

House Mataro of Emesh

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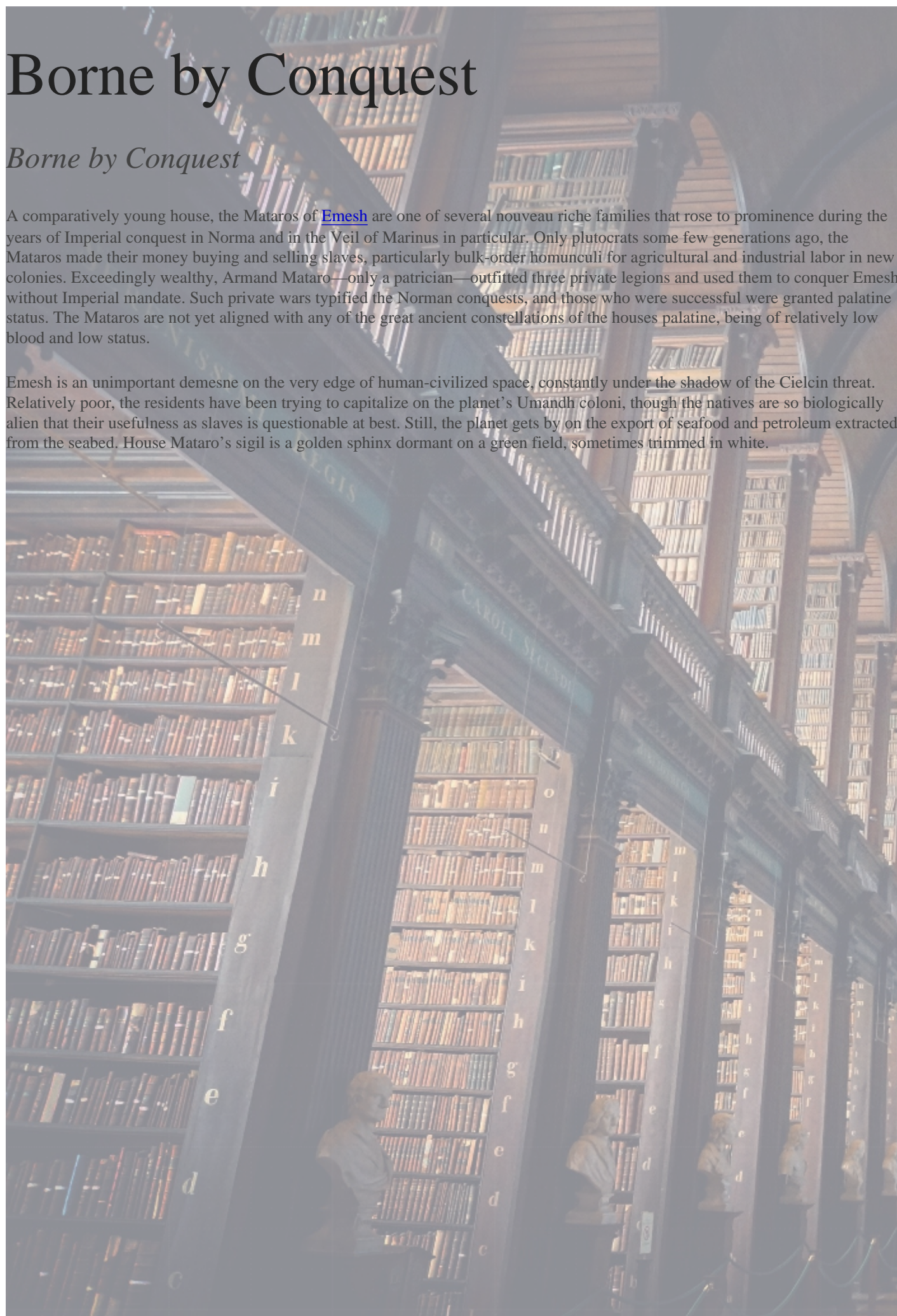


Borne by Conquest

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A comparatively young house, the Mataros of [Emesh](#) are one of several nouveau riche families that rose to prominence during the years of Imperial conquest in Norma and in the Veil of Marinus in particular. Only plutocrats some few generations ago, the Mataros made their money buying and selling slaves, particularly bulk-order homunculi for agricultural and industrial labor in new colonies. Exceedingly wealthy, Armand Mataro—only a patrician—outfitted three private legions and used them to conquer Emesh without Imperial mandate. Such private wars typified the Norman conquests, and those who were successful were granted palatine status. The Mataros are not yet aligned with any of the great ancient constellations of the houses palatine, being of relatively low blood and low status.

Emesh is an unimportant demesne on the very edge of human-civilized space, constantly under the shadow of the Cielcin threat. Relatively poor, the residents have been trying to capitalize on the planet's Umandh coloni, though the natives are so biologically alien that their usefulness as slaves is questionable at best. Still, the planet gets by on the export of seafood and petroleum extracted from the seabed. House Mataro's sigil is a golden sphinx dormant on a green field, sometimes trimmed in white.



Lord Balian Mataro

Third Count of Emesh, Archon of Borosevo Prefecture, and Lord of Castle Borosevo.

—His husband, [LORD LUTHOR ASTIN-SHIN-MATARO](#), a Mandari man, Minister of Finance for the county and formerly of the Marinus office of the Wong-Hopper Consortium.

—Their children:

—[DORIAN MATARO](#), presumptive heir to the County of Emesh, a young man in the year of his Ephebeia.

—[ANAÏS MATARO](#), a young and canny socialite.

—His ancestor [LORD ARMAND MATARO](#), first Count of Emesh, conqueror of the Norman United Fellowship. Oversaw the construction of the military base in Borosevo and the beginnings of the city itself.

—His vassals:

—[LORD PERUN VEISI](#), Archon of Tolbaran Prefecture and Lord of Springdeep Castle.

—[LORD TIVAN MELLUAN](#), Archon and Exsul of Binah Prefecture.

—[LORD IVANIS KVAR](#), Archon and Exsul of Armand Prefecture.

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Text Occurrences:

[Empire of Silence](#)

Mentioned
Chapters 22, 23, 24, 33, 38, 44, 47, 49, 51, 54, 57, 58, 60, 64, 66, 67, 68, 73, 76
Present
Chapters 36, 42, 43, 48, 53, 56, 61, 71, 77
Spoilers

N/A

Howling Dark

Mentioned

Broken Binding Edition, Introduction
Chapters 1, 12, 14, 17, 19, 37, 38, 46, 55, 63

Present

N/A

Spoilers

N/A

Demon in White

Mentioned

Broken Binding Edition, Introduction
Chapters 2, 5, 31, 34, 36, 50, 55

Present

N/A

Spoilers

N/A

Kingdoms of Death

Mentioned

N/A

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N/A

Spoilers

N/A

[Ashes of Man](#)

Mentioned

N/A

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Spoilers

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[Disquiet Gods](#)

Mentioned

N/A

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Spoilers

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[Shadows Upon Time](#)

Mentioned

N/A

Present

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Spoilers

N/A

[Novellas](#)

Mentioned

The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - Chapter 6

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

Present

The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

Spoilers

The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

Tales of the Sun Eater & Other Stories

Mentioned

Tales 1 (The Demons of Arae)

Present

Tales 1 (The Pits of Emesh)

Spoilers

N/A

Lord Luthor Astin-Shin-Mataro

A Mandari man, Minister of Finance for the county and formerly of the Marinus office of the Wong-Hopper Consortium.

—Husband: [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#)

—Their children:

- [DORIAN MATARO](#), presumptive heir to the County of [Emesh](#), a young man in the year of his Ephebeia.
- [ANAÏS MATARO](#), a young and canny socialite.

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Text Occurrences:

[Empire of Silence](#)

Mentioned
Chapters 51, 52, 61, 67

Present
Chapters 42, 43, 48, 53, 77

Spoilers
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[Howling Dark](#)

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Demon in White

Mentioned

Chapter 55

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Spoilers

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Kingdoms of Death

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N/A

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Spoilers

N/A

Ashes of Man

Mentioned

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Spoilers

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Disquiet Gods

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Shadows Upon Time

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[Novellas](#)

Mentioned

The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - Chapters

Present

The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

Spoilers

The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

[Tales of the Sun Eater & Other Stories](#)

Mentioned

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Spoilers

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Dorian Mataro

- Presumptive heir to the County of [Emesh](#), a young man in the year of his Ephebeia.
- His fathers, [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#) and [LORD LUTHOR ASTIN-SHIN-MATARO](#).
- His friend, MELANDRA, a patrician from a loyal family in Borosevo.
- His sister, [ANAÏS MATARO](#), a young and canny socialite.
- His ancestor [LORD ARMAND MATARO](#), first Count of Emesh, conqueror of the Norman United Fellowship. Oversaw the construction of the military base in Borosevo and the beginnings of the city itself.

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Text Occurrences:

[Empire of Silence](#)

Mentioned
Chapters 42, 46, 52, 54, 55, 61, 68, 73, 77
Present
Chapters 44, 45, 48, 50, 51, 53, 60
Spoilers
N/A

[Howling Dark](#)

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[Demon in White](#)

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Chapter 55

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[Kingdoms of Death](#)

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[Ashes of Man](#)

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Disquiet Gods

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Shadows Upon Time

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[Novellas](#)

Mentioned

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Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

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The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

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The Lesser Devil - N/A

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The Dregs of Empire - N/A

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Spoilers

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Anais Mataro

A young and canny socialite of [House Mataro](#) on the planet [Emesh](#).

—Her fathers: [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#) and [LORD LUTHOR ASTIN-SHIN-MATARO](#)

—Her brother, [DORIAN MATARO](#), presumptive heir to the County of Emesh, a young man in the year of his Ephebeia.

—Her ancestor, [LORD ARMAND MATARO](#), first Count of Emesh, conqueror of the Norman United Fellowship. Oversaw the construction of the military base in Borosevo and the beginnings of the city itself.

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Text Occurrences:

[Empire of Silence](#)

Mentioned
Chapters 43, 47, 52, 54, 61, 62, 63, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, 77, 78

Present
Chapters 44, 45, 46, 48, 50, 51, 60, 66

Spoilers
N/A

[Howling Dark](#)

Mentioned
Broken Binding Edition, Introduction Chapters 10, 12, 15, 21, 50, 61

Present

N/A

Spoilers

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Demon in White

Mentioned

Broken Binding Edition, Introduction
Chapters 30, 34, 36, 46, 68, 74

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Spoilers

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Kingdoms of Death

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Ashes of Man

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Novellas

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The Dregs of Empire - N/A

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The Lesser Devil - N/A

Queen Amid Ashes - N/A

The Dregs of Empire - N/A

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The Dregs of Empire - N/A

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Lord Armand Mataro

First Count of [Emesh](#), conqueror of the Norman United Fellowship. Oversaw the construction of the military base in Borosevo and the beginnings of the city itself.

—His descendants: [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#), [DORIAN MATARO](#), and [ANAÏS MATARO](#).

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[Howling Dark](#)

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[Novellas](#)

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Queen Amid Ashes - Chapters

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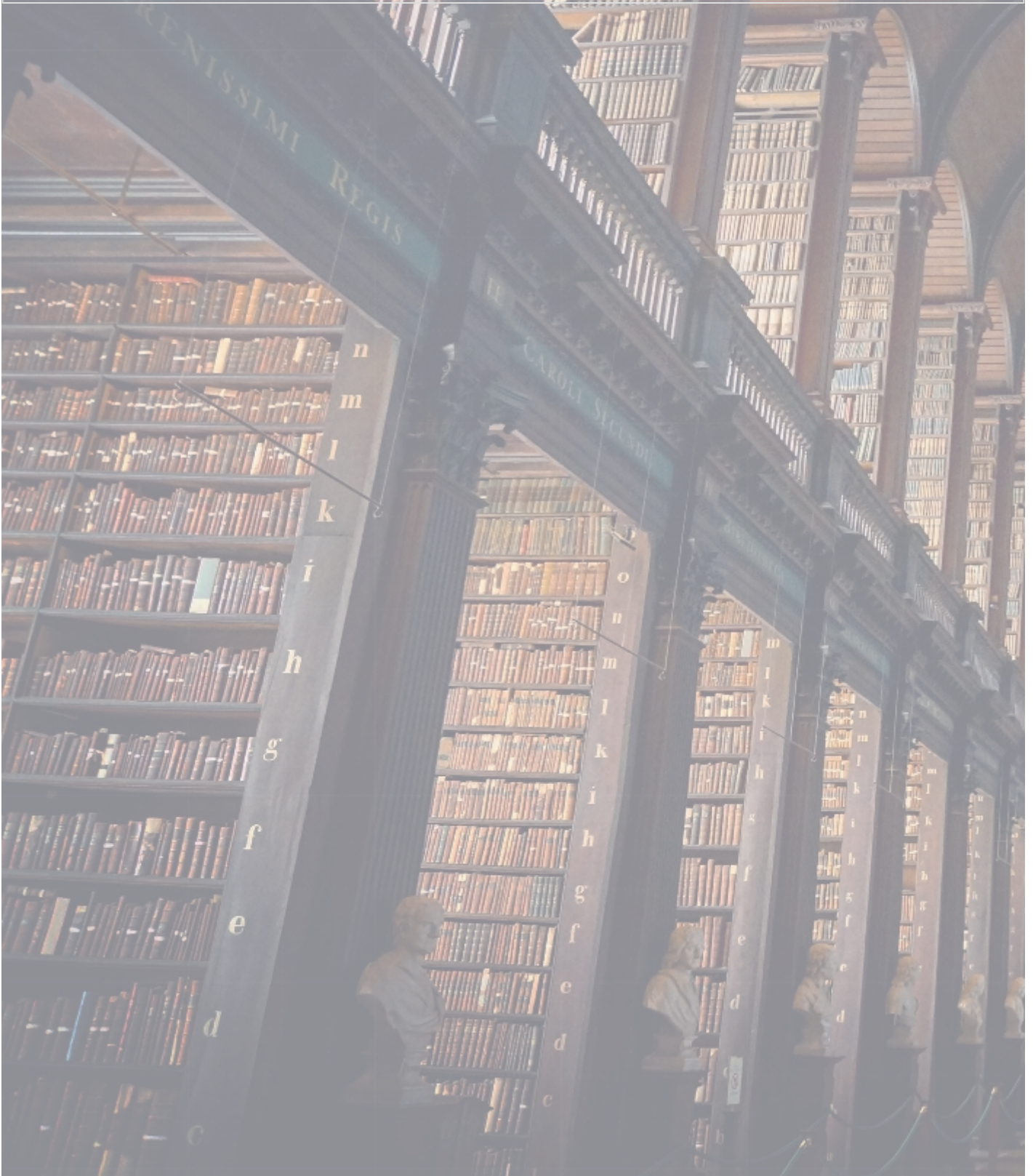
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High Chancellor Liada Ogir

High Chancellor and chief of the [House Mataro](#) palace logothetes, head of the civil service.

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Text Occurrences:

[Empire of Silence](#)

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Chapter 72

Present
Chapters 43, 48, 53, 71, 77

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[Howling Dark](#)

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Chapter 55

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The Dregs of Empire - N/A

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Sir Preston Rau

The elderly fencing instructor tasked with teaching count [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#)'s children, [DORIAN MATARO](#) and [ANAÏS MATARO](#).

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[Empire of Silence](#)

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Chapter 51

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[Howling Dark](#)

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Demon in White

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Dame Camilla

A lictor tasked with the protection of count [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#) and his family.

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[Empire of Silence](#)

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Chapter 53

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Chapters 43, 48, 56

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[Howling Dark](#)

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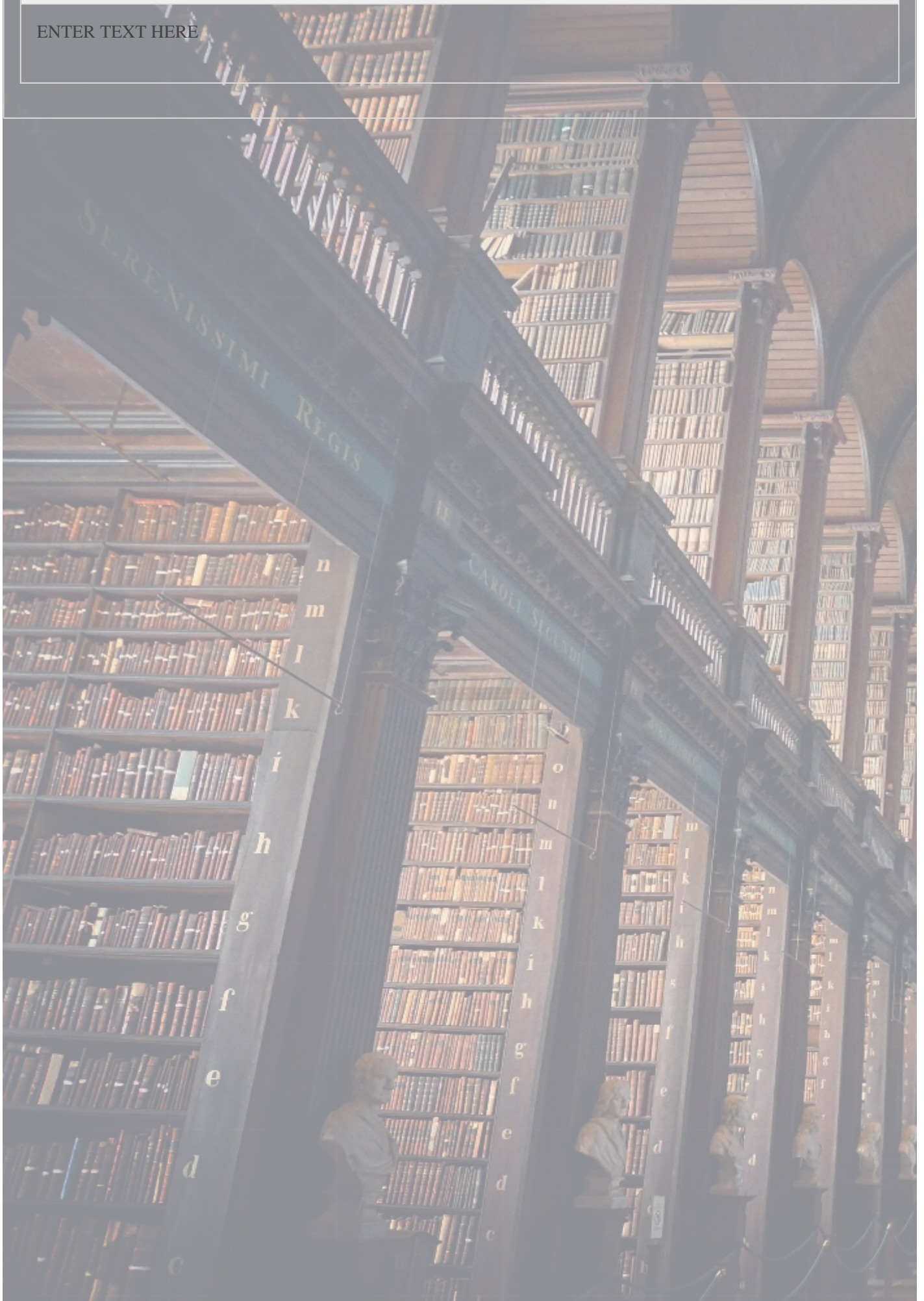
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Tor Vladimir

Chief scholiast advisor to count [LORD BALIAN MATARO](#)

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[Empire of Silence](#)

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