

The Russian Bear

Tune—Grand Conversation under the Rose

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AS a fair one of England was musing by the
rolling sea,

There came a wayworn traveller and landed
by her side,

That goddess of the British throne, whose robes
was rich and costly,

Which struck the stranger with amaze, and
thus to her he cried—

‘O lady fair, why wander here, haste your
country to cheer,

Your enemies with evil eyes their threats of
war declare,

So man your ships with hardy tars, they will
boldly gain your cause, (bear.

Arouse up little England, and stop the Russian

That lady did in diamonds shine, and to conver-
sation did incline,

Just like some spotless beauty that goddess
did reply,

‘I thank you noble stranger, and may you meet
no ill design,

The lion when again aroused will conquer or
will die ;

But slow to anger he’ll remain, Britannia’s rights
he will maintain,

Enemies you may insult that monarch if you
dare,

If Nicholas remains our foe, and will towards
the Turkey go, (bear.

Arouse up little England and stop the Russian

O lady fair, the stranger cried, their plans of war
have long been laid,

They have a powerful army, and their ships
are out at sea,

And from the Baltic it is said, they do intend
to stop our trade,

So Britons all it’s now’s the time your com-
merce to keep free ;

Their banners in the air doth wave, to let us
know they will be brave,

Their trumpets sound to arms ! to arms ! and
echo through the air,

But they must mind how they behave, and not
the Turkey for to crave, (Russian bear.

Arouse you sons of England, and stop the

O stranger, stranger, say no more, the bunch of
roses I adore,

The shamrock, thistle, and the rose will boldly
stand the cause,

They’ll defend Britannia’s shore as monarchs did
in days of yore,

Those hearts of oak with bravery will con-
quer in the wars ;

Those warlike instruments pull down, that long
ago has rusty grown,

And gallant shipping box to sea, and for de-
feuce prepare,

If treachery it is not shown, then the day will
be our own, (bear.

Arouse up little England and stop the Russian

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