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IRON CITY LIBERATED, CORNWALL DEFEATED, CITIZENS REJOICE

Following a months long air and land blockade, siege and campaign of forced isolation by Queen Lira VII's forces after the assassination of one of the military heads of Iron City the trading town in the Ogwehoweh Confederacy has been freed and is now safely under the protection of the Emir's forces, many miles North of the lines of Battle.

For the last few months the lion's share of the Lirian airship fleet, with substantial ground support, held the Emir's forces at bay at the nexus of routes of travel that is the area around Iron City. In spite of numerous attempts to breach the line the airship forces were simply too much for conventional ground troops. Fortunately, the brave citizens of Iron City, a combination of primarily Lirian, Ogwe, Jhandihari and Khenü trapped in the area, with limited resources, were able to sabotage several air vessels, including the flagship, routing and repelling the remainder of the fleet and paving the way for Jhandihari forces to push into Iron City and, with the full cooperation of the citizens, restore peace, order, and much needed infrastructure. Iron City residents have once again commenced regular trade behavior with the FNK, Acria, the Lasai valley, the Jhandihari and other trade interests, unfettered for the first time in nearly a year thanks to the Jhandihari restoration of order.

Aqed's Fatimah and Ahmon reported that the Lirian military, including Brigadier General Wells, greeted them with full cooperation, laid down their arms and all but General Wells have since been given clearance to bear arms in defense of the city, though with some small restrictions. Indeed, the only resistance came from a small group of Jhandihari expatriots and criminals who had been hiding out amongst the citizenry of Iron City until the invasion took place.

Because of his criminal status in Liria, Brigadier General Wells is being held in voluntary protective custody by the Jhandihari forces in Iron City, and may be removed to a more safe location within the next few weeks.

AN APPEAL FOR PEACEFUL COHABITATION BY LADY FELICITY MERRIWEATHER

Our summer months are coming to a close, the evening air is growing chill, and we begin to turn our attention to the coming autumn. Many of us look forward to celebrating Acrian Oktoberfest with friends, and enjoying the sight of vivid foliage.

Others with more foresight even think to preparations for the winter

months. Wherever your thoughts are turning, do so with peace.

Please do not think harshly of our newest residents. We in Iron City are made of strong constitutions, from wherever we originally hail. Furthermore, the political climate in recent years has led to adaptability the likes of which I have come to admire during my year here with you. Think not that your Freedoms are lost, rather that guidelines have been designed for our safety.

Our newest Jhandihari friends and neighbors have a long and glorious tradition of philosophical thought and diligence. These qualities have led to a prosperous existence in a harsh desert climate. Perhaps life's difficulties may not seem so unfortunate if we share this attitude.

And so, think not of an unfair occupation. Rather embrace your new neighbors. Offer a friendly smile or greeting. Inquire after their health, and share a drink in the Cog & Sprocket. Remember that you, too, were once new to town and in need of a friend.

ART THEFT IN ACRIA

Local authorities in the Acrian city of Beirnstag are baffled by a recent break-in and theft at the Schonheiser Museum. Of the myriad paintings, sculptures and artifacts, the only objects taken were a saddle and cavalry blade, said to belong to Lord Archibald Hawkesbury, the early 27th century governor of the region.

LASAI MUSEUM OF HISTORY DEVASTATED BY BOMBING

Three days after the explosion at the Museum of History in Montegriss, officials have no leads and see little motivation for the terrorist action. In an official statement, Curator Bertrand Legere noted that the targeted wing contained few pieces of value and was used for the storage of materials from the Battle of the High Pass Collection -- deemed unsuitable for exhibition. Security in and around the Museum has been increased with the thought that this may have been a test run for a far more sinister plan.

OGWE TURNS TO SALVAGE

Searching for alternative forms of livelihood, some Ogwe have turned to scavenging the war torn regions between the Jhandihari border and areas around Iron City. Scrap metal, damaged firearms, broken blades, spent ammunition, and other detritus of war are fetching reasonable prices through specialized buyers. The looting of downed soldiers on the battlefield is, at present, an unsubstantiated rumor.

QUEEN'S OUNCE FALTERS

Once the most stable currency in the world, the Lirian Queen's Ounce tumbled against foreign currency on

news that Liria's northern holdings in the Ogwehoweh Confederacy had been conquered by forces Loyal to Jhandihar. Speculators are now scrambling to determine if the Queen's Ounce has ended its day as a reserve currency, should Liria continue to suffer defeat in the field, and have suggested the Lasai Alder as a possible alternative.

TEA PARTY

The earnings report from Dornham Royal Teas dramatically exceeded investor expectations, causing the stock to greatly exceed expectations. Dornham reported that the increased

lucrative uniform contract with the Lirian Army, causing prices to surge forward. Analysts predict that the fleet will take some time to rebuild and that prices will continue to rise.

EXCHANGE RATES

ALL PRICES IN QUEENS OZ.

ALDER (LA)	0.28
EMIR (JE)	1.13
EMPEROR (XE)	0.03
KAISER (DK)	0.08

STOCK LISTINGS

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ALL PRICES LISTED IN QOZ
UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Equity Market	Price
D&E Composite Index.....	21.46
Dornham Royal Teas (DRT).....	15.79
Lirian Steamship & Foundry (LSF)	55.81
Amalgamated Coal & Galvacite (ACG)	19.45
Yoban Agricultural (YA)	26.34
Farthingham Tool & Leather (FTL)	10.59
National Bank of Liria (NBL)	16.42
Royal Tonics & Distilling (RTS)	15.28
Northern Railway & Locomotive (NRL)	48.08
United Lirian Textile (ULT)	11.32
First Galvanic & Semaphore (FGS)	14.27
Bosswink and Bosswink Assay & Mining (BBM).....	7.23
Fourth Age Shipyards (FAS)	24.60
Hoffmaster Catalog Corporation (HOF).....	13.74
Gandalou Company (GAN)	32.40 JE
Mirabaud Bank and Trust (MIR)	97.11 LA
Sebor Airship Design and Lift (SDL)	30.46LA

revenue came largely from sales in the Xingsol Empire, where it appears that Lirian teas may have finally made some inroads with the populace. Analysts expect continued growth.

LEATHER BRACES

Frathingham Tool and Leather prices fell on news of dramatic shortages of tool making equipment. Unable to maintain its inventory, Frathingham watched is customers leave frustrated. Analysts expect that the shortages may take some time to run their course.

LIRIA RETURNS TO THE SKIES

Fourth Age Shipyards and United Lirian Textiles were given exclusive contract to replace the airship armada destroyed several months ago by separatist terrorism. For United Lirian Textiles, the news came on the heels of the already

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شہر س اک ن ان تمام امی ر دست تور بہ بدی ن وسیلہ امی ر بہ وفادار آہن در نظام خدمت بہ فرصت ارائی ہ ہای واحد از دستہ آن امی ر ارتش ، مدی رہ ہیئت اتاق ، برداخت از حفاظت و آموزش تسلی حات، نی ز و آہن شہر در جان داهری ارتش نظامی ہای خانہ در اقامت بہ راجق باشد شہدہ طراحی اسات جان داهری ش ما ہم چ نی ن . کرد خواہی د دریافت و شود معاف مالیات از خواہد می بہ رای گان پس تی ہزی نہ دریافت جان داهری

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و فرس تادہ فاطمہ با جو و پرس بہ را خود عوامل یا و فرس تادہ اہم ون . نظام خدمت

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EDITORIALS AND LITERATURE

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**MUSINGS & OBSERVATIONS
BY MADAM PAPILLON**

Frightful things dwell in these Woods. Beware, lest you succumb to Danger. Luen may hunger for your flesh, but fear of the Unknown will consume your Mind. Perhaps the greatest Unknown, to young ladies at least, is the dastardly Villain known only as Gregor the Organist.

Who is this Gregor? We know that he has a particular favoring for young ladies, but not his Identity. Why he could be sitting among you reading this very newspaper. If we only knew, Dear Readers, this all important Identity, we could smoke the Monster out, and thus rid our young ladies of Fear once and for all. Yet the Question still remains: Who Is He? Allons-y, Mes Petits. Let us ponder...

While the possibility remains that Gregor could, in fact, be a Woman, it is far more likely that he is actually a Man (and a disreputable one at that). This quite thankfully narrows our search area quite significantly. Now to review our Clues: 1) a Man, and 2) obsessively fond of young ladies...hmm...ah ha! Our Villain is none other than Mr. Blackhand, resident lecherous "Big Deal" (which, by the way, if an atrocious taste in mens' neckwear makes one a Big Deal, what is Talus coming to?)...

Heed this friendly warning, ladies, and watch for shadows with Black Hands.

Priority Undiagnosed patients are interviewed privately each week. Private interview sessions with my patients have been increased to three sessions per week since they have been under my care. Recently there have been symptomatic changes, but no improvements in the conditions for either patient. Interviews with Patient #1 have introduced new challenges. While the previous symptoms of insomnia and headaches seem to have subsided with medication, his anxiety has only decreased slightly and he still shows periodic signs of paranoia. The previously mentioned deviations in mood and behavior have become more frequent and more extreme. During certain sessions, the patient displays irritable behavior and is insistent that I not refer to him by his given name. He is still refuses to answer questions relating to his family history but has hinted to having troubling experiences during childhood. He will not offer specific details when questioned further, and continues to suffer from some amount of memory loss. However, while the behavioral changes are becoming more persistent, his compulsive behavior seems to be diminishing and he is gradually more willing to converse during these interview sessions. As of yet I have not reached a diagnosis, but will continue with the interview sessions and will increase observations over the next month.

Due to the nature of admittance for Patient #2, she is under heavy daily observation and kept under restraint during evening hours. Discussions with Patient #2 began focusing on her previous attempts at suicide. She reported having no recollection of the events leading up to all three attempts and expressed no desire to end her life. She was preliminarily diagnosed at East Argel Home as suffering from post-traumatic amnesia. However, she has displayed other symptoms unrelated to typical cases. She is often disconnected and on rare occasions has shown notable behavioral changes. She has also suffered from brief panic attacks during interview sessions, with causes or triggers for these attacks yet to be determined. She also periodically suffers from headaches, which appear suddenly and without any observable physical cause. She has been medicated for her anxiety and headaches, with some positive response. She has been observed outside of interview sessions to display ritualistic behavior, following very specific patterns while dressing each day and during meal times. Despite her claims at having no desire to end her life, as she remains without full diagnoses, she is still

considered a danger to herself. Therefore her daily observation and nightly restraint will remain in effect.

The case of Patient #2, as her condition develops, continues to bear resemblance to that of Patient #1, and I remain confident that if a diagnoses for the latter can be reached, it may be a key to diagnoses of the former as well. To do so would be considered a novel accomplishment and would no doubt lead to the prompt discovery of a proper treatment for both patients. My personal interview sessions with each of these two patients will continue, the observations and analyses of which will be reported and submitted to Diurnum Medicus ex Regina; West Shore Journal of Medicine; Central Press Digest; and Iron City Post-Intelligencer for publication.

**STRENGTH
BY SOHRAB AL-JAHAR**

For as long as I have lived here, Iron City has been a home for people of strength. Not simply strength of arms, but of spirit. It has been tested by many forces time and time again, and has yet to be found wanting. In the time I was detained by Jhandihari occupants, I feared that our current situation would drive the people I call friends apart. I had feared the same thing when news of Liria and Jhandihar being at war reached us. Just as my fears were dispelled then, they have been dispelled now. I still see Lirian and Jhandihari citizens of Iron City calling each other friends, and I still see the people of Iron City going about their lives despite the changes we've seen. The strength of Iron City's people is inspiring, even in times of fear and uncertainty. In the times ahead, many things will change; whether they change for the better or for the worse, I am confident that the strength of Iron City's people will remain a constant.

**JHANDIHARI FASHION FOR THE FORWARD-MINDED LIRIAN IN IRON CITY
BY: BERYL CALLIAS**

The food and culture of Jhandihari are not the only changes one can easily embrace during this otherwise potentially tumultuous time. Throughout the abysmally hot summer months, a lady may revel in the style of our new-found protectors. Rather than being confined to constricting bustles and corsets, the Jhandihar style focuses more on comfort and mobility than court-ready fashion. The gloves are off, literally!

Trousers are adopted, but not the straight-pressed trousers that are popular with the upper-class gentleman in Liria City. Rather, the pant is worn loose in the leg with a tight closure around the ankle. This results in a "balloon" pant that keeps the wearer cool and comfortable without resulting in an indecent figure-hugging silhouette. The style translates to men's fashion as well, though colors seem to differ slightly. Men will traditionally settle on more subtle colors and shun patterns, while women have the freedom of more intense colors and floral patterns. Keep the joy of womanhood alive with bold patterns and bright feminine color!

Shirts are sometimes worn without the sleeve, but such a style would be unheard of for the proper Lirian lady even in the rugged frontier of Iron City. Rather, the properly dressed lady should wear a loose-fitting shirt of thin but not indecently-thin material. This, too, has a baggy sleeve that results in the wearer

being cool but not showing a distasteful silhouette.

Footwear can be as simple as a rugged sandal or a boot made of thin and comfortable leather. Hair can be worn up traditionally in pins, down or up in a turban or other hair wrap. Remember, ladies! You can be comfortable and fit in to the new culture of Iron City by making observations and adapting your style in a few easy steps!

BLACKHAND BRAIN BUSTER

MISSING LINKS

The numbers below are part of an equation in which all the plus or minus signs have been stripped out. What's more, two of the digits are actually part of a two-digit number. Can you work out the correct form of the equation?

123456789=100

**OBSERVATIONAL REPORTS:
PRIORITY UNDIAGNOSED PATIENTS
BY: J. JANE, PSYD.**

This article is to be the second in a series of my observational reports of my Priority Undiagnosed patients at the Lead Barrow Asylum. As part of my fellowship at Lead Barrow, I am responsible for the care and observation of 6 patients in Block 9 of the Asylum. Two of these are considered to be my Priority Undiagnosed patients, as they suffer from psychiatric irregularities that we, as of yet, have been unable to identify. These two patients will be the focus of this series of articles. This second article will focus on the last two months' observations of Patient #1, an adult male, age 30, admitted 4 years ago; and Patient #2, a young adult female, age 12, admitted within the last 6 months.



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