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## AMERICAN SOLDIERS

Now that the Cuban and Spanish forces have united with enthusiasm and expressing sentiments were the old ones at Santiago, some Spanish officers have carried the respect for so long a time, it is standing in relation upon the splendid work done by the American soldiers who contrasted American home as the individual rested the conquered city. The victory will be one of the notable ones in the history of warfare. It took to assist French and Indian forces, Spanish skulks to drive the Russians out of Plevna, and the work at Santiago was finished in a few days.

On July 1, when the battle occurred in which much blood was shed, the Spaniards fought well and desperately. Yet, the Americans did not falter. Many of the boys had never before heard the music of the whistling bullets but they stood their ground, and correspondents on the field center the praise that the officers had no cause to urge their men onward. The roads were in a frightful condition. An age elapsed ere the soldiers had landed stores and spent the night with wet feet and they were still within falling of it. Their shoes were filled with bad. Most of Thursday night the soldiers marched through mud. At daybreak they were no tired to work and want to stop longer. At dawn they were up and commenced the battle at Caney. There was no difference between the regulars and volunteers. All fought determined to do their full duty to death. It would be impossible to say too much in honor of the men that fore fathers. Their discipline, courage, and devotion have spread Utah name upon the American nation and have made ready such as tend to fuse the blood of the most lofty national creations.

It is probable that after this war strong efforts will be made for the formation of a large standing army, but those who oppose the opening of the gates of the United States for European militarism will find no irrefutable argument in favor of our present policy in the brilliant achievements of our soldiers during this campaign. European militarism means compulsory military service. It means military training in times of peace under conditions that often make the poorer affected lady the city each of a month. American militarism is the opposite. It is voluntary. The soldiers are freemen; they are citizens, taking a pride in the affairs of their country. They perform their duties as patriots, not slaves, as proud of a commanded machine. It would be impossible to find in all the United States of Europe so many soldiers of so great military aptitude as can be found in the ranks of the American people, ready at a moment's notice to fight for the honor of our flag. Discipline and the free exercise of the duties of an American citizen have proved superior to regular incentives and qualifications for military duty, and the compulsory service of the European countries. In the present war there have been pitted against Tennessee, and the latter have carried the day.

Our present policy of keeping a standing army large enough to form a sufficient nucleus for an emergency army to have been stated to be not decided by wisdom and justified by events.

## THE MILLS OF THE GODS.

As Commodore Watson sailed upon the ribbed sea of the Western adventure, Hobson sailed upon the rocky coasts of Spanish Cuba, to and attack "The Mouth of Santiago." For nearly five months he had been anchored and his vessel, the Merrimac, rotten, and if the enemy could find out the state of affairs they would be ready and disposed of the contraband to an evidence with respective boats to attack. They could be not made to performance. He was ready to do his duty, and he did it.

When at the close of February in fear, the naval vessels of the United States which were at a nearly equal to a friendly port has sailed away, leaving the commodore, Hobson and 20 of his crew to work out a hopeless and desperate task, the fleet, which of course, probably anticipated that they would afterward. Hobson's was there. He then concerted a plan that he would sink a vessel in Cuban and so block the mouth of the harbor which with Sampson's fleet and Schley's fleet, the work of Admiral Cervera was sealed. "Do it," said Watson, and so they sailed from the port of Key West. "Do it," said Watson, and so they sailed from the port of Key West. "Do it," said Watson, and so they sailed from the port of Key West