

Lords of the Earth

CAMPAIGN TWENTY-FOUR

Turn 103

1482 ~ 1485 Anno Domini

888 ~ 891 in the year of the Hegira

4180 (Water Tiger - 4183 (Wood Snake)

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 you 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/lote24/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/lote24>

...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



The port of Atchafalaya built in Mejcalero on the order of Chief Katkosh; protected by new walls. The chief himself enlisted White Eagle to assist in running the Councils as his government expanded further.

The Ute

(Open Empire)

Charging Bear, Chief of the Ute



During these years Charging Bear was to horde his gold and content himself with ruling the Ute people. He was assisted by his close friends Red Fox and Kanosh.

The Huron Confederacy

(Open Empire)

Nanasuwara, Chief of the Hurons



Chief Nanasuwara ruled the Huron Confederation with help from Prince Nomino. Chibougamou travelled to the lands of the Sokoni where he was to gain an alliance.

The Carib Tribes

(Open Empire)

Caonabo, Chief of the Carib



Caonabo of the Carib was to oversee the transportation of settlers to the northern island of Colon while Maraguay was left to oversee the affairs of the tribe.

The Yokut Tribes

(Open Empire)

Morning Dancer, Chief of the Yokuts



After declaring that her younger sister should be the heir to the Yokuts and that the nations merchants were working efficiently, Queen Morning Dancer moved to the lands of the Pomo where she managed to gain the support of the tribes there. Great Condor travelled to the wastes of the Mohave desert where he spent these years with the regions' tribes. After escorting settlers to the banks of the Colorado in Moapa, Red Fox was bitten by a snake and died from its venom. He was not to live to see the port of River's Edge built. West Wind was about to set sail on another voyage of exploration when his heart failed, the lifeless explorer was later pulled out of Dolphin's Cove harbour after he collapsed.

The Cree

(Open Empire)

Mahihkan, Chief of the Cree



It was the intention of Mahihkan to abdicate and allow his son, Prince Mistawasis, to rule in his stead. However, the old chief could not find the right moment to step down and continued to oversee the efforts of young Mistawasis; worried that his son was unpopular with the Cree people. The old chief took the Nameluni people south to Okboni, next to the port on the lake. The young prince was able to father a son by his wife Lomasi in 1484. Keasik continued his diplomacy with the Chippewa while Maskwa was able to gain more support from the Noquet tribes.

The Echota

(Open Empire)

Taloe Sunkeeper, Chief of the Echota



The lands of the Creek and Yuchi were further settled by Echotan farmers. Chief Taloe continued to spend time with the Santua in an attempt to ally them to Yamasee.

The Moundbuilders

(Open Empire)

Untamek, Chief of the Moundbuilders



Chief Untamek continued his rule from Michigamea with the support of Prince Bridgekeeper. Towards the end of 1485 the chief became increasingly ill from a wasting disease and concerns were widespread as to his chances. Prince Skythe remained with the Cherokee until his untimely death in 1482. Bloodmoon was also to pass away in early 1482 from a fever.

Celestial continued to negotiate with the Potawtomi, getting them to settle their lands for the Moundbuilders.

The Hohokam

(Noble House)

Hokolesqua, Chief of the Hobokam



Chief Hokolesqua was able to further the Hohokam holdings in Yokuts, leaving Jacy to continue his work overseeing the tribe's affairs.

South America

The Chimu Kingdom of Chanchan

(Open Empire)

Arauru, Queen of the Chimu



The plague hit cities of Arica and Lluta were to recover and grow in size along with Vitcos in Cuna. Vitcos became a port when a new harbour was constructed on the Gulf of Venezuela. Queen Arauru continued to oversee the Chanchan nation, directing General Yaku Wayna to protect the nation from his base in Cuna. The general was to suffer a heart attack in late 1485 but luckily no threats were encountered during these years. Viricocha Cucha managed to continue improving relations with the province of Chimu.

Chichen Itze

(Open Empire)

Korat II, Chief of the Chichen Itze



The king took command of the Mayan army from Prince Quarops with Prince Sorucanaya and Kaloraya assisting. His brother, the Prince Daresh, was made his heir in case of an untimely death. Xororsosa travelled to Boruca with Beryata but they were unable to gain much more than the tribute already being paid from the province. The city of Borulat in the province was to grow in size and prosperity and its walls replaced around the new buildings.

Zapotec Mitla

(Open Empire)

Azcalxochitzin, King of the Zapotecs



Queen Monequiltia declared that the Triple Alliance no longer needed to send tribute to Mitla. She started to rule the Zapotec kingdom from Mitla with Prince Azcalxochitzin after he returned from Culhua but was struck with a sickness in late 1482. After the death of the queen, Azcalxochitzin ascended to the throne and took control of the kingdom. He ruled alongside the now Queen Zipaccoatl but the union failed to provide the new king with any children. Before his death in 1485, Prince Zaachila oversaw the affairs of the Zapotec ally in Culhua. Prince Cualli assisted the able Lynya and Teyahual in negotiations with the Triple Alliance. The marriage of Princess Xitlalli to King Cakulha in Tiacoapan was met with great ceremony and rejoicing in the Culhua capital. General

Chicaxoch moved south from Huastec to take command of the Zapotec army and ensure the kingdom's defence.

The Cocijo Priesthood

(Religious Primacy)

High Priest of the Cocijo



Sayoro of the Mayan's returned to his homeland where he was able to convert over half of the Chontal to the beliefs of Cocijo. The High Priest of Lightning was to continue preaching in Popoloca, successfully converting the majority of the population. After travelling to Totonac, the Priest of the Sun quickly swayed the province to convert to Cocijo.

The Triple Alliance

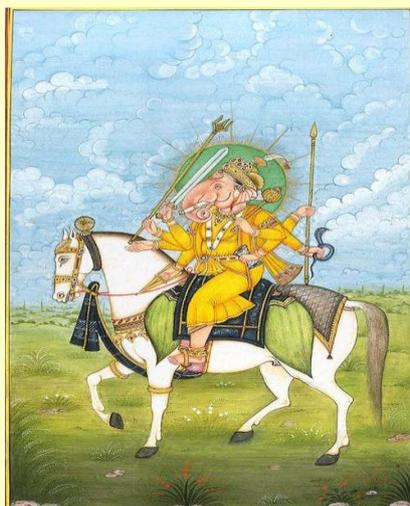
(Open Empire)

Cakulha, King of Tlacopan



King Cakulha ruled from his palace in Culhua and married the Zapotec princess Xitlalli when she arrived from Mitla. The defence of the Triple Alliance was left in the hands of Generals Hapikern and Akbit. A sudden earthquake was to hit the city of Huasteca, reducing it to ruins and cutting of the Alliance's trade routes. More converts were made in the northern province of Jonaz Pame but none could be found in Zacatec.

India and Central Asia



Pratihara Kingdom of Kaunaj

(Hindu Civilised Open Empire)

Suresh IV, Raja of Kaunaj



Hindu priests from the kingdom were active throughout the western border and in the mountains of Om'Chu. The great cities of the kingdom were to grow in size and prosperity while Suresh moved to Kaunaj to continue his rule with Queen Sheela. He was to father a daughter in the autumn of 1482 Prince Simba accompanied the Princess Susha to the city of Lahore along with the Princes Wagish and Savinder of Rewa. The princess was to be married to the city's ruler and a bride was to be taken for Prince Simba. Lahore was still part of the Ghaznavid kingdom and relations were strained after the Pratiharan campaigns against them. However, Suketu was to lead the mission and was an experienced negotiator. So, despite his sudden death shortly after arriving at the city, he was able to get the Ghazz delegation to agree to the union and settle their differences. The Prince of Avanti travelled to Ujjayani where he was able to gain some support from the impoverished city. Takshil took command of newly recruited marines in Kaunaj before travelling to Mandvi to collect his fleet. He then journeyed west to explore the Red Sea before returning to port while Taarank the Mariner set sail for the east and explored the Nicobar Sea from Jarawa. Suarabb took over

assisting Suresh in ruling the kingdom with assistance of Talat. General Talish continued his defence of the west after moving in to Bikaner and overseeing its fortifications.

The Karakhanate of Ilig

(Sunni Islam Civilised Open Empire)

Junaid Khan, Khan of Ilig



The lands of Kophat Dagh were cleared for farms as the steppe was put to the plough. The great wall built against the hordes was completed along the northern border of Otrarsh and Ferghana. Missionaries were sent to push back the Hindus in the east. The new khan, Junaid, moved to the Kara Khitai and took command of the forces stationed there before taking control of the affairs of the Khanate, assisted by Al-Mansur. Sulayman ibn Hisham was dispatched to Kuh'Laleh'Zar to offer them a place in the Khanate; an offer they refused to accept. Defence of the khanate was left in the hands of Alp Arslan and Salih ibn Ali while Khalid ibn al-Walid was to oversee the fortifications in Kuldja.

Saffarid Iran

(Hindu Civilised Open Empire)

Reza Pahlavi, Shah of Iran

The city of Turbat was founded in Bauluch on the banks of the Indus. The royal road was then extended up from Mansura to the new city, replacing the old postal route. Reza Pahlavi ruled from Man sura and ensured that the nation's shipping was optimised. Abd-Allah Mikali took command of some warships in Mansura before explore the route to the Maldives. General al-Layth garrisoned his personal guard in Sind before continuing to patrol from the border region. The efforts of Rohai ibn al-Hadad in persuading the Emir of Siahn to ally further with Mansura came to nothing.

South East Asia and the Islands



The Kingdom of Thaton

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire)
Sallat V, King of Thaton



A new exchange was built in Moulmein to concentrate the mercantile affairs of the kingdom. The army under Prince Sallat was augmented with a further twenty thousand lancers to add to his already extensive force. Priests from Moulmein were active in Samatata to stem the flow of Hinduism into the kingdom. King Sallat continued his rule from Moulmein while the young prince was to take a bride from the House of Thaton and assist his father in ruling the kingdom. He was blessed with a son early in 1482 and later by a daughter in 1484. General Xanorus was accompanied by General Horo Gai to Samatata where they took up the defence of the region from any incursion by the Samaaj Order. The defence of Thaton was left to General Osorya who was garrisoned in the province.

The Kingdom of Yue Annam

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire)

Mei Wung, Queen of Annam



Missionaries from the kingdom attempted to sway the Hindus in the south but had little success. They did, however, manage to increase the kingdom's influence with the Burning Lotus order. Mei Wung, regent for the young king, attempted to educate him in the ways of statecraft. The young prince was more interested in hunting and drinking but listened to his mother. General Phan took along the young Prince Phouc Tong on patrol while ensuring the defence of the northern lands from Nanchao. Admiral Tinh Heya was to take command of the fleet in Tonkin and patrolled the seas around the capital in case of invasion. Pho Bin Thieu led a delegation to the conquered lands of Nan Chao and offered the hand of Princess Ahn Tong to sweeten the negotiations.

Manchu'ko and Nihon



The Minamoto Shogunate

(Shinto Civilised Open Empire)

Askikaga, Emperor of the East



The city of Kurashiki was built on the banks of the Amur around the fortress while in Khungari a new port was founded called Kawagoe. Much gold was sent to the Taira Clan while extensive efforts were made to cultivate the lands of Zvoron, Khungari and Wusuli. The Amur was further dredged up to Wusuli. The House of Pusan added their considerable resources into expanding the city of Pusan. Attempts by Shinto priests to spread their teachings through the empire came to nothing. The Emperor Askinkage continued his rule from Heian after ensuring that the trade routes within the Empire were providing more revenue. Young Prince Niuro was to join him at the Heian court, sadly Queen Oimikado was to pass away in 1484. Princess Kojo was tasked with overseeing the defence of Zvoron but fell sick with a fever and died in 1482. The able Prince Nakayama travelled to Sikhote with the even more experienced diplomat Heiki Yutaka where they were able to gain an alliance from the province. Prince Takashi was overseeing the affairs of the Taira Clan when he fell foul of bandits in 1484; requiring the emperor to dispatch a new envoy to the Clan. The defence of the seas was left to Admiral Ujijasu based in Harima and the land to General Yutaka in Yamato. Kuchiki Sadamoto moved to Kurshin where the province was claimed for the Empire while after garrisoning Kolyma, Tone Takejiro claimed Korola and Seymchitin for the Empire.

The Goryeo Kingdom

(Buddhist Renaissance Open Empire)

Gun Sam Jun Ho, King of Goryeo



The ports of Kudat and Ji'an were increased in size and the port of Daegu raised in the jungles of Atjeh on the Nicobar Sea. Gun Sam Jun Ho continued his rule from Kai-Ching and fathered a further two children, bringing the royal household to nine. Ha-Joon escorted the settlers to Kudat and Daegu before ensuring the city was built without disruption. Kwan Yuan continued to protect the vital port of Kudat while Hwan Chal was in command of the Goryeon forces in Bandaio until his death in 1482. In-Su Do continued to assist the king until he passed away in late 1485 Ye Joon waited until Ha Joon arrived in Kudat before accompanying him to Daegu. Once in the new port, Ye Joon went onto explore the seas to the west as far as the Gulf of Oman before returning home.

The Taira Clan

(Shinto Civilised Open Empire)

Taira no Tadanori, Daimyo of Saga



The port of Sendai was constructed around a fortress in the province of Hainan. Attempts to glean knowledge from the Buddhists came to nothing as did attempts to convert the non-believers in the Clan lands. The daimyo continued to rule from Saga after ensuring the Clan's merchants were providing maximum returns to his coffers. Ishikura Tatsuya's task was to escort the settlers to Hainan before collecting the garrison in Shikoku and moving it to Sakai in Sarawak. General Hino Ryoza continued to defend the Clan's possessions in Sabah while Kaneshiro Sadatake continued his efforts to gain influence with the Srivijaya with Domen Yonkane.

The Land under Heaven



The Kingdom of Chiang'Ning

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire)

Ban He, King of Chiang'Ning



The kingdom's cities were to grow in size and prosperity. The walls of some of the greatest were massively expanded. Ban he continued his rule from Anhui and received the charismatic Ban Sai at the Anhui court. He was assisted by Dou Ziying, Shenso and Fian Ying. Prince Zhi Wei was to continue to ensure the defence of the kingdom from his base in Anhui. Admiral Fa Che was based with the Chiang fleet in Chiangning before his death in 1482, luckily no seaborne threats were directed against the kingdom. The diplomat, Zhong Wo travelled to the port of Zhengzhou where he started to improve relations with the conquered city. In Wu Hai, Shang'Ti continued his diplomatic mission but was unable to improve on the existing alliance.

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.

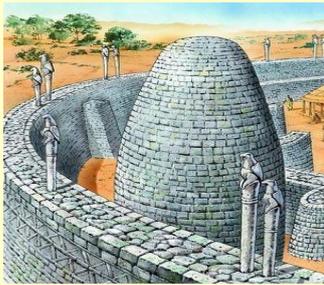
Africa



The Mwene-Mutapa Empire

(Unkulunkulu Civilized Open Empire)

Muthzanga, King of Mapungubwe



Prince Kualze was named heir to the Mwene-Mutapa Empire and assisted his father at the royal court in Mapungubwe along with Hintungal and Shalada before the latter's death of a fever in 1482. Keltanke was to travel to Banhine to persuade the region to fully join with the empire but fell victim to a lion attack while journeying in the Vaal and never made it to his destination. Priests from the empire were active to the north in Matabele, Kimbu and Lenje but had little success in the island province of Merintha. Several of the empire's cities were to grow in size and wealth during these years.

Usama-Yoruba Onium of Ibo

(African Pagan Civilized Open Empire)

Komala, Oni of Ibo



The new king Komla settled into his reign with queen Sarre and ordered the construction of a lavish palace for the royal court. Aqueducts were built in the cities of Bini, Akan, Jumagi, Ibo and Akwanga. Komla was also to ensure the continued prosperity of the nations merchants by investing in their trade. Prince Mensah was able to gain an alliance from Togo while after travelling to Ghana, Prince Ekongolo of Doula was able to gain tribute from the region. Mansa distributed his force amongst the provinces enroute to Takrur. He was unable to improve relations with the province due to his demise in 1484. Dongina and Askia continued to improve relations with Teke and the city of Bata with the latter being restored to full Iboan control.

Eastern Europe



The Varangian Rus of Kiev

(Orthodox Civilized Open Empire)

Ragnar, King of the Rus



Varnagia was further fortified and its garrison augmented with new recruits. As new farmers flooded into Moldavia its security was increased by raising forts throughout the province. Some converts were made in Levedia through the efforts of the Kievan priests. Ragnar ruled from Kiev with the assistance of Prince Osberic. The young prince was blessed with another daughter by Princess Amalswentha of the Bulgari. Before his death from the flux in 1482, Borther Alexandrov led the diplomatic mission to Polovotsy, furthering the alliance to one of economic support. Harald moved to Galich where he was also able to gain economic support from the province.

The Oriental Roman Empire

(Roman Catholic Civilised Open Empire)

Manuel, Emperor of East Rome



The Roman's struggled to gain any converts in the cities of Bosphorus and Sevastopol. After ensuring the Empire's merchants were gainfully employed, Manuel settled down to rule his domain. His son, Prince Andronikos II was to marry Princess Meryem of the Western Uighurs before patrolling the Mare Negri. Before his death from a fever in 1484, Duke Angelos was to patrol the Aegean. In order to improve relations with the city of Larissa, Prince John was appointed its governor. Theodore was dispatched to Bosphorus while Hesperos continued to negotiate with the Abasigians.

The Order of St Vladimir

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Roederic, Grandmaster of the Order of St Vladimir



Through the efforts of the Order priests led by Grandmaster Roderic and Brother Luke, many converts were made in the land of Ialomita. Brother Skallagrim supported Brother Mark in the defence of Moldavia before returning to port in Pechnograd.

The Noble House of Byzantium

(Roman Catholic Civilised Mercantile House)

Laodamos, Chairman of the Noble House of Byzantium



In the far west of Crete, the port of Megalo Kastro was founded by the Laodamos for the Merchant House. He escorted the supplies and settlers to the island before ensuring its defence as its walls were raised. Aegeus sailed south and along the African coast to explore the seas of the Grand Bassam and the Bight of Benin before returning to Valletta. In Naples, the unpopular Apeidus was waylaid and murdered in the city's backstreets while attempting to acquire an Agent for the Merchants. Argos also struggled to establish a Factory in the Attican lands while in Rome the persuasive Jason was able to upgrade the city's Factory to a Branch Office.

Arabia and the Middle East



The Buwayid Sultanate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)
Lamman III, Sultan of the Buwayids



Through the efforts of Jalal Hayat, the province of Palmyra became fully integrated into the Sultanate. On the banks of the Euphrates, the port of Tamdor was founded and linked to the Sultanate's other great cities by road. The Tigris was dredged along the Arbiliq border with Mesopotamia and Mosul. The cities of the Sultanate were to grow once again in size with Kufa now beginning to rival Baghdad in size. The sultan was to present the young Prince Talmar to the Mesopotamia court although the grand ceremony was marred by the death of his wife in early 1482. Before his death from a fever in 1484, Inger was able to assist Prince Omar in the ongoing negotiations with Jerusalem. Timue left Masqat and tried to increase the Buwayid standing in Oman but had no success in his negotiations. Attempts to steal western technology had some success but was thwarted in Constantinople by Roman agents. While General Esmail ensured the security of the western provinces, General Farhad was Rasania to protect the south and east.

Al-Khulafa'ur Rashidun

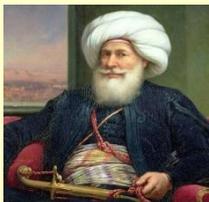
(Sunni Islam Civilized Primacy)
Salafi al-Bahrain, Caliph of Baghdad



Missionaries from the Kalifate were to convert the lands of Armenia to Islam along with the Saffarid homeland of Edrosia. The city of Alamut was uncovered in the mountains of Arbiliq by intrepid Iman's from Baghdad. The city of Tyria in Lebanon was to grow in size while in Baghdad the Bayt al-Hikmah library was founded as part of the Bayt al-Tarikh museum. The Kaliph, Salafi al-Bahrain, continued his rule from the Hasani Palace in Baghdad with Prince Ruhollah of the Saffarids. Prince Bijan of the Buwayids was to continue to oversee the affairs of the Saffarids while his brother, Prince Arash, defended the valuable province of Lebanon with General Younis. Attempts by Abdul Qadir to consecrate the Monastery in Merv were unsuccessful following his illness and death in 1482. The Saffarids were once again to benefit from the Kaliph's largesse as gold and grain were shipped east.

The Egyptian Empire

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)
Ahmad III, Emperor of all Egypt



To the far south, the Ogaden tribes were to capture Galla from the Chalbi Horse. Egyptian missionaries spent these years amongst the southern Copts, gaining many converts. Hasan took a bride from the House of Egypt and was to be blessed with a son during his rule. Mayn cannon were forged throughout the empire to protect its outlying cities. Salil Ayyub escorted the Princess Ranya to Polonarva to see if the eastern city would accept Egyptian rule. Unfortunately, the port was fully control by the Persians and his efforts came to nothing. Hasan ordered his generals to continue their patrols and ensure the safety of the Egyptian frontiers. The Adjou Aba were to remain outside of the empire but there were signs the Mansura was infiltrated by the Assassins and by Mamluk sympathisers.

Amir Al-Bahri

(Sunni Moslem Seafaring Religious Order)

Dhiraar ibn al-Azwar, Lord of the Sea



The fortified cities of Jikharra, Misrata, Zafarna, Jizan and Janzurr were expanded and their prosperity increased. Engineers of the Order finally cracked the construction of both catapults and carracks allowing the Al'Bahri to start building them. The new Lord of the Sea, Dhiraar ibn al-Azwar headed to the Order fortress in Mansura where he took up the task of overseeing the affairs of the Al'Bahri. He meddled in the affairs of the Order's merchant in order to balance the shipping load on his ports. Abu Waqqas moved to Granada where he was to assist ibn Jabal in increasing the Al'Bahri influence with the Maliki Madhab while al-Daylami and ibn Saad were to gain more sway with the Hanafi Order in Bithnia. Agents of the Order were unsuccessful in their attempts to steal technology from the western nations despite their concerted efforts. General al-Awwam continued to ensure the defence of Carsk while General Mavrou protected the Order's interests in Mansura. Despite a concentrated effort to construct sites across the Moslem lands, only a House in Gefara was built.

Western Europe and Moslem Spain



The Knights of Malta

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)
Frederick, Grandmaster of the Knights of Malta



The Maltese Order busied themselves with affairs of state.

The Kingdom of Germany

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire)
Hans, King of the Germans



The cities of Stuttgart, Vienna, Passau, Wurzburg and Bremen were to grow in size and prosperity. While Hans ruled his lands from Saxony with the assistance of Wulford and Heinrich many of his loyal supporters were to meet their end during these years, leaving the king with many new retainers. Before his death in 1483, Jurgen attempted to gain more support from the Tyrolians but had little success. Sigmund had some success with the Bavarians, slightly improving on the German claim. Hans

once again sent priests to the islands of Sardinia and Corsica, gaining many converts amongst the poor.

The Akramid Caliphate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Tiroman VII, Caliph of the Akramids



The cities of Algiers, Casablanca, Lisbon and Santiago were to grow in size and their extensive walls rebuilt to encompass the new citizens. Gold was sent to the Maliki Madhab Order in Granada to improve their forces. No longer would the people of the Caliphate be forced to an agrarian life and were to be allowed to follow their own desires. Priests from the Caliphate were once again active in Corsica and Sardinia, forcing the St Denis to close their house in Olbia. Crockus and Mongo sailed to the Canaries on a diplomatic mission. On arrival on the island, they found that the Salernese were already receiving tribute from the islanders. Tiroman continued his rule from Seville with the assistance of Targus and Pitti. Admiral Siscero sailed throughout the Caliphate to collect several Carracks that had been commissioned in Tiroman's docks before patrolling the seas off Elvas.

The Principality of Salerno

(Roman Catholic Civilised Open Nation)

Socto Durrazo, Prince of Naples



Priests from Naples aided the Germans in bring the island of Corsica back to the Catholic religion. Prince Socto travelled to Palermo once again with Amadeo Malaspina but couldn't improve on the alliance already formed with the Sicilians. In Naples, the Collegio Navale di Napoli was built to improve the fleet. Gold was sent to the Knights in Malta and to the small St Denis Order in Italy. While the generals and admirals continued to defend the Principality, Nicolo Ludovisi was to join them in Campania by taking control of the local garrison there. No attack came from the Magyars but they sent demands for gold to the Principality to deter them from raiding.

Scandia and the Out Isles



Kingdom of Orkeneyjar

(Roman Catholic Seafaring Open Empire)

Valbrand, King of Orkeney and the Isles



The city of Kaldt Sted was to grow in size and surround a newly built citadel. Hordavil was to also grow in size during these years. To aid Le Marteau, Orkneymen priests were to found Preceptories in both York and Berwick. Vadt sums of gold were once again shipped to the Orkneyjar allies of Kiev and the Svear as well as Le Marteau. The new king, Valbrand, settled into rule the kingdom from Kirkval with the beautiful but deadly Coenburga by his side. The couple were to be blessed with two daughters during these years. Prince Svein took over command of the Kirkval navy with Leifr before moving to patrol the English Channel from London. He had passed command of the kingdom's Carracks to Thorvald and Ulfr so they could patrol the seas from Kirkval. Princess Helga travelled south to Cornwall where she assisted Brother Hugin in gaining an alliance with the Cornish before the Brother's demise in 1483. Gunnhildr and Edda were to join the king's brother, Valgard, in Norway where they were to also gain an alliance with the eastern province.

The Ests

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



The fertile lands of Daugava were greatly improved by new irrigation systems and work was started in Musa as well. Priests of the Skyfather were active in the western port of Ventapils and also the wilds of Kur where Hillar had gained more support for Reval. King Bradick continued his rule while his son, Prince Varik, led the nation's defence from Novgorod. He was to father a son by Princess Meje in early 1482. Saimo led his small fleet down through the Volga to explore the northern and southern reaches of the Caspian Sea before returning to Aika.

The Kazans

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



No longer a young man, the Khan concentrated on ruling his tribe and trying to expand his family. In 1485 he was blessed with a young daughter who he named Svetlana. Mikhail struggled to gain any support from the Tavda despite his best efforts. The old warrior was not suited to diplomacy and easily caused offence when none was intended. He was to pass away in 1483 due to a short but fierce illness, leaving his men under the command of his subordinate Timofy.

The Svear

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

After the chaos in Kirkval, King Karl was to remain loyal to the Orkneyjar alliance. Gold was spent on improving the lot of the capital's population and improving the Svear fleet. Settlers moved into the wilderness of Turku and began to clear away the scrub for farmland. Saddened by the lost souls in Ventapils, Karl sent priests to the city to push back against the Jumali pagans. He was also to formally recognize the status of Le Marteau in the Svear lands, hopefully enabling them to gain favoured status amongst his people. He ruled from Stockholm with Queen Merewen and the royal couple were blessed with another daughter during these years. Modolf was to lead a delegation in Stockholm to improve the Order's status after Karl's proclamation. His efforts led to Le Marteau being enthusiastically accepted by the Svear.

La Marteau de Dieu

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order)

Sean, Hammer of God



Sean was only a few short months as the Grandmaster of the Order when he fell ill returning to Kirkval. His nominated successor, Brother Arild, was travelling with the Grandmaster and was to take over as the Order's commander. Brother Sigehere travelled from the Order's Fortress to the citadel in Poctumtuc. He was to escort settlers for the new city of Villmarker to be built around the citadel before travelling north to the Iroquois lands, leaving brother Bjorn to oversee the city's construction. Sigehere was accompanied by Brother Luchador to Iroquois and attempted unsuccessfully to persuade the Iroquois to ally with the Order. Missionaries of the Order were to gain converts in the Wawenok lands while attempts to build a Preceptory in Malacite came to nothing. However, in Caranook Brother Gustav was to successfully found a House for the Order.
