

The far-famed Medicine.

[WITNESSES FOR THE CHRONICLE.]

RUSSIAN AMBITION.
An English General is once more in the field.
To subdue the Russians their country to yield,
To spread desolation through Palestine's plains,
And surround the earth with tyrannical chains.

But now! Men of Silesia fought,
And to the Czar's mighty legions' lesson he taught,
And on the banks of the Danube, where thousands
of men sleep,

The Turks were victorious, and so will they again.
They drove the fierce Cossacks to the Russian
frontier,
They took Odessa, who commands that shore;
They are only now waiting for the bugle's shrill
blast;

When they will rush on their foes and they will
fight to the last.

The tri-coloured flag has been fully unfurled,
To show that the Gauls still care in the world,
And the name of Napoleon once more doth resound
Through the ranks of his army on the battle-ground.

Like old England, the land of the brave,
How extended her arms the soldiers to save,
The sons of the Sultan she takes in hand,
And is now fighting the Russians by sea and by land.

The sons of old England and the brave sons of
Russia made those savage Russians to narrowly dare,
On the heights of the Alma they encountered the foe,
And to Menschikoff's colours they gave the death
blow.

Sir Colin Campbell, with his brave Flanders,
Rushed to the engagement with a fiery heart,
The Russians contended, but all was in vain,
They fled from the battle, leaving thousands of slain.

On the fifth of November at famed Inkermann,
The French and the English so courageous did stand,
To meet the proud regiments of the Moscovite Czar,
Whose ambition for territory led on this great war.

But our troops remained firm as the rocks on the shore,
And determined to conquer now as of yore,
They opened their batteries on that terrible day,
And five thousand Russians they left cold as clay.

Menchikoff's army made a hasty retreat
Inside Sebastopol to mourn their defeat,
They constructed strong breast-works all round
the town.

But the brave allied army will soon batter them
down.

To take that proud fortress the allies are bound,
And to raise its strong ramparts down to the ground.

The United Brits and Tricolour in triumph will be
surrounded with hearts that will conquer or die.

Our army will soon sweep through the green
Russian fields,
And bear up for Finland in spite of the breeze,
Groznyt will be taken the ensuing spring,

And the sound of our cannon on the Neva will ring.

Wickham, Feb. 8, 1855.

VARIETY.

WHAT OUR ADVISER WANTS. The derangement

of war may be called the second cause of our ruin in the Crimea—
for it is not to be imputed to the gross neglect of authorities at home—is to be

ascribed to the loss of so many of our superior officers by death or absence, and the consequent promotion of equally gallant officers from the ranks of inferior rank, whose talents were not equal to their higher positions.

The consequence of this was that less experienced officers have now the duty of superintendence. Even in the service of the British Army, as some

particulars, that requires a British officer at present, to be provided for itself; but the less rank which had

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