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RUSSELL, William Howard, a well-known writer and newspaper correspondent, who received his education at the university of Dublin. In 1842 he repaired to London to seek employment as reporter for the daily press, and ultimately, in the following year, succeeded in obtaining an engagement on the staff of the "Times" newspaper, for which he re-

ported, in 1845, an account of the monster meetings which were then taking place in Ireland. In 1846 he entered at the Middle Temple, and in the same year visited Ireland during the famine as special correspondent of the "Morning Chronicle." He was, however, again taken on the staff of the "Times" in 1847, and was employed in making reports of various public events until the outbreak of the Russian war, when he was selected to proceed to the Crimea, and supply that journal with descriptions of the military operations. The result is well known. His brilliant and picturesque pen furnished the public with the most graphic accounts of what took place in camp or in the field, while his quick-sightedness and fearless honesty led him to expose the defective arrangements, and the incompetence or inertness of those in command. In brief, he was a prime mover of that inquiry which resulted in improving the condition of the British army before Sebastopol. His valuable contributions were afterwards reprinted in two volumes. In 1856 he became LL.D. of the university of Dublin, and subsequently took the management of the "Naval and Military Gazette." He visited India in 1857, and witnessed the suppression of the Indian mutiny by Lord Clyde. After the outbreak of the civil war in America, he acted for some time as special correspondent of the "Times" in that country, but being refused permission to accompany the Federal army, returned to England in 1862. He accompanied the Austrian army in the "Seven Weeks' War" of 1866, after recording the unsuccessful attempt to lay the Atlantic Cable in 1865, and in 1869 visited Egypt in the suite of the Prince of Wales. Has written an amusing novel called "The Adventures of Dr. Brady." B. in Dublin, March 28, 1821. 437-11

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J. Russell's autograph

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In haste
Yours
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