COL JACOB H. SMITH COOLY DRILLS | lied from a disorganized rabble HIS MEN UNDER GALLING FIRE.

scholdiere Had Just Been Rallied From a

During the war with Spain Lieuten ant Colonel Jacob H. Smith, was a Major in cases of a battalion of the Second United States Infantry. The word was "On to Santingo," and the Major, with his three companies, turned their faces resolutely toward San Juan Hill, where he and his men were -- destined to play one of the most heroic and inspirational parts of the entire --- campaign. At Bloody Ford the buttalion came

upon the Seventy-first Regiment. What is the matter here?" shouted

"the Major as he came upon the scene There were no officers in sight and the men replied that they had no of ficers and did not know what to do.

Major Smith searched about the field and discovered officers enough to control three companies "If you will not go ahead," argued the Major of the regulars, "at least move your men so that others who are following may mass without this bindrance, and so that the effects upon the regulars may z mot be harmful"

The officers said that they were will ing to proceed upon the enemy and a number of men came forward and seed that they were anxious to go with them and fight. Three companies were formed from the Seventy first New York, and these, commanded by Major Reck, followed in the wake of Major Smith's buttal in

The remainder of the Seventy first New York was left behind at the creek. A mile beyond lay San Juan THill. Already there was nighting there, and the zip of the bullets which z sped over the moving columns was an noying, to say the least especially to the rallied companies of the Seventy first New York, who were still a little timid, a natural feeling it is said for : raw recruits in their tirst baptism of

Major Smith had been ordered to ' take position at the foot of the hill as a support to the regular line, which had already advanced and was in - the thick of the fray. At the first sign » of wavering he was instructed to advance to the assistance of the troops which had preceded him. He stopped Lat the foot of the bill and, mounted upon his horse, rode some little distance up the declivity, and from a - projecting knoll faced about and looked down upon the level stretch of territory which broke against the foot sof the hill. At his feet and below him son the plain were gathered four comgranies of regulars, ranged in battalion formation. At the heads of the com**panies were Captain Miller, the brave** officer who sacrificed his life on the miltar of his country on July 10; Captain Rowell, Lieutenant Wilson and Lieutenant Creary. Behind the first Hine was stretched another, not so long. They were the three companies of the Seventy-first New York. It was only 400 yards up the bill. There were two

block-houses on the crest, which fired viciously at the two battaliens of infantry at the foot of the hill. Owing to his exposed position. Major Smith attracted especial attention from the Spanish Mausers. Bullets sang close to his ear until it seemed that they came in swarms. One tore away a bit of his hat, one took off a piece of cloth from his cont sleeve, one grazed the beel of his boot, one hit his stirrup. He was a soldier and his orders were so wait. Down in the plain the leadm rain was falling among the men. Now and then one fell from his place.

wounded or dead. The situation was A Scotch widow where he said I would WAS AN INSPIRATION wounded or dead. The situation was a Scotch widow where not calculated to keep up the courage be sure to do business. of men who had but recently been ral-

> There was no band to pass up and down in front of the lines as on derce as I scatted my business iress parade. Only that terrible music of the Mausers broke upon their ears

Suddenly Major Smith drew his sword, as the men had often seen him way do on dress parade, and called out in clear distinct tones "Carry, arms" The response was electric. The men

forgot the bullets, the danger the Spaniards firing into their ranks from the top of the hill, and turned their at tention to the manual of arms. It was a magnificent spectacle. History presents no parallel where a body of that I took a header through an open warriors calmly and coolly stood under window and struck out cross lots for an enemy's fire and went through the manual of arms as precisely as if they were on dress parade "Present arms!"

torn away a finger or turned a face to

"Shoulder, arms" The battallon shouldered guns with soldierly exactness. It was true that the bullets came as fierce as ever, but their minds were turned to something else and, after all, they did not mind them for they were soldiers and it was a soldier's business to die

The inspiration had the desired of ect. Any tremors which might have existed among the regulars were dispelled, and the three companies of the Seventy-first New York took heart and renewed courage. Their nerves were steeled and they would have brayly, gladly, joyously followed Major Smith's battalion up the bill a little later, when the orders came, and participated with him and his gallant men in the complete rout of the Spaniards

They were de a hed, however be fore the battalion of regulars marched up the hill and through the rain of lead to send a fiercer and more ter rible torrent of bullets into the ranks of the enemy. General Kent remarked to Major

Smith that he had never seen men go into battle in better order and with firmer tread than those commanded by Major Smith that day.

Major Smith simply smiled and said: "That was the result of an inspira-

The General had seen the men going through the manual under a galling fire, and knew the significance of the

Major Smith has since been promot ed to Lieutenant Colonel of the Twelfth Infantry, mother brave regiment worthy the gallant commander who now controls its destinies.

SHE HAD BEEN THERE.

ing Agents.

This man, who came up from the bottom of the ladder and now owns the majority of stock in a big piano factory, can afford to tell jokes on him self and enjoys them just as heartily as though some one else were the

"I first began on organs," he relates," "on a very small scale and with a very small amount of capital. My first trip was to michigan, and out in Van Buren county I had an experience. Walking from farm to farm, I met a jolly young fellow of whom I made inquiry as to where I would be most likely to make a sale. He seemed to be immensely tickled over something at the time, but I had no suspicion that was mixed up in the reason for his mirth and hurried on to the house of

the widow had been taken in by a pro- five land miles; began to fall near Sitting upon his horse, looking down fessed organ seller who secured her she at once say the hopelessness of upon his men, with the bullets sing name to a note that was represented as her case ing close about him. Major Smith was a contract, or that she was a sworn | The eleven inch guns in the turrets seized with an inspiration. The bat enemy to all traveling agents because Disorganized Rabble and the Whistle of Italion was siready in regular forms of her loss. She was a big woman that's, they looked over the turret and with a strong face and her eves grew " 'Mon,' she exclaimed, did onybody

see ye come in? 'No one, 'I answered in a puzzled

That's weel for nachody will see ye gang oo cassie, hand me the ax. | ind had killed every one in the turret "As the garl burried in with the murderous weapon I found the lusty widow between me and the door, her face as solemn and determined as that or an executioner. I don't know what she would have done, but I do know the depot

Just What He Wanted.

One of he first men to reach San Some did not respond. A bullet had (Francisco with a hoard of Klondike zo d was an Pishman named Finnes gan, who had been very poor before he struck it rich and who consequent ly was unfamillar with many ordinary anges of a life of luxury

"Of say, vez kin bring the two dozen. yesters," he said anily as he took ent in one of the thest restaurants n Frisco

The oysters were soon set before im and Finnegan looking about him or something to put on them, and minay knowing what the something should be, spied a bottle of Tabasco, and proceeded to season the bivalves not wisely but too we

Impaling an oyster open his .ork. ie thrust it into als moura it en leaped to his reet with a terrote roar of min and began daming about and zelling ake a madican

"See here" cried the propoetor. ushing to the table, keep still, or ell pac you out!"

"P p put me out, a it's Or wish yez would put me out!" yelled Finnegan. Me insides is blazin' lorke a matchlactory!"

Blissful Ignorance.

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For his bome is in the hell

That your up when time's done When the ship he's with his won The object keep a shoveling on Down below

On an silence he must work

In a burning the a tomb Down below Where he cannot see the sky

Down below While the lighting neces is wigging And the cannon over card

surround. to the stoker down helpers Not a word is ever said.

sound When they open wide his door Down below

Down below There they find him weakly lying On a pile of coal and crying Out in madness for its adving Down below

"Now, I had no way of knowing that range of 9,000 yards (somewhat over

of the Vizeava class were enharbette. and through a part in the furret. The had an overhead protection of a spher heal two and three quarter inch shield overing the entire turret. This, in the equendo, had been pierced by an eight inch shell at the edge of the opening for the gun, which had burst inside-When boarded the second day after the action, all were found at their posts, a petty officer in the attitude of aiming. This occurrence illustrates. what was strongly borne in upon us, ramely that no armor should be used which is not sufficient to protect Light protection sufficient to burst a shell is far more worse than none, in the case mentioned the shell if the urved shield had not been there to surst it by the resistance offered suficiently to cause the fuse to act, might inve passed over harmlessly. A six nch had passed through a shield of a ive and a naif meh brondside gun of he Maria Feresa and, bursting must anve killed the entire gun's crew. Of course such shields as mentioned will protect from ordinary shell fragments out the larger tragments of a moder ite sized shell have enormous cutting ower the anchor chain of the Iowa. or example the links of which are of ron two and a half me bes in diameter. eing cleanly cut in two by a fragnent of a five and one half inch shell which burst on her berth deck

Women Worse Than Rullets. A soldier boy of the Fighting Thir centh, on his return to Buffalo walk Buffalo Express



gushed a third.

ne was brave, was visibly embarrassed by these tributes, and as soon as he ould master his emotion he remarked quite simply:
"Ah, g'wan! "Taint nawthin but a,

Cocoanut Shells as Frai

Down below

And he doesn't hear the vell Down below

In the awful hear and torrus-101 the fires that help and direct In and out the farmer doors to nevet close,

For with him they was errarchance In his brow to fe I the outer breeze

Tot they we looked him in a room Down below

Cannot learn in the to its When destination stalk its might

With their sizzling smills to

To his car is borne no color of the

And they cay Your work to oct

Detroit Fire Press

THE VALUE OF ARMOR,

Armor played a small part says a writer in Scribners Magazine the ten inch water line belts of the Vizcaya class were not struck by any heavy shell, and the Colon was struck but five times by anything her surrender being due to mability to keep up the effort to escape and the fact that she had no chance against the everpowering force of four heavy ships in pursuit. Her captain states that he was not struck after leaving the vicin ity of the harbor. When the thirteen Inch shells of the Oregon, fired from a

ed with an engagent limp, which exited the curresity and sympathy of the patriotic women who surrounded him at the tailway station, says the

WILL YOU BE CRIPPLED FOR LIFE?" Was it done by a dreadful Mauser oullet?" asked one "Will you be crippled for life?" quer-

od another. "I am sure he was shot while carryng a wounded comrade off the field."

The crippled veteran, as modest as

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