

PREFACE

TO THE THIRD EDITION.

ON the publication of this Faggot in 1851, I was very generally reviled for having declared,

1st—That the Republican form of Government then in full power throughout France was injurious to all classes of society.

2nd—That under a mild exterior, with gentle manners and a benevolent heart, Louis Napoleon was an honest, bold, high-minded statesman.

3rd—That the French Army was educating a Staff, and maintaining Field-departments, the want of which must inevitably paralyze the British Army whenever it should suddenly be required to take the field.

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