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An Italian edition of Hadol's serio-comic map of Europe

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An Italian version of Hadol's separate-issue caricature map of Europe, first published in 1870 at the time of the Franco-Prussian war. The countries are caricatured with stereotypes: England is a crone with Ireland a dog on a lead, angry at being ignored by the rest of Europe; France and Prussia square up, preparing for the war that started in July that year; Prussia has one hand on the Netherlands and kneels on Austria's chest; Denmark has artificial legs, having lost Holstein also to Prussia; and Russia looks on, hoping to pick up the pieces left by Europe's struggles. The map appeared in 'La Rana' (The Frog), a satirical magazine edited by Leonida Gioannetti and Augusto Grossi that ceased publication in 1912.

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