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ORANGE EXCURSION FROM TORONTO TO PORT HOPE.

On the 6th of September last we had the pleasure of attending the Orange excursion from the City of Toronto to Port Hope. The weather was all that could be desired, and the excursion itself was a most successful affair, and passed off in a most pleasant and harmonious manner. At 7 o'clock in the morning, in company with ex-Mayor Medcalf and about six hundred others, we left on the steamer "Norseman," which had been chartered for the Toronto brethren. The band of the 10th Royal Regiment being secured for the occasion, discoursed very solemn music, which reminded us more of our *Christmas* celebrations than of an Orange excursion. We should judge the musical performance to be of the first order for Sunday celebrations.

On arriving at Port Hope we beheld a glorious sight. Hundreds of loyal men dressed in or-

ange, purple and scarlet, with their band of music, were on the wharf to receive us; and we can assure our readers that the reception was most cordial and hearty. Carriages were secured by our Port Hope friends for the ladies and women, and the Lodges formed in procession, and headed by the splendid band of the 46th Volunteer regiment, marched to the beautiful grounds of Mr. Seymour, where the festivities of the day were enjoyed. Refreshments had been bountifully provided by our valued friend and brother Mr. John Reynolds, and after we had been abundantly satisfied with the good things provided for the occasion the assembly was called to order by Lieut. Col. Smart, District Master, who in a neat and very appropriate speech, in which he warmly welcomed the Toronto brethren to the town, introduced the Mayor of Port Hope to the audience.