rafters of my loser liege lord's room and deduce it belonged to the assassin. without asking permission or telling my loser liege lord goodbye i let the pigeon loose and follow it north. don't ask what i was doing in my loser liege lord's room. it's not important

inforce a city he's taken, but in the token that would have gotten us into the city, so my men have to wait outside the city walls for like eight hours while i ride back to get it

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## tenth day as a second century warlord

N MY WAY BACK to my loser liege lord's city i realize i won't be able to collect my men from my fake liege lord until i bring

back my loser liege lord's head. this would have been a great thing to think of before i got myself in this situation. i go back to my loser liege lord and ask him to rescue my men, and he tells me that if he could sack my fake liege lord's camp he already would have. that doesn't change the fact that my men are still trapped. they're prisoners, even. i go back to my room to sulk 

#### seventh day as a second century warlord

ND MY LOSER liege lord finally joins me in the city, it turns out he's actually a pretty cool guy, and he isn't even that mad at me for letting the wizard steal his wife. i decide to shoot my shot but i'm really nervous and keep on stalling because what if i mess up our relationship and by extension jeopardize the security of my men, and eventually he just says goodnight and goes back to his room, where an assassin is in the process of setting up to kill him

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camp, my loser liege lord wanter to execute him for being a wizard but i convince him to let the wizard stay, because i want to do more weather-based strategies and i'm pretty sure having a camp wizard can help with that after the welcome to the team banquet the wizard steals half the treasury and my liege lord's wife and

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## eighth day as a second century warlord

fect to his rival warlord, the one i originally wanted to ally with, to find out if he was the one who sent the assassin and why. but my whole way over to the rival warlord i'm worried that this has something to do with the wizard thing or how awkward i made it last night

sleight of hand performance i make eye contact with the coalition leader's second-in-command. IT'S THE WIZARD THAT STOLE MY LOSER the fake wizard and ask him what the fuck is going on and he just says "wouldn't you like to know" and leaves, i don't know what to say to that so i just also him go

DISCUISE MYSELF as a wizard and enter the camp of the coalition leader the pigeon led me to. in the middle of my little



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#### ninth day as a second century warlord

TRY TO TACTFULLY ask my fake liege lord if he sent the assassin to kill my loser liege lord and it turns out the idea of

using assassins never occurred to him, but now that i've suggested it he's really into it. in order to save my loser liege lord i volunteer to be the one to kill him

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the coalition leader

leader according to the weaknesses in the nursery rhyme. he tells me frankly that he doesn't trust me anymore. i ask him to execute me if that's really true, because i can't bear to live if i can't protect him and i can't protect my men. he agrees to attack

GO BACK TO my loser liege lord and tell him everything, urging him to join with my fake liege lord to attack the coalition



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BRIBE A BUNCH of kids to start singing a nursery rhyme i carefully crafted to strategic ends but they change the lyrics to be about poop and the enemy isn't misdirected at all

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share any more. she doesn't need to. through a bizarre coincidence of homophones, it's the poop version of my misinformation nursery rhyme

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third day as a second century warlord

LURE MY ENEMY into a narrow valley and send a team of archers to shoot them from the high ground but there was a

feral hog napping on the trail up to the overlook and they couldn't decide whether to try and shoot it or just go around and by the time the hog woke up and left on its own the enemy had already passed safely below HAVE MY MEN tie branches to their horses' tails to stir up dust and make it just rained so there's like twenty of us all spread can clearly see there's like twenty of us all spread out in a line

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#### fourth day as a second century warlord

E ATTEMPT TO join a battle on the side of the guy we want to ally with but he and the guy he's fighting have really similar names and it's finally dusty and i misread the standards and attack the wrong guy. so now we're stuck with this total loser of a liege lord, because how the fuck do you explain that after a battle?

Thyme, and thanks to my loser liege lord rhyme, and thanks to my loser liege lord multiple times while planning our battle strategy, our alliance carries the day my loser liege lord gets his wife back. my men tell me that our fake liege lord actually treated them really well and they'd lord actually treated them really well and they'd now that neither the men i love nor the man i love now that neither the men i love now that neither the men i love any use for me, but i don't tell them that

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thirteenth day as a second century warlord

what's going on, so i adjust my wizard costume to passably disguise myself as a woman and break into the women's area of the camp, where sure enough my loser liege lord's wife is. i ask her what she's doing here and she tells me the fake wizard overheard her singing a poem she overheard on the street, not knowing it contains the coalition leader's formation's weaknesses. the fake wizard kidnapped her and assigned an assassin to kill her husband before they figured out the poem's significance. she shares the first couplet with me but i'm discovered and thrown out before she can

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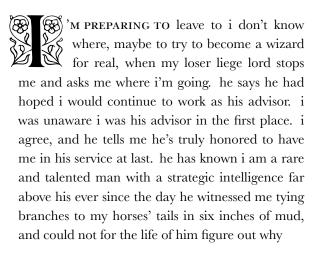
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