

Lords of the Earth

CAMPAIGN TWENTY-FOUR

Turn 101

1474 ~ 1477 Anno Domini

880 ~ 883 in the year of the Hegira

4172 (Wood Horse - 4175 (Fire Rooster)

Announcements and items of note

General Stuff: Please use my Paypal account (stephenbrunt@yahoo.co.uk) for all Lords' 24 payments. If you cannot use this facility then please let me know and I will see what I can do about filtering US funds to my account. I may also stop using the throneworld email address due to the mass of spam I'm getting!

Order Form: Please use the [standard excel order form](#) from now on. I'll update the site with a link to it next week when I get some time. This is important as it helps me process the turn more quickly. THIS IS NOW MANDATORY.

Non-Payment: some of you still owe me some cash. Although it may come as surprise that this is not my main source of income, I see it only polite that you pay for the occasionally night out. So, if you're under zero next turn I'll not process your orders.

Version 6: Lords 24 uses version 6 of the basic rules

The Map: The map now includes India as well as Europe, Central Asia and Africa. I've greyed out repeated areas on the maps to make my life easier. However, this means some player nations are split across more than one map. I may increase the size of the main map but I'll have to think on this.

Tithes and Tribute: I think these are automatically updated by the stats program, so no need to declare them in your orders.

Control of the Papacy and Religious Orders: In Lords 24 we will not always have a player Pope (or Caliph etc for that matter) and the following

rules are used to determine which player faction controls the Pope's actions, Papacy Rules. I've also added some stuff about gaining support from their armies

How to make your GM happy (PLEASE READ! REALLY!):

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LORDS 24 WEB RESOURCES

The Lords Twenty-Four homepage is at:

<http://lords.throneworld.com/lot24/index.html>

All of the on-line resources, including order forms, mailing lists and web-sites for Lords of the Earth are summarized on this page:

http://lords.throneworld.com/?page_id=2

You can subscribe to the Lords 24 mailing list by pointing your web-browser at:

<http://games.groups.yahoo.com/group/lot24>

...and following the instructions on that page.

VARIOUS FEES AND LEVIES

At the moment the turns cost \$5 – please pay up if you owe

We are using the latest v6.3.5 of the basic rule book that can be found here

<http://lords.throneworld.com/players/loterule/rules.html>

North America

The Atakapa Tribes

(Open Empire)

Katkosh, Chief of the Atakapa

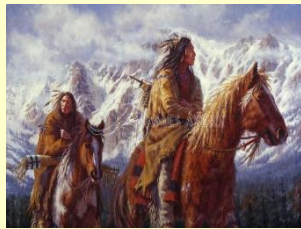


Chief Katkosh ruled the Council's lands from Atakapa throughout these lands and was blessed with three sons by Nadua of the Comanche. He spent large sums of gold improving the Atakapan government to support his rule.

The Ute

(Open Empire)

Charging Bear, Chief of the Ute



The city of Yapudttka was founded in the lands of the Yampa people. Charging Bear regretted his war against the Sioux and send them some gold by way of compensation. The lands of the Cheyenne were abandoned by Kanosh and the warrior moved back to Ute to support his Chief. Charging Bear continued to rule from Ute with the assistance of Ouray and Kanosh. Three sons were born to the Chief during these years by Desert Flower. The Ute claim on Ogala was lost when it was claimed by the Dakota Tribes.

The Huron Confederacy

(Open Empire)

Nanasuwara, Chief of the Hurons



While chief Nanasuwara continued his rule from Ossossane with Prince Nomino, Chibougamou continued the long negotiations with the Wyandot, securing an alliance with the southern tribes. Both Nanasuwara and Nomino were blessed with several children during these years.

The Carib Tribes

(Open Empire)

Talin, Chief of the Carib



Chief Talin continued his rule from Carib with the assistance of his advisor Maraquay. Some improvements were made to the islander's homeland.

The Yokut Tribes

(Open Empire)

Babbling Brook, Chief of the Yokuts

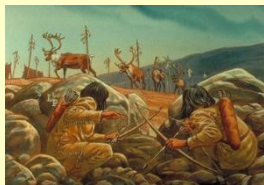


The prosperity of previous years continued throughout the Yokut lands. The city of Ohlone in the Salinan lands was to grow in size. Babbling Brook continued here rule from Yokuts and concentrated on building the sea trade within her lands. Great Condor travelled the lands of the Klamath where he was to find their people wandering the upper forests. In Salinan, the efforts of Red Fox were thwarted when hostile villagers attempted to kill him during a misunderstanding. Relations with the Yokuts were to sour slightly. West Winds successfully maps the seas of the Puget Sound before sailing back to the Eagle's Nest.

The Chipewan

(Open Empire)

Dlezi, Chief of the Chipewan



Chief Dlezi continued his rule from Cherawya before exploring the Ojibwa wilderness. Dzen explored the lands of the Tsattine but could not find any sign of the peoples of those lands. He gathered the warriors of Echaottine before successfully raiding into the lands of the Athabasca and the Sekani. In Wapiti he was to negotiate recognition of Chipewan control after spending 1477 amongst the tribes.

The Cree

(Open Empire)

Mahihkan, Chief of the Cree

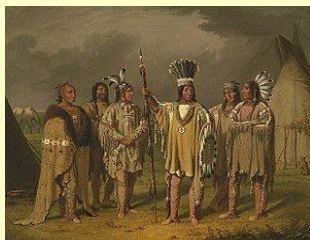


Chief Mahihkan ruled during these years of prosperity and enlightenment amongst the Cree people. Despite all his efforts, Kahkewistahaw was to pass away before he could improve relations with the Chippewa. Ahtahkakoop was to travel widely throughout the lands of the Dakota tribes throughout these years.

The Echota

(Open Empire)

Taloe Sunkeeper, Chief of the Echota



Cultivation of the Creek and Yuchi lands continued but was not yet complete. Chief Taloe, the Sunkeeper, continued his rule from Yamasee and oversaw some small improvements to those lands.

The Moundbuilders

(Open Empire)

Untamek, Chief of the Moundbuilders



During these years of Chief Untamek rule from Michigamea he was to be blessed with a young son in 1474 by Queen Kirin. Prince Skythe was to take his wife and family with him as he continued to gain influence with the Cherokee. While Bloodmoon supported his Chief, Katar was to gain support of the Potawatomi

The Hohokam

(Noble House)

Hokolesqua, Chief of the Hobokam



Chief of the Hohokam, Hokolesqua increased the influence of his tribes by expanding his reach into Ipai while Jacy was left to deal with the tribe's affairs. Disaster struck the Yokut and Hohokam lands as plague was to sweep through Ipai, Salinan and the settlement at Dolphin Cove.

South America

The Chimu Kingdom of Chanchan

(Open Empire)

Arauru, Queen of the Chimu



King Illapa Puma took ill in the autumn of 1475 and was faded away in the winter of that year. His wife, Queen Arauru became regent for young Prince Apu Quya until he would be able to take control of the kingdom. Vawtin Acha sailed to the newly discovered Galapagos with shiploads of colonists to settle the islands. To ensure that the rebellious province of Cuna remained loyal, General Yaku Wayna was to garrison their lands and set up patrols throughout the north. Viracocha Cucha was to finally be able to secure the full allegiance of the Moquequa through his efforts.

Chichen Itze

(Open Empire)

Korat, Chief of the Chichen Itze



The hugely popular Korat II was presented at the Mayan court by his father. The city of Borulat was to increase in size and its walls replaced to encompass the new citizens. The new population was escorted south by Prince Sorucanaya. King Korat was to ensure that defence of Maya, building new fortifications to improve its protection and assisted by General Kaloraya. Charaya was aiming to assist the King when he suffered a heart attack in 1474 and died suddenly.

Zapotec Mitla

(Open Empire)

Monequiltia, Queen of the Zapotecs



The Zapotec lands were further improved and some improvements were made to the city of Mitla. Queen Monequiltia continued her rule from the city along with Prince Azcalxochitzin. Prince Zaachila remained in Culhua to oversee the Zapotec alliance with Tiacopan with Chicahua. It was left to the Generals Chicaxoch and Lynya to oversee the defence of Zapotec.

The Cocijo Priesthood

(Religious Primacy)

High Priest of the Cocijo



The High Priest of Cocijo personally oversaw the building of a temple in the lands of the Popoluca.

The Triple Alliance

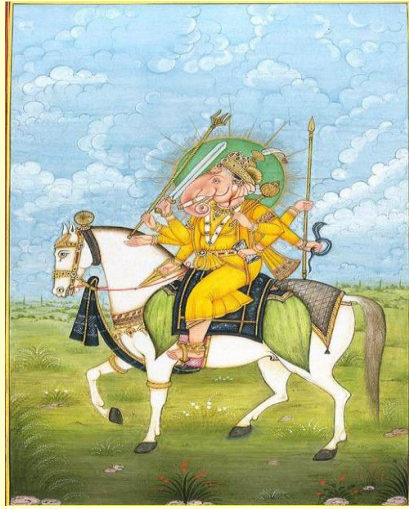
(Open Empire)

Cakulha, King of Tlacopan



The death of Tlaloc III in 1475 saw Prince Cakulha become king. He was to honour the terms of the alliance with the Zapotecs. The Triple Alliance had a large standing army and several men were pensioned off to settle and improve the Tlacopan lands. Priests were sent north to convert the spirit worshippers of Jonaz Pame and Zacatec. While General Hapikern ensured the defence of the kingdom from Culhua, Abkit was sent north to Huastec to gain a bride for the new king. The marriage was to consolidate Culhua's control of the coastal region.

India and Central Asia



Pratihara Kingdom of Kaunaj

(Hindu Civilised Open Empire)

Suresh IV, Raja of Kaunaj



A massive earthquake in Chela all but destroyed the city of Orungallu. Missionaries from the Pratiharan kingdom gained some converts in disputed Om'Chu as well as Edrosia, Registan and Ghazni. The death of King Suresh III in early 1474 saw his son, Prince Suresh, become king. The coronation of King Suresh IV occurred in the summer of that year. Prince Wagish and his aide Suketu was to travel to Gujerat where the Princess Sabita's hand was offered in marriage. Helped by a massive dowry, the province was happy to fully join the kingdom. The prince then journeyed to the city of Dhara where the hand of Princess Suhana, as well as another large dowry, ensured that the city became part of the kingdom. Savinder was to assist the king in the affairs of state along with Saurabh while General Rojin was ordered once to pacify the hated Saffarids in Sind. His force of nearly nine thousand men attacked from Ajmer into the farmland of Sind. The Saffarids had continued to augment their army and now numbered over fifty thousand men. Their general was extremely able and his force

of mainly cavalry was protected by heavy fortifications throughout the province. There was little doubt to the outcome, Rojin's army was utterly destroyed and the general himself ridden into the muddy fields of Sind. General Talish, ordered to support Rojin once Sind was captured, was forced to garrison his men in Sukkur.

The Karakhanate of Ilig

(Sunni Islam Civilised Open Empire)

Bumin Khan, Khan of Ilig



Throughout the lands of the Karakhanate the walls of the mighty fortresses were strengthened and their garrisons augmented with new men. The cities of Samarkand and Tashkent were to grow in size and their walls rebuilt. Despite the increased activity in the northeast province of Kuldja, the restless horsemen of the Tzin-Kiang-Zao and the Jungarian Khanate still eyed the wealth of Samarkand with envy. Both hordes were to descend upon the province in the spring of 1474 intent on looting the province of its wealth. Khalid ibn al'Walid had taken up command of the city of Kulja's defence and could do little to stop the rampaging horsemen. He sent riders to Otrarsh to Salih ibn Ali to muster the Karakhanate's forces and stop the raiders. The Tzin-Kiang-Zao numbered over four hundred thousand but were caught scattered and drunk on their spoils by the Jungarians. Over two hundred thousand warriors of the Jungarian horde scattered the opposing horde and took their spoils for themselves; utterly devastating the province. General ibn Ali had by now mustered his forces but could do little to stop the Jungarians ravishing the lands of Otrarsh before returning to the northern steppe; his forces were simply overwhelmed by the raider's numbers and the Karakhanate's defences or assassins could do little to stop them.

South East Asia and the Islands



The Kingdom of Thaton

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire)

Sallat IV, King of Thaton



Prince Sallat VI was presented at the Moulmein Court and was expected to assist his father in the affairs of state. His father was to become King of Thaton in 1475 following the death of the venerable Sai Pei and was to quickly take control of the kingdom. The allied leader of Taunggyi city was gifted a guard of elite spearmen to protect him. These were called into action when Taunggyi and the Generals Goro Pai and Xanorus were forced to see off a possible invasion by the Hindu Samaaj Order in Samatata. Sadly, General Goro Pai was to die in 1476 from an illness but died knowing the kingdom was secure from attack. King Sallat was to father two more children by Queen Sorona, bringing his family to nine children

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The Kingdom of Yue Annam

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire)

Mei Wung, Queen of Annam



The cities of Tonkin, Da Nang and Shantou were to grow in size and their walls rebuilt to encompass their growing populations. In Tonkin, a massive palace was constructed to support the rule of Queen Mei Wung. Missionaries had some success in converting the Hindus of Champa and the port of Vijaya to the south. The death of the great general Prince Nguyen in 1474 was met with sadness throughout the kingdom. Yen Phan was assisted by Pho Bin Thieu, Ho Phen and Wang of Lingsi in further smoothing relations with the Nanchao.

Manchu'ko and Nihon



The Minamoto Shogunate

(Shinto Civilised Open Empire)

Askikaga, Emperor of the East



he cities of Shimonoseki and Muro where to grow in size along with Kanazawa. Colonists from the Shogunate were sent to the regions of Zvoron and Cherskogo to claim those lands for the Minamoto. The emperor provided funds to dredge the Amur along the border the Tumin as well as sending gold to the Taira Clan. Shinto missionaries were able to gain some more converts in the city of Pusan but had little success elsewhere. Ruling from Heian, the Emperor Askikaga was able to father four more children by the Empress Oimikado; two of which were twins. Before her death in 1476, the Princess Nanba was able to gain full support from the province of Takama. She was aided by the Prince Nakayama who completed her mission. Kuga Tara was to also assist in the diplomatic mission but was to die shortly after arriving in the province. Prince Takashi remained in Kumamoto to oversee the alliance with the Taira. Defence of the Shogunate was left in the hands of Admiral Ujiyasu and General Yutaka. Kuchiki Sadamoto was to oversee the settlers moving into Zvoron from

Amur while Tone Takejiro escorted the settlers bound for the tundra of Cherskogo. Kil Il-Song of Pusan was to explore most of the route from Ponape to the Marshalls islands.

The Goryeo Kingdom

(Buddhist Renaissance Open Empire)

Gun Sam Jun Ho, King of Goryeo



In far Sabah, the port of Kudat was to grow in size and acted as a conduit for Goryeon trade to the nations of Southeast Asia. Ruling from his court in Kai-Ching, Gun Sam Jun Ho was disappointed that his wife and mother of their five children could not provide him with a son. Admiral Ha-Joon was to explore the seas around Sulawesi and further south to the Gulf of Carpentaria. Despite his best effort, Ye Joon was left out of the negotiations in Sabah and saw any Goryeon claim lost to the Taira Clan.

The Taira Clan

(Shinto Civilised Open Empire)

Taira no Tadanori, Daimyo of Saga



The port of Sakai was built on the Nanshan Hai in Sarawak. Taira no Tadanori ruled the clan from his palace in Saga. He dispatched Ishikura Tatsuya to Sarawak to escort the citizens and building materials for the new city before he returned to Kumamoto. He was to escort the new Sabah bride for Tadanori after dropping off a garrison transferred from Mindanao. The Daimyo's new bride was part of a diplomatic mission led by Kaneshiro Sadatake on the province of Sabah. Through the efforts of Sadatake, the province was to refute any Goryeon advances and declare itself an integral part of the Taira dominium. Hino Ryoza took command of the Sabah garrison in case the Goryeon's decided to push back against the Tairanese diplomatic efforts. Some converts were gained in Hainan through the efforts of Taira's Shinto priests.

The Land under Heaven



The Kingdom of Chiang'Ning

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire)

Ban He, King of Chiang'Ning



Many of the Chiang Empire's cities were to grow in size and prosperity during these years. In Om'Chu, the city of Gaotong was founded and in the far West, the city of Yuanxi was built in Wu Hai. The old Song lands were connected to the Chiang roads as new highways were built in their lands. Conscious of the threat from the north, the Chiang were to extend the Great Wall all the way to Yanzhi in the west. Although the piety of the Empire was not increased, the Buddhist priests of the Chiang were able to reform the Empire's religion for the modern age. The Emperor, Ban He, was to continue his rule from Anhui and was to father two more sons by Queen Song Xie. He was assisted at court by Fian Ying and Shenso. The able Prince Zhi Wei was left in command of the Empire's forces along with Admiral Fa Che. One of the Empire's best diplomats, Zhong Wo, travelled to Shan'Si and was able to gain the full support of the region. In Wu Hai, Shang'Ti was able to gain an alliance from the region despite offering the hand of Queen Song Xie in marriage!

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The Mongol Khaganate

(Buddhist Nomadic Open Empire)

Toghrul Khan, Khan of the Mongols



The Khan of the Mongols, Toghrul, continued to rule with Queen Altantsetseg from Hsia-Hsia. The great Khan was to father two sons by his young wife. Arslan also returned to Hsia-Hsia to assist his Khan.

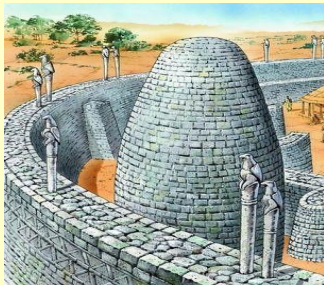
Africa



The Mwene-Mutapa Empire

(Unkulunkulu Civilized Open Empire)

Muthzanga, King of Mapungubwe



Sofala, Solosi, Nguni Da and Morogoro were to grow in size and prosperity while in Banhine the city of Chimoio was founded. In Mahabao and Kabwe priests of Unkulunkulu were to convert the provinces to the true god while in Tonga and Marantha were to gain some converts. Emperor Muthzanga continued his rule from Mapungubwe with Keltanke and Shalada although they were unable to improve the quality of Mwene-Mutupa government. Hintungal spend more years in diplomatic communication with the Banhine yet despite the marriage of Prince Ahmed no further gains were made.

Usama-Yoruba Onium of Ibo

(African Pagan Civilized Open Empire)

Komla, Oni of Ibo



Throughout the western coast cities were founded from Susu to Douala and the road extended to the new port of Ideho. The lands of the Susu were further cultivated and settled by farmers from the Onium. The death of King Boure was met with dismay amongst the Iboan populace. His son Prince Komla was not as popular as his father and struggled to quell the swellings of unrest. Several regions of the Onium were to revolt and declare their independence as Neneh and Jelani were also to claim their right to the cities of Mbouda and Bata. Prince Mensah had accompanied Prince Ekongolo of Doula to the city of Takrur where he supported the elder prince in his negotiations with the city's ruler. Prince Mensah was to gain a bride from the Susu while Komla had travelled to Asante to gain his Queen. Despite this, the province was still amongst those to revolt. Mansa continued his diplomatic mission amongst the Senegalese while despite his efforts Askia could not gain any more support from Douala. Nzinga led the diplomacy in Mbouda but was brutally murdered by Neneh as the treacherous rebel took control of the city.

Eastern Europe



The Varangian Rus of Kiev

(Orthodox Civilized Open Empire)

Ragnar, King of the Rus



The great Rus city of Varangia grew in size to encompass the fortress outside its old walls. Gold and grain were sent to the Romans in Constantinople as well as the Merchants of that city and the St Valdimir Order. King Ragnar continued his rule from Kiev and sent Prince Osberic to gain a bride from amongst the Bulgari Bogden of Pechneg. The prince's young wife gave birth to a daughter in the spring of 1477. The death of Princess Gertrude in 1477 meant that her army was given to Princess Brunhilda to command and to ensure the defence of the Zemli so stenoy. Svein was also to pass away in 1477 and his men given over to Beren to lead. The Ademinds had gathered their forces and swept into Crimea in 1475. The peninsula was quickly taken and added to the Khanate's lands.

The Oriental Roman Empire

(Roman Catholic Civilised Open Empire)

Manuel, Emperor of East Rome



The Pope sent clergy to Constantinople to raise a church in the city. The city itself was to grow in size and its walls replaced to protect the population. Prince Acteon was sent to the Knights to serve with the Order at the command of the emperor. The emperor himself continued his rule while Prince Adronikos was put in command of the Mare Negri fleet. Duke Angelos took command of the Aegean fleet and patrolled out of Constantinople.

Theodore was able to gain more support in Larissa but in far Abasigia Hesperos was unable to improve relations with the province

The Order of St Vladimir

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Sven, Grandmaster of the Order of St Vladimir



Concerned with invaders into the Orthodox lands, Sven led his men to Moldavia to defend the province from attack. The Brothers Charles, Mark and Skallagrim were to wander the lands around Galatia gathering information for the Order.

The Noble House of Byzantium

(Roman Catholic Civilised Mercantile House)

Laodamos, Chairman of the Noble House of Byzantium



Laodamos was able to acquire an Agent in Vitebsk despite his acerbic nature. However, attempts to organise a Branch Office in Sicily by Argos was unsuccessful. Jason was able to gain Agents in both Rome and Latium but in Naples Apheidus could not find anyone to represent the merchants. Aegeus was to set sail from Valletta to explore the Sea of Portugal before returning home to port. Agents of the Merchant House were active throughout their university to stop their research being stolen.

The White Cossacks

(Pagan Nomadic Open Empire)

Andrei, Hetman of the Cossacks



Hetman Stenka Razin took his force of sixty thousand men into the lands of the Kazan. However, despite overwhelming the Kazans, Razin was struck by an arrow in the throat and died instantly. Shocked by the Hetman's death, the Cossack force retreated to Uze. It was time for his young son Andrei to take up command of the Cossacks. Pavlo Teteria was unable to gain any more support from the Suvar and Pavel Avalov struggled to gain any more influence over the Nogai. It was left to Vasily Orlov to support the Hetman's command over his men.

Arabia and the Middle East



The Buwayid Sultanate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Lamman III, Sultan of the Buwayids



A deadly plague was to hit Bursa and the province of Bithnia. Luckily, it was to disperse quickly, and no other cities or lands were affected. Despite the threat of plague, many of the Sultanate's cities were to grow in size during these years. Two of the Sultan's young sons, Bijan and Arash, were sent to join the Rashidun Caliphate to lead a religious life. Colleges were founded to serve the Sultan's navy, army and intelligence services whilst in Baghdad work on a great library was started. Vast numbers of fishing boats were built to feed the Sultanate's massive urban population and were based throughout its ports. Agents of the Sultanate mingled with those of the Al'Bahri Order in the cities and universities of the West, hungry for knowledge. Tired of the rough life of the Arabian deserts, the Sharif moved into the Buwayid province of Selucia. General Farhad was stationed in Rasanian but Selucia was within the range of his patrols. He mustered his ten thousand horse and caught the Sharifs as they entered Selucia. The province had several small castles to defend it but these were hardly necessary as Farhad's force outnumbered the Sharif's eight thousand light horsemen. Battered and wounded, the horde returned to the wastes.

The sultan was to pass away in his sleep in 1475 and the rule of the Buwayid lands fell to his son, Prince Lamman III. Lamman was already in charge of the affairs of state and quickly took control of the sultanate. Prince Ra-Amir travelled once again to Bakony where he was able to gain more influence with the Magyars. Despite the assistance of Inger and large gifts to its rulers, Prince Omar could not gain any more support from the holy city of Jerusalem. Tasked with investigating any Assassin presence in Mesopotamia, Jafar was to succumb to a sudden illness in 1474 and passed away quickly in that year. Jalal Hayat gained a small concession from the rulers of Palmyra to acknowledge Baghdad's claim on those lands.

Al-Khulafa'ur Rashidun

(Sunni Islam Civilized Primacy)

Salafi al-Bahrain, Caliph of Baghdad



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The Egyptian Empire

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Ahmad III, Emperor of all Egypt



The great cities of Al'Qairah, Al'Qadi and El'Uqsor were to grow to size. In Ad'Diffah, work was carried out to improve the provinces defences against the Adjou Aba along with the Empire's fortresses. In Alexandria, rebuilding the great library in Alexandria was started, over a millennia since its destruction at the hands of the Romans. The city was also to benefit from an Intelligence College and an aqueduct when the foundations of these structures was started. Missionaries from the Empire were able to convert the provinces of Adulis and Dongola to Islam as well as making more converts in Funj and Axum. Gold was sent to the Neapolitans for more grain. To the Al'Bahri, some catapults were transferred for their forces. Ahmad ruled from Alexandria and was blessed with a young daughter by Queen Aisha. Malik explored the to the east, including the Coromandel Coast and the Bay of Bengal before returning to port in Kurman. General Al'Nasir continued to patrol from Danakil while General Taaraz patrolled from Axum. Usama ibn Zayd moved from Egypt to Zeila where he was to take command of the Egyptian forces in the province. Husayn ibn Ali was given command of the Egyptian forces in El'Gitar and set about preparing defence of the region.

Amir Al-Bahri

(Sunni Moslem Seafaring Religious Order)

Khalid ibn al-Walid, Lord of the Sea



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Western Europe and Moslem Spain



The Knights of Malta

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Frederick, Grandmaster of the Knights of Malta



Young Prince Acteon of the Constantinople was to arrive in Malta as Grandmaster Frederick oversaw the moving of the Order's fortress into Valletta with the assistance of Brother Werner. The Order was able to increase its status in Salerno and with the Pope. Brother Jochen was dispatched to the Order's holdings in Valencia to provide defence of the region against the Maliki Madhhab. Brother Fritz continued to patrol the Aegean from Valletta. An Oratory for the Knights was constructed in Verona despite the death of Brother Bernhard in

1475.

The Kingdom of Germany

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire)

Hans, King of the Germans



A deadly plague spread throughout Bavaria and Franconia but thankfully was contained in those two provinces. King Hans was to oversee his growing kingdom with Queen Frena and was blessed with two daughters. He was assisted in his rule by Wulford, Heinrich and Ercken during his rule. General Gunther continued to patrol the southern provinces from Provence while Jurgen moved to Tyrol where the hand of Prince Leopold was offered in marriage. His efforts were to gain an alliance with the House of Gorizia. Admiral Waltraud was in command of the German fleet based in Cannes and continued to watch over the Gulf of Lyons. Sigmund was tasked with gaining more support from Bavaria but the plague and confusion over the hand of Prince Bertram, meant that the province dropped in status.

The Akramid Caliphate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Tiroman VII, Caliph of the Akramids



The cities of Algiers, Heuruseum, Susanna and far Olbia in Sardinia were to grow in size. The order of Maliki Madhab were to receive funds from the Caliphate to improve their forces. In Seville, the Alcazar palace was constructed to house the Caliph and his family. The Caliph himself was to oversee the defence of his demesne from Seville with Prince Luhk. Before his death in 1475, Borus led a mission in Olbia to continue the conversion of the Catholic city to Islam while other missionaries were able to gain converts in Sardinia and the port of Bastia. Admiral Tarsh was to collect several recently commissioned carracks from various ports throughout the Caliphate before sailing to Seville and ensuring the defence of the seas.

The Kingdom of France

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire)

Percival, King of the French



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The Principality of Salerno

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire)

Socto Durazzo, Duke of Naples



Lombardy was further protected from Magyar incursions by new forts and garrison. The fortress in the province was to be increased in size. In Dalmatia, the port of Split was to grow in size while the final parts of wilderness in Carinthia were cleared for farmland. Some converts were made in Corsica but the Salernese priests were unable to push Catholicism in Bosnia or Epirus. Prince Socto travelled to Palermo where despite his influence with the Sicilians he was unable to secure an alliance. General Conossa took command of the army in Lombardy and set about ensuring the defence of the valuable province. Defence of the seas was left to Admiral Morosini from his base in Naples while the formidable General Mattei commanded the Salernese army based in Carinthia. Gold from Naples was shipped to the Knights of Malta to aid in their defence of Christendom while grain was shipped to the Egyptians.

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Scandia and the Out Isles



Kingdom of Orkeneyjar

(Roman Catholic Seafaring Open Empire)

Aethelbert, King of Orkney and the Isles



The cities of Kristiansand, Hordavil and Oslo were to grow in size and their walls greatly improved. The Orkneymen were able to raise a Preceptory for Le Marteau in Anglia and a House in Cornwall. Large amounts of gold and expertise was once again to flow to the Rus and the Order but in these years the Svear were also able to benefit from King Aethelbert. The king ruled from Kirkval with his queen and was to father another son. With Prince Svein patrolling the English Channel he received news that the newly appointed Modolf was known to drink with disreputable sailors in London at a pub that had once been a cesspit of Norwegian pirate activity. On the orders of King Aethelbert, the suspect Modolf was questioned and executed for his possible misdemeanours; an act that caused rumbling of discontent amongst the nobility of Kirkval as every courtier and warrior was to worry they were next. Princess Merewen was escorted to Stockholm where she was to become the bride of King Karl Person of the Svear. In Lothian, the Bishop Hugin was to lead a diplomatic delegation that saw the province become an integral part of the kingdom.

The Ests

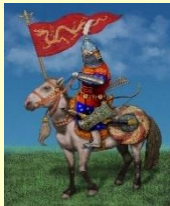
(Jumali Skyfather Civilized Open Empire)
Braddick IV, King of the Ests



The walls of Ivanovo were greatly improved and its garrison augmented with large numbers of siege engineers. Forts were built throughout Veposkava and Yaroslav in response to the Cossack raids. Jumali missionaries were active in Ventapils and the lands of Kur. King Bradick continued his rule from Estonia and transferred his siege engineers to Teft. Prince Varik was shown the intricacies of statecraft by his father before becoming part of the Estonian court. General Saimo took command of Ivanovo's garrison while General Teft travelled to Livonia to ensure the defence of the province. Kalev explored the route through the Middle Volga to the Rus port of Saratov. Before stationing himself in Novgorod, General Virve travelled to Kostroma with Prince Tonis to patrol the southern region in case of Cossack attack with Count Nicholas.

The Kazans

(European Pagan Barbarian Horde)
Igor, Khan of the Kazans



Igor returned to the Kazan homelands where he was to spend time with his Khirgiz wife Yelena. He found that he had little time for family life as the Cossacks pushed into Kazan in an attempt to conquer it. Despite being overwhelmed, the Kazan's were able to kill their Hetman and force the Cossacks to retreat. Mikhail was unable to gain any support from the Tavda despite his concerted efforts.

The Svear

(Roman Catholic Seafaring Open Empire)
Karl Person, King of the Svear

A great fortress was raised next to the Svear capital of Stockholm. Despite their low status in the Svear lands, Houses for Le Marteau were constructed in Sundsvall and Jutland. King Karl Person married Merewen of the Orkneys in a grand ceremony and declared that his new Queen should be his heir in case of his death before they were to have children. Dag was to lead a diplomatic mission to Jamtland where he was able to gain an alliance from the northern province.

La Marteau de Dieu

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Geoffrey, Hammer of God



In the far west, lay brothers of the Order were able to raise a House in Abenaki but their holdings in the Iroquois lands proved too difficult to maintain. The Brothers Gustav and Sean spent these years trying to improve the Preceptory in Vestrehavn to an Oratory but despite his efforts the site was to degrade to a mere House. Coenraad, Grandmaster of the Order, was to be able to recruit more sellswords from amongst those available in Kirkval. In Kirkval, Borthar Sigehere was to act as second command to Brother Arild as he patrolled from the Order's

Fortress. Brother Eldred was to spend these years in Wymeswold and was to gain the full support of the city.
