

THE KINGDOM CHRONICLES

HOPE'S FOLLY ONCE AGAIN OPEN TO TRAVELERS!



After months of receiving no word from Hope's Folly we have finally gotten reports that our intrepid heroes have finally made the way to Hope's Folly safe (relatively) for travelers and traders once again!

With the way open new trade routes can once again be established with the town. To find out more about what happened turn to page 3

BLOODBATH!

Hysteria broke out in Journey's End earlier this week resulting in the mass murder of several Gnomes and a Pixie. A local patrol encountered the scene of the grisly slaying. The bodies of six Gnomes and one Pixie in an alley behind a local tavern. The number of victims and variety of wounds suggests multiple attackers. Of the victims, one was badly burned, some bore wounds as if from a sword or axe, and most had multiple fractured or shattered bones and bite marks. The body of the Pixie woman was found decapitated, the head has yet to be recovered. Further investigation of the scene has revealed several severed limbs of unknown origin.

The town guards have issued a request that any witnesses to this horrible crime come forward with any and all potential information.

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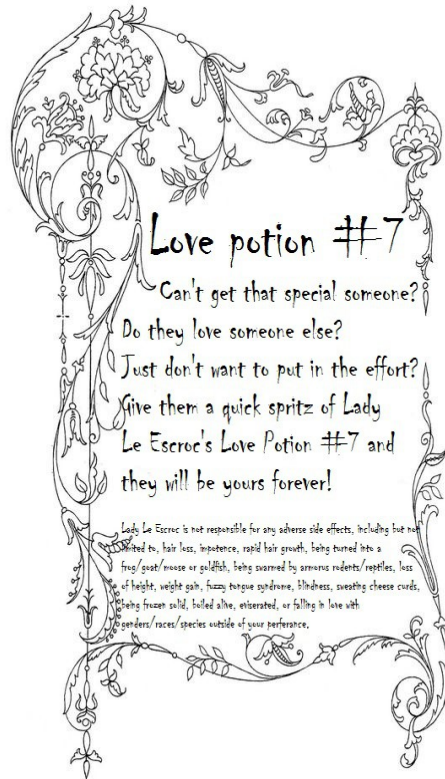
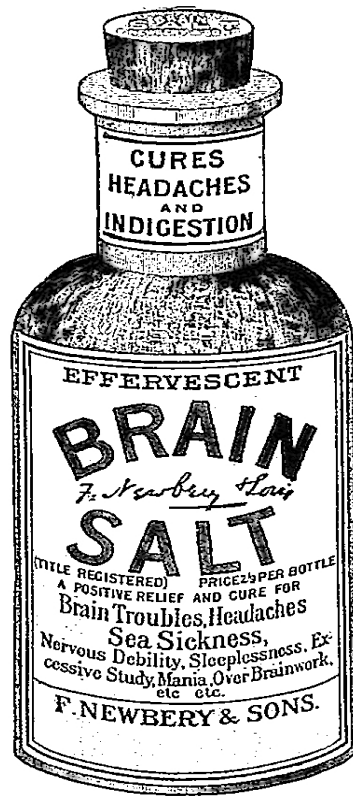
Dear Alura:

I'm an alchemist by trade and I am having issues with my wife. She keeps taking energy potions every day. All day long she cleans and keeps rearranging my workshop to the point that I can never find anything anymore. The energy potions seem to be helping her a lot and they do seem to be making her happy, but I can not have my space in such disarray anymore! What should I do??

Sincerely,
Kerfuffled Kemist

Dear Kerfuffled
Khemist,

This sounds like it could become a serious issue. I do not have much experience with constant potion usage, but I do not think that it would be very healthy taking that many long term. I also think you should talk to her and set boundaries on what she can and can not clean while under the influence of said potion.



MADAM GANTA'S RECPIE CORNER:

Today I will be telling you how to make Blood Pudding

4 cups fresh pig's blood

2 1/2 teaspoons salt

1 1/2 cups pinhead oatmeal

2 cups finely diced pork fat (or beef suet), finely chopped

1 large yellow onion, finely chopped

1 cup milk

1 1/2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper

1 teaspoon ground allspice

How to make:

1 Preheat the oven to 325°F and grease 2 glass loaf pans. Stir 1 teaspoon of salt into the blood.

2 Bring 2 1/2 cups water to a boil and stir in the oats.

Simmer, stirring occasionally, for 15 minutes, until just tender, not mushy.

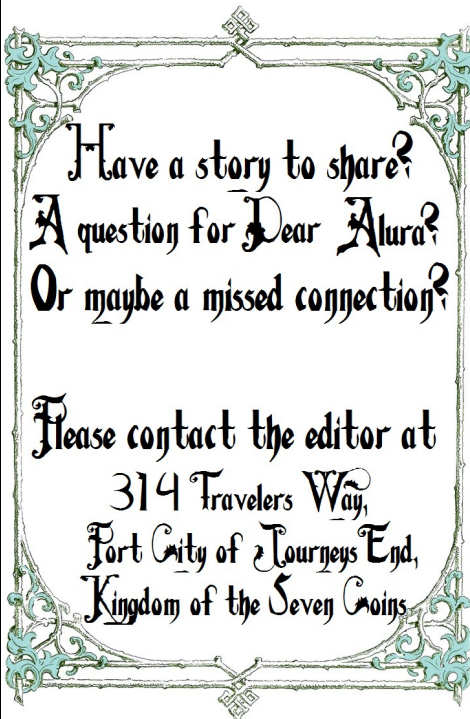
3 Pour the blood through a fine sieve into a large bowl to remove any lumps. Stir in the fat, onion, milk, pepper, allspice and remaining 1 1/2 teaspoons salt. Add the oatmeal and mix to combine. Divide the mixture between the loaf pans, cover with foil, and bake for 1 hour, until firm. Cool completely. Seal in plastic wrap and wither freeze for extended use or store in the refrigerator for up to a week.

4 To serve, cut a slice about 1/2-inch thick off the loaf. Fry in butter or oil until the edges are slightly crisped and browned.

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Hope's Folly Cent.

According to our sources the reason people were unable to travel through the forest was the result of a mad Forest Guardian whom the heroes have seemingly dealt with. No further reports of mysterious deaths have been made in the area, and several merchants have told our reporters that they have safely made it back from Hope's Folly. Witnesses have divulged that the names of the Heroes responsible are the Mage Ardwurth Tadbury, a Wolven known as Geniek Nighthowler, and an unknown Mage of remarkable power. I hope all our readers will stand with us to give these brave men a big huzzah!



Coyote Mammalian Saves drowning donkey and doesn't eat it!

Yesterday a flash flood washed half of a small farm in Uig into the river. Being one of the few sources of produce for the town all of the towns folk rushed to save the crops and animals.

A brave Coyote Mammalian named Kaig risked his life by jumping into the raging river to save a baby donkey from certain death.

The farmer and onlookers were shocked but extremely grateful when Kaig returned the baby donkey to him completely unharmed and wrapped in the Coyotes own cloak. Kaig asked for no reward further shocking the farmer.

What is Magic?



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A working theorem by
Ardwuth Tadbury

For such an integral part of the world, magic, especially Arcane magic and like abilities, has scarcely been publicly researched. The academies and private tutors across the world can tell us a lot about how to control magic, but nothing about what it is, why it works, or anything else of the sort. Most spell users chalk up their abilities to the so-called powers that be, unfortunately, this doesn't give a definitive answer to this question.

Magic is often portrayed as being a manifestation of the will of its wielder. That works as an explanation but doesn't explain the need for spell components, preparation, or even spells.

Thankfully, this can be "fixed" by piling magi-jibberish on top. This, unfortunately, does not explain the existence of weak willed individuals with even some minor control over magic. While this explanation will work for some it doesn't

necessarily fit the ability of the naive shy bookish quiet mage.

In my belief, magic invariably comes from an intermediary of pure energy that exists throughout Orlon and that its energy can and will intersect with some individuals either through happenstance or training on their part. This intermediary can be channeled by those with component's, movements, and words of power that resonate with this energy to gain access to this energy and utilize it based on how you reached out to it.

This existence of energy connected to the world explains those fanatics who believe they are communing with a higher power. This energy is probably is an entity to some extent, using our connection to it as a means to communicate its desires to us from time to time. This could mean it has a will of its own, which explains some unusual events throughout history in addition to the number of non-drunkards that commune with it

indirectly and perceive it as a relatable a bit powerful individual to themselves.

There are some facets of this theory that need further investigation to better explain themselves. Some examples being why magic is inconsistently consistent ie: a mage that wields power over the elements and a priest bringing forth a pure light can cause harm but not in exactly the same way. In addition to ritualists ability to explore new avenues of interacting with magic itself do not provide consistent results. Hopefully, we can uncover these mysteries to delve into the deeper truths of why magic exists and how we can utilize it better to our own advantage.

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The Last Page/Out Of Game

Empires in Flames 2017

Up Coming Events

June 16th - 18th

August 25th - 27th

September 29th -

October 1st

Save comments, classifieds, sale or service ads, articles, bragging rights, missed connections, or questions for **Dear Alura?**

Email them all to **Lillian** at EIFNewspaper@gmail.com

Needs List:

As always we love donations of costumes, weapons, packets, masks or props. But here is a list of things we need most of all:

Perforated Card Stock.

Lots and Lots of Card Stock!
Specifically the 10 card sheets.

10 Pairs of Claws

We also need cash donations to get more coinage for the game.

(If you like treasure this is the donation for you!)

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