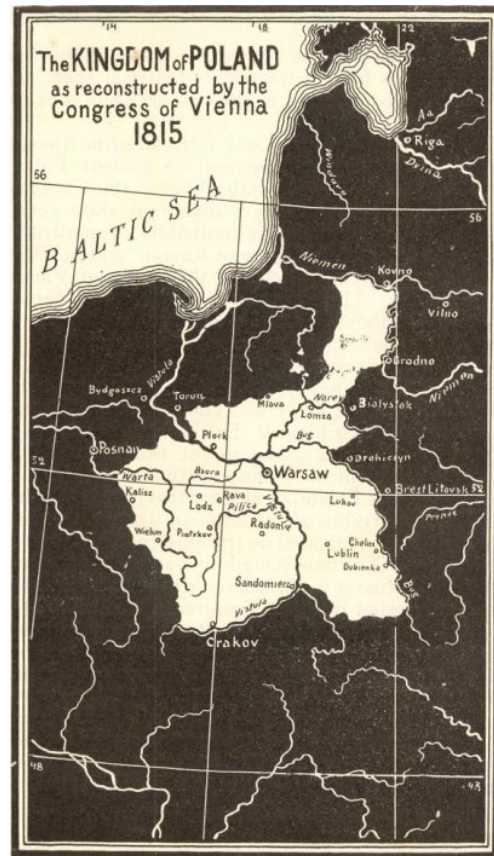


**#2129** The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – The post-World War II U.S. waxing great toward the South and toward the East as a *second* Syria/Antiochus IV Epiphanes, part 388, **The History of the Pale of Settlement, (xv), After Napoleon’s defeat, the Russian Empire was granted most of the Grand Duchy of Warsaw in 1815 through the Treaty of Vienna**

**Key Understanding #1: *The Grand Duchy of Warsaw under Napoleon’s control became the Congress Kingdom of Poland under Russia’s control. Following Napoleon’s defeat, the Russian Empire was granted most of the Grand Duchy of Warsaw in 1815 through the Treaty of Vienna, though the land was called the “Congress Kingdom of Poland.”***

**The Treaty of Vienna creates Congress Poland.** After Napoleon’s defeat by the European powers, the European states and ex-rulers were represented at the Congress of Vienna to parcel the Europe that Napoleon had conquered. The Russian Empire, greatly responsible for the defeat of Napoleon – in contrast to the Prussian and Austrian Empires suffering defeats by Napoleon in 1806 – demanded to gain the territories of the Duchy of Warsaw, which had previously been territory that the Austrians and Prussians had garnered through the partitions of Poland. The European powers denied Russia *all* of the former Duchy of Warsaw, but did grant Russia the *bulk* of the land. The Duchy of Warsaw was reestablished as what is commonly referred to as the “Congress Kingdom of Poland,” or “Congress Poland” (referring to the Congress of Vienna), in personal union with the Russian Empire. What had been Napoleon’s Grand Duchy of Warsaw, the heart of Poland both in its former days and latter days, immediately became a Russian puppet state. In 1831, it was effectively annexed to the Russian Empire.



**Key Understanding #2: *Congress Poland and the Pale of Settlement. With the annexation of more Polish territory in 1815, 10 Polish provinces known as the Vistula region were unofficially incorporated into the Pale of Settlement. Note that Warsaw, which had become the capital city of the Poland-Lithuanian Commonwealth in earlier centuries, was the central city of Congress Poland, and would be integrated as well into the Pale of Settlement.***

*Revelation 6:8 (KJV) And I looked, and behold A PALE HORSE: and his name that sat on him was DEATH, AND HELL followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.*

**Congress Poland under Russian control.** While Congress Poland lost its status as a semi-independent state in 1831 and was from then on ever more closely integrated with Russia, its administrative organization was sufficiently distinct for its name to remain in official Russian use. It was referred to informally as Congress Poland until the Russian rule ended as a result of the advance by the armies of the Central Powers in 1915 during World War I.



**Many maps of Europe dismiss Congress Poland.** Because Congress Poland was immediately and effectively under Russia's control, and especially so from 1831 to 1915, most maps of Europe depicting the time period show Congress Poland as if it existed wholeheartedly as a part of the Russian Empire, as does this map (*right*), which shows the kingdoms of Europe at the time of the 1815 Holy Alliance. [Reference Unsealing #74.]



**Holy Alliance.** Russian Tsar Alexander I, Emperor Francis I of Austria, and King Frederick William III of Prussia (*pictured*) entered an accord to treat each other according to the precepts of the Christian religion.

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