

## Kaiser Antichrist ?

### Prophecy of 1600 predicts His Coming End.

An extraordinary Latin prophecy made by Brother Johannes in the year 1600 is quoted in a recent issue of the "Figaro."

The Latin original of the prophecy, says the "Evening Standard," was found among papers of the late Adrien Peladan, author of a work in three volumes on "Prophecies," and editor of a review named "The Annals of the Supernatural," by his son, who had it translated into French.

As to the man himself, little can be gleaned of his biography save the meagre facts given by M. Peladan.

#### A MONK'S MANUSCRIPT.

According to him, his father came into the possession of the manuscript through a monk of Saint-Michel de Frigolet, near Terascon, who, in turn, received it from an Abbe Donat, a learned priest, who died at a very great age.

M. Peladan the son, a deep student of all matters appertaining to theology, found the manuscript in 1890, on the death of his father among a mass of other papers, dealing with the gift of prophetic vision.

Although, even at that time, he was startled by the extraordinary vividness of the picture drawn by Brother Johannes, he never thought of it again until the entrance of England into the present struggle recalled to his mind "the leopard and his claws." He re-discovered the prophecy, and the wonderful accuracy of the description of the battling nations led him to translate it.

M. Peladan believes Brother Johannes to have been a French monk who lived and wrote in the sixteenth century.

The work of Brother Johannes has become a matter of profound interest both in France and England.

#### FULL TEXT.

Following is the full text of the prophecy, the first seventeen paragraphs now being included for the first time:—

1. Several times has one seemed to recognise him, because all the slayers of the Lamb resemble each other, and all the wicked are the precursors of the Great Wicked One.

2. The veritable Antichrist will be one of the monarchs of his time, a son of Luther ;

he will invoke God and call himself His messenger.

3. The prince of lies will swear by the Bible ; he will call himself the Arm of the Most High, chastising corrupted people

4. He will only have one arm, but his innumerable armies, who will take as their motto, "God is with us," will seem like infernal legions.

5. For a long while he will act by ruse and treason ; his spies will spread all over the earth, and he will be the master of the secrets of those in power.

6. He will have theologians in his pay to certify and prove his celestial mission.

7. A war will furnish him with the reason for lifting the mask. It will not be one which he will make against the French monarch, but another which will be easily recognised by the fact that in two weeks' time it will have become universal.

8. It will call to arms all Christians, all Mahometans, and even other very distant peoples. Armies will be formed in the four parts of the world.

#### CHRISTIAN WORDS—FIENDISH ACTS.

9. For men's minds will be opened by angels, and in the third week they will understand that this is the Antichrist, and that they will all become slaves if they do not trample down this conquering one.

10. The Antichrist will be recognisable by several marks ; he will chiefly massacre priests, monks, women, children, and old people. He will show no mercy ; he will pass along holding a torch like the barbarians, but invoking the name of Christ.

11. His false words will resemble those of Christians, but his acts will be those of Nero and the Roman persecutors ; there will be an eagle in his coat of arms, and there will also be one in that of his confederate, the other wicked monarch.

12. But this one is a Christian, and he will die cursed by the Pope Benedictus, who will be elected at the beginning of the reign of the Antichrist.

13. Priests and monks will no longer be seen confessing and absolving the combatants, because for the first time priests and monks will fight with the other citizens,