

# Modern Jingoism

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It is quite hard to imagine clearly for which purpose and in which manner Russia's alleged plans over the rest of the world could in any way jeopardize Europe, except of course if the West continues to leave her no alternative to severe retaliation.

After careful analysis, it seems that the very idea of a carefully planned Russian conquest of Western Europe is absurd in the extreme. See on this site other papers on the subject.

However, the West's past and current schemes in Eastern Europe could not have resulted in anything but what has happened, whether Russia be headed by a Putin, Popov, Russky, Nicholas III, or Potemkin. Only a drunken politician subservient to Western interests, such as Mr. Yeltsin, could have submitted readily to the West's Natoleonic plans.

Furthermore, the West is now apparently quite pleased with itself for bottling up Russia at the very end of the Baltic Sea and trying to seize her Baltic exclave. What alternative will the West leave Russia but to react strongly, again irrespective of the personal identity of her politicians? Will the West not claim again, no doubt with great (but feigned) indignation, that Russia finally attacked without the slightest provocation, not even a trace?

Note: the author of this page could boast that since 2014 events have developed in Eastern Europe quite the way he predicted, but he is not inclined to boast, since he is not a politician, or a historian, or a geopolitical guru, and he thinks that if he could analyze things the way he did anyone could. However, one is entitled to question the sanity of the politicians and commentators who lead the West to the current disaster. It seems the West has not been able to learn since 1875, while, apparently, the Russians have:

*We don't want to fight but by Jingo if we do  
We've got the ships, we've got the men, we've got the money too  
We've fought the Bear before, and while we're Britons true  
The Russians shall not have Constantinople!*

The reader may want to substitute Sebastopol for Constantinople, or may be interested in reading again these few lines:

*"So now you know how the Broken-Link Handicap was run and won. Of course you don't believe it. You would credit anything about Russia's designs on India, or the recommendations of the Currency Commission; but a little bit of sober fact is more than you can stand!"*

(Rudyard Kipling, in "Plain Tales from the Hills", 1886, when he was but twenty years of age. Some of us are more talented than others. Most of us will never learn.)