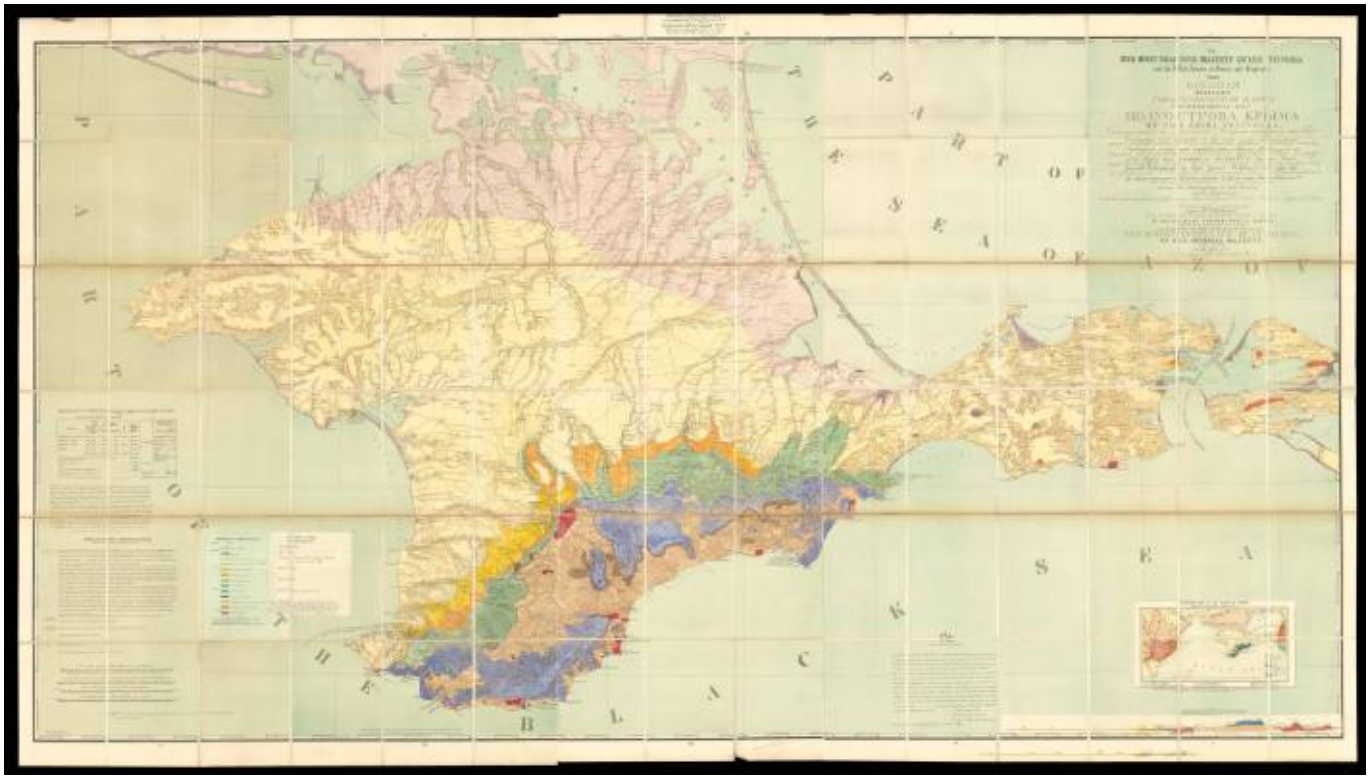


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A GEOLOGICAL MAP OF THE CRIMEAN PENINSULA

To her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, and the Allied Armies of France and England. This military topographical map of the Krima Peninsula, constructed, and founded, on the most recent astronomical observations, verified, and completed from authentic military surveys of the staff of his Imperial Majesty's Quarter Master General's Department, by Major General Mukhin in the year 1816; by express command of Governor General & Aid de Camp Prince Volkonski 2nd during his administration of that country. Is by her Majesty's permission inscribed by her very devoted and faithful servant Thomas Best Jervis F.R.S. Major of the Corps of Engineers E. J. Service. The original map was engraved and printed at the Military Topographical Depôt. Attached to the État-Major or Staff of his Imperial Majesty in the year 1817...

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Four leaves of letterpress text are pasted onto the back of the map, probably as issued, giving useful information relevant to the peninsula at the beginning of the Crimean War. They include ‘A general account of the extent of the Russian Empire, its population, distribution, and classification by religious denominations. From the latest official documents, 1853, by Professor Struve, General Schubert, Mr Reden, and Dr Koeppen’, ‘Organization of the military and naval forces of Russia, collected and arranged from the best official data’, ‘Remarks on the proper pronunciation of foreign, and Asiatic words in particular’, and ‘Miscellaneous useful information connected with the present seat of war, and the powers and states engaged therein’.

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