

The Red Badge of Courage: An Episode of the American Civil War

by Stephen Crane (1871– 1900)

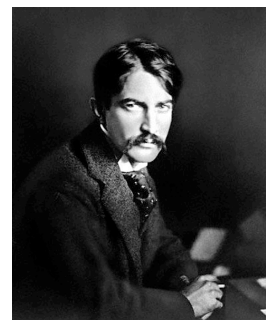
There comes a time in the course of battle when a participant casts his fate to the gods of war, and carries on without question the task at hand. Living or dying, right or wrong, can be contemplated later. The spirit of the bayonet takes over and carries the youth through the crucible of battle to emerge a short time later several ages older.

Stephen Crane's classic novel, published in 1895, gives us a glimpse into the mind of a young soldier as he passes through the experience he will never be able to forget, and which will possibly awaken him from his slumber in a sweat and panic for years to come. *(Summary by Mike Vendetti)*

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