# THE STARKPOOL REPORT

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"All the things that people are talking about"

#### ITEM #1: It's Quiet, Too Quiet

The Starkpool Reach was remarkably free of organized violence and deeds of heroic daring do in August. The Lorn-Brant War has been free of any direct clash, though Brant troops attempted to follow in Captain Brilliant's tracks after Brilliant's failed raid last month. Brilliant had reached Tower Menace where he was protected by garrison large enough to dissuade the pursuit.

#### ITEM #2: Chaos in Bridgeton

An unknown human wizard appeared in the Gnome hamlet of Bridgeton, at the last bridge along the Stark River. The wizard destroyed a decrepit ancient tavern called "Billy's" and blasted a squad of Gnome militia to ash. There have been voices blaming Sinxth for the outrage and appeals to the Guild of Mystical Knowledge to identify the culprit.

#### ITEM #3: Lordly Meeting

Reports have arisen about a meeting between Earl Ronstudd the Dragon-Slayer and Jarl Ingvar the Mountain at the camp of Chief Lonely Pants. The business at the meeting was secret, but much Sinxthian gold was said to have been brought.

#### ITEM #4: Hell-Hole Fortified

Engineer Green Floki has completed work on the fortified gate-structure at the entrance to the dwarven cavern known as Hell-hole, in the Barl Jarldom. Hell-hole is still recovering from the devastating raid by the forces of Fang some months ago. Now the dwarves can sleep more securely in their tiny little beds.

### MERCENARIES AVAILABLE:

Group 1: 30 Men Light Horse-C, Neutral 600gp

Group 2: 30 Men Light Pike-C, Lawful 900gp

Group 3: 70 Half-orcs Heavy Foot-B Chaos 420gp

Bids Due April 20. Price Listed is both Minimum Bid and normal monthly salary after first month. Lawful mercenaries won't serve Chaotic lords and Chaotic mercenaries won't serve Lawful Lords.

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