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GREAT SUCCESS.

When the citizens of Richmond Hill
make up their minds to get up an at-
tractive programme and carry it out
successfully, they are not likely to fail,
and the successful effort last Thursday
was no exception to the rule. The ex-
cursion and picnic to St. Catharines
was a success in every particular, and
everybody who took the trip seemed
to enjoy it to the full. Three electric
cars carrying 217 passengers left the
village at 6.30, and arrived at Yonge
St. wharf shortly before 8 o'clock.
Besides our own citizens quite a large
number came in from Oak Ridges,
King City, Maple, Victoria Square,
Headford and surrounding places, and
on the way down the cars stopped to
take on excursionists at Thornhill and
other intermediate points. In Toronto
they were joined by forty-two other
friends, making a total of 259 who
boarded the boat.

A little disappointment was felt
when it was learned that the ex-
cursionists had to cross the lake by the
steamer Lincoln, which is not a uni-
versal favorite, but when they were
assured that they would return by the
Lakeside, they made up their minds
to make the best of it. The trip was
delightful, although it was a little
chilly crossing Lake Ontario, and the
steamer rolled more than was enjoy-
able to a goodly percentage of the
passengers who apparently were am-
ateurs in the art of sailing. Of course
no one was seasick—such a weakness
could not be admitted—but a number
were accompanied by mal de mer, and
spent much of their time watching for
fishes on either side of the boat.

The mouth of the old Welland Canal
was entered at Port Dalhousie, where
quite a number went through a lock
for the first time in their lives. The
sail up the canal was delightful, as
there are many spots of beauty and
points of interest on the way. The
city of St. Catharines was reached
about 11.30, when some of the pleasure
party went to the well-equipped hotels
for dinner, while others settled down
in the park, which is an ideal spot for
picnic parties.

After dinner various little parties
branched off in different directions to
view some of the leading features and
"do up the town," which, though not
a Toronto, possesses many attractions
which are worthy of note. The city
has some fine residential streets, and
the many cozy homes and well kept
lawns and grounds are a credit to the
owners. Of course the great attrac-
tion of the afternoon was the league
lacrosse match between the St. Cath-
arines and Richmond Hill teams. A
hard game was expected, as our boys
had defeated these opponents a couple
of weeks before by a score of 6 to 5,
and it was well known that St. Kits
would endeavor to retrieve their lost
honors, while the visitors were equally
determined to retain what they had
fairly won. At 3.05 the teams lined
up as follows:

St. Catharines	Richmond Hill
Watson.....Goal.....	F. Sims
McNulty.....Point.....	J. Glass
Devlin.....Cover Point.....	W. Glass
Harding.....	F. Grainger
Timmons.....	G. Sims
Lowe.....	B. Glover
Cameron.....Centre.....	A. G. Beck
Eccleston.....	J. McKenzie
Baumann.....	W. Trench
Flack.....	H. McKenzie
Dixon.....	J. Glover
Harris.....	W. Clifford
J. Gates.....Field Captain.....	W. E. Wiley
Eccleston.....	W. Savage
A. Cameron.....Time-Keeper.....	C. Ellston
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The play was fast from the start,
and during the first half time was de-
cidedly in favor of the Hill boys. The
spectators, half of whom hailed from
Richmond Hill and vicinity, were very
enthusiastic, and until the play got to
be rough it was much enjoyed by all.
The Stars' combination was extra
good, and they threw the ball to each
other with wonderful precision, but
they were a little slow in delivering
and they lacked judgment in their
shots on goal. The visitors' defence
was almost impregnable, and at the
end of half time the score stood Rich-
mond Hill, 2; St. Catharines, 1.

When play was again resumed it
was not only fast but furious. The
Stars seemed determined to win, even
if they had to resort to desperate
measures. Allowing for accidental
strokes and careless stick handling
our boys were unmercifully punished,
and left the field literally covered with
cuts and bruises. Frank Sims, the
goal keeper, was knocked down and
incapacitated for some time by a blow
on the forehead, George Sims was
badly gashed, Hector McKenzie re-
ceived a deep cut in the back of the
head, and W. Clifford's wound above

the eye necessitated two stitches by a
doctor. Our boys stuck to their posts
till the match was ended, but the light
men on home couldn't score again,
and they could not stand the pound-
ing which was being inflicted by their
heavy opponents. In the second half
time the Stars scored two more games,
and the match ended 3 to 2 in their
favor.
After the match the excursionists
wended their way to the wharf where
they boarded the Lakeside and started
on the return journey, reaching Tor-
onto shortly after 9 o'clock, and Rich-
mond Hill about 11. The excursion
was a success financially as it was in
every other respect. After paying all
expenses the committee representing the
Sons of Scotland, the Ancient
Foresters and the Workmen lodges,
handed the balance, \$45.63, over to the
lacrosse club.

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Our Colored Fellow-Traveler.
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"About this time war broke out be-
tween Great Britain and the United
States—the war of 1812. Col. Bissle
and his company were ordered to the
front. I noticed that the American
army were a long time getting to-
gether, and when a number were in
camp there were perpetual disputes
among the officers.

"Quite a large force were now
gathered under Izzard, Scott, Brown
and other officers and active steps
were taken to invade Canada. The
Americans somehow were very un-
fortunate, being frequently defeated
in their sorties and minor engage-
ments, owing, I think, to their lack of
unity. I was in camp when a dis-
pute arose between Izzard and Lamond
about the order of battle. Lamond
charged Izzard with being too slow.
The quarrel grew so hot be-
tween the two officers that they drew
swords, but their aids separated them.
Lamond called the other officers aside
and asked if they would break or dis-
obey orders. They said No! Izzard
was their superior officer and they
would obey him as long as he was in
command. Lamond said he would
then. He placed his soldiers in proper
quarters and left for Washington.
There he presented his complaint and
promised if promoted to take up his
winter quarters in Toronto. He came
back Izzard's successor.

"My duty was to take care of the
Colonel's marquee or tent, a responsi-
bility not very great when properly
attended to. At Buffalo Col. Bissle
kept company with one Capt. Camp.
They seemed to be very intimate
friends and spent their evenings to-
gether.

"During this period I had much
time to myself, and in talking to
others I was often asked where I came
from, what relation was I to my
master, was I hired or a slave. I said
that I was a slave. They told me that
I was in a free state, that my master
could not hold me, if I did not choose
to permit him, but at the same time
informed me that there was no use
asserting my rights there as they
would only send me farther back to
the slave states to secure me. The
knowledge I had obtained I kept to
myself, determined to escape across to
Canada in the first opportunity. Some-
thing in my actions, however, made
the Col. suspicious, so to try me he
said, Lemy, you must get yourself
ready to go home. Home! said I,
with the same imprudence which had
often brought me into trouble before,
I have no objections to go home, but
it must not be out of York State.
Bissle immediately became very angry.
That night I was staked at the gam-
bling table and lost. Captain Camp
was now my master, and I was taken
from the marquee to his house in
Buffalo.

"Camp was a man who had many
good traits in his character, but treat-
ed any neglect of duty with great
severity, and I must say that he was
as rigorous with his soldiers as he was
with me. Color made no difference
with him. I have known him to order
soldiers who had been charged with
drinking or disorderly conduct up be-
fore his own door and unmercifully
flogged, he directing the blows. The
soldiers used to say that when Capt.
Camp got up in the morning cursing
and swearing there was no danger,
but when he came down from his
house whistling and singing somebody
had to take a licking. Most of his
cruelty was when he was in a tower-
ing passion, when he lost control of
himself—then he seemed to glory in
severity.

"My fellow-servants were a colored
man named Sam and a boy about my
own age—14 years—both from the
State of Virginia. Sam was a good
and kind man; his whole aim seemed
to be to please our master, by whom
he was well thought of. Bob, on the
contrary, was the worst boy I ever
met with. He would disobey, lie, run-
away, get caught, be severely flogged

and do the same again. He really de-
served all he got. I could not help
pitying him. I had frequently to
dress his back, to draw the shirt out
of the furrows made by the lash, clean
off the blood and bits of flesh whipped
up, and grease the shirt to prevent it
sticking to his raw shoulders. I said
to him one day, Bob, it is certainly a
very strange thing that you act as you
do when you might have better times
by being better, and would up with
the remark that I could tell him
something if I durst. He promised to
keep my secret. I told him I knew of
a plan by which he could get entirely
away, but he was to promise that in
case of failure he would never tell
where he got his information. He
agreed to it. Then I told him about
Canada. Once among the Canadians,
I said, and you are free. But says
Bob they will kill me, master said so.
I said he says so to frighten us, but in
my heart I was as much scared on
that point as himself, for we were al-
ways taught that the Canadians and
the Indians were equally blood-thirsty
and that they tomahawked and scalped
without mercy every black man.
A night or two after Bob's back was
healed he was missing. Parties were
sent out in pursuit, but this time their
search was fruitless. In the evening
Camp came to me and said that poor
Bob was drowned. Poor fellow, said
I, he should not have run away. He
was a very wicked boy, said Camp. I
hope that you will set a better ex-
ample. Yes sir, says I.

"About this time some of the regi-
ments were ordered to take the field.
The Americans now by additions
made recently, were many thousands
strong, and orders were sent down
from headquarters to invade Canada.
General Brown, learning that the
British army was divided in three
parts, two in camp and one to man
the batteries, determined to attack
the batteries, rout and destroy those
in possession. An attack was made;
Camp and his regiment were in the
party. The Canadians were ready for
us with many guns concealed. When
the attacking party was close up they
fired. This broke our ranks and a
galling fire from the batteries com-
pleted the rout. Camp was neither
killed nor wounded. His idea of mili-
tary tactics was self-preservation,
consequently he had posted himself in
a position where he was out of danger.
It mattered not how thick the bullets
flew he kept me going to and fro as
hard as I could ride with dispatches
to the officers under his command.
In another part of the field my old
master, Col. Bissle, a brave man, made
an attack with about a thousand men
on an attachment consisting of over a
thousand soldiers under the Marquis
of Tweedale, an aide de camp of the
Duke of Wellington, and gained the
victory. During this skirmish General
McClure, who rode a beautiful animal,
was unhorsed, a cannon ball cutting
off both fore legs of the mare. I was
ordered to go for the saddle and bridle.
As I went the bullets were flying
about my head from all directions. I
had unbuckled the saddle and bridle,
but while loosing the martingale a
rifle ball struck me in the calf of my
leg. I dropped the articles and ran,
but soon fainted from loss of blood.
When I opened my eyes again I found
myself in the hospital with the dead
and dying. Fortunately the ball was
a spent one, so that its effects were not
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regained strength.

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