Fall 1223 Adventure

Game date: 20 February 2021

Players

- Marcy: Storyteller
- Tim: Hakon the Swede & Maria
- Mark: Thalen Mosier & Carolina
- Vicki: Wilamina & Mary Aster
- · Lisa: Petruccio Baldovini & Matron Beatrice
- Kris: Father Vincent & Yasmina

Notes in black are from Marcy. Notes in blue are from Kris.

Story

Visiting People:

- · Matron Beatriz, 35, Italy, in her cups, generally attentive to her charges
- Mary Aster, 19, England, curious, peers into all public area nooks and crannies, a bit of a gossip
- Carlina, 21 France, lively, weaves, makes ribbons/tapes, sings, artistic, doesn't like to do her work, complains her feet hurt
- · Maria, 21, Spanish, black hair, courteous, scholarly, circumspect
- Clio, 17, Greece, dances, sings, craves entertainment, agile, meticulous, nimble fingers, sews
- · Yasmina, 17, Persian, studious, mathematically inclined, looks to the stars

Two other young friends had to visit their family and were not able to travel with the party:

- · Liza, 20, Intelligent, Perceptive, Playful, enjoys raising birds and hunting
- Dagmar, 21, German, comely, chaste, patient, brave, enjoys spinning and hunting on horse.

Party in this session and last:

Hakkon, Thalen, Willa, Petruccio, Father Vincent

New/Old City (modeled after Dresden) has expanded up river. The Slav/Sorb on the North side of the river is where Berthold would usually dock and pay any normal fees and tariffs if there were any. From the South side of the river, a bridge has been erected and fortified with a chain gate - so any ships that attempt to pass must pull aside and are now newly required to unload their goods and submit them for sale and/or taxation (market taxes) Previously at this location only wool (staple rights) taxes were levied. Dietrich of Miessen (a few guards and a page who resembles Dietrich are manning the bridge gatehouse)

Cargo Manifest

On the ship, after finding one of the boxes disturbed, we inventory the boxes and find:

- Library Box containing books and letters (box has trim that conceals a false bottom) Inside this container is:

- a letter and items for Sour Agnes
- a smaller parcel for Inez containing 7 books and a letter from Pietro of Cydon Sour Agnes' teacher and mentor in Venice). The letter talks about suppression of Aristotle's workssome 5 books in Astronomy; three comets (seen in Cepheus, Leo, Ursa Major; and a red comet); an eclipse prediction; and, other mundane stuff.
- an extra copy of the Book of the Plane Astrolabe: Book of the Plane Astrolabe [in Latin & Persian] It contains the theory behind the linear staff called the Troucy's (sp?) Staff. It was written in Kurasan in northeast Iran. The book is temporarily in Yasmina's possession.
- 2 large choir music books
- 4-5 books of hours/devotional books and a variety of other books and documents. Some of the books belonging to the friends of Sour Agnes/Danica Brno were included for safekeeping during the journey. The contents in the false bottom were not disclosed.

Other items in the cargo

- 2 sides of fresh beef
- preserved meats, potted meats
- wine casks 5 large barrels and 2 smaller casks (2 small casks to be used as a boon/bribe)
- bolt of fabric, including a bolt of fine blue silk
- a light blanket-wrapped cage containing a colorful bird unfamiliar to the falconer (cockatiel)

- hat boxes

- a long box containing woven ribbon and tapes for Agnola (Sour Agnes' lady in waiting)
- a box of women's undergarments
- box of games
- 2-3' light, fragile box astrolabe/armillary model
- several baskets and boxes of fresh vegetables and citrus

- small box of spices: frankincense, cardamom, nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves, garlic and other spices

Some of birds favorite phrases:

- tickle my belly
- facciamo l'amore ("let's make love" in Italian)
- hide the evidence
- hide in the cupboard

Travel Route of the ladies:

Venice to Bratislava (took on wine)

By boat (Danube - Morava - Thaya) to Brno-Turany

- skirted Danica's family holdings collecting tribute from those households still loyal.

Overland to an upper tributary of the Elbe

On the Elbe, traveled downriver towards Schwartzburg Am Spree...

Party was held up in New/Old Town by Dietrich of Miessen

Our escort was sent to meet/retrieve/rescue the party from New/Old Town.

Our journey was 5 days upriver... 2 days downriver

Ladies journey was almost a month in the making all told.

We will need to be able to provision their return trip if they make one. Any non-River route overland would necessitate travel through the mountains.

Cleo is from Greece; likes dresses and dances.

Party members help load Bertholdt's ship.

Two day trip downriver to Schwartzburg am Spree.

Cleo is worried about the three comets recently see in the sky...

Bruno lost a conflict in Italy and had to make concessions in order for daughter & family to keep Italian lands. Bruno had to give up lands near Brno-Turany area in Moravia (near Brno/ Brünn).

Danica Bruno has been focusing on family issues over magical studies.

Ines points out "letter of free passage," from Alma, regarding the covenant's glass shipments.

Question: Who in covenant knows of letter? Probably only Soir Agnes/Danica, Ines, Paweł, and Bertholdt.

Catholic Church is suppressing works of Aristotle. Bruno has some texts on matter. Hermetic Order would also preserve Aristotle's works.

Some of Danica's ladies are seeking marriage in noble courts.

Yasmina is not seeking marriage. She will disobey, if needed, in order to stay and study at the Covenant.

Agnola: How are Agnola's family doing after "Brewer's Conflict in Vienna (when Lenuzo left the city).

Things To Do:

TTD: Make a Yasmina character sheet and add it to Grogs website.

TTD: See Marcy's emails about this letter. Email group about this letter...

TTD: Winter season is time for aging checks!

TTD: Update annual Vis stocks for Covenant.

TTD: Update more Grog's XP/end of season sheets.

TTD: Marcy to email group about the comets!

TTD: Write short bio of Father Vincent...

TTD: Write short bio for Yasmina...

TTD: Bio and end of season sheet for Arctos

TTD: Make Arctos's companion, the Shieldmaiden

TTD: Write more Grog short bios...

TTD: Is there a castle in Cottbus? No, not until next century.

TTD: Update Hakon's end of season sheet. +5 Polish, maybe?

End of Season

Each woman in Bruno party gets one luxury good

XP = 7 for Thalen; 5 for other grogs

Next game: March 20