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The Dogs Of War are loose and the rug ged Russian Be - ar full bent on blood and rob - be - ry, has crawl'd out of his la - ir It seems a thrash-ing now and then, will ne-ver help to ta - me. That brute, and so he's out up-on the"same old
The Lion did his best to find him some excuse.

To crawl back to his dungeon, all efforts were useless.
He hungered for his victim, he's pleased when blood is shed.
But let us hope his crimes may all remain on his own head.
We don't want to fight but by jingo if we

CHORUS
We've got the ships, we've got the men, and got the mon-ey too! We've fought the Bear be-
fore and while we're Bri-tons true! The Russ-i-ans shall not have Con-stanti no
pl. e.
The mis-deeds of the Turks have beefspout-ed" thro'all lands, But how a-bout the Rus-si-ans, can they
show spot-less hands? They slaughtered well at Khi-va, in Siberia cold. How many subjects done to death will never perhaps be told, They butchered the Circassians, man, woman, yes and child, With cruel ties their Generals their murderous hours be guiled, And poor unhappy Poland their cruel yoke must bear, Whilst
prayers for "Freedom and Revenge" go up into the air. We don't want to
fight but by jingo if we do ... We've got the ships, we've got the men, and got the money too! We've fought the Bear before and while we're Britons true! The Russians shall not
have Constantineple.
May he who 'gan the quar - rel soon have to bite the
dust. The Turk should be thrice armed for "he hath his quar-rel just," 'Tis____ sad
that count-less thousands should die thro' cruel war, But let us hope most fer-vent -ly
ere long it will be o'er; Let_ them be warned, Old En - gland_ is brave Old En - gland
still, We've proved our might, we've claimed our right, and ever, ever will, Should we have to draw the sword our way to victory we'll forge, With the battle cry of Britons,

CHORUS
"Old England and Saint George! We don't want to fight but by jingo if we do .... We've got the ships, we've got the men, and got the money too! We've fought the Bear be-
fo - re and while we're Bri-tons tr - ue! The Russ-ians shall not have Cons ta-nti n - o
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