

### **THE UNITED STATES A MODEL.**

One of the reasons that the United States is regarded rightly as one of the foremost of the world's nations is found in a comparison of the cost of its schools and its army and navy with like expenses in other countries.

According to an Eastern statistician the United States spends \$115,000,000 on its schools, while the army and navy together cost but \$54,000,000. In Italy \$96,000,000 are spent every year for the army, while \$4,000,000 suffice for the educational interests of the country. Little wonder that the masses of Italy are uneducated, and that the land is threatened with disaster.

Germany, although known to the world as the home of science and advanced teaching, spends \$185,000,000 on its enormous army, while \$10,000,000 are made to pay the expenses of the schools.

France devotes more than \$20,000,000 a year to education, but the army of the republic costs \$151,000,000 each twelvemonth.

Aside from these enormous differences in the cost of army and education in representative countries, the cost to the nations in the loss of such great numbers of men from the active walks of life, at the most valuable age, is enormous. The United States with its small army and splendid system of education is a model for the old nations of the world.