

The War Of The Roses

Part 2

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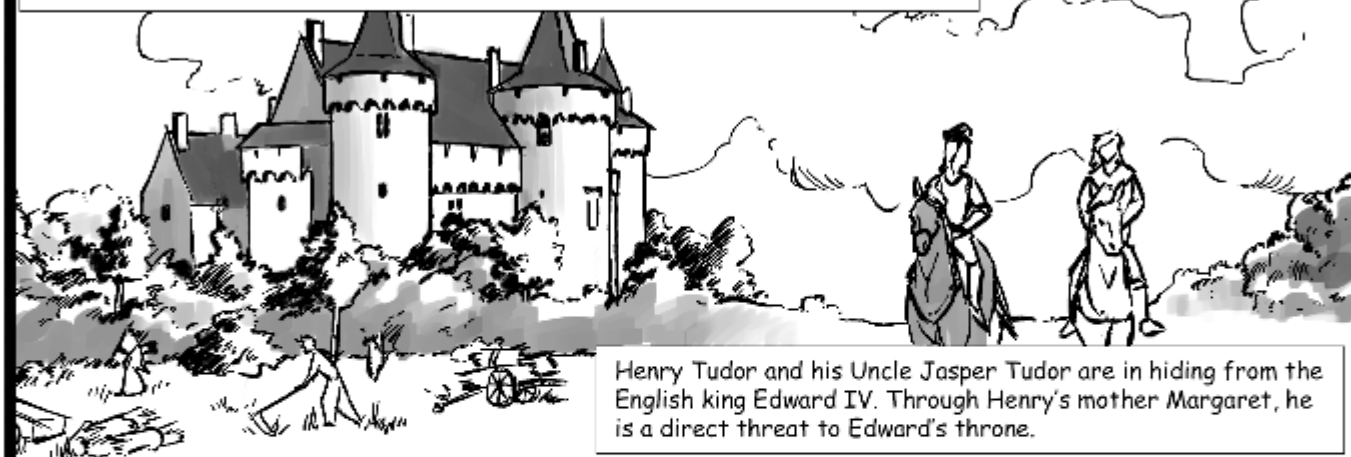


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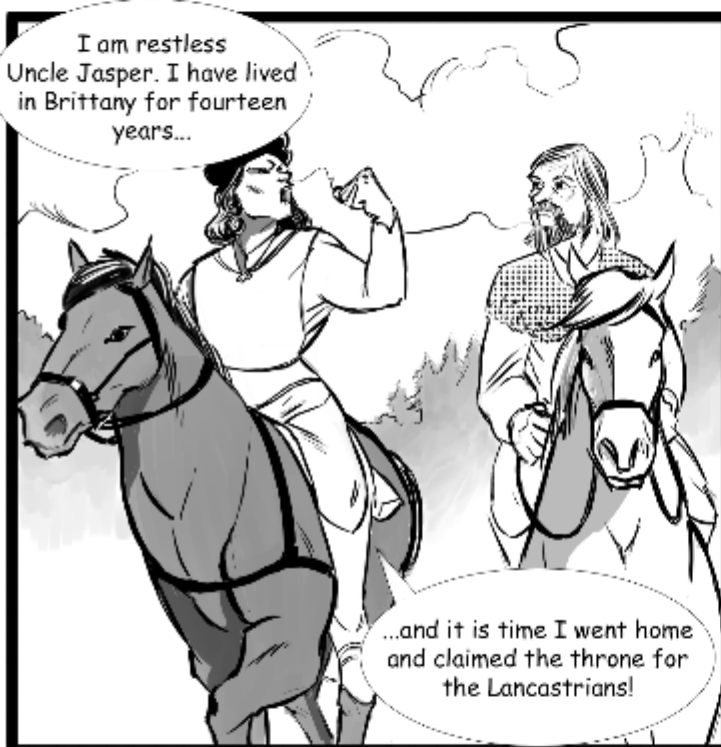


At the home of Francis II, Duke of Brittany, Brittany (now northern France), 1483.



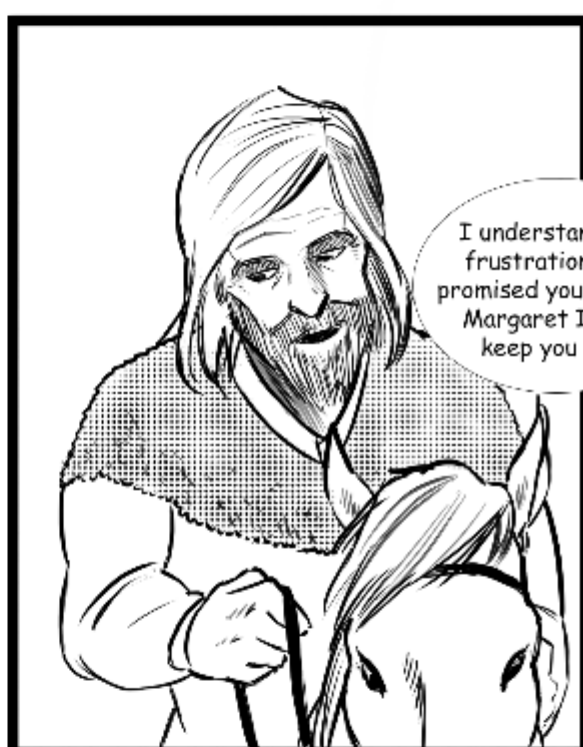
Henry Tudor and his Uncle Jasper Tudor are in hiding from the English king Edward IV. Through Henry's mother Margaret, he is a direct threat to Edward's throne.

I am restless Uncle Jasper. I have lived in Brittany for fourteen years...

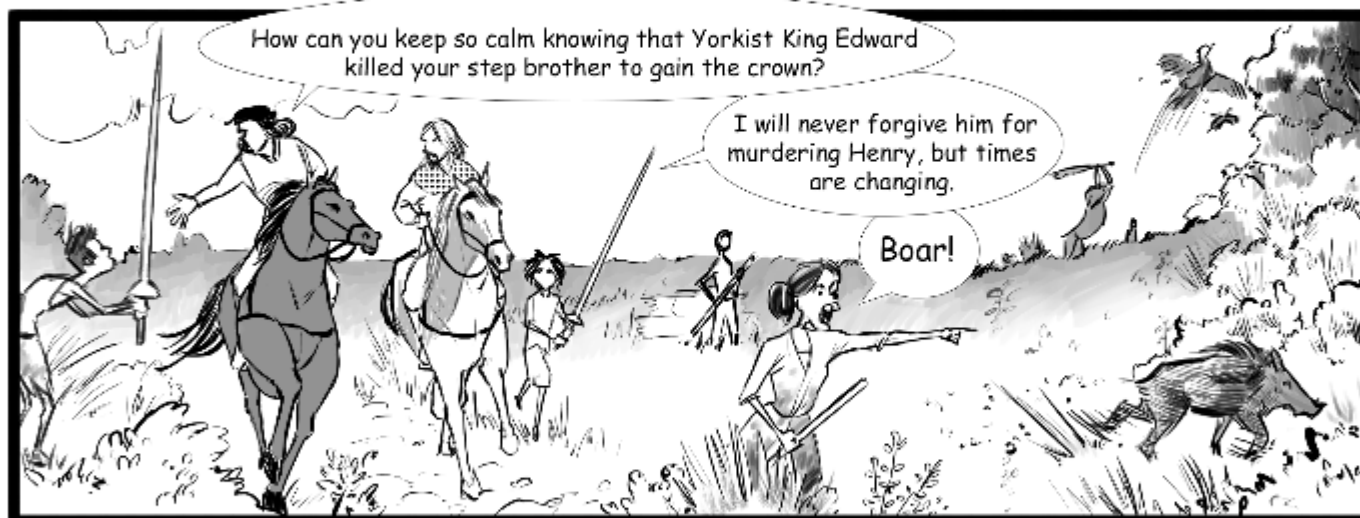


...and it is time I went home and claimed the throne for the Lancastrians!

I understand your frustration but I promised your mother Margaret I would keep you safe.



How can you keep so calm knowing that Yorkist King Edward killed your step brother to gain the crown?

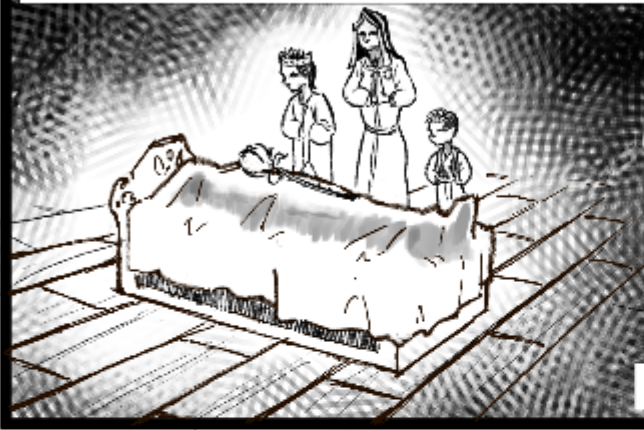


I will never forgive him for murdering Henry, but times are changing.

Boar!



By April 1483, King Edward IV was dead. His twelve year old son, also named Edward would be crowned Edward V, yet within two months he had been murdered along with his brother Richard.



By June 1483, their uncle Richard was crowned Richard III.

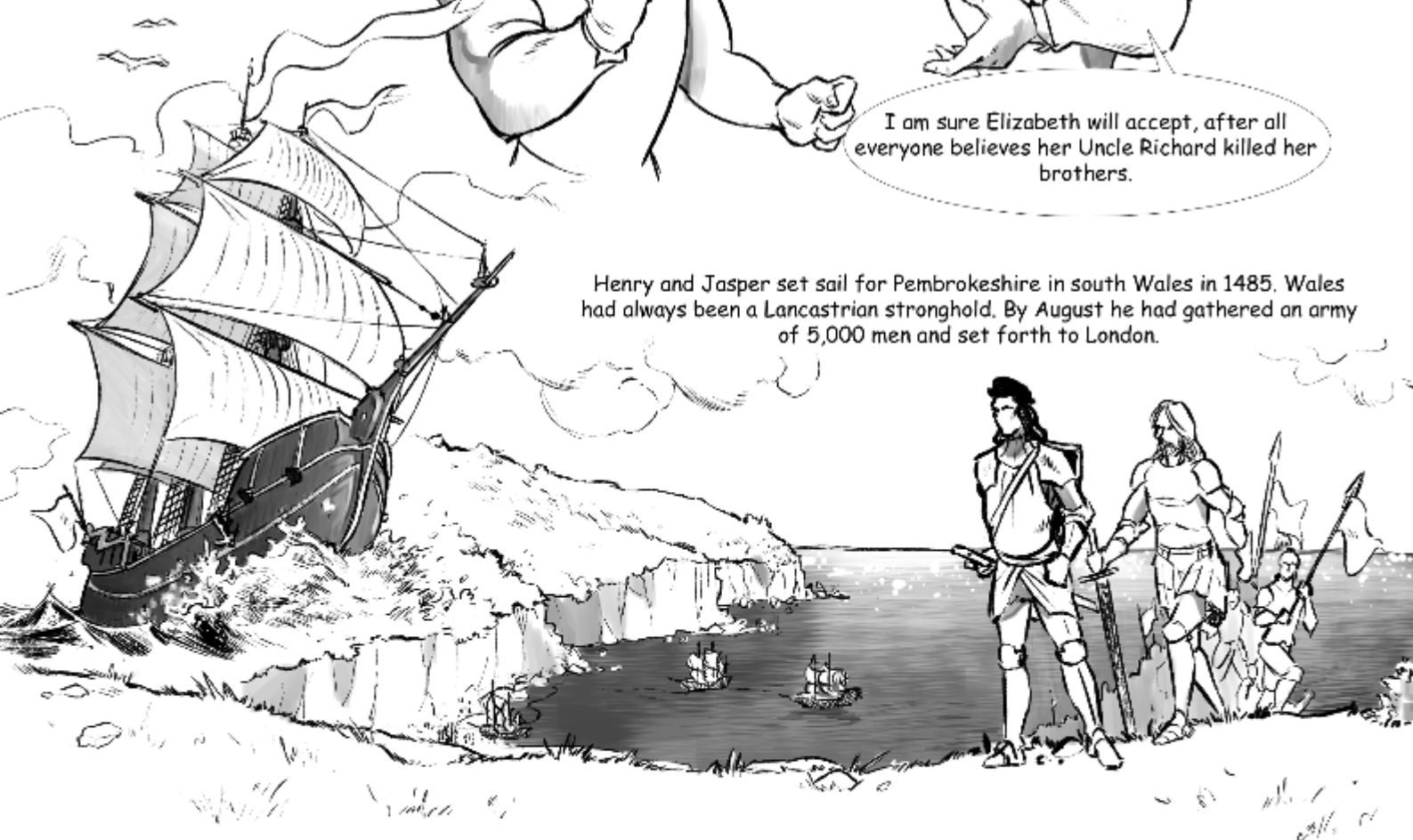
People do not trust Richard. The time has come to return to Wales and march to England and fight for the crown.

When I claim the crown I will marry Elizabeth of York. I will end this War of the Roses and unite the Houses of Lancaster and York.



I am sure Elizabeth will accept, after all everyone believes her Uncle Richard killed her brothers.

Henry and Jasper set sail for Pembrokeshire in south Wales in 1485. Wales had always been a Lancastrian stronghold. By August he had gathered an army of 5,000 men and set forth to London.

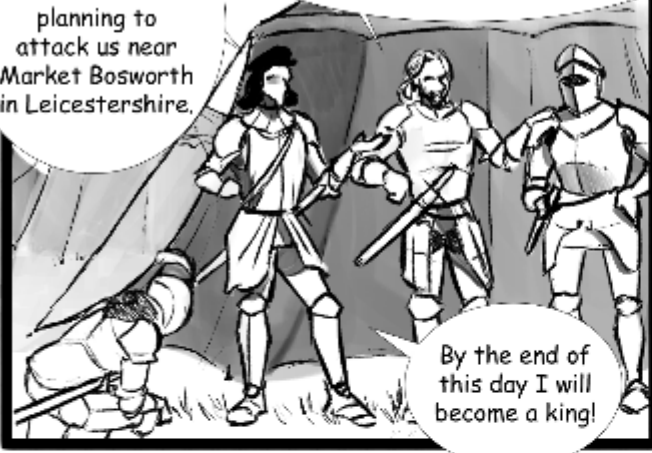


A messenger has arrived. King Richard is planning to attack us near Market Bosworth in Leicestershire.

Let the Earl of Oxford lead our army. He has the most experience.

Today I will destroy these Tudors once and for all!

By the end of this day I will become a king!

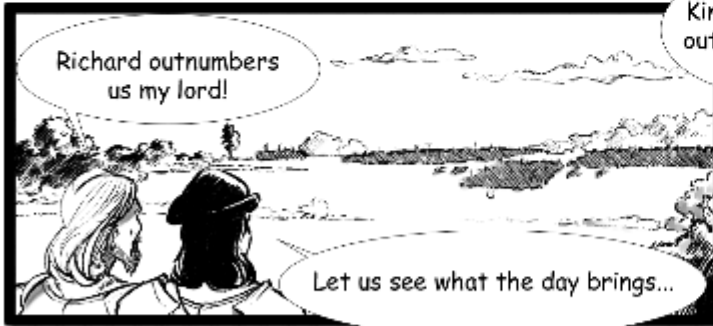


Richard outnumbers us my lord!

Let us see what the day brings...

King Richard, we outnumber them!

The battle is ours... but what is Lord Stanley's Army doing on that hill? Tell him to engage Henry's forces!



The Earl of Oxford broke the first wave of King Richards army.

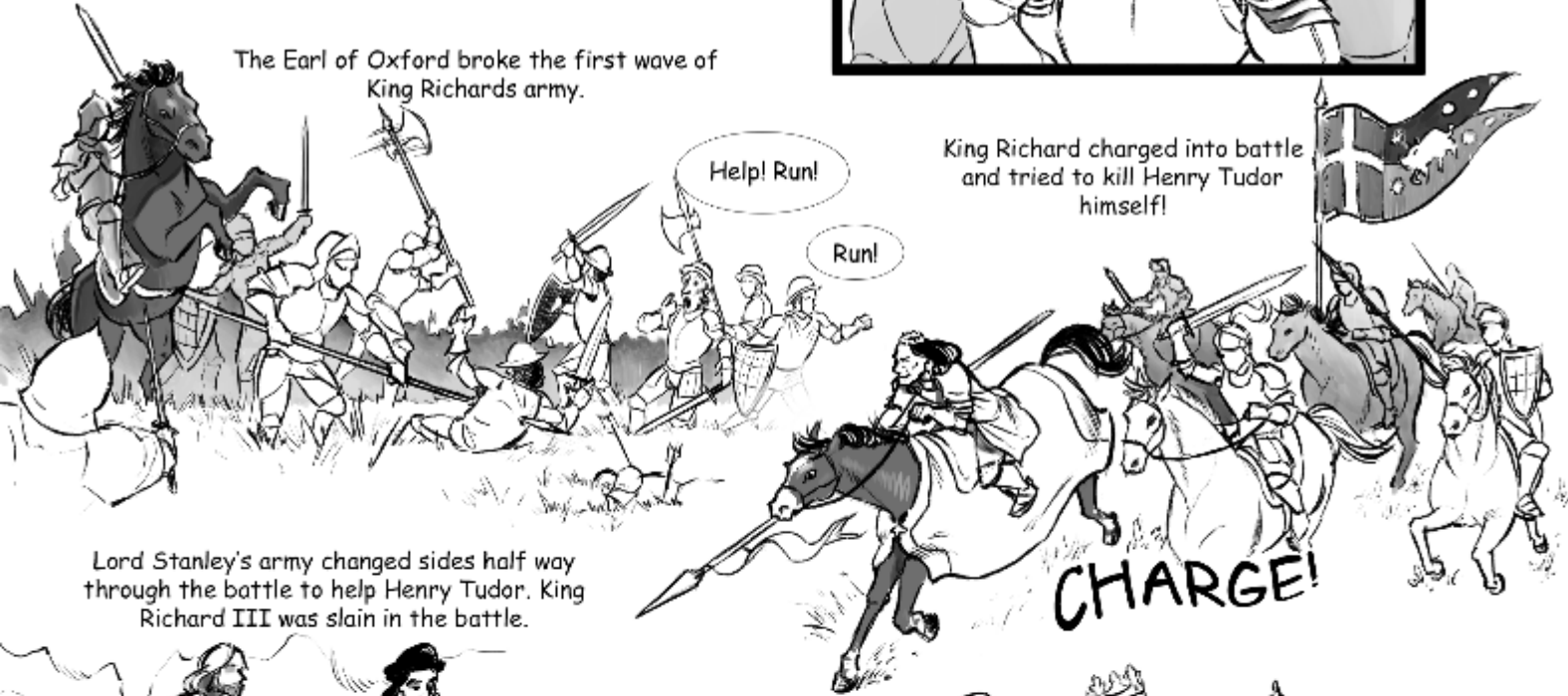
Help! Run!

Run!

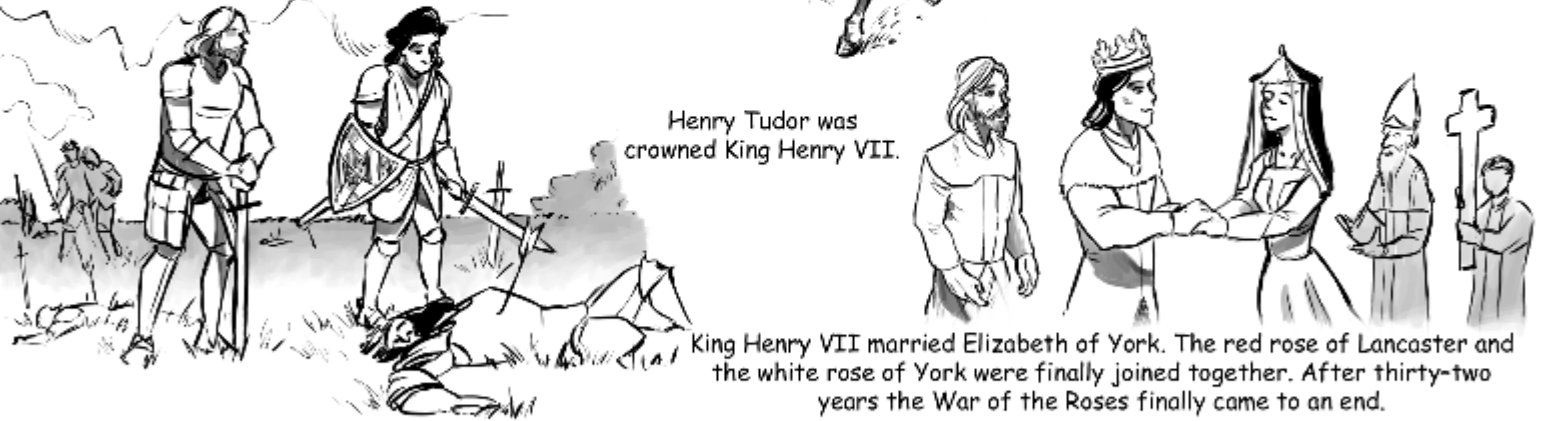
King Richard charged into battle and tried to kill Henry Tudor himself!

Lord Stanley's army changed sides half way through the battle to help Henry Tudor. King Richard III was slain in the battle.

CHARGE!



Henry Tudor was crowned King Henry VII.



King Henry VII married Elizabeth of York. The red rose of Lancaster and the white rose of York were finally joined together. After thirty-two years the War of the Roses finally came to an end.

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