

**Session/Game:** Polychronopolis/Rampage  
**Polychronopolis Episode #11: Abraca-Doofus**  
**Campaign Date:** Cancer 6—16, MY1195

**Date:** February 27, 2022

**Characters:**

Knobulous Phantasmio, Gnome, MU-3, N (Dave N.)  
    Tingles, human, XC, N (hench)  
Hobgoblin Shemp, Hobgoblin, F-1, N (Andrew S.)  
    Slum Gullion, half-orc, Lackey-1, N (hench)  
Ibson Greenwood, Half-elf, MU/Th-2, N (Craig J.)  
    Stumpwad, human, CL-1, N (hench)  
Cypress Tristan Mercy Henceforth, Elf, C/F-2, L (Quinton L.)  
    Maple Stanley Courage Whereupon, elf, MU/F-1, L (hench)

**Judge:** Lords of Hack GM Emulator

**LOG:**

*Cancer 6-9, West River, Northwest Cattle Country*

Hobgoblin Shemp used his cash reserves to finance an expedition to the Haunted Castle of Broknar in the North West Cattle Country. He was joined by Ibson, Cypress Tristan Mercy Henceforth, and Knobulous Phantasmio and their newly recruited henchmen.

The party traveled by coal-barge to Portburg and then by boat to the vicinity of the castle.

*Cancer 10 Haunted Castle of Broknar*

The group traveled to the castle from the coast, and found it perched on one of the lower dead hills in the region. There was a creek running along the south side and the ground in front of the castle was extremely marshy (except for a road on a causeway).



The party tried to cross the creek by way of a wooden bridge, but their way was blocked by a pair of creek-trolls who demanded a tribute (one of the party to eat would do). The group huddled up and Knobulous suggested that he use a disguise spell to appear as a small fire elemental (igniting a military oil in its flask to provide some real heat to aid the illusion) and scare off the trolls. The trolls, however, saw right through the trickery. Knobulous used a Concealing Mist to cover the escape of the party down south.

They returned an hour or so later and crossed the creek farther west, closer to the Castle. Hobgoblin Shemp fell in the water and had to be fished out. The crossing was spotted by 2 Skeleton Warriors, armed with bows, perched on the top of the castle. They began raining arrows down on the party. Knobulous turned invisible, the two elves hid behind some swamp plants and the rest rushed to the castle wall to get beneath the arch of fire of the skeleton warriors. Cypress Tristan Mercy Henceforth failed to turn the creatures. Slum Gullion took two deadly arrows to the head and fell slain when the skeleton warriors leaned out over the ledge beyond the crenellations. After Knobulous scouted out the door, The Elves rushed up and pushed them open in a charge. The party entered the castle, safe from the arrows for now.

They searched out the stair-way turret and decided to start with the upper floor. Here they found a crowd of 23 minor evil spirits who passed through the walls and swarmed them. Luckily, they were relatively weak and the party managed to wipe them out (holy water splashes helping a great deal). Hobgoblin Shemp was critically wounded, but revived with some wine by the still invisible Knobulous. The party discovers a fair amount of coin in the chamber.

The party climbs to the roof and engages with the 2 Skeleton Warrior archers in more direct combat. The one on the main roof was killed by a barrage of flaming oil and holy water. However, the one on the turret roof was also engaged in melee by Ibson. Hobgoblin Shemp was critically injured again and had to have extensive treatment to get him into fighting shape. The large column of smoke and fire that engulfed the one warrior scared off the trolls at the bridge who fled southward.

Climbing back down, the party reached the ground floor and discovered a swarm of 6 man-sized flies lairing there. In a short but very brutal battle (Knobulous used a sleep spell to drop the last 2), the flies were killed, but they inflicted wounds all round (except for Tingles). Hobgoblin Shemp and Knobulous both were infected with a disease as a result of the bites.

The team patched themselves up as best they can and climb down to the basement. There was an arms rack in the stairway which contained a magic shield, but it was trapped. Ibson deactivated the trap and the elves took temporary custody of the shield. The door from the stairway to the room was also locked and trapped. When Ibson began fiddling with it, a large hammer swung down and conked him on the head. They patched him up and opened the door, to find 2 low-power undead sorcerers doing nasty experiments in the room.

One Sorcerer cast a Fear Spell, which caused everyone but the two elves to rush back upstairs. The other used a paralysis spell to freeze Cypress Tristan Mercy Henceforth. The elf henchman was unable to accomplish any return attack and was slain by a pair of Stone Missiles spells from the sorcerers. The sorcerers strangely just shut the door and returned to their experiments. Maple Stanley Courage Whereupon bled out on the ground. When the fear spell wore off, they sent Ibson and Tingles to retrieve the paralyzed Cypress Tristan Mercy Henceforth. They waited an hour while the elf recovered from the paralysis and came up with a plan to re-assault the sorcerers. Leaving the elf on the stairs, they threw open the door and destroyed one sorcerer with a barrage of oil, acid, holy water and a flame spell from Ibson. The second cast a Fear Spell, but the elf on the stair used an Encouragement spell to negate it. Using their remaining holy water and a silver dagger the party manage to destroy the second sorcerer too (Knobulous burning it with a lit cigar at one point).

They looted the room of the sorcerers' book, a scroll and a wand, in addition to some coin. They also found a wand of Haste/Slow with 5 charges. In some cells were experimental prisoners, 1 goblin and 2 spiders. Knobulous used a sleep spell to put them all down and they immediately killed the spiders. The goblin had a map to "The Fountain of Gold" tattooed onto his back. Ibson brutally killed the goblin and skinned off the map.

They split the money and Ibson took the scroll and book. The elf took the Shield and Knobulous took the wand. However, Hobgoblin Shemp were beginning to worry about the fester fly wounds. Cypress Tristan Mercy Henceforth buried Slum Gullion and Maple Stanley Courage Whereupon in the swampy ground in front of the castle.

*Cancer 11 North West Cattle Country*

The party force-marched through the day and reached the Henge of Mother Earth and the priests there cured the diseases from Hobgoblin Shemp and Knobulous, costing them most of their take from the expedition.

*Cancer 12-16 North West Cattle Country, March of Chronos*

The party returned to Polychronopolis. Knobulous decided to sell off the Wand of Haste/Slow, since he was otherwise nearly broke. Tingles was promoted from XC to Level-1 Lackey.