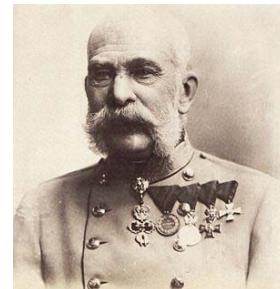


**#78 Double Her Double – The 8th Double: The Dual Alliance of Austria-Hungary and Germany on October 7, 1879, characterized their *duality* in the history of the Holy Roman Empire**

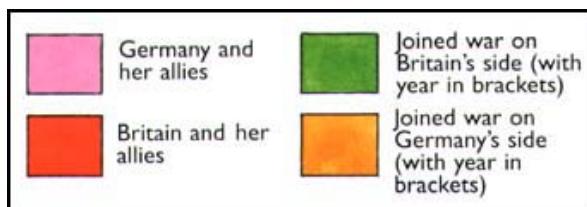
**Key Understanding: The Dual Alliance between Germany and Austria.** The nations of Germany and Austria had a historically recognized *duality* – akin to *twins* – as concerned the historical development of the Holy Roman Empire, which met its end in the year 1806. This duality of Austria and Germany culminated on October 7, 1879, as they signed an alliance that carried them together militarily into World War I.



German chancellor Otto von Bismarck (above) was the architect of the Dual Alliance



Franz Joseph I (above) was the emperor of the Austrian Empire from 1848-1916



**Daniel 2:40 (KJV) And THE FOURTH KINGDOM SHALL BE STRONG AS IRON** [the Legs of Iron Roman Empire, extending through the Western Roman Empire, which ended in 476 A.D., and the Eastern Roman Empire, which ended in 1453 A.D. The Leg of Iron of the Western Roman Empire was extended to include the life of the Holy Roman Empire, begun by Charlemagne in 800 A.D. Its political power was generally German-based in the

earlier centuries, including that of Charlemagne, King Otto I, and Frederick Barbarossa, but more Austrian-based in the later centuries through the Habsburg Dynasty. In the meantime, the Leg of Iron of the *Eastern Roman Empire* was further extended to include the life of the Russian Empire]: *forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.*

[Remember, this duality of Germany and Austria was occurring within the Eastern side – the German side – of Charlemagne's Split. In that sense, there was yet another split, and this time of the Eastern side of Charlemagne's Split. We have not addressed it as of yet, but what came to mostly characterize the Germany-Austria split *within* the Germanic Holy Roman Empire itself was the rise of the Martin Luther-led Protestant religion. Martin Luther was from Germany, and many German princes sided with Luther. The subject of Martin Luther is for later.]

The duality of Germany and Austria as concerns the Holy Roman Empire was strong enough for the Austrian-born Hitler to call his reign in Germany the Third Reich, even though the Austrians had held the post of Holy Roman Emperors the last several hundred years of the so-called First Reich, which ended in 1806. While the First Reich was entirely connected to the Roman Catholic Church, the Third Reich of Adolf Hitler carried with it no such obligation.

***Revelation 18:06 (KJV) Reward her even as she rewarded you, and DOUBLE UNTO HER DOUBLE according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to HER DOUBLE.***

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