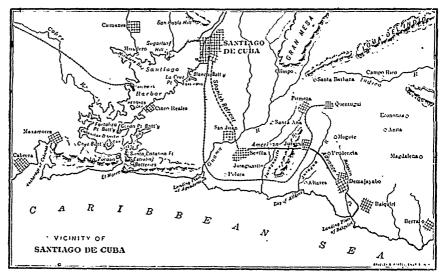
many brave men on both sides will carry sorrow to many an American and Spanish home, will leave immedicable wounds, which not the triumph of victory nor the anguish of defeat can make cease to bleed. We totally reject the Jesuitical doctrine that "the end sanctifies the means." We regard it as forever opposed to the will of the loving All-Father that His children, though of different race and creed, should thus slay and destroy one another. The only excuse—if it be an excuse—for such bloodshed, and for the sending of an American fleet across the sea to harry the seaboard of Spain, is the hope that the agony may the sooner be over, that a speedy and permanent peace may be sedash. This may be war, but it is not chivalry. It must, we think, estrange the humane sympathies of the generous American people and of the civilized world. It is a strange comment on the words of our Lord, "If thine enemy hunger feed him, if he thirst give him drink."

If it be demoralizing to read of murder and crimes of violence, it must be still more so to read daily of wholesale slaughter by the eadly enginery of war, and to hear it glorified as the highest expression of patriotism.

It may be sweet and noble to die for one's country—dulce et decorum—as Curtius and Winklereid did. It is noble to perish in saving life, as many a physician



## SUPPING ON HORRORS.

The war news in the mornings' papers is very painful reading to any one with War in its eshumanitarian instincts. sence is a relapse into barbarism, the awaking of the savage instincts of the cave men of the stone age, the use of brute force instead of reason. It is not pleasant to think of civilized men stripping half-naked, whetting their swords and machetes, and lying in wait for the chance to slaughter one another. It is hard to read of brave men knocked over "like jack rabbits," or blown to pieces by dynamite shells. It is painful to contemplate the sufferings of the innocent women and children and noncombatants in Santiago famishing of thirst in that torrid climate, their supply of water being cut off by a much belauded military

fireman, sailor and engine driver has done. But to kill as many of one's fellow men as possible with overwhelming force and superior weapons, and with as much safety to one's self as can be secured, is not so heroic. Yet these are the rules of war.

## NOBLE IDEALS.

The American Republic entered upon the present war for the liberation of Cuba with high and Christian ideals. The better sentiment of that country still insists on their maintenance to the end. On the question of indemnity the New York Independent takes this high ground:

"The carrying out of these noble principles will forever stop the mouths of cavillers who affirm that the war had its origin in a