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OBSERVATIONS ON THE CYCLE OF OLD BULGARIAN  
HISTORICAL-APOCALYPTIC WRITINGS OF 10TH–11TH C.

*(Summary)*

The article examines the Old Bulgarian translations and redactions of two Byzantine apocalyptic texts – the Vision of Methodius of Pathara and the Vision of Daniel, as well as the cycle of original Old Bulgarian compilative works that have sprung under their influence – Interpretation of Daniel, Bulgarian Apocryphal Chronicle and Skazanie of the Prophet Isaiah. The author offers a new dating of some of the texts and attempts at partially identifying their sources. He links the interest of the Old Bulgarian writers in this sort of texts with the tendency to present the tragic for Bulgaria events of the period from the second half of the 10th c. to the second half of the 11th c. as a fulfilment of the ancient prophecies of the „last times“. The cycle of texts in question received certain fresh topicality during the invasion of the Ottoman Turks in 14th c.