

tary force, at once and forever, of the Turkish name and the Turkish power from amongst the nations of Europe.

It now seems as if the final hour of her trial has arrived. In recent events the world has not only seen the Ottoman Empire suffer severely from internal convulsions, but beheld her once again involved in a gigantic struggle with a great and mighty opponent. Again it has witnessed vast armies on either side marshalled for the fray, and contending with each other in deadly strife. The events of the Crimean War have been in a measure re-enacted, and all Europe is watching for results with strained eyes and trembling uncertainty. An accident, a single mismove, may involve the entire Continent in a promiscuous and desolating war. The importance of the issue, the magnitude of the interests involved, the strategical and historical renown which attaches to the country which has become the theatre of war, the vastness of the contending forces, all these combine to render the question one of surpassing interest ; and we cannot doubt that a work giving authentic information on the subject, and a truthful description of the countries and people involved, will be heartily welcomed and gratefully received by the reading and thinking public.

THE AUTHOR.