



Imperial Civil Service Report

Subject: *The Mask of the Visionary*.....

Report: Whilst I love a Doomed Quest as much as the next Dawnish yeoman, I approached this research assignment with some reluctance. Usually with a legendary object there are more stories associated that could help inform ideas of places, people or years on the calendar.

..... Whilst I am unable to report any success in the specific request, I do believe that I have uncovered something relevant that may please Minister Joseph.

..... Assuming that I understood the request properly, Minister Joseph tasked us to investigate the rumour that the mask-cowel-things that Citizen Barak uses for the pure liao ceremonies are later copies of an older mask that had other properties that our current ones lack.

..... I could find out virtually nothing about such a thing. This..... certainly did not happen post-Nicovar and may have been amongst the records that were destroyed in the purge, if such records existed.

..... Rather than report complete failure, I did use the resources made



available by Minister Joseph to look into other people who may have carried out similar research previously. In doing so, I located tales of one Reuben of Highguard, a Wayfarer whose Chapter I was unable to identify.

.....From what I can glean, Reuben the Wayfarer was most active during the reign of Emperor Nicodar, prior to the purge. It seems that Reuben was interested in lost relics relating to earlier religious practices within the Empire and including those that pertained to the infamous Abraxus. This included, it seems, pursuit of the Mask of the.....
Visionary.

.....It was difficult but I eventually managed to track down Reuben the Wayfarer's final resting place. It was, against all expectation, at the Church of Forgotten Exemplars in Sarvos. When I travelled there, Bishop Fransisco confirmed that Reuben had come to Sarvos whilst extremely ill and weak and had died there. Without knowing which Chapter from which he hailed, they had buried him and used the sale of his goods to pay for the costs.

.....Bishop Fransisco did recall that his predecessors had held onto some of Reuben's possessions out of curiosity, but it was a curiosity that Bishop Fransisco did not share. I offered the Bishop payment



from the funds made available to me and he handed over part of a text
and a small dial.

..... Both of these objects have been included with this response. I do
not believe they are strictly related to the Mask of the Visionary, but
they represent all that I could uncover utilising the resources at my
disposal.

..... I apologise for the lack of progress on the specific issue requested

Signed by:..... Isabelle De Alicer.....

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