

# NOSTRADAMUS

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Seer and  
Prophet . .



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*Quatrains that Apply to Today*

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## *His Life and Prophecies*

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THIS IS A trait in universal human nature, to want to know accurately what the future may consist of. People may not relish predictions of calamity, but they will return again and again to the knees of the seer who has proven his abilities to foretell the imminent.

Three hundred and eighty-six years ago this coming autumn, a queer-looking individual walked into the print-shop of Bonhomme, the Publisher, in Lyons, France.

When Bonhomme, the Publisher, laid down his crude composing-stick and came to the front of his shop to see what the customer wanted, he saw a man 60 years old, in the garb of a cleric of the period, with locks hanging to his shoulders and a gleam in his eyes.

"I have a manuscript here," said the customer in the French of the time, "that I want to get published. It contains eight hundred quatrains, or four-line verses, each one containing a prophecy of some event to transpire in the four hundred years ahead."

La Bonhomme looked at the cascading ringlets, the ascetic face, the veiled lambent eyes. He had heard of this man.

¶ "You're Nostradamus?" he asked.

"Yes, I'm Nostradamus. And I want to put into printed form these eight hundred quatrains, dedicated to my son Caesar, in order to leave for future generations a prophetic record of what will occur in human society for the next dozen generations."

**B**ONHOMME had heard plenty about Nostradamus. He knew that the man was the grandson of the physician to the French King, who had been educated as a physician and mystic, married happily, had several sons, lost them in the Black Plague that swept southern France a generation before, gone wandering in his grief across the Mediterranean countries, and finally come back to take quarters in an attic in the vicinity, where he spent his nights in seclusion "communing with familiar spirits" as the superstitious citizens of the neighborhood whispered among themselves.

Bonhomme knew other things. He knew that when this man before him had first come back from his wanderings, he had walked down a certain Lyons street one day when a common parish priest approached him, striding between two lay companions. Nostradamus had waited till the priest got abreast of him, dropped to one knee in his pathway, made the priest halt, and kissed the edge of his cassock. The priest had demanded why the curious-looking doctor had done such a thing. "I kiss the robe of the next Pope!" the stranger had announced. The priest, not a little



his son Caesar, at that moment only a few weeks old, progeny of the seer's second wife.

In that introduction, Nostradamus had told bluntly and candidly how he arrived at his unearthly predictions.

"A supernal Being from the higher octaves of Time and Space materializes in my attic under proper conditions," was the substance of what Bonhomme read. "He tells me what the future is to contain but leaves it to me to determine the precise time from my reckonings in Astrology."

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METAPHYSICIANS and all adept researchers in the profounder phases of Psychics will understand without difficulty what the seer-mystic, Nostradamus, was attempting to convey when he indicated that after going through certain formulas and incantations, he perfected contact with an extremely high order of Mentor—whom he mentions as "the god"—and that this Personage presented himself in quasi-materialized aspect in the seer's vicinity and aided him in exercising the prophetic traits with which the man was born.

Arriving accurately at the time element for each prophecy, or estimating the year, month or day when described events were expected to happen, seems to have been achieved by means of hundreds of numerological charts and astronomical diagrams with which his attic premises were discovered to be surfeited, following his death.



Interpreted, this seems to be the sense of the quatrain—  
"Being seated at night and wrapped in secret study, entirely alone, I placed myself upon the brazen rod of prophecy. A still, small flame came forth of solitude, helping me to realize successfully what it will not prove vain to have believed."

WHAT we get here is curious, showing as it does that the borderland of the unseen world was actually contiguous with that of Nostradamus. They even overlapped, in his estimation, so as to form an intermediate neutral territory like the marches in the North, where the inhabitants of each district could meet and communicate. In Century I, Quatrain I, Nostradamus writes—

"The rod in hand set in the midst of the Branches,  
He moistens with water both the fringe and the foot;  
Fear, and a Voice, make me quake in my sleeves,  
Splendor divine! The God is seated near."

It is easy to be positive that all this is illusive, superstitious, even demoniacal. But even so, we do have to concede that in some fashion or other it brought results whose validity no one has been able to challenge to the present. Another effect it undeniably produces. It unites man more closely to the universe and less to the material world. It makes death less strange and less cold, and furnishes to the soul, and the things of the soul, more nutriment than it exacts from modern life and the cult of the materialistic.

Nostradamus seems to have been following out certain occult forms employed for establishing vaticinatory connection with the other world, or setting up the counter analogy between Mind and Spirit, according to that beautiful esoteric verse in Ecclesiasticus: "All things are double, one against the other; He hath made nothing imperfect."

Were such things never to interlink, men might well say—as they do now in the "wisdom" of Science—that Spirit and Intellect are not doubles, and that no knowledge can be reached save by physical experiment.

In this case there will be a particular link missing if Science be right. The sage will earnestly desire that such assumption will prove to be erroneous. He will readily formulate with St. Paul that the invisible things from creation may be known from the visible, likewise that the visible things can never be understood but by the invisible. The visible is not visible to the visible but to the invisible alone.

The eye is the machine of sight, but not sight itself.  
Who has seen the eye of the eye?

THE INTERPRETATION of M. le Pelletier to the quatrain is as follows:

That Nostradamus, wand in hand, touched the branches of the tripod, like the priests of Branchus, and invoked his Genius-Mentor, which appeared to him in the vapour floating above a basin of water. This he had consecrated beforehand, according to prescribed esoteric rites, and in which he dipped the fringe of his garment and his feet. Thereat an involuntary shivering agitated his hand, when

upon that, whilst the water is undulating, certain weak and peeping sounds whisper forth predictions about the future. ¶ In the Latin translation of Psellus by Marsilius Finicus, is this comment: "A spirit of this kind is vagrant everywhere, for it is endowed with the solar pass—so that our terrestrial atmosphere lies everywhere open to it—and that order of spirits, in the work appointed to it, speaks at all times in a subdued voice, that by its indistinct obscurity it may be less easy to seize the falsehoods that it utters."

A HISTORIAN of the fourth century, and a man of veracity, Marcellinus has given us curious details of how prophetic tripods were considered by the Romans of his day. It comes out quite naturally in the judicial proofs investigating a conspiracy against the life of Valens the Emperor—what today we would designate as a State Trial. ¶ The conspirators were put to the torture and as an item in the indictment the figure of a little table becomes prominent, concerning which the accused were interrogated by the judges.

At least one of them, Hillarius, broken with pain, revealed the secret in these words—

"Honored judges, we constructed this unfortunate little table that you see here after the fashion of the tripod—or more strictly the cauldron—at Delphi, with dark incantations, out of branches of laurel, and with imprecations of secret song, and numerous ceremonies repeated over daily. We consecrated it with magic rites, till at last we put it in motion. When it reached this capacity



ting entity moved from letter to letter around the rim of a bowl. However, to return to Nostradamus—

THE MAN implies in a score of places that he was first of all born with a tendency toward natural Second Sight—just as thousands of Scottish and Irish persons are, at the present time. What this Second Sight may be, is extraneous to our theme of the moment.

This natural trait toward clairvoyance was fostered and developed by the metaphysical instruction received, while a youth, from his grandfather, Pierre. In his early manhood, he lost his first family by plague, which threw him into a lifelong mood of introspective melancholia. This mood was conducive to the profoundest psychical research, and somewhere along in his esoteric explorations he made contact with a fourth-dimensional entity that provenly had an infallible knowledge of all vicissitudes slated for human society up several hundred years of the future. In considering all of it, we are confronted by this—

It would be easy to rationalize and say that Nostradamus was simply lucky, in that he was able to secure the cooperation of a higher-octave mentor who in turn was endowed with a miraculous knowledge of the chart spread ahead for society's evolution.

For the Doctrine to be consistent, the two must have been compatriots, but with one functioning in mortality and the other out of it, that the combined effect of their efforts might render some service to the human race, of profit.

Like so many men of genius, he had no illusions about the intelligence of the masses, and he well understood that the general public would understand neither his prophecies nor his motives in giving them to the world. Because he knew the hazards involved in embarking upon his career, he gave the matter long and sober consideration and conducted himself so expertly and discreetly that he was able to carry through to a conclusion of his career without suffering from the madness of the ignorant who are likely to crucify those advanced human beings they fail to understand.

Nostradamus knew, therefore, that men of sanity, sense and knowledge were to constitute his audience. He did not believe that the children of the cosmos were sufficiently developed to soar in stratospheric regions of prophecy.

An amusing anecdote is related by Garencieres, one of the interpreters of Nostradamus. In his capacity as physician he was called to attend Lord Florinville's mother at the Castle of Faim in Lorraine. Lord Florinville took Nostradamus for a stroll through the grounds. In one of the yards were two small pigs, one white and the other black. His lordship asked Nostradamus jestingly what would happen to those pigs. "We shall eat the black one, and the wolf shall eat the white," he said.

Lord Florinville gave secret orders to the cook to prepare the white one for supper. It was already spitted for roasting when the cook was called out of the kitchen. While he was absent, a young, tame wolf entered the kitchen, ate part of it, and so generally messed it up that it was unfit for roasting.

so long ago that it is no concern of ours, but when we see that symbol of the communistic 1789 revolution flaunted before our eyes by the WPA everywhere we go in our own land, it's obvious that we should come alive to realities, for it reminds us that the descendants of the plotters and planners in Europe during the eighteenth century are to-day working "to make America over" in the same way that they destroyed the then existing government in France.

**B**EAR IN mind that Nostradamus's book in entirety was published in 1555. Almost the first quatrain it contained was to lift the author into fame within four years, for accuracy of his predictions. This was the translation of the verse—

The young lion shall overcome the old  
On the field of war in single combat;  
He will pierce his eyes in a cage of gold;  
This is the first of two loppings, then he dies  
a cruel death!

The quatrain applied to Henry II, several years before it happened, and Nostradamus even announced it as a prediction to the monarch himself. The king seems to have had every confidence in Nostradamus for he let the seer draw the royal horoscope as well as that of his two children in 1556.

Henry II proclaimed a tournament, it seems, in the Rue St. Antoine, now site of the Bastille, but then open country, for July 1, 1559, in honor of the marriage of his



Normandy and was besieged in Domfront by a large force under Marshal de Matignon, to which he was obliged to surrender.

The terms of this surrender guaranteed him his life, but by express command of Catherine he was arrested in his own castle of Domfront on the night of May 27, 1574 by six gentlemen of the royal army and carried to the Chateau of Caen, thence to the Conciergerie at Paris, and there immured, where the great tower still goes by his name.

Nostradamus had thus accurately predicted an event not to take place for 19 years. Combined with the prophecy about the accident to Henry II, it definitely established Nostradamus's infallibility as a seer.

**WE** COULD go on for a score of pages narrating similar accuracies of his predictions, having to do with those medieval times, but not of great moment to our distempers of today. Nostradamus foretold the extinction of the House of Valois, the Civil War of 1575-1576, the murder of Henry III in 1589, the death of the Guise in 1588, the burial at St. Denis of the last of the Valois in 1610, and even the Massacre of St. Bartholomew's Day, August 24, 1572. The quatrain on the St. Bartholomew slaughter was—

The savage king, when he shall have tried

His bloodstained hand with fire, sword, and bows,  
All the people shall be terrified

To see the great hung by the neck and feet.

Cromwell became Protector January 30, 1649.

Restoration of Charles II (Stuart) on May 29, 1660.

William and Mary (Orange) succeeded Nov. 5, 1668.

George I began the Hanoverian succession May 21, 1714.

The Reform Bill of June 17, 1832, altered the British Empire to a constitutional monarchy.

The batting average for accuracy here was exactly one hundred percent.



IT WAS concerning the French Revolution of the eighteenth century, however, that Nostradamus really "went to town" in showing what feats of well-nigh necromancy an adept clairvoyant could perform. Seventy-three years was the time-period calculated that France would be in turmoil before the full effects of the Reign of Terror should have been erased. Of the revolution itself, the following quatrains scarcely need comment—

When the litter is turned topsy-turvy by the typhoon

Men will mask their faces with the cloak of hypocrisy;

The republic will be troubled by new-risen men;

The white and red shall judge by contraries.

This means that the royalists, the Whites, and the republicans, the Reds, would judge of everything from utterly

orders to have the captured monarch brought back. When Louis had been returned to Paris, his head was decorated with the tri-colored cockade or "mitre" and after a general roughing-up at the hands of the mob, he was cast into prison. Five hundred men did attack the Tuileries, just as Nostradamus had predicted some 237 years before. When Nostradamus wrote his predictions, the castle itself had not even been thought of.

Nostradamus, in other words, knew by some higher-octave phenomenon, that 200 years later two men would be born into life whose names were to be Narbonne and Sauce, and that their life roles would include the betrayal of their monarch. It stupefies one with wonder, conjecturing in turn if it is definitely known somewhere and somehow at this moment what persons will be in life 200 days from today, what their individual names will be, and what their lives will comprise . .

Only a gifted seer could possibly foretell proper names of those who were later to figure in history. A partial list of those he anticipated were Lord of Monluc; Captain Charry; Lord de la Mole, Admiral of the Galleys to Henry II; Entragues, who was beheaded by Louis XIII; Clarepegne; Sinan, who was the Pasha who brought destruction to Hungary; Clement, the murderer of Henry III; the Attorney David and Captain Ampus; Rousseau, the Mayor of Puy; Louis, Prince of Conde; Sixtus V; Gabrielle d'Estree; Lord Mutonis; Anthony de Sourdis, Lord Chancellor of France; Queen Louise; Antony of Portugal; Narbonne, Minister of War; Sauce; Lethuille; Cromwell; Montmorency; and Henry le Grand.



character for which the leaders of the French Revolution were not distinguished.

The prophecy about the gold and silver Garençieres thinks was fulfilled by the discovery of the Spanish-American mines.

Another quatrain pertains to the religious situation during the French Revolution and is rendered as follows:

Hear from the ground the voice of Halidom,

A human flame pretending light divine.

The blood of sisters stains the earth to red,

And holy temples the impure destroy.

It was at this time in French history that the Rights of Man were offered as a substitute for faith and religion, somewhat in the same spirit as the mythical Four Freedoms and a fraudulent democracy are being presented to-day. Rousseau's gospel was compounded of sentimentality and dirt, and the superficial Voltaire substituted wit for wisdom. True leaders were laughed to scorn.

"Halidom" is equivalent to the English "holy" and "dome" and as Nostradamus's biographer Ward suggests, it may have been written *Halidame* in reference to the Virgin Mary. "The blood of sisters" came from wholesale slaughter of women during the Revolution, which was repeated by Communists in the recent civil war in Spain. In America today we are approaching the climax of identical pre-revolutionary conditions, so that *it could happen here!*

The altars of the churches were desecrated with nude women, and those lewd leaders of the French placed them



HOWEVER, it is Britain more than it is France in which we Americans of the moment are interested. Nostradamus, being a Frenchman, did not overlike the English. He did admit, all the same, that Britain was to "rule the wave" for three hundred years—and he predicted it at a time when British sea power was nil, even had not been conceived. Here is the quatrain—

England the Pempotam will rule the great empire

For more than three hundred years.

Great armies will pass by sea and land;

The Portuguese will not be satisfied.

"Pempotam" is an expressive word compounded of the Greek and Latin, and is translated as "all-powerful," showing how Nostradamus foresaw the might of the "great empire" would dominate the world through control of the seas. History attests the truth of this trenchant prophecy. The line: "The Portuguese will not be satisfied" lacked a clear meaning until the coming of the days in which we are now living. Today Portugal is isolated at a time when British naval power is waning and apparently to be driven from the Mediterranean. That means quite clearly that the Portuguese will be subject to the forces operating on the European continent and it seems entirely probable that Portugal will become a part of

to naval authorities, Great Britain had 370 warships of all classes in February, 1941. In late May, Rep. Hamilton Fish stated on the floor of the House that members of the House Naval Affairs Committee had revealed to him that the British had filed requests for the repair of 132 warships in American shipyards.

Presumably all, or nearly all, of the 132 ships mentioned were damaged prior to May. Adding 75 warships sunk or put out of action in May, to the 132 awaiting repairs, shows that over half—or 207—of British naval vessels are either sunk or out of commission.

Nostradamus knew, of course, that the British Empire could maintain dominance of the seas only during the Piscean Age, or Water Era. He knew also that the era of the air—or the Aquarian Age—would succeed the Piscean and that in due time the British dominance of the oceans must come to an end.

**B**UT Nostradamus goes further with his modern predicting than merely saying that British sea power is to come to an end. The troubles of 1939-1941 overseas are quite clearly indicated by his quatrains.

Already the great seer had noted the American War of Independence. Commenting on the creation of the future United States, Nostradamus had set down this—

The West shall be free of the British Isles;

The discovered shall pass low, then high.

A Scottish pirate shall upon the sea rebel,

On a rainy and hot night.



exile, admitting that the entire gesture was a sentimental mistake. Certainly the League did nothing to try to remedy the brutalities of the Treaty of Versailles, out of which grew World War Number Two.

In the year 1936, recorded Nostradamus, the period of final turmoil would begin with a series of great strikes in all industrial countries, but particularly in France. The franc would devalue. Simultaneously, in near-by Spain, civil war would break out—

Between Bayonne and St. Jean de Luz,

Mars, God of War, will make his appearance.

By sea, the Red will take and buccaneer;

In this way will peace be menaced.

Refer to your maps and you will observe that Nostradamus had pegged with necromantic accuracy where Franco's rebellion commenced.

Everywhere the peoples of the earth were going to square off and the classifications are unmistakable that Nostradamus saw them as Christian Gentiles against Jewish Communists.

"By sea, the Red will take, and buccaneer" can only refer to the Mediterranean submarining that went on so mysteriously during the closing days of the Spanish Civil War, now known to have been conducted by Communist Russia in the Luciferian gamble to draw reprisals of outside nations upon Franco and thus aid Bolshevism to overcome him.

The development of the present conflict is interesting: That Nostradamus foresaw the installation of the Nazi

many prior to the outbreak of the war. One of his first acts upon succeeding to power was to put all classes and sects of clergymen—priests, ministers, and even rabbis—on State salary, so that they would no more be required to remain dependent on the slender purses of their congregations. But his stipulation was, that they forthwith cease meddling in practical politics. Their realm was the realm of the spirit, he declared, let the priests and parsons stay in it, and leave the running of the State to the Nazis. This sort of thing was unthinkable to certain classes of clergymen forever playing around for temporal power, principally at Jewish instigation, but it did resemble the "primitive preeminence" of the church in such spiritual functions.

That Great Britain is going down before this "new sect of philosophers" is apparent from this verse—

On the rocks shall one see blood rain,

When the Sun is in the East and Saturn in the West:  
Near Bouches-du-Rhone shall one see war, at Rome  
great evil,

Ships cast away, and Neptune (England) taken.

Now we come to truly devastating and significant information. *Over and over again, in at least twenty or more quatrains, Nostradamus definitely predicts the fall and destruction of England!*

Let American Lend-Leasers make of that what they will! Over and over again the Nostradamus quatrains identify England by the term "Neptune" on account of her sea empire and sea supremacy.

restoration of Edward, or in the event that King George gave up and the seat of the British Empire were moved overseas, Edward might make the attempt to reorganize them on a basis not precisely hostile to the Nazis. This quatrain, we might say, is not yet wholly fulfilled.

In the next quatrain, Nostradamus clearly has reference to the seizure of Denmark or Holland, in that he says—

By fraud a kingdom and forces shall be despoiled,

The fleet besieged, passages made by the spy.

Two pretended friends shall come to be allied together,

A hatred for a long time asleep shall be awakened.

"The two pretended friends" are patently Britain and France, for they certainly came to be allied together only to arouse a hatred that had been asleep ever since the close of the first World War, when Britain gave only a fraction of the help she had promised to stem the tide of the German Panzers. Today, in mid-1941, half of France is openly allied with Germany and turning its guns upon the British.

This would seem to be emphasized in the next quatrain predicting the fall of Paris—

In the city into which the wolf shall enter,

Quite near there shall the enemies be:

A foreign force shall lay waste a great country,

To the walls and Alps the friends shall pass.

Again and again in medieval literature, one runs across references to Paris as the City of the Wolf. "Quite near there shall the enemies be," indicates that Nostradamus



Within the Isles the children shall be transported,  
Two out of seven shall be in despair:  
Those of the land shall be supported by it,  
The name "pelle" having been taken by the leagues,  
hope flees.

The "long running spark" in the heavens can have only  
the one meaning: that of the attacking bomber coming  
from the East to spread death and destruction among  
sleeping inhabitants:

After a great human exhaustion, a greater  
Is made ready, the great motor renews the ages;  
A plague of blood, milk, famine, iron and plague,  
In the heavens shall be seen fire, a long running spark.

WE MAY safely consider that the next three quat-  
rains refer definitely to the ultimate fall and van-  
quishment of Britain. The first one is clear enough for  
any child to understand, with the exception, perhaps, of  
the terminating line—

The great Neptune (England?) from the depth of the sea,  
Of Punic blood and Gallic blood mixed,  
The Isles put to blood because of the slow rowing.  
He shall annoy them more than the ill-concealed occult.

That the British Isles will be "put to blood" is indicative  
of invasion, and the "slow rowing" could concern the  
difficulty of the Germans getting across the Channel in  
barges. The reference to "annoy" and "the ill-concealed  
occult" leaves one wondering if Hitler's alleged clairvoy-

There shall be left live fire, death hidden,  
Horrible, frightful, inside the globes.  
By night a city reduced to power by a fleet,  
The city on fire, the enemy favorable.

Of the end of the war, Nostradamus provides in this wise:

Many shall come, and shall speak of peace,  
Between monarchs and very powerful lords:  
But it shall not be granted them so soon,  
Unless they show themselves more obedient.

The armies shall fight in the air a long time,  
The tree shall have fallen in the midst of the city,  
Vermin, mange, sword, firebrand in face,  
After the monarch of Adria (Italy) shall have  
succumbed.

For a long time a grey bird shall be seen in the heavens,  
Near Dole and the Tuscan land: holding in its beak  
A green branch, soon a great one shall die  
And the war shall end.

The conventional explanation to this last stanza would be that the offer of peace that is finally acted upon, comes from the direction of Italy, or something having to do with Italy. "Near Dole and the Tuscan land" would indicate that Italy is concerned in the first peace move, although who "the great one" is who shall die, is nowhere indicated.

Incidentally, nowhere can we find the slightest indication of the Nazis attempting any western-world invasion, as

Then the prophet seems to add these lines as after-word, though disturbing the quatrain composition—

The printed word will work terrible havoc,  
The pointed steel driven home to the hilt!

Maybe this after-word—indeed this whole quatrain—is concerned, not so much with our times as with the days of the Reformation.

Anyhow, all over Europe in the course and wake of this conflict, revolutions break out, throwing off the shackles of the Jews and Jewish money-power. Perhaps some of the Hitler conquests over countries outside of Germany proper, have already fulfilled these prophecies.

The city of Lyons, in France, for which Nostradamus was particularly writing, will be razed and pillaged. The war will be in its second to third year when two fearful earthquakes will cause untold destruction of human life among Orientals. One of these has already happened in Angora, Turkey, though its severity was somewhat mantled by the greater sensations of continental war. Nostradamus is of the opinion that the second will come in the Far East, and that it may easily leave the Gobi desert an inland sea.

**B**ECAUSE she goes to war to preserve the Jewish financial influence—which, it seems, is cursed of God Almighty—a bloody revolution will sweep the British Isles. The seer sets the date for this as late in the summer of 1941. But before this gigantic purge of Jews occurs, the English fleet will fight a major engagement in the Medi-



Hence this Henri V will fulfil the prophecy of "reigning over three nations."

For some reason written in the stars, the present Pope will be succeeded by still another before 1945—a Frenchman—who shall take the name of Gregory XVII. The new King Henri shall ally himself with this pontiff and a period of peace and prosperity spread across Europe such as it has not known for hundreds of years. Indeed, so great will be the benign sagacity of Henri that the German Nazis, successful in their war against all Judaistic governments, will be guilty of no hesitancy in aligning themselves with him, and a coalition result that will underwrite Europe's peace for a score of generations.

**H**ENRY V and Gregory XVII are the only historical figures for this period whom Nostradamus specifically names. After 1947, Nostradamus skips a whole batch of years and picks up the thread of his prophecy in 1999. He states quite definitely that in that year—

A terrible monarch will sweep down from the sky.

He will speak a strange tongue, not derived from  
Greek or Latin,

He will wield weapons of great devastation;

Reindeer will be with him.

Interpreters believe that these "reindeer" are symbolic of certain northern tribes of Siberia or Mongolia, who may undergo a great racial rejuvenation until they approximate the strength and virility of the invading Mongols of the eleventh century under Genghis Khan.

*"Here repose the bones of the most illustrious Michel Nostradamus, alone, in the judgment of all mortals, worthy of recording with pen almost divine, in accord with stellar influences, the coming events of the entire world.*

After his burial, when relatives and friends came to clean up his famous attic quarters, they found the floor littered ankle-deep with thousands of discarded sheets of paper on which the seer had worked out his numerological and astrological time charts. Most of these are still in existence in France, where they have been guarded as part of the State archives. Hundreds upon hundreds of them have been reproduced.



**W**HAT are we to make out of the whole of it? Certainly only the bigoted or the ignorant scoff at Clairvoyance as being necromancy or lucky guessing. The people of every age and culture that the world has known have had their Seers and Prophets, their Soothsayers and Augurers. True, in decadent aspects, thousands of these have been mere frauds and sorcerers. But that there has been "something to" the acceptance of persons with gifts of reading the future, is attested by our documented evidence that monarchs and scholars up five thousand years of history have accredited them and shown them every confidence and respect.

coach—disguised—and restrain and return him into the hands of the revolutionaries.

There is small chance for fraud or fabrication in these incidents. We have Nostradamus's quatrains, made into a book by Bonhomme, the Lyons printer, and authentically dated in the middle of the sixteenth century. We read the quatrain composed about 1550 regarding King Louis's fate, and the actual names of the men who were to betray him, and we are now far enough forward in time ourselves to see that what this occult scholar predicted in 1550 came true in 1791 on the nail. Moreover, this was merely one of several hundred prophecies that likewise have come true in the interim on the nail.

Coincidence, lucky guessing, imagination, cease to be sensible explanation!

Are all events that ever are to be, *already transpired*, and is the seer thus observing happenings that daily Consciousness "has not yet caught up with"? Or must we believe that no program of social conduct, no personal act, takes place in mortality that is not prearranged and cast to a definite time-and-circumstance matrix from which the least of us cannot escape?

In other words, is the whole drama of earth-life—from the planet's original integration in primordial ether till its ultimate arrival at disintegration—foreordained and predestined to its smallest particular, like a photoplay fixed on celluloid, and is the present moment in eternity also a "fixed" situation that cannot alter in the slightest particular, no matter how many times the reels are run through the divine projector? Or is the matrix of event prescribed



this sketch of Nostradamus and his work is closed. That is the following stanza which some moderns conjecture might have had application to the recent escapade of Rudolf Hess—

A captain of Great Germany shall come  
Through pretended aid to the King of Kings;  
Help of Hungary, so that his revolt  
Shall cause great shedding of blood.

It is only the first two lines of this quatrain, of course, that furnish cues that this verse may apply to Hess. "A captain of Great Germany" would identify Hess in one regard, and all Englishmen dearly love to refer to their monarch as the King of Kings, in that he is the nominal head of the greatest single empire on the globe's surface. But Hess didn't fly to Scotland to solicit aid for Hungary and it isn't his revolt—personally—that now causes great shedding of blood. The American newspapers of late have given this quatrain wide publicity, but apparently it means little more than a dramatic news paragraph, alongside other quatrains of the seer's whose efficacy has been shown in the prophetic way beyond all doubt. ❀ ❀

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