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POPULARITY WITH VOLUNTEERS

Question Raised by the Publication of an Attack on Major R. W. Young, which is of a Kind with Complaints Made Against Other Officers.

"Kicking is from Those Who Want to Make it Miserable for the Men, and When They Can't Do That, Make it Miserable for the Officers," is a Fitting Description — There was Jealousy among the Battery Boys—Major Grant says Grumblers are a Minority—Some Men Would Not Brook the Restraint of Military Discipline—Interviews with Returned Artillerymen—There Was No Braver Man or Better Officer in the Philippines Than Major Young—The Major Declines to Make Any Statement in His Own Behalf—He Did His Duty.

In the Tribune this morning there was an article headed "Young Is Unpopular," which has created quite a stir, from the fact of its having singled out Maj. R. W. Young as an unpopular officer, and its having brought into prominence the alleged grievances which, as Major P. A. Grant says, come from a minority of the Utah artillerymen, who went to the Philippines.

It has been an open secret that some of the returned volunteers have been talking against all their officers, and the discipline enforced by them, just as other volunteer regiments, both from Utah and from the Philippines, had in their ranks who treated their officers. In the Utah artillery, Major R. W. Young, Major P. A. Grant, Captain Wedgwood, and the other officers, have come in for a share of sharp criticism, as it was nothing unusual or novel, in the publication, this morning, however, singled out Major Young.

The "News" today gives the express views of a number of the volunteers, and an examination thereof confirms the clearly discloses the fact that whatever complaint there is is a grumble from those who were not willing to submit to the usual military regulations, or who are jealous of not having received promotion. Nobody, from any source, has said a word against the character of Major R. W. Further, the truth is that the men who are most enthusiastic in supplying the complaint against the officers is one in each case where the record is known, for instance, in the case of Private N. E. Forrel. He doesn't like Major Young, because the major had him in the guard house, for some Private committed an offense that could be considered, and if it had not been reported the offender would have escaped to his liking.

The Major's friends, Major Young and Grant, and the other officers and their duty, and thoroughly enjoyed and took to the Utah regiment, and the Utah battery, if the officers had friends, the men would have found them in the Major Young, there is no doubt, is a man who means business, and is a Regular Army man, and knows how to run a regiment, and treat with the noncommissioned officers of the Philippines. The people who complain that the Major was too strict, have been unused to any sort of discipline