

# RUSSIAN PREDICTS WORLD CATAclysm

### What Has Happened in Europe in Past Three Years Written Out in 1892.

## BOOK IMPRESSES CZAR

### Reading Said to Have Impelled Nicholas to Call Peace Conference at Hague—Scourge May End in Fearful Famine.

BY JAMES W. GERARD.  
American Ambassador at the German Imperial Court, July 2, 1912, to February 4, 1917. Author of "My Four Years in Germany." Copyright, 1917, by Public Ledger Company.

ARTICLE XXIV.  
I said that I had heard the statement made, and there seemed no reason to doubt it, that since the birth of Christ the world has only in one year out of every 13 enjoyed a rest from war.  
Mr. Fabre-Luce, vice-president of the Credit Lyonnais, told us of an interesting book written by a Russian and published before the war which predicted much that has happened in the war with almost the foresight of a Cassandra. I was so impressed that I secured a copy.  
This book has never been translated into English nor, so far as I know, reviewed in any publication in the United States or Great Britain, but it had so great an effect on the Russian Czar that it impelled him to call the Peace Conference at the Hague. Ivan Stanislavovich Bloch, counselor of the Russian Empire, published in 1892 his book entitled "The Future War." The author explains that it is impossible for the powers to continue longer in the path of armaments and that they ought to look each other in the face and demand where these great armaments and this extension of forces are conducting them. He writes:

**Frightfulness is Expected.**  
"How can one believe it possible to solve international questions by means of the veritable cataclysm which will continue, with the present means of destruction, war waged between the five great powers, by ten millions of soldiers? In this war explosives so powerful will be employed, that every grouping of troops on the flat country or even under the protection of fortifications will become almost impossible and, therefore, the preparations of this character made in expectation of the war will become useless.  
"The future war will see the use of a great quantity of new aids to war—bicycles, pigeons, telegraph, telephones, optical instruments and photographic instruments for the purpose of making from a great distance the positions occupied by the enemy and means to observe the movements of the enemy, such as observing ladders, balloons and so on."  
"In the future war every body of troops holding itself on the defensive will have to fortify itself in a chosen position, and the present means of principal to the form of a series of combats, in which the possession of fortified positions will be disputed and in which the attack will be made to meet the necessary defenses in the neighborhood of the fortifications, such as barbed wire, etc., the destruction of the fortifications will be the victims. The infantry, when on the defensive, will dig itself in to the depth of the war will depend in a large measure on the artillery."  
"No Man's Land" Foreseen.  
According to our author, who foresees "No Man's Land," between the two opposing forces "there will be forced a certain zone absolutely impassable in consequence of the nature of the war which it will be inundated from a short distance from each side." Bloch adds, "This war will last a long time and unless the nations will be completely rather, the flower of each nation; Germany will begin the war by throwing itself on France and then, using the many German railroads, will turn against Russia. By virtue of its military force Germany will take the initiative of operations and will make the war on the two fronts."  
His prophetic eye saw even the submarine war of the future. "It will happen, possibly, that the future war will produce effects which are completely unknown and unexpected at the present time; in any event, one can foresee the advent in a short time of submarines destined to carry below the waves ironclad torpedoes powerful enough to wreck the strongest ships."  
**Nations Called to Arms.**  
He quotes the opinions of Jomini, who says that future armies will not be composed of troops recruited voluntarily, but of entire nations called by a law to arms and who will not fight for a change of frontier, but for their existence. Jomini states "that this state of affairs will bring us back to the third and fourth centuries, calling to our minds those shocks of immense peoples who disputed among themselves the European continent" and "that if a new legislation and a new international law do not come to put an end to these things, whole peoples that it is impossible to foresee where the ravages of future war will stop."  
"It will become a scourge more terrible than ever, because the population of civilized nations will be cut down, while in the interior of each nation the normal economic life will be arrested."

**Paris Suffers From Cold.**  
The cold in Paris was bitter, biting into the very bones, and all classes of the population suffered intensely from the frost. In the theaters, for instance, there was absolutely no heat. Theatrical performances were permitted in each theater three times a week. Evening dress was prohibited, and the Folies Bergeres, arriving so late that the crowded house had warmed itself, and it was possible to stay until the end in spite of the want of ventilation.  
At one of the theaters I arrived early, but the cold was so bitter that even the actresses appearing in the scenes were shot in his garden by the Prussians in 1870, my father died of grief in 1916 because my two sisters in Lille fell into Prussian hands and were taken as their slaves with all that that meant. I had decided that we must end this horror once for all so that my children can cultivate their little fields without the constant haunting fear of the invading Prussian."  
We left Paris on the evening train for the French border, where we were taking flashlights and "pollux" in uniform crowded the station platform as the train with our still numerous party pulled out.  
**Nobler's Agents Always at Work.**  
How France has disappointed German expectations! France today is not the France that calls out, "We are betrayed" and runs away after the failure of its first assault. France today is a calm France, that seeks out its traitors and deliberately punishes them; that organizes with an efficiency you once thought a Prussian monopoly; a France that bleeds but fights on; a France that, standing with its back to its beloved, sunny fields, with many of her dearest dead, faces the Kaiser across No Man's Land, cries boldly, heaven to the world, the war cry of Verdun, "They shall not pass!"  
(Continued Tomorrow.)

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