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PLANET: PASTORUS

SOLAR SYSTEM: CAPELLA (ALPHA AURIGA), MAG. .06, GOLDEN YELLOW

CONSTELLATION: CAPELLA

DISTANCE FROM EARTH: 45 LIGHT YEARS

RULING EMPIRE (GOOD GUYS): SURESIANS

DIVISIVE FACTION: RULONS

KING: FORELL

QUEEN: KARA

PRINCE: BREN

PRINCESS: TALITHA (FROM ARAMAIC MEANING "LITTLE GIRL")

PET DINOSAUR: THREE-THREE (TRICERATOPS)

RULON KING: KRULOS

RULON QUEEN: HYPATRA

DINO RIDERS: STORY (REV. A) ~~5~~

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MORE THAN 60 MILLION YEARS AGO, THE PLANET PROTAURUS WAS QUIETLY ORBITING ALPHA AURIGA. IT WAS THE PROTAURAN YEAR 2027. IT WAS THEN THAT THE NOBLE FAMILY OF PURELL RULED THE EMPIRE OF SAURISIA.

THE STRENGTH OF THE EMPIRE AND THE KEY TO THE WISDOM OF ITS PAST WAS HELD IN TRUST BY A FAMILY OF REMARKABLE CREATURES KNOWN AS THE DINOSAURS. THE DINOSAURS HAD THE POWER OF SPEECH AND COULD REPEAT VERBATIM ANYTHING THEY HAD EVER HEARD. AND MORE REMARKABLE STILL, THEIR INFALLIBLE MEMORY WAS LINKED TO THEIR GENETIC CODE, SO THAT THE MEMORY OF THE PARENTS WAS INHERITED BY THE CHILDREN, AND BY THE CHILDREN'S CHILDREN. IN THIS WAY, THE WORDS AND WISDOM OF THE ANCIENT RULERS OF SAURISIA HAD BEEN HANDED DOWN THROUGH COUNTLESS GENERATIONS. AND WHOEVER HELD THE DINOSAURS, HELD THE RIGHTFUL THRONE OF SAURISIA.

BECAUSE OF THEIR EXTREME VALUE TO THE EMPIRE, THE DINOSAURS, OR "SAURS" AS THEY WERE CALLED WERE HIGHLY FAVORED AND CAREFULLY TREATED WARDS OF THE THRONE. WHEN MATTERS OF STATE OR DECISIONS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE WERE TO BE MADE, THE KING WOULD CONSULT THE SAURS WHO WOULD RECITE THE WISE COUNCIL OF RULERS PAST.

BUT ALL WAS NOT WELL ON PROTORUS ALTHOUGH THE SAURISIAN EMPIRE EXTENDED TO EVERY CONTINENT OF THE PLANET THERE EXISTED A SMALL FACTION GROUP OF MYSTERIOUS BEINGS KNOWN AS THE RULONS. THE RULONS WERE DISLIKED AND EVEN FEARED BY THE SAURISIANS. THIS DISTRUST WAS FURTHER AGGRAVATED BY THE FACT THAT THE RULONS ALL WORE MASKS TO HIDE THEIR DEVIANT FACES. AT THIS TIME, NO ONE HAD EVER LOOKED UPON THE FACE OF A RULON AND LIVED TO TELL ABOUT IT. FOR THIS AND OTHER REASONS RUMORS AND LEGENDS WERE TOLD THROUGHOUT SAURISIA DEPICTING HIDEOUS ACTIVITIES OF THE "RUTHLESS" RULONS, IT WAS EVEN SAID THAT THE RULONS WOULD STEAL SAURISIAN CHILDREN TO ENSLAVE IN THEIR FORCED LABOR CAMPS, NATURALLY THE RULONS WERE SHUNNED AND REJECTED BY DECENT CITIZENS. AND IN RESPONSE TO ALL OF THIS, ^(THE RULONS) ^ DISPISED THE SUPREMACY OF THE SAURISIANS AND HATED EVERYTHING THEY STOOD FOR.

WHEN ONE DAY, THE RULONS COULD STAND IT NO LONGER, THEY DECIDED TO WAGE WAR ON THE SAURISIANS. IF ONLY THEY COULD DESTROY THE DINOSAURS OF KING PURELL, THE ENTIRE SAURISIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD FALL. THE RULONS HAD THEIR OWN DINOSAURS WITH THEIR OWN HISTORY AND THEIR OWN WISDOM. WITH PURELL OUT OF THE WAY, THEY COULD EASILY SEIZE CONTROL.

A PLAN WAS FORMED, A SINISTER PLAN TO USE BACTERIAL MEANS TO RID PROTORUS OF EVERY SAURISIAN DINOSAUR. A BACILLUS WAS INTRODUCED TO THE WATER SUPPLY. ONE BY ONE THE DINOSAURS BECAME SICK AND STARTED TO DIE.

ONE DAY TALITHA AND BREN, THE YOUNG PRINCESS AND PRINCE WERE ENTERING THE PALACE GARDEN TO PLAY WITH THEIR FRIENDS THE SAURS. THEY WERE LOOKING IN PARTICULAR FOR THEIR FAVORITE SAUR, THREE-THREE, THREE-THREE WAS A FRIENDLY MOTHER DROMICEIDOMIMUS WHO HAD TAKEN A STRONG LIKING TO TALITHA AND BREN. THEY HAD ARRIVED AT HER NICKNAME BECAUSE SHE HAD THREE TOES ON EACH FRONT FOOT. THE FRIENDSHIP HAD DEVELOPED BECAUSE THE CHILDREN TREATED HER LIKE A PERSON NOT LIKE A WALKING ENCYCLOPAEDIA THE WAY MOST ADULTS DID.

BUT TODAY WAS NOT LIKE EVERY OTHER DAY. TODAY THREE-THREE WAS LYING ON HER SIDE UNDER A BACARA TREE. SHE KNEW SHE WAS DYING, THE CHILDREN HAD TO BE TOLD. SHE LEGGED THEM TO CARE FOR HER EGGS. ALL THAT SHE KNEW, ALL THAT SHE WAS WOULD LIVE ON THROUGH HER OFFSPRING. THE WISDOM AND GREATNESS OF THE SAURIAN EMPIRE WERE IN ALL THE EGGS. THEY MUST BE SAVED.

A FEW DAYS LATER IT WAS ALL OVER. THE DINOSAURS WERE ALL DEAD. THE ESSENCE OF THE SAURIAN EMPIRE DIED WITH THEM.

KING PURELL, HAVING FAILED IN HIS DUTY TO PROTECT THE DINOSAURS WAS NOW COMPELLED TO LEAVE THE THRONE. AND WITH THE INVADING ROLONS AND THEIR DINOSAURS, PURELL AND HIS FAMILY WOULD HAVE TO FLEE FOR LIVES.

PURELL ORDERED A SHIP TO BE READY - THE FASTEST IN THE FLEET. AS THE ROYAL FAMILY AND A GROUP OF THEIR MOST TRUSTED FRIENDS AND COUNSELORS WERE ENTERING THE SHIP FOR THEIR ESCAPE, TALITHA STARTED THINKING ABOUT THREE-THREE AND THEN SUDDENLY REMEMBERED THE EGGS - THE EGGS OF ALL THE DINOSAURS - THE FUTURE GENERATIONS - THE WISDOM OF THE ANCIENTS - THE KEYS TO THE THRONE OF SAURISIA - ALL WITHIN THE EGGS.

WHEN KING PURELL HEARD ABOUT THE EGGS, HE ORDERED THEM TO BE BROUGHT IMMEDIATELY ON BOARD. THERE WAS A NEW LOOK OF HOPE IN HIS EYES. WHEN THE EGGS HATCH; PERHAPS SOMEDAY...

THE SAURISIANS SET OFF FOR THE NEAREST COMPATIBLE PLANET: EARTH. THEY ARE ALL PLACED IN SUSPENDED ANIMATION FOR THE 45 LIGHT YEAR TRIP TO EARTH. IN THEIR HASTE TO RETREAT, THEY FAIL TO NOTICE THAT A RUCON SHIP IS IN PURSUIT. ALTHOUGH THEY ARE MUCH FASTER, THE RUCONS WILL EVENTUALLY CATCH UP.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELVE YEARS LATER, THE SAURISIANS LAND (PREHISTORIC) ON EARTH. THEY ESTABLISH A NEW SOCIETY. USING THE MOTHER SHIP AS A CAPITAL BUILDING AND HEADQUARTERS, THEY BUILD A CITY. THE DINOSAUR EGGS HATCH. THE SAURISIANS HARNESS THEIR GREAT POWER FOR PLANTING AND REAPING CROPS. JUST WHEN THE SAURISIANS HAVE ESTABLISHED THEIR NEW CULTURE AND ARE

CONTEMPLATING WAYS TO BRING THE HUGE DINDOSAURS BACK TO
PROTORUS, THE ROLON SHIP WHICH WAS PURSUING THEM
LANDS ON EARTH.