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Whirled News

Witness Murdered

Day four of the "Church of the Slumlord" trial began on a tragic note. The body of Traxton Major, an Indigo Librarian from Ex-Libris, was found in a ditch ten miles outside of Rivna. While his scroll case was missing, the leader of Ex-Libris declared that the envoy carried information pertinent to the this trial. "My client has only the deepest sympathy for the honorable Madam Librarian," Ocorus Book, the Bishop's Law Twister commented. "We can only hope that the villain is caught so that we can all put this tragedy behind us."

Pirate Kills Hundreds

Chudra Blothan, the infa-



The Watersedge Pride was a three-masted transport that was destroyed by arch-pirate Chudra Blothan.

amous Northern pirate, claimed two hundred lives when he and his crew of Undead pirates sacked a civilian transport ship yesterday ten miles off shore from Paru, West Point. The sole survivor, Liam of Redline's March, had this to say: "The [expletive] is a madman! He turned about fourteen of the passengers into zombies, then killed a few dozen more in various slow ways just to see how long it might take a man to bleed to death. He drank the blood of a baby by cutting its head off and holding the body over his head and squeezing the body! My god! Somebody's

got to stop this monster!"

The Architect reports that he successfully defended himself and his entourage from a band of Crystallin raiders. "It is a shame that the lessons of virtue and morality turned out to be a Final Lesson for them," the mysterious Immortal said. The Architect, with the blessing of the Carpenter Church, is scheduled to arrive in Rivna sometime later this week to assess the critical housing problems in West Point's largest city.

Deathwind Breaking Up

Meteorologists have downgraded the recent Deathwind to a Class 1 manifestation, with an estimated three to five Mist Walkers contained therein. While the Deathwind is headed towards the coastal town of Wren's

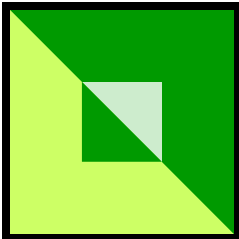
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For Our Welcome Visitors

Keep track of what your Librarians can do for you! Refer to their function by Colour. And remember, friends, there's only one punishment for any crime in Ex-Libris, so behave yourself while in our Fair City!

- White: True Librarians (like you'd find in an ordinary library.)
- Yellow: Students (those who are in training to be a librarian of some sort.)
- Orange: Guards and Constables
- Red: Guard/Constable Captains
- Green: Master merchant/craftsmen
- Blue: Clerical (office assistants, secretarial, or works in copy centre.)
- Black: Assassins. They are the heroes of our city!
- Indigo: Journeymen (they travel outside the city seeking rare tomes and scrolls for inclusion in Ex Libris)
- Purple: The Chief Librarian. All praise our Madame Librarian!
- Gray: Technical (fixes/repairs things, builds roads, digs ditches, etc.)



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City, it is expected to dissipate before it reaches the sea. This is the tenth Deathwind this year, with a cumulative death toll of 435.

Local Noose

Local Adventurers Decimate Criminals

Justice was served today when a band of adventurers defeated the pack of Abbon Mort criminals. Maggie Rockaby, of the Isle of Gales, Merle of Paru, Kor of Rivna, and Construct Klank defeated the coven of thieves that had perpetrated a string of petty thefts and vandalism. Among the items recovered included the Dealer's deck of cards and the stone book chiseled off the monument in Valectorian Park.

"This is a momentous day," the Madam Librarian announced. "Order has been restored to our great city, and the vile evildoers have met their just rewards."

Maggie Rockaby is credited with slaying the Abbon Mort leader with a single crossbow bolt

through his right eye. "So much for their Festival of Stealing," Maggie added.

New Action Figure Boxed-Set Released!

In related news, the Great Library will soon release a rare, collector's edition boxed set of the Maggie, Merle, and Klank action figures, commemorating the defeat of the Abbon Mort coven during the height of the Festival of Stealing. The figures will feature Maggie with a crossbow, Merle with a pepperbox [handgun], and Klank with a retractable sword. The boxed set will retail for 25 copper pieces. See your local Blue Librarian for more details.

Farm Siege Ends

The mystery of the dragons that had been harassing Farmer Misev's ranch has apparently been solved, with quite an unusual conclusion. The so-called "dragons" were, in fact, a rare species of giant snapdragons. While the ordinary variety is a simple flowering plant whose bloom resembles a dragon's head, these oversized specimens stand six feet tall, can move six inches per hour, and eat insects and small animals. Madam Librarian sent two Indigo Librarians

to follow-up on the discovery and they have concluded that the strange plants were harmless to humanoids. The "something nasty" that allegedly haunted Farmer Misev's woodshed was none other than Borris Tarka, White Librarian, declared missing two weeks ago. He had apparently run afoul with highwaymen who stole his money and locked him in the shed.

Misev Charges Dropped

In a surprise move, the Purple Librarian has decided not to press charges against Farmer Borotok Misev for his cowardice and reckless endangerment. Instead, he is to be handed over to the Order of Saint Eldra for personality reconfiguration. The mysterious Order has had a long, proven track record of converting criminals into solid, stable citizens.