

you'll see. Time's a great healer"; Rosie saying in fact she feels much freer now; mechanics under the bonnet of my car; Georgina listening consideringly to me and saying "Point taken, point taken."

Paul Knobel

IN THE NEW FLAT

to Gillian Moriarty

On a pink sofa a splash of cushion.

You've arranged things as you want them:

a basket of vegetables;

a silver tea set;

a dilly bag, a gourd.

An acrobatic Kertesz photograph.

You've composed yourself like a painting,

a woman staring at a goldfish;

like a very contented cat

that purrs with no need of stroking.