhattan at 10 Park Ave.
- 1948 Katie Belle Scammell dies in Queens, NY.

The sisters were Annie A., Georgia T. (1868-1947), Katherine (Katie) Belle (1870-1948), and Ada L. (1875-?). Katie played the trombone as well. They were the daughters of John C. (a sausage maker) and Helen A. Park of Somerville, Massachusetts.

