Epistle to Henry II

To the most invincible, very puissant, and most Christian Henry King of France the Second: Michael Nostradamus, his most humble, most obedient servant and subject, wishes victory and happiness.

For that sovereign observation that I had, O most Christian and very victorious King, since that my face, long obscured with cloud, presented itself before the deity of your measureless Majesty, since that in that I have been perpetually dazzled, never failing to honour and worthily revere that day, when first before it, as before a singularly humane majesty, I presented myself. I searched for some occasion by which to manifest good heart and frank courage, by the means of which I might grow into greater knowledge of your serene Majesty. I soon found in effect it was impossible for me to declare it, considering the contrast of the solitariness of my long obnubilation and obscurity, and my being suddenly thrust into brilliancy, and transported into the presence of the sovereign eye of the first monarch of the universe.

Likewise I have long hung in doubt as to whom I ought to dedicate these three Centuries to, the remainder of my Prophecies amounting now to a thousand. I have long meditated on an act of such audacity. I have at last ventured to address your Majesty, and was not daunted from it as Plutarch, that grave author, relates in the life of Lycurgus, that, seeing the gifts and presents that were made in the way of sacrifice at the temples of the immortal gods so

in that age, many were staggered at the expense, and dared not approach the temple to present anything.
Notwithstanding this, I saw your royal splendour to
be accompanied with an incomparable humanity, and
paid my addresses to it, not as to those Kings of
Persia whom it was not permissible to approach. But
to a very prudent and very wise Prince I have
dedicated my nocturnal and prophetic calculations,
composed out of a natural instinct, and accompanied
by a poetic fervour, rather than according to the
strict rules of poetry. Most part, indeed, has been
composed and adjusted by astronomical calculation
corresponding to the years, months, and weeks, of
the regions, countries, and for the most part towns
and cities, throughout Europe, Africa, and a part
of Asia, which nearest approach [or resemble] each
other in all these climates, and this is composed
in a natural manner. Possibly some may answer—who,
if so, had better blow his nose [that he may see
the clearer by it]—that the rhythm is as easy to be
understood, as the sense is hard to get at.
Therefore, O most gracious King, the bulk of the
prophetic quatrains are so rude, that there is no
making way through them, nor is there any
interpreter of them. Nevertheless, being always
anxious to set down the years, towns, and regions
cited, where the events are to occur, even from the
year 1585, and the year 1606, dating from the
present time, which is the 14th of March, 1557.
Then passing far beyond to things which shall
happen at the commencement of the seventh
millenary, deeply calculated, so far as my
astronomic calculus, and other knowledge, has been
able to reach, to the time when the adversaries of
Jesus Christ and of His Church shall begin to
multiply in great force. The whole has been
composed and calculated on days and hours of best
election and disposition,
and with all the accuracy I could attain to at a moment [blessed] “Minerva libera et non invita,”
my calculations looking forward to events through a space of time to come that nearly equals that of the past even up to the present, and by this they will know in the lapse of time and in all regions what is to happen, all written down thus particularly, immingled with nothing superfluous.

Notwithstanding that some say, “Quod de futuris non est determinata omnino veritas,” I will confess, Sire, that I believed myself capable of presage from the natural instinct I inherit of my ancestors, adjusted and regulated by elaborate calculation, and the endeavour to free the soul, mind, and heart from all care, solicitude, and anxiety, by resting and tranquilizing the spirit, which finally has all to be completed and perfected in one respect tripode æneo [by the brazen tripod]. With all this there will be many to attribute to me as mine, things no more mine than nothing. The Almighty alone, who strictly searches the human heart, pious, just, and pitiful, is the true Judge; to Him I pray to defend me from the calumny of wicked men. Such persons, with equal calumny, will bring into question how all your ancient progenitors the Kings of France have cured the evil; how those of other nations have cured the bite of serpents; others have had a certain instinct in the art of divination, and other faculties that would be too long to recount here. Notwithstanding such as cannot be restrained from the exercise of the malignancy of the evil spirit, [there is hope that] by the lapse of time, and after my extinction here on earth, my writings will be more valued than during my lifetime.
However, if I err in calculation of ages, or find myself unable to please all the world, may it please your Imperial Majesty to forgive me, for I protest before God and His saints, that I purpose to insert nothing whatever in writing this present Epistle that shall militate against the true Catholic Faith, whilst consulting the astronomical calculations to the very best of my knowledge. For the stretch of time of our forefathers [\textit{i.e.} the age of the world] which has gone before is such, submitting myself to the direction of the soundest chronologists, that the first man, Adam, was about one thousand two hundred and forty years before Noah, not computing time by Gentile records, such as Varro has committed to writing, but taking simply the Sacred Scriptures for the guide in my astronomic reckonings, to the best of my feeble understanding. After Noah, from him and the universal deluge, about one thousand and fourscore years, came Abraham, who was a sovereign astrologer according to some; he first invented the Chaldaean alphabet. Then came Moses, about five hundred and fifteen or sixteen years later. Between the time of David and Moses five hundred and seventy years elapsed. Then after the time of David and the time of our Saviour and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, born of a pure Virgin, there elapsed (according to some chronographers) one thousand three hundred and fifty years.

Some, indeed, may object to this supputation as not true, because it varies from that of Eusebius.
Since the time of the human redemption to the hateful apostacy of the Saracens, there have been six hundred and twenty-one years, or thereabouts. Now, from this it is easy to gather what time has elapsed if my supputation be not good and available for all nations, for that all is calculated by the celestial courses, associated in my case with an emotion that steals over me at certain subsecival hours from an emotional tendency handed down to me from a line of ancestors. But the injuriousness

of our time, 0 most serene Sovereign, requires that such secret events should not transpire, except in enigmatic sentences, having but one sense and one only meaning, and quite unmingled with calculation that is of ambiguity or amphibology. Say, rather, under a veiled obscurity from some natural emotional effusion, that resembles the sentential delivery of the thousand and two Prophets, that have been from the Creation of the world, according to the calculation and Punic Chronicle of Joel: "Effundum spiritum meum super omnem carnem, et prophetabunt filii vestri, et filiae vestrae." 1 But this prophecy proceeded from the mouth of the Holy Spirit, which was the sovereign power eternal, in conjunction with the celestial bodies, has caused some of the number to predict great and marvellous events.

As to myself in this place, I set up no claim to such a title—never, please God. I fully confess that all proceeds from God, and for that I return Him thanks, honour, and immortal praise, and have mingled nothing with it of the divination which
proceeds \textit{fâto}, but \textit{Deo \textit{nature}}, and for the most part accompanied with the movement of the celestial courses. Much as, if looking into a burning mirror [we see], as with darkened vision, the great events, sad or portentous, and calamitous occurrences that are about to fall upon the principal worshippers. First upon the temples of God, secondly upon such as have their support from the earth \textit{[i.e. by the kings]}, this decadence draweth nigh, with a thousand other calamitous incidents that in the course of time will be known to happen.

For God will take notice of the long barrenness of the great Dame, who afterwards will conceive two principal children. But, she being in great danger, the girl she will

give birth to with risk at her age of death in the eighteenth year, and not possible to outlive the thirty-sixth, will leave three males and one female, and he will have two who never had any of the same father. The three brothers will be so different, though united and agreed, that the three and four parts of Europe will tremble. By the youngest in years will the Christian monarchy be sustained and augmented; heresies spring up and suddenly cast down, the Arabs driven back, kingdoms united, and new laws promulgated. Of the other children the first shall possess the furious crowned Lions, holding their paws upon the bold escutcheon. The second, accompanied by the Latins, shall penetrate so far that a second trembling and furious descent shall he made, descending Mons
Jovis [at Barcelona] to mount the Pyrenees, shall not he translated to the antique monarchy, and a third inundation of human blood shall arise, and March for a long while will not be found in Lent. The daughter shall be given for the preservation of the Christian Church, the dominator falling into the Pagan sect of new infidels, and she will have two children, the one fidelity, the other infidelity, by the confirmation of the Catholic Church. The other, who to his great confusion and tardy repentance wished to ruin her, will have three regions over a wide extent of leagues, that is to say, Roumania, Germany, and Spain, which will entail great intricacy of military handling, stretching from the 50th to the 52nd degree of latitude. And they will have to respect the more distant religions of Europe and the north above the 48th degree of latitude, which at first in a vain timidty will tremble, and then the more western, southern, and eastern will tremble. Their power will become such, that what is brought about by union and concord will prove insuperable by warlike conquest. By nature they will be equal, but exceedingly different in faith.

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After this the sterile Dame, of greater power than the second, shall be received by two nations, by the first made obstinate by him who had power over all, by the second, and third, that shall extend his forces towards; the circuit of the east of Europe; [arrived] there his standards will stop and succumb, but by sea he will run on to Trinacria and the Adriatic with his mirmidons. The Germans will
succumb wholly and the Barbaric sect will be disquieted and driven back by the whole of the Latin race. Then shall begin the grand Empire of Antichrist in the Atila and Xerxes, [who is] to descend with innumerable multitudes, so that the coming of the Holy Spirit, issuing from the 48th degree, shall make a transmigration, chasing away the abomination of Antichrist, that made war upon the royal person of the great vicar of Jesus Christ, and against His Church, and reign per tempus, et in occasione temporis [for a time, and to the end of time]. This will be preceded by an eclipse of the sun, more obscure and tenebrous than has ever been since the creation of the world, up to the death and passion of Jesus Christ, and from thence till now. There will be in the month of October a grand revolution [translation] made, such that one would think that the librating body of the earth had lost its natural movement in the abyss of perpetual darkness. There will be seen precursive signs in the spring-time, and after extreme changes ensuing, reversal of kingdoms, and great earthquakes [i.e. wars]. All this accompanied with the procreations of the New Babylon [Paris], a miserable prostitute big with the abomination of the first holocaust [death of Louis XVI.]. It will only continue for seventy-three years seven months.

Then there will issue from the stock so long time barren, proceeding from the 50th degree, [one] who will renovate the whole Christian Church. A great peace, union, and concord

will then spring up between some of the children of
races [long] opposed to each other and separated by
diverse kingdoms. Such a peace shall be set up,
that the Instigator and promoter of military
faction by means of the diversity of religions,
shall dwell attached to the bottom of the abyss,
and united to the kingdom of the furious, who shall
counterfeit the wise. The countries, towns, cities,
and provinces that had forsaken their old customs
to free themselves, enthralling themselves more
deeply, shall become secretly weary of their
liberty, and, true religion lost, shall commence by
striking off to the left, to return more than ever
to the right.

Then replacing holiness, so long desecrated by
their former writings [circulating slanders],
afterwards the result will be that the great dog
will issue as an irresistible mastiff [Napoleon?] who will destroy everything, even to all that may
have been prepared in time past, till the churches
will be restored as at first, and the clergy
reinstated in their pristine condition; till it
lapses again into whoredom and luxury, to commit
and perpetrate a thousand crimes. And, drawing near
to another desolation, then, when she shall be at
her highest and sublimest point of dignity, the
kings and generals [mains militaires] will come up
[against her], and her two swords will be taken
from her, and nothing will be left her but the
semblance of them. [The following paragraph I can
make nothing of, so I give it in the words of
Garenci res and in inverted commas.] “From which by
the means of the crookedness that draweth them, the
people causing it to go straight, and not willing
to submit unto them by the end opposite to the
sharp hand that toucheth the ground they shall provoke." Until there shall be born unto the branch a long time sterile, one who shall deliver the French people from the benign slavery that they voluntarily submitted to, putting himself under the protection of Mars, and stripping Jupiter [Napoleon I.] of all his honours and dignities, for the city constituted free and seated in another narrow Mesopotamia. The chief and governor shall be cast from the midst, and set in a place of the air, ignorant of the conspiracy of the conspirators [Fouch, Duc d’Otranto, etc.] with the second Thrasibulus, who for a long time had prepared all this. Then shall the impurities and abominations be with great shame set forth and manifested to the darkness of the veiled light, shall cease towards the end of his reign, and the chiefs of the Church shall evince but little of the love of God, whilst many of them shall apostatize from the true faith.

Of the three sects [Lutheran, Catholic, and Mohametan], that which is in the middle, by the action of its own worshippers, will be thrown a little into decadence. The first totally throughout Europe, and the chief part of Africa exterminated by the third, by means of the poor in spirit, who by the madness engendered of libidinous luxury, will commit adultery [i.e. apostatize]. The people will pull down the pillar, and chase away the adherents of the legislators, and it shall seem, from the kingdoms weakened by the Orientals, that God the Creator has loosed Satan from the infernal
prisons, to make room for the great Dog and Dohan [Gog and Magog], which will make so great and injurious a breach in the Churches, that neither the reds nor the whites, who are without eyes and without hands [meaning the latter Bourbons, “who learn nothing and forget nothing”, cannot judge of the situation, and their power will be taken from them. Then shall commence a persecution of the Church such as never was before. Whilst this is enacting, such a pestilence shall spring up that out of three parts of mankind two shall be removed. To such a length will this

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proceed that one will neither know nor recognize the fields or houses, and grass will grow in the streets of the cities as high as a man’s knees. To the clergy there shall be a total desolation, and the martial men shall usurp what shall come back from the City of the Sun [Rome], and from Malta and the Islands of Hi res [off Marseilles], and the great chain of the port shall be opened that takes its name from the marine ox [Bosphorus].

A new incursion shall be made from the maritime shores, eager to give the leap of liberty since the first taking by the Mahometans. Their assaults shall not be at all in vain, and in the place where the habitation of Abraham was, it shall be assailed by those who hold the Jovialists [followers of Jupiter (Napoleon I.?)] in reverence. The city of Achem [in the Island of Sumatra] shall be encompassed and assaulted on all sides by a great force of armed men. Their maritime forces shall be weakened by the Westerns. Upon this kingdom a great
desolation shall come, and the great cities shall be depopulated, and such as enter in shall come under the vengeance of the wrath of God. The Holy Sepulchre, for so long a period an object of great veneration, shall remain exposed to the blighting dew of evening under the stars of heaven, and of the sun and moon. The holy place shall be converted into a stable for cattle small and large, and applied to other base purposes. Oh, what a calamitous time will that be for women with child! for then the Sultan of the East will be vanquished, driven for the most part by the Northern and Western men, who will kill him, overthrow him, and put the rest to flight, and his children, the offspring of many women, imprisoned. Then will come to its fulfilment the prophecy of the Royal Prophet, “Ut audiret gemitus compeditorum, et solveret filios interemptorum.”

What great oppression shall then fall upon the princes and rulers of kingdoms, even on those who are maritime and Oriental, their tongues intermingled from all nations of the earth! Tongues of the Latin nations, mingled with Arabic and North-African communication. All the Eastern kings will be driven away, overthrown, and exterminated, not at all by means of the kings of the North and the drawing near of our age, but by means of the three secretly united who seek out death and snares by ambush sprung upon one another. The renewal of this Triumvirate shall endure for seven years, while its renown shall spread all over the world,
and the sacrifice of the holy and immaculate wafer shall be upheld. Then shall two lords of the North conquer the Orientals, and so great report and tumultuary warfare shall issue from these that all the East shall tremble at the noise of these two brothers of the North, who are yet not brothers. And because, Sire, by this discourse I almost introduce confusion into these predictions as to the time when the event of each shall fall out; for the detailed account of the time that follows is very little conformable, if at all, to what I gave above, that indeed could not err, being by astronomic rule and consonant with the Holy Scriptures themselves.

Had I wished to give to every quatrains its detailed date, it could easily have been done, but it would not have been agreeable to all, and still less to interpret them, Sire, until your Majesty should have fully sanctioned me to do this, in order not to furnish calumniators with an opportunity to injure me. Always reckoning the years since the creation of the world to the birth of Noah as being 1506 years, and from that to the completion of the building of the ark at the period of the universal deluge 600 years elapsed (let them be solar years, or lunar, or mixed), I hold that the Scripture takes them to be solar.

At the conclusion of this 600 years, Noah entered the ark to escape the deluge. The deluge was universal over the earth, and lasted one year and two months, From the conclusion of the deluge to the birth of Abraham there elapsed 295 years, and
100 years from that to the birth of Isaac. From Isaac to Jacob 60 years. From the time he went into Egypt until his coming out of it was 130 years, and from the entry of Jacob into Egypt to his exit was 436 years; and from that to the building of the Temple by Solomon in the fortieth year of his reign, makes 480 years. From the building of the Temple to Jesus Christ, according to the supputation of the Hierographs, there passed 490 years. Thus by this calculation that I have made, collecting it out of the sacred writings, there are about 4173 years and eight months less or more. Now, from Jesus Christ, in that there is such a diversity of opinion, I pass it by, and having calculated the present prophecies in accordance with the order of the chain which contains the revolution, and the whole by astronomical rule, together with my own hereditary instinct. After some time, and including in it the period Saturn takes to turn between the 7th of April up to the 25th of August; Jupiter from the 14th of June to the 7th of October; Mars from the 17th of April to the 22nd of June; Venus from the 9th of April to the 22nd of May; Mercury from the 3rd of February to the 24th of the same; afterwards from the 1st of June to the 24th of the same; and from the 25th of September to the 16th of October, Saturn in Capricorn, Jupiter in Aquarius, Mars in Scorpio, Venus in Pisces, Mercury within a month in Capricorn, Aquarius, and Pisces; the moon in Aquarius, the Dragon’s head in Libra, the tail in her sign opposite. Following the conjunction of Jupiter to Mercury, with a quadrin aspect of Mars
to Mercury, and the head of the Dragon shall be with a conjunction of Sol with Jupiter, the year shall be peaceful without eclipse.

Then will be the commencement [of a period] that will comprehend in itself what will long endure \[i.e. the vulgar advent of the French Revolution\], and in its first year there shall be a great persecution of the Christian Church, fiercer than that in Africa [by the Vandals from 1439 to 15341, and this will burst out \[durera\] the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two; they will think it to be a renovation of time. After this the people of Rome will begin to reconstitute themselves [in 1804, when Napoleon is emperor], and to chase away the obscurity of darkness, recovering some share of their ancient brightness, but not without much division and continual changes. Venice after that, in great force and power, shall raise her wings very high, not much short of the force of ancient Rome. At that time great Bysantine sails, associated with the Piedmontese by the help and power of the North, will so restrain them that the two Cretans will not be able to maintain their faith. The arks built by the ancient warriors will accompany them to the waves of Neptune. In the Adriatic there will be such permutations, that what was united will be separated, and that will be reduced to a house which before was a great city, including the Pampotan and Mesopotamia of Europe, to 45, and others to 41, 42, and 47. And in that time and those countries the infernal power will set the power of the adversaries of its law against the Church of Jesus Christ. This will constitute the second Antichrist, which will persecute that
Church and its true vicar, by means of the power of the temporal kings, who in their ignorance will be reduced by tongues that will cut more than any sword in the hands of a madman.

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The said reign of Antichrist will only last to the death of him who was born near the commencement of the century, and of the other in the city of Plancus [Lyons], accompanied by him the elect of Modena, Fulcy by Ferara, upheld by the Adriatic Piedmontese, and the proximity of the great Trinacria [Sicily]. Afterwards the Gallic Ogmion shall pass the Mount Jovis [Barcelona], accompanied by so great a number that from afar the Empire shall be presented with its grand law, and then and for some time after shall be profusely shed the blood of the innocent by the guilty recently elevated to power. Then by great deluges the memory of things contained in such instruments shall suffer incalculable loss, even to the Alphabet itself. This will happen among the Northerns. By the Divine Will once again Satan will be bound, and universal peace established amongst mankind, and the Church of Jesus Christ delivered from all tribulation, although the Azostains [debauched voluptuaries] would desire to mix with the honey the gall of their pestilent seduction. This will be near the seventh millenary, when the sanctuary of Jesus Christ will no longer be trodden down by the infidels who come from the North; the world [will be then] approaching its great conflagration, although by my supputation in my prophecies, the course of time runs much farther on.
In the epistle that some years since I dedicated to my son C sar Nostradamus, I have openly enough declared some points without presage. But here, Sire, are comprised many great and marvellous events to come, which those who follow after us shall see. And during the said astrological supputation, harmonized with the sacred Scriptures, the persecution of the Ecclesiastics shall take its rise in the power of the kings of the North, united with the Easterns. And this persecution shall last eleven years, or somewhat less, by which time the chief Northern king shall pass away, which years being run, a united Southern king shall succeed, which shall still more fiercely persecute the clergy of the Church for the space of three years by the Apostolical seduction of one who will take away all the absolute power from the Church Militant, and holy people of God who observe its ritual, and the whole order of religion shall be greatly persecuted and so afflicted that the blood of true ecclesiastics shall float everywhere. To one of those horrible temporal kings such praise shall be given by his adherents that he will have shed more human blood of innocent ecclesiastics, than any could do of wine. This king will commit crimes against the Church that are incredible. Human blood will flow in the public streets and churches, like water after impetuous rain, and will crimson with blood the neighbouring rivers, and by another naval war redden the sea to such a degree that one king shall say to another, “Bellis rubuit navalibus æquor.” Then in the same year and those following there will ensue the most horrible
pestilence and the most astonishing on account of
the famine that will precede, and such tribulation
that nothing approaching it ever happened since the
first foundation of the Christian Church; this also
throughout all the Latin regions, leaving traces in
all the countries under the rule of Spain.

Then the third King of the North [Russia?], hearing
the complaint of the people from [whom he derives]
his principal title, will raise up a mighty army,
and pass through the limits [destroits] of his last
progenitors and great-grandfathers, to him who will
[qui for lui qui] replace almost everything in its
old condition. The great Vicar of the Cope shall be
put back to his pristine state; but, desolated and
abandoned by all, will return to the sanctuary
[that was]

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destroyed by paganism, when the Old and New
Testament will be thrust out and burnt. After that
Antichrist will be the infernal prince. Then at
this last epoch, all the kingdoms of Christianity,
as well as of the infidel world, will be shaken
during the space of twenty-five years, and the wars
and battles will be more grievous, and the towns,
cities, castles, and all other edifices will be
burnt, desolated, and destroyed with much effusion
of vestal blood, married women and widows violated,
sucking children dashed and broken against the
walls of town; and so many evils will be committed
by means of Satan, the prince infernal, that nearly
all the world will become undone and desolated.
Before the events occur certain strange birds [imperial eagles] will cry in the air, “To-day! to-day!” and after a given time will disappear [June, 1815]. After this has endured for a certain length of time [twenty-five years he has said before, 1790 to 1815], there will be almost renewed another reign of Saturn, the age of gold [this might be the discovery of California, but for what follows]. God the Creator shall say, hearing the affliction of His people, Satan shall be precipitated and bound in the bottomless abyss, and then shall commence between God and men a universal peace. There he shall abide for the space of a thousand years, and shall turn his greatest force against the power of the Church, and shall then be bound again.

How justly are all these figures adapted by the divine letters to visible celestial things, that is to say, by Saturn, Jupiter, and Mars, and others in conjunction with them, as may be seen more at large by some of the quatrains! I would have calculated it more deeply, and adapted the one to the other; but, seeing, O most serene King, that some who are given to censure will raise a difficulty, I shall take the opportunity to retire my pen and seek my nocturnal repose.

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“Multa etiam, O Rex potentissime præclara, et sane in brevi ventura, sed omnia in hic tu Epistola, innectere non possimus, nec volumus, sed ad intellegenda quædam facta, horrida fata paucana libanda sunt, quamvis tanta sit in omnes tua amplitudo et humanitas homines, deosque pietas, ut solos amplissimo et Christianissimo Regis nomine, et ad quem summa totius religionis auctoritas deferatur dignus esse videare.”¹
But I shall only beseech you, O most clement King, by this your singular and most prudent goodness, to understand rather the desire of my heart, and the sovereign wish I have to obey your most excellent Majesty, ever since my eyes approached so nearly to your solar splendour, than the grandeur of my work can attain to or acquire.

Faciebat MICHAEL NOSTRADAMUS. Solonæ Petrae Provincæ.

From Salon this 27th June, 1558.

52:1 “When Minerva was free and favourable.”

52:2 “There can be no truth entirely determined for certain which concerns the future.”

54:1 See Joel ii. 28.

54:2 Which proceeds from fate, but from God, and nature.

59:1 “Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee. to release the children of death” (Ps. lxxviii. 11).

64:1 “The sea blushed red with the blood of naval fights.”

66:1 “Many things, O most potent king of all, of the most remarkable kind are shortly to happen, that I neither could nor would interweave them all into this epistle; but in order to comprehend certain facts, a few horrible destinies must be set down in extract, although your amplitude and humanity towards all men is so great, and your piety to the gods, and that you alone seem worthy of the grand title of the most Christian King, and to whom the highest authority in all religion should be deferred.”
According to Prieditis, Hitler was very much interested in astrology, clairvoyance and occultism, given for example the career of the clairvoyant Hanussen and the fact that in 1935, Hitler appointed astrology as a “science of state” (Reichsfachschafft). According to Prieditis, Hitler surrounded himself with astrologers who determined which periods were favourable or when military actions had to be started. When the world war began, Hitler engaged Germany’s best astrologer, K.E. Krafft, a Swiss citizen, in order to elaborate plans for military operations. Basing himself upon his astrological calculations, Krafft was convinced that Hitler’s life was in danger in the days between November 7 and November 10, 1939. He warned Hitler in a letter, dated on November 2, 1939. After the failed attempt on Hitler in a beer cellar in Munich on November 8, 1939, Hitler showed this letter to a number of prominent Nazi’s. Himmler concluded that Krafft was involved in the conspiracy and had him arrested.

Goebbels, more clever, managed to obtain his release, bade him to Berlin and appointed him as a translator in the German news agency. Goebbels was impressed by the way Krafft interpreted a number of quatrains and linked them to Hitler. He gave Krafft permission to publish a photocopy of the best edition of Nostradamus’ quatrains in the original French text, with scientific German commentaries, and spread Krafft’s interpretation of quatrain 05-94 by means of pamphlets. Krafft was convinced that the text of this quatrains contained a printer’s error and that the words duc d’Armenie were actually duc d’Arminie, pointing towards Germany, the country of Hermann the Herusc. According to Krafft, quatrain 05-94 would contain allusions to the incorporation by Great-Germany of Brabant, Flanders, Ghent, Bruges, Boulogne and Cologne, which is the Rhine land, which region for a short period was occupied by the French. Today, Prieditis emphasizes, it is a matter of fact that quatrain 05-94 does not contain a printer’s error and that the last part of this quatrain has to be linked to Stalin, as was already noted by professor H.H. Kritzinger, who was unable to convince Krafft that his interpretation was not correct. In order to find out and to repel Krafft’s plans, the British government engaged the well-known Austrian astrologer and author Ludwig von Wohl, who became a British citizen and changed his name into Louis de Wohl. To some extent, De Wohl managed to discredit Krafft. In the summer of 1941, Krafft warned Hitler and even predicted failures. Hitler got angry and had him arrested. In 1942, when the number of unfavourable predictions steadily increased, Hitler proclaimed astrology a useless science which had to be prohibited. By a decree of Himmler, the spread of Nostradamus’ predictions was suppressed in Germany. Krafft died in the Buchenwald concentration camp on April 16, 1944.[2-it was not on April 16, 1944 but on January 8, 1945, that Krafft died in Buchenwald. Neither the Goebbels diaries nor in the minutes of the secret daily propaganda meetings in the Ministry of Propaganda contain notes in connection with What
In 1940, an English brochure was printed at Stockholms bokindustri AB, entitled *What will happen in the near future?* by Norab—author’s pseudonym of the Swedish baron Lage Fabian Wilhelm Sta’l von Holstein (1886-1946). Von Holstein wrote a great number of national-socialist books and brochures.

*What will happen in the near future?* consisted of 63 pages and was meant to be spread in the United States. The number of printed copies in the period June 1940 - August 1940 was 3,000, a small number, compared with the 20,000 French copies and the 25,000 Croatian copies. May-be the titles of the chapters XI, XII, XIII and XIV in *What will happen in the near future?* might be a clue to the nature of the propaganda message of this brochure.

In these titles, the war is broadly exposed: fatal events for England, the far-reaching consequences of the war, Italy’s participation and Germany’s victory. The contents of these chapters do not solely deal with England’s defeat as is the case in the chapters XI, XII and XIII in *Nostradamus spEdomar om kriget*; France, marked as Germany’s mortal enemy, will also be defeated. Perhaps the propagandistic message of this brochure is contained in the presentation of the war in Europe as a war in a continent, with Germany becoming the ruler of this continent. We can only guess why Sta’l von Holstein left out the comment on the Molotov - Von Ribbentrop pact, a comment which he included in *Nostradamus spEdomar om kriget*.

The question is for who in the United States this brochure was meant and what impact it should have. Should it warn the American army, government and/or parliament to stay out of the conflict? Was the aim of this brochure to mobilize the German society in the United States and perhaps the Italian one? The contents of *What will happen in the near future?* do not offer a clue by which this question can be answered.

The Swedish origin of this brochure was not kept secret: on p.2, the name of the printer (Stockholms bokindustri AB) was given. Further, the author’s name Norab was used, a name not a common American name. *What will happen in the near future?* does not contain specific American themes or references to American publications about the *Centuries* or PSI-phenomena. Perhaps Sta’l von Holstein had no information at hand about this.
YOUR late arrival, Cesar Nostradame my son, has caused me to set out in writing the (results of) the long periods that I have spent in ceaseless night watches, in order to leave you a memorandum, after the physical extinction of (this) your progenitor, and for the general benefit of mankind, of that about which the Divine Being has granted me knowledge through the (calculation of) astronomical cycles. **Astronomic calculations- Rationale (PCF1)**

**Relevance of time to God & prophets (PCF3)**

And since it has pleased Immortal God that you have not reached this earthly shore with instinctive knowledge (of the future), not to mention (the fact that) your years - still less your months of March - are not yet more than one in number, and so cannot permit your weak understanding to take in what I shall be obliged to specify...Although I have long repeatedly predicted, well in advance, what has since come to pass, and in particular regions, too - asserting the whole of it to have been done through God’s power and inspiration...However, it is possible that even today there may appear and exist people to whom God the creator has deigned to reveal, through imaginative impressions, some secrets of the future, as harmonised with judicial astrology, just as in the past a certain power and faculty of will came through them, appearing like a flame of fire, and inspiring them in such a way as to allow others to appreciate their divine and human inspirations. For (those) divine works that are totally absolute are performed by God; those that are medial, or contingent, by the angels; and the third sort by those who are evil. But my son, I am speaking to you here a little too obscurely: but as for the occult predictions that one manages to receive through the subtle spirit of fire which sometimes, as the disturbed intellect contemplates attentively the highest of the stars, surprises one with the written pronouncements (that emerge) - pronouncements made with neither fear nor expectation, nor with immodest loquacity....Although, my son, I have used the word ‘prophet’, I would not attribute to myself a title of such lofty sublimity for the present: for ‘qui propheta dicitur, Hodie, olim vocabatur videns’ [Latin Vulgate: ‘He who is nowadays described as a prophet was formerly called a seer’ - I Samuel 9:9]. For, properly speaking, my son, a prophet is one who sees far-off things with the natural perception that every creature...
has. Even in the case where the prophet seems, by dint of the pure light of prophecy, to perceive clearly not merely things human, but things divine - this (simply) cannot be, seeing that the effects of future prediction extend (so) far (into the future). For the secrets of God are unfathomable, and the manifesting power that is contingent upon long-exercised instinctive gnosis, taking its immediate rise from free will, brings about the revelation of things that cannot of themselves reveal themselves to the mind, whether by human auguries or by any other occult knowledge or power beneath the concavity of the sky - (things, that is, concerning) each present moment out of the whole of eternity which embraces within itself the whole of time. But thanks to some indivisible timelessness (perceived) via epileptic trance, things are known (to us) through the movement of the heavens....the perfect appreciation of [future]things cannot be acquired without that divine inspiration, given that that all prophetic inspiration takes its prime moving principle (first) from God the creator, then from fortune and instinct.  

Relevance of time to God & prophets (PCF3)

And also, my son, I beg you never to devote your mind to such fancies and vanities, which desiccate the body, drive the soul to perdition and disturb the feeble intelligence - even that vanity of more-then-execrable magic that was long ago condemned by the sacred scriptures and divine precepts - from which the main exception is the judgement of judicial astrology, by means of which (and thanks to the divine inspiration and revelation continual night watches and calculations) we have drawn up our prophecies in writing.

The link of the astronomy to events & quatrains

For now that the planet Mars is completing its cycle, and is at the end of its most recent period, so it shall take it up again - but with some grouped in Aquarius for several years, and others grouped in Cancer for longer and more continuous periods. And - given that we are now governed by the moon - before it has completed its full circuit, thanks to the omnipotence of God eternal, the (age of the) sun shall come (again), and then (that of) Saturn.
It should be understood at this point, my son, that I find through my (calculations of astrological) cycles, in accordance with revealed inspiration, that the sword of death is now about to descend on us through plague, war more horrible than has been for three generations, and famine which shall befall the world and often return, for the stars agree with the(se calculations of) cycles. Moreover, (God) has said ‘Visitabo in virga ferrea iniquitates eorum, & in verberibus percutiam eos’ ['I will visit their sins with an iron rod and strike them with lashes'], for the mercy of the Lord shall not have time to be spread abroad, my son, before most of my prophecies shall be fulfilled and reach the time of their fulfilment. I am a sinner no greater than anyone of this world and subject to all human afflictions. But being surprised at how sluggishly time flows, I have made long calculation and during the time of night’s sweet odours I have composed books of prophecies each containing a hundred quatrains of astronomic prophecies, which I have intentionally arranged a little obscurely. They contain perpetual predictions for (the period) from now until the year 3797.  

**Astronomy in quatrains -Duration to 3797 Christian Era**

Then, over a repeated period, (there shall be) ominous storms (‘Centeram ergo’, the Lord shall say, ‘& confringam, & non miserebor’ [Latin: ‘I will trample and break them, and will have no mercy’ – vague reference to Isaiah 63:3]) and many other things to come that shall occur through floods and continual rains, as I have set out more fully in writing in my other prophecies which are written out at length, ‘in soluta oratione’ [Latin: ‘in plain prose’], specifying the places, times and the the pre-ordained period – as future human beings shall see (for themselves), recognising that the future things (predicted) have (indeed) unerringly come to pass, just as we have noted in the other (prophecies) in clearer language. Their meanings shall admittedly be understood only vaguely, ‘sid quando submovenda erit ignorantia’ ['but when the time comes for the removal of ignorance'] the matter shall become clearer. **Combination of maths, astronomy & inspiration**

To bring this to a close then, my son, take this gift from your father M. Nostradamus, who hopes to explain to you every one of the prophecies set out in these quatrains.
In this continued epistle, we shall discover that Nostradamus has given us, indirectly, the dates of many futuristic happenings.

13— Of the three sects that which is middlemost, by the actions of its worshippers, shall be thrown into ruins. The first, wholly in all Europe, and the most part of Africa undone by the third, by means of the poor in spirit, who by madness elevated shall, through libidinous luxury, commit adultery. The people will rise and maintain it, and shall drive away those who did adhere to the legislators, and it shall seem, from the kingdoms spoiled by the eastern men, that God the Creator has loosed Satan from his infernal prison, to cause to be born the great Dog and Dohan, who shall make so great and abominable a breach in the Churches, that neither the reds nor the whites, who are without eyes and without arms, shall not judge of it, and their power shall be taken away from them.

In paragraph 13, Nostradamus mentions three sects of religion who would cause their own ruins, meaning their own destruction. This will happen because of the actions of its worshippers. They will be making too many wrong demands on their churches, demands that are contrary to the teachings given to them in their holy books.

He also wrote of events which will take place after the golden age has ended, when satanic urges have once again become rampant on the planet. The dog and Dohan mentioned represents new conflicts similar to those of a previous era. That new conflict will cause a division between many of the churches so that the leftists and the rightists, a political description, shall not make any judgment over those events. It will be the political power that will be taken away from those churches.

14— Then shall there be a greater persecution against the Church than ever was, and in the meantime shall be so great a plague, that two parts of three in the world shall fail, so much so that no one shall be able to know the true owners of fields and houses, and there shall happen a total desolation of the clergy, and martial men shall usurp what shall come from the City of the Sun, and from Malta, and from the Islands of Hīres, and the great chain of the port shall be open which takes its name from a sea ox, it is the Bosporus.

In paragraph 14, we are brought back to our present era which is the now. He says that there will be a persecution against churches that will occur while a world wide plague is in effect.
What is the world wide plague that Nostradamus has mentioned? We are told, by the supposedly experts, that there are approximately fifteen million people world wide who have already died from the effects of AIDS. Is it possible that some doctors and some hospitals may not be telling their patients that they have Aids or the AIDS virus, that will be the cause for the epidemic to spread itself even faster. Nostradamus tells us that, in some countries, the epidemic will be so severe that no one will be able to tell the true owners of fields or houses any more.

It is very interesting to note that, presently on the continent of Africa, there are some people of those African countries who have died of both the aids virus and others of famine. Many houses have been left vacant and no one seems to know anymore who were the previous owners of those dwellings.

The great clairvoyant also wrote some strange quatrains. They seem to pertain to AIDS and to the AIDS virus. Some Italian cities are being mentioned in that quatrain. It would seem that the epidemic will, some day, be strongly felt in those cities. The prophecy also says that, although help will be close by, the remedy or the cure will be discovered far into the future.

**Pau, Veronne, Vincence, Saragousse,**
De Glaives atteints terriors de sang humides;
Peste si grande viendra a la grande gousse,
Proches secur et bien loin les remedes.
Century 3 quatrain 75
Pau, Veronna, Vincenca and Saragosa,(Will be suffering from a disease that came from a moist territory (from Africa?),)(The plague shall be so great and shall eventually produce a scab, husk or a shell,(Although help will be near, the remedy will be very far away.

The various emplacements mentioned in the quatrain exist in Italy, which will be hit hard by both the plague and by famine. AIDS originated in Africa, so we are told, and the number of aids carriers doubles every ten months; the latest figures are even worse. So we are in for a very rude awakening, are we not?
AIDS seems to be found more often in male or female homosexuals. It is found most often in males who have anal intercourse with one another without any protection. It is also found in men and women who use needles to shoot up drugs into their systems. In other words, it may be found in people from various walks of life. Perhaps the AIDS virus lives in the intestines and may be caused by food additives such as Monosodium glutamate or other such additives that are actually a poison to the human body. The additives could be mutating into the AIDS virus in the intestines themselves. The AIDS virus eventually makes its way into the bloodstream. It can take six months or more before it can be detected, so we are told.

There seems to be no one yet who has any idea as to the remedy. Perhaps it is because no one has investigated this thoroughly enough. However, Nostradamus may have given us a clue as to the remedy that will eventually be found and that will result in giving mankind the cure for that dreadful disease. It would seem that the answer may have been given us in one of the quatrains which also mentions that the cure will come about during a time of famine and pestilence.

It says that some people who live a hundred leagues from the arctic and without laws or daily politics, in outer space (space lab), shall discover Samarobryn which may very well be the cure for the AIDS virus. The cure will be long awaited by the people of this world. In other words, it will be so long in coming that a major portion of the people of this planet of ours will have already died from that dreadful disease. Si grand famine par une pestifere, Par pluye longue le long du Pole arctique; Samarobryn cent lieux de l’hémisphère, Vivront sans loy, exempt de politique

Century 6 quatrain 5
So great a famine and pestilence,(caused by a long rain at the arctic circle),(Samarobryn will be found one hundred leagues into the hemisphere (in outer space),(Where people shall live without laws, exempt from earthly politics.

He may have been telling us that the cure for that strange disease will come from outer space. That is to say, in space labs. Perhaps it will be a derivative of some known drugs that are presently in their experimental stages. The
combination of some of those known drugs when mixed together in outer
space could very well become the cure for the AIDS virus. The drug or
remedy will then become Samarobryn? Perhaps the new space station will
be the one that will be utilized for the discovery of an aids vaccine. The
space lab has already being mounted on the space station so perhaps soon
the vaccine for aids will be discovered.

In paragraph 14 of his letter, he goes on to say that all of a sudden it will
seem as if the clergy has disappeared (total desolation of the clergy). That
will surely be caused by a persecution against the clergy whereby many of
them will be killed while the remainders will most certainly go into hiding.
In Algeria, in recent years, certain fanatics have already begun to kill
Christian clergy. It is only a matter of time before other fanatics from other
countries decide to join them. Thus, it will be a total desolation of the clergy.
Those who do not get killed will have no choice but to go into hiding.

The great clairvoyant seems to be saying that with the unfolding of those
events, the beginning of a great war could follow. If we continue to listen to
the international news, we could soon hear that great sea battles are taking
place in the Mediterranean and in the Adriatic sea. At the present time,
rearming has been taking place in many eastern countries who are friendly
with the third Antichrist. 15— A new incursion shall be made from the sea
coasts, willing to deliver the Castulan Leap from the first Mahommetan
taking, and the assaulting shall not altogether be in vain, and that place
where the habitation of Abraham was, shall be assaulted by those who shall
have reverence for the Jovials. The great eastern city of Achem shall be
encompassed and assaulted on all sides by a great power of armed men.
Their sea forces shall be weakened by the western men, and to that kingdom
shall happen great desolation, and the great cities shall be depopulated, and
those who shall come in shall be comprehended within the vengeance of the
wrath of God. The Holy Sepulchre, held in great veneration for so long a
time, shall remain a great while open to the universal aspect of the heaven,
sun and moon. The sacred place shall be converted into a stable for cattle
small and large, and put to profane uses. O what a calamitous time shall be
then for women with child! For then the principal Eastern Ruler, being for
the most part moved by the Northern and Western men, shall be vanquished
and put to death, beaten, and all the rest put to flight, and the children he had
by many women put in prison. Then shall be fulfilled the prophecy of the Royal Prophet. “Ut audiret gemitus compeditorum, et solveret filios interemptorum.

Which means, “Let the sighing of the prisoner come before you, to release the children of death.” (Nostradamus is quoting a prophecy from the old testament, from the Psalms of David to be exact.

Paragraph 15 seems to be the continuation of the descriptions of some of the calamities that are yet to come. It describes certain battles that may very well take place in the Holy Land, in the land of Israel. Fanatical forces will make their landings in some eastern countries and will attack the Holy Land and its surrounding eastern areas. According to the great clairvoyant their assault shall at first be a success. Then he tells us that the city of Achem, which is the ancient name of the city of Beirut in Lebanon, shall be invaded on all sides by those fanatical armed forces. Is the mentioned battle over Lebanon to be here soon? Lebanon is presently on the verge of civil war, Syria being the trouble makers as usual.

Lebanon will become desolated and its population will be most probably be decimated. The city of Jerusalem shall also be invaded on all sides and it will become a deserted city. The church, underneath of which the sepulchre of Jesus was hidden, shall then become open to the aspects of all the stars. But, in the end, those fanatical forces shall be vanquished.

The meaning of the children that the eastern ruler had by many women merely represents various eastern nations.

In 1963, an Archaeologist began to do some excavations in the Holy land. Bagatti had received permission from the government of Israel and from the Christian church to excavate underneath a church built over another. Jesus’ tomb is supposedly located there. He soon made some great discoveries. He discovered many tombs in which all of the bones were still intact. He also discovered the name of Mary written on one of those tombs. Are they the bones of Mary of Magdala who became an Apostle of Christ at the last supper or are they the bones of Mary who was the mother of Jesus. On other
tombs were inscribed the names of some of the Apostles of Jesus Christ, although he has not named them. For more information on Mary of Magdala, tune to the presentation of the last supper. The link to access that presentation has been made available to you on the main entry page.

Then, on another which stood by itself, he uncovered a great sign of the cross. Upon opening that tomb he was amazed to find that it also contained the bones of whoever was buried there. Were they the bones of the prophet Jesus also known under the titles of Son of God and Son of man? When the government of Israel heard about Bagatti’s findings, they ordered him to leave the premises and to return to his country immediately.

The government of Israel was afraid that the findings would create an incident with the Christians and with the Vatican who still believes that Jesus entered into the heavenly dimension in his physical attire which is an impossibility. Rome still does not understand that it is the spirit and not the physical which enters into the spirit world which they have labelled as heaven and which Christ has labelled as Paradise when He spoke to one of the two thieves on the cross alongside of Him. Heaven is the physical space that surrounds everything that exists in space. However, when that mention is utilized in any of God’s holy Books its symbolical meaning is Paradise.

A few years ago the bones of Jesus were re-discovered in the holy Land. Recently an archeologist re-discovered the tomb that Bagatti had discovered some years ago. The old church had been torn down. The tomb where the bones of Jesus and some of His family members were entombed was located underground between two apartment buildings that had recently being built.

Paragraph fifteen seems to have described to us great battles which will be taking place and which will be part of a very terrible and very lengthy calamity. Those calamitous events will most probably occur in the middle east and in many of the European countries. They will all occur during the unfolding of lengthy events which will also be most devastating - no known actions of the past will ever equal it. Some of the countries involved in that terrible conflict may never recover from it.

16— What great oppression shall be made then upon the princes, and
governors of kingdoms, and especially on those who shall live eastward and near the sea, their languages intermixed with all nations. The language of the Latin nations mixed with Arabic and North African communication. All the Eastern kings shall be driven away, beaten and brought to nothing, not altogether by means of the strength of the kings of the north, and the drawing near of our age, but by means of three secretly united, seeking for death by ambushes one against another. The renewing of the triumvirate shall last seven years, while the fame of such a sect shall be spread all the world over, and the sacrifice of the holy and immaculate host shall be upheld. And then shall the lords be two in number, victorious in the North against the Eastern ones, and there shall be such a great noise and warlike tumult that all the East shall quake for fear of those two brothers of the North who are yet not brothers. And because, Sir, by this discourse, I put all things confusedly in these predictions as to the time concerning the event of them; for the account of the time which follows, very little is conformable, if at all, to that I have done before, being by astronomic rule and according to the Sacred Scriptures, in which I cannot err.

Paragraph sixteen continues to describe to us the happenings in the middle east during that endless conflict. Many eastern nations, especially those who are near the sea, will suffer greatly because of those happenings. Other nations from Latin countries and from some north African nations may also be involved in that action that may eventually involve the whole world.

All the aggressing countries, that will take part in that conflict, will eventually be defeated. In other words, they will lose the battles which will seem to be endless. The remainder of the paragraph does not make much sense at this time but I am quite certain that soon we will be able to understand its meaning.

Nostradamus goes on to say that he has confusedly assembled his predictions and the time frame concerning them. He also says that very little of his writings are conformable to normal writings if at all. Then he says that his knowledge of sacred scriptures, meaning both testaments of the bible, and his knowledge of Astronomy (not astrology) have enabled him to produce his prophecies at which he claims he cannot err.
17— I could have set down in every quatrain the exact time in which they shall happen, but it would not please everybody, and much less the interpretation of them, till, Sir, your Majesty has granted me full power to do, that my calumniators may have nothing to say against me. Nevertheless, reckoning the years since the creation of the world to the birth of Noah, there passed 1506 years, and from the birth of Noah to the building of the ark at the time of the universal flood, 600 years passed (whether solar years, or lunar, or mixed), for my part according to the Scriptures, I hold that they were solar. And at the end of those 600 years Noah entered into the ark to save himself from the flood, which flood was universal upon the earth and lasted a year and two months; and from the end of the flood to the birth of Abraham did pass 295 years; and from the birth of Abraham to that of Isaac did pass 100 years; from Isaac to Jacob, sixty years; and from the time he went into Egypt until he came out of it, did pass 130 years; and from the time that Jacob went into Egypt until his posterity came out of it did pass 430 years; and from the coming out of Egypt to the building of Solomon’s Temple in the fortieth year of his reign did pass 480 years; and from the building of the Temple to Jesus Christ, according to the computations of the Chronographers, did pass 490 years. And thus by this calculation which I have gathered out of the Holy Scriptures, the whole comes to about 4173 years and eight months more or less. But since the time of Jesus Christ hitherto, I leave it because of the diversity of opinion. Having calculated these present prophecies in accordance to the order of the chain which contains the revolution, and all by astronomical rule, and according to my natural instinct; after some time, and including in it the time Saturn takes to turn to come in on the seven of the month of April until the twenty five of August; Jupiter from the fourteen of June to the seven of October; Mars from the twenty seven of April till the twenty second of June; Venus from the nine of April to the twenty second of May; Mercury from the third of February to the twenty four of the same; afterwards from the first of June to the twenty four of the same; and from the twenty five of September to the sixteen of October, Saturn in Capricorn, Jupiter in Aquarius, Mars in Scorpio, Venus in Pisces, Mercury within a month in Capricorn, Aquarius in Pisces, the moon in Aquarius, the Dragon’s head in Libra; the tail opposite to her sign. Following a conjunction of Jupiter and Mercury, with a quadrant
aspect of Mars to Mercury, and the head of the Dragon shall be with a conjunction of Sol and Jupiter; the year shall be peaceful without eclipse. In paragraph 17, Nostradamus says that he could have given us the exact date which pertains to every quatrain that he has written. In other words, he could have given us the year or perhaps the exact month in which various incidents mentioned will occur. He then goes on to say that, had he done so, it most definitely would not have pleased everyone.

It is quite obvious that he could not have dated his prophecies because, had he done so, he would have been burned alive at the stake by the Christian church of Rome. He would most probably have been labelled by them as an heretic and as an infidel.

The great clairvoyant often stretched the truth by giving us misleading information, then he turns around and gives us the right answer in some very peculiar ways.

For example: in paragraph 17 he says, “But since the time of Jesus Christ hitherto, I leave it because of the diversity of opinion.” In other words; he seems to be saying that, although he knew the date of Christ’s birth, he will not give us the information. As you probably already know, the year in which Christ was born is very controversial. No one seems to really know what year and which month of that year Jesus Christ was born. Nostradamus was very shrewd. He hid the answers very well in his writings, he insured that only the true searchers of the truth would eventually find those answers.

In order to comprehend what he said, we have to reassemble some of his writings into the proper format. He said that since the beginning of Creation, meaning since the coming of the man who was known as Adam, and until the birth of Jesus Christ, some 4 173 years had elapsed. Assuming that Jesus Christ was born in the year zero or in the year one AD. That would give us the year 4173 BC. But, as we shall soon discover, the answer is not the year 4173 BC and Jesus Christ was not born in the year zero or in the year one AD.

Let me explain: He has given us some clues in that amazing paragraph of
his which, when properly assembled, gives us the answer as to which year and which month of the year Jesus Christ was actually born. Let us review what he said: He said that 4173 years elapsed between the first day of Creation, meaning from the coming of the spirit of the first man Adam whom God chased from the garden of Eden, and until the birth of Jesus Christ. He has also told us that 4173 years before Christ was born that the planet Saturn would be in the sign of Capricorn beginning with the seven of April until the 25 of August.

I have discovered, with the utilization of my astronomical program, that those happenings occurred in the year 4166 BC, which means that 4173 years later was the year in which Jesus Christ was born 4173-4166= 8 AD. He has actually given us the answer as to the mystery of the year and the month in which Jesus Christ was born and contrary to what he said in paragraph 17 of his letter in which he states that he would leave the matter because of the diversity of opinions.

My astronomical program, contained within my own computer and which I ran and studied for many days and countless hours, has found the answer. Which means that Jesus Christ was born in the year 8 AD (4173-4166= 8). We have being able to prove it by astronomy which is the same method utilized by the great clairvoyant and which is practically flawless.

Jesus Christ was born during the age of Pisces: the sun, which symbolically represents a Godly manifestation, was in that sign between March 13th of the year 8 AD until March 22nd of that same year. Which means that, with no doubt, Jesus was born during the month of March of the year eight AD and definitely not on December 25th of the year zero or the year one.

A short time after Jesus was born, His stepfather Joseph had a dream and in which he was told to take his wife Mary and his son Jesus to Egypt in order to escape the execution of all newly born male Israelite children. The execution had been ordered by the Roman governor. Also, it is very unlikely that Joseph would have had to escape from his country in the middle of the winter. No, it is very likely that it was almost summer time in the land of Israel when Joseph and his young family actually escaped to the land of Egypt.
Jesus was God’s new manifestation on earth during the beginning of the age of Pisces so it is very unlikely that God would allow that Jesus be killed before he had a chance to begin his ministry. On March 20 of the year 7 AD, the moon and the planet Mars were both in the constellation of Pisces which has for sign the fish and which represents the Christian era. The planet Mars represents the planet of war and, in this case, it represents the Roman governor making war on all of the newly born Israelite children of male gender. So March 20 of the year 8 AD was probably the day whereby Joseph and his new family escaped to the land of Egypt in order to avoid the holocaust of all newly born male children, born of Jewish parents.

I have also discovered that, in the year 40 AD, there was a conjunction of the sun and of the planet Mars which could represent the crucifixion and the death of Jesus Christ during that particular year.

The great Nostradamus has also given us the year and the month in which three of the first major prophets were born. Those prophets were Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. They became the fathers of all the earthly nations. Nostradamus said that 4173 solar years before the birth of Jesus Christ is considered as the first day of creation. What he does not tell us is that it was the day whereby the spirit of Adam projected himself into man, on that very day man became the first human soul on earth.

Nostradamus says that when the planet Saturn comes into the sign of Capricorn, in the month of April, that is the day whereby man came under the control of a spirit for the first time in the history of this planet. We have already discovered that particular year to be 4166 BC.

Then the great Seer goes on to say that when the planet Jupiter would be in the constellation of Aquarius, which occurs between June to October, it would be the year whereby Noah entered into the Ark (the arc of God’s covenant). He said that after Creation (Adam) there passed 1506 years until the birth of Noah and that takes us to the year 2660 BC (4166-1506=2660 BC).

Then, he goes on to say that there passed 600 years before Noah entered the
Ark (Noah and his descendants became sheltered by the arc of God’s covenant). And that year becomes $2660 - 600 = 2060$ BC. As I have already proven, by my astronomical program, the planet Jupiter was in the Aquarius constellation between June and October of that year.

We have yet to appreciate that the greatest of clairvoyants had to hide the truth in his writings. He hid it in such a way that the truth would be only discovered hundreds of years later. Had he written in a simpler fashion, being a Christian, he would have being burned alive at the stake by his own church who would have labelled him as a servant of Satan and as an heretic. It is the proof that his church was not very holy in his own days, it contained many murderers including the pope who were not afraid to put people to death in the name of religion.

Can you understand why you cannot possibly ever discover the real truth from religious teachers. Did they not go astray in their biblical interpretations a very long time ago and are still very far away from the truth? Which means that religion today, and the way that it is taught, disables people from ever discovering much greater truths.

The Bible has foretold the coming of prophets, of wise men, of great scribes such as Nostradamus, Josephus Flavius, and of others as well who would have knowledge of the truth. It is a truth which still evades us after everything that we have been told and promised in all of God’s holy Books.

Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them you shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall you scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city. Matthew 23 : 34

What is wrong with us? Do we honestly think that there is no other truth that can be investigated or discovered besides the many untruths which we have been told in the past. Is mankind going forward wisely or are we going to continue to believe in some of the same superstitions and fairy tales which we were given in past eras?

Nostradamus goes on to say that since the creation of the world until the
birth of Noah there passed 1506 years. We know that what he said is not the truth and so did he but, as we shall soon realize, he was attempting to see if we would accept that kind of explanation pertaining to Creation. As we already know, because many proofs do exist, the earth is millions of years old. We also know that the north and the south poles have moved many times from their original positions. We also have proofs that the earth has slipped on its axis numerous times in past eras. There is proof that the Inuits, the people of the north of Canada, have been there for thousands of years, the northern Indians for perhaps more than that period of time. Therefore, we can honestly say that there had to be more than 1506 years between the birth of our planet and the birth of Noah. The great Scribe may have been trying to tell us, in a hidden fashion, that approximately 6173 years ago heavenly spirits descended to this world to participate in God’s great Creation. The proof may be found in the book of Genesis which was also written utilizing strange symbols. If we wish to understand anything at all, we should not attempt to understand those writings literally as they were not written to be understood in such a fashion. All of God’s holy books are written with many symbols that can only be understood after intensive research is carried out into the meaning of the various symbolic descriptions. The following, that was taken from Genesis, is a good example.

The serpent said, “Of course you will not die. God knows that as soon as you eat it, your eyes will be opened and you will be like god’s knowing both good and evil. When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good to eat, and that it was pleasing to the eye, she took some and ate it. She also gave her husband some and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they discovered that they were naked. Genesis 3:4 to 3:7

The above biblical quotation is written in symbolic language. When properly deciphered, many wonderful and enlightening interpretations may be derived from it. 6166 years ago, God’s highest creation which are man and woman were equivalent to animals without a spirit and without a soul. God knew that if he forbade man’s spirit from partaking of the tree of good and evil that man’s spirit would disobey him - the tree of good and evil is the physical
attire (body) of man and woman which are both capable of doing good, evil or both.

The serpent is a biblical symbol. Since serpents often attach themselves to such things as trees, it represents man’s attachment to the beautiful things of this world. When the physical eyes of Adam and Eve were opened, they discovered that they were inhabiting a physical body which was unclothed, it was naked.

Perhaps the great clairvoyant was trying to tell us, in a hidden fashion, that the story of creation should only be understood symbolically. If we wish to discover the truth concerning that topic then we should search for the truthful answers. Also there is the fact that some of the teachings of the Christian church, which Nostradamus did not want to show that he was deviating from, were false.

18— Then the beginning of that year shall see a greater persecution against the Christian Church than ever was in Africa, and it shall be in the year 1792, at which time everyone will think it a renovation of the age. After that the Roman people (Italy) shall begin to stand upright again, and to put away the obscure darkness, receiving some of its former light, but now without great divisions and continual changes. Venice, after that, with great strength and power will life up her wings so high that she will not be much inferior to the strength of ancient Rome. And at that time great Byzantine sails, joined with the Italians by the help and power of the North, shall hinder them so that those of Crete shall keep their faith. The ships built by the ancient martial men will keep company with them under the waves of Neptune. In the Adriatic there shall be a great discord, what was united shall be put asunder, and what was before a great city shall become a house, including the Pampotan and Mesopotamia of Europe, in 45, and others in 41, 42, and 47. And at that time and in those countries the infernal power shall rise against the Church of Jesus Christ. This shall be the second Antichrist, which shall persecute the said church and its true vicar by the means of the power of temporal kings, who through their ignorance shall be seduced by tongues more sharp than any sword at the hands of a madman.

In paragraph 18 of his letter, Nostradamus says that the year 1792, at which
time the French Monarchy ended, would be the year whereby Christianity would be under its greatest attack in Africa. After those events, the Romans, meaning the Italians, would now stand on their own two feet and become as powerful as ancient Rome. Then the descriptions given move us forward in time, it moves us to the world war II era.

An infernal power is mentioned which can be none other than Nazi Germany under the leadership of Adolph Hitler who is labelled as the second Antichrist. The prophecy says that he will seduce many people by his sharp tongue. They will be seduced by speeches uttered by a madman. Yes, that reference belongs to none other than Adolph Hitler who was the dictator of Nazi Germany during the second world war. How many politicians of today, who have a sharp tongue and who are also full of empty promises, are as guilty as Hitler?

19— The said reign of Antichrist shall not last but till the ending of him who was born of Age, and of the other in the city of Plancus (Lyons), accompanied by the elect of Modena, Fulcy by Ferrara, maintained by the Adriatic, Liguriens, and the proximity of the great Trinacria (Sicily). Afterwards the Gallic Ogmion shall pass the Mount Jovis (Barcelona), followed with such a number that even from afar off the Empire shall be presented with its grand law, and then and for some time after, shall be profusely spilled the blood of the innocents by the guilty raised on high. Then by great floods the memory of those things contained in such instruments, shall receive incalculable loss, even to the letters themselves. This will happen to the Northern. By the Divine Will Satan will be bound once more, and universal peace shall be among men, and the Church of Jesus Christ shall be free from all tribulation, although the Acostains (debauchees) would desire to mix with the honey their pestilent seduction. This shall happen about the seventh millennium, when the sanctuary of Jesus Christ shall no more be trodden down by the unbelievers that shall come from the North. The world will then be near its great conflagration although by the calculations of my prophecies, the course of time goes much further.
In paragraph nineteen, Nostradamus continues to describe the second Antichrist of the world war two era whom we have discovered to be none other than Adolph Hitler. The city of Plancees mentioned is a reference to the French city whose name today is Lyons. The reference being made in the prophecy to the other who lives there may be a reference to the cowardly Marshal Ptain of France who was in power during the second world war and who refused to oppose Hitler and his Nazi regime. He decided to become his friend contrary to the wishes of the French population who opposed him with a very effective underground organisation.

The following references moves us forward in time to a future era and to the thousand years of peace which will eventually follow. That millennium will only occur after the year 2000. We are also told that after the golden age has begun that the earth will then be near a great conflagration.

What is meant by a great conflagration? The dictionary defines it as such..... a calamitous fire, a great calamity, a great fire. Could this be a complete breakdown of the Ozone layer? If this is so, then our sun’s ultra-violet rays will become a deadly enemy for all living things on this planet. No, I think that the calamity will be even worse than that. The answer of things to come, when that great conflagration visits us, may be found in the writings of Revelation. That description may be found in Revelation chapter eight which mentions the opening of the seventh seal, beginning at the sound of a trumpet. Those writings are describing some very calamitous events that will some day occur on earth.

Here is the mention of the opening of the seventh seal as it is being described in Revelation. It mentions great forthcoming calamities for all of mankind.

The first (angel) blew his trumpet; and there came hail and fire mingled with blood, and this was hurled upon the earth. A third of the earth was burnt, a third of the trees were burnt, all the green grass was burnt. The second angel blew his trumpet; and what looked like a blazing mountain was hurled into the sea. A third of the sea was turned to blood, a third of the living creatures in it died, and a third of the ships on it foundered. Revelation 8:6 to 8:9

So far, in Nostradamus’ writings, we have been told that two thirds of the
population of our world will die from a plague, which may very well be the aids epidemic that is much rampant on our world at the present time. Then a great conflagration will destroy a major portion of the planet.

We know how the population of our world will be decimated, don’t we? It will be decimated by a famine and by a plague which will in turn be followed by a great conflagration which will be the last God-sent calamity for all of the people of this planet. For more information on the great conflagration tune in to Revelation unsealed, to the presentation that is labelled “End time prophecies”. In the letter that Nostradamus wrote to his son Caesar, and which we shall soon study, he seems to be saying that a great conflagration will occur while a great world war is unfolding.

I personally hope that I do not live long enough to see all of those dreadful events, all of those disastrous calamities that God has forewarned us about and which we are bringing upon ourselves because we do not want to listen to His Messengers which He has sent to us. The majority of the people of this world still believe that there is no true religion besides their own family religion. The reason for that kind of thinking is that their religious teachers are giving them those false answers.

If a person is born in a Christian family, he becomes a Christian who believes that Christianity is the only true religion. If a person is born in a Jewish family, he believes that the Jewish religion is the one and only true religion. And the same thing goes for the Moslems, they also think in the same fashion, so do the people who belong to other world religions. The truth of the matter is that those major world religions did not all come to this world at the same time, they came following one another and at different intervals.

When the true teachings of a world religion gets corrupted, which it eventually does, God sends us another religion to replace it. Since the coming of Christ, two great world religions have already come on the world scene but the majority of the people of this world are still not investigating them. I can only suggest that you read the explanations contained within the complete unsealing of the book of revelation, all of those facts are brought
20— In the epistle which some years ago I dedicated to my son Caesar, I have openly enough declared some things without prognosticating. But here, Sir, are comprehended many great and wonderful events, which those that come after us shall see. And during the said astrological computation, in harmony with the Sacred Scriptures, the persecution of the clergy shall have its beginning in the power of the Northern Kings joined by the Eastern ones. And that persecution shall last eleven years, or a little less, at which time the chief Northern King shall fail, which years being ended, shall come in his stead a united Southern one, who shall yet more violently persecute the clergy of the Church for the space of three years by the apostolical seduction of one who shall have absolute power over the militant Church of God. The holy people of God and keepers of His law, and all order of religion, shall be grievously persecuted and afflicted, so much that the blood of the true ecclesiastical men shall flow all over. One of these horrid kings shall be praised by his followers for having spilt more human blood of the innocent clergymen than anybody has done to wine. The said King shall commit incredible crimes against the Church; human blood shall run through public streets and churches, as water coming from an impetuous rain. Next, rivers shall turn red with human blood. In a sea fight the sea shall be red, so that one king will say to another, “Bellis rubuit navalibus aequor.” (The sea blushed red with the blood of naval fights.) After that in the same year, and those following, shall happen the most horrible pestilence, caused by the famine preceding, and so great tribulations as ever did happen since the first foundation of the Christian Church throughout all the Latin regions, some marks remaining in some countries under Spain.

In paragraph 20, Nostradamus mentions an Epistle which he had written to his son Caesar some years previous and which we shall study later on. He says that many great and wonderful events will be seen by humanity in the future. He also says that his Astronomical computations are in harmony with sacred scriptures, meaning with biblical writings.

Then he goes on to say that in the future, which he often relates to, we will see the clergy being persecuted by the northern Kings joined by the eastern
ones which, according to the great Scribe, are people of eastern countries. The persecutions being mentioned will last for approximately 11 years and then another King, meaning a head of state, a southern one, will in turn persecute the clergy for another three years. God’s Holy people and the keepers of his law from various religions will also be persecuted and some will be killed. One of those Kings, head of State, will commit atrocious crimes against the people of western nations.

A great sea battle will take place, the ocean will turn red from the blood of the seamen. In the years to follow those dreadful events, there will be a most horrible pestilence which will be caused by a preceding famine, so says the great clairvoyant. Great tribulations will also follow in all Latin regions which are countries that were once under the domination of Spain.

21— Then the third Northern King, hearing the complaints of the people of his principal title, shall raise up so great an army, shall go through the limits of his last ancestors and progenitors, that they will all be set up again in their first state. The great Vicar of the Cope shall be restored in his former estate, but desolate and altogether forsaken, shall then go back to the sanctuary that was destroyed by Paganism, when the Old and New Testament will be thrust out and burnt. After that shall the Antichrist be the infernal prince. And in this last era all kingdoms of Christianity and those of the unbelievers shall quake for the space of years, and there shall be more grievous wars and battles; towns, cities, castles and other buildings shall be burnt, desolated and destroyed with a great effusion of vestal blood, married women and widows ravished, sucking children dashed against the walls of towns, and so many evils shall be committed by the means of the infernal prince, Satan, that almost the entire world shall be undone and desolate.

In paragraph 21 of the letter, some of the happenings of another war are being described. The third northern King mentioned in that paragraph could very well be Sadam Hussein of Iraq who, not too long ago, retook the land of his ancestors which is the land of Kuwait. He recaptured that land but only for a short while. If he is the third northern King then, for all practical purposes, it could be the prelude to greater woes to come for humanity.
The great Seer goes on to say that, after certain events, the third Antichrist shall become the infernal prince of this world. At that time, which is also the last age or era, all kingdoms states or countries that proclaim Christianity will come under attack for a number of years. Many conflicts could break out whereby many battles will be fought causing many buildings and houses to be burnt, some will be completely destroyed. Much bloodshed could result from those satanical forces. As usual women and children will suffer the most during those calamitous times.

The great clairvoyant goes on to say that the particular happening will be so severe that almost, but not all, the entire world will become desolate. Those battles mentioned surely resemble what has taken place in the Baltic States and recently some events which occurred in Irak. If that is so, then it is the prelude to other calamities which have yet to come. My own opinion, which is also the result of my own research, is that a certain country or world organisation may very well remain neutral during that period of time. It will constantly strive to arrive at a peaceful solution but it will be in vain.

22— Before these events many unusual birds shall cry through the air, crying “Huy, huy.” (“Now, Now.”) A little while after they shall vanish. After this shall have lasted a good while, there shall be renewed a reign of Saturn and a golden age. God the Creator shall say, hearing the affliction of His people, Satan shall be put and tied in the bottom of the deep, and there shall begin an age of universal peace between God and man. The ecclesiastical power shall return in force and Satan shall be bound for the space of a thousand years, and then shall be loosed again.

In paragraph 22, we are told once again that a golden age will follow the ending of great calamities. We are also told that there will be a sign before the occurrence of those events, many unusual birds will change their migratory patterns. That mentioned event has already begun on a small scale. Scientists are telling us that every year many of the migratory birds are moving further west in America during their yearly migration.

The great Seer goes on to say that all of a sudden it will seem as if those
birds have completely disappeared from the face of the earth. It will seem as if they have vanished. However, he goes on to say that some time later it will be the birth of the golden age and a completely new lifestyle will begin on planet earth. It would seem that money will no longer be utilized for our daily transactions. Man’s greed for the wealth of this world will completely disappear. Its wealth will belong to everyone and will be shared equally amongst everyone.

The following prophecy is an advance warning of that particular happening, it was written 2 000 years ago. It is contained in the writings of the apostle Luke.

So I say to you, use your worldly wealth to win friends for yourselves, so that when money is a thing of the past you may be received into an eternal home. Luke 16 : 9

With the coming of the golden age, which will follow great calamities, satanic urges will be held in check on a depopulated planet that shall finally have peace for the next 1 000 year. Then all hell will break loose again for a little while. Can mankind ever learn to live in peace with one another?

I understand why God allows all of those calamities to affect us. We are very slow in understanding the purpose of our being on earth and we are not looking after one another as it is recommended in all of God’s Holy books. The self seems to be what most people are interested in. Some people say, “Why care for anyone else but ourselves.” What else can I say and what else can I add to what has already being said by other searchers of the truth?

23— All these figures are justly fitted by the Sacred Scriptures to the celestial things, that is to say, Saturn, Jupiter and Mars and others joined with them, as may be seen more at large in some of my quatrains. I would have calculated it more deeply, and coordinated one with the other, but seeing, O most excellent King, that some stand ready to censure me, I shall now withdraw my pen to its nocturnal repose.

In paragraph 23, Nostradamus says that all of the things which he mentioned in his writings can also be found in Holy scriptures, meaning in scriptural
writings which he was very familiar with. He also says that he could read those forthcoming events, astronomically. He could read them as signs in the physical heavens, meaning in the stars. Then he goes on to say that he could have properly calculated all of those events but, had he done so, some would most certainly have censured him. He would most definitely have been silenced by the Christian church of Rome. He would have been burned alive at the stake by them and they would have labelled him as an heretic. So, he, therefore, chose to lay his nocturnal pen aside to repose.

At one time certain members of the Christian church of Rome, the inquisitors, tried to question Nostradamus pertaining to his strange writings. However, he knew what the inquisition could do to him so he had to run away hastily. Later on, he had the protection of the new King who strongly believed in him. He was able to return to his home and continue his work unhindered by various murderers who were misguided members of the Christian church.

24— “Multa atiam, O Rex potentissime proeclara, et sane in brevi ventura, sed omni in hac tua Epistola, innectere non possumus, nec volumus, sed an intellegenda quaedam facta, horrida fata pauca libanda sunt, quamvis tanta sit in omnes tua amplitudo et humanitas homines, deosque pietas, ut solos amplissimi et Christianissimo Regis nomine, et ad quem summa totius religionis auctoritas deferatur dignus esse videare.

“But I shall only beseech You, O most merciful King, by your singular and prudent goodness, to understand rather the desire of my heart, and the earnest desire I have to obey your most excellent Majesty, ever since my eyes were so near to your royal splendour, than the greatness of my word can attain to or deserve.”
Faciebat Michael Nostradamus, Solonoe Petrae Provincae.(From Salon this 27th of June, 1558.

The great seer tried to make us believe that he utilized a lot of Latin in his
quatrains but the real truth is that he utilized practically no Latin with the exception of the Epistle which we are presently studying. It would seem that, in his quatrains, he utilized a lot of derivative of well known French words which have many similarities to Latin words.

“So many things, O most potent King of all, of the most remarkable kind are to happen soon, that I neither would nor could incorporate them all into this epistle; but in order to intelligently comprehend certain facts, new horrible fated events must be set down in extract, although your amplitude and humanity toward mankind is so great, as is your piety to God, that you alone seem worthy of the great title of the most Christian King, and to whom the highest authority in all religion should be deferred.”
The separation of the various paragraphs of Nostradamus’ letter is of my own doing, it has been done in this fashion in order to facilitate explanations of those various out of order paragraphs.

In paragraph 24, the great Seer closes his letter to the various leaders of countries or states of the world. His letter seems to be addressed to King Henry which he was not in very good standing with and who probably died before this letter was written. Many searchers realized that when they read the letter very thoroughly, they discovered that it was actually addressed to all heads of States or countries. Three men, war and plague (PCE11).

In his letter to the world, he has warned us of the coming of many dreadful future happenings. He has also warned us of a world wide plague which could possibly be the aids virus that is going to reduce the earth’s population. Then a pestilence and a world wide famine will be upon us. All of that will be followed by a great conflagration. A series of small flaming meteors, followed by giant meteor(s), will hit the earth killing millions and millions of its inhabitants. Some of those giant asteroids are already in orbit, so are modern day scientists telling us. It will be a few years before it arrives but its impact on the earth will slow down the earth and cause an unimaginable earthquake. All the major cities of the world will be destroyed. People who live in the country and far from coastal areas will have a better chance of surviving that world wide conflagration that will soon be upon us.