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Alice Turner — 31 Jan 1997, 12:35

Hello there, Michael---um, mantis---how nice to be disagreeing with you in public instead of private. If you're going to take a Viron name, so will I. How's aloee? That should be handy for all those pesky WWW sign-in thingies.

I've stated my position on Pike's ghost. The anti-virus injection is intriguing, but I still don't understand why Q lies, or even who he's lying to.

aloe

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David_Lebling — 31 Jan 1997, 14:57 · follows Alice Turner

From: m.driussi at genie.com

Re: Calde Tussah, I'm wondering if he isn't Hindu-Indian? That is, from Trivigaunte.

I thought the Triviguanis were more Arab or Persian than Indian. They at least show Islamic survivals, wherever they are from. For example, their symbol is a red triangle, "because Sphigx won't let them use images." They are monotheists (more or less, worshipping only or mostly Sphigx). Their names and the little bits of their language that we hear are more like Arabic than Hindi, as well.

Dave

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m.driussi — 01 Feb 1997, 04:22 · follows David_Lebling

Reply: Item #6681520 from WHORL at LISTS.BEST.COM@INET01#

Re: Hindi stratum to Trivigaunte society. "Calde" is to Spanish as "Rani" is to Hindi (although the ranks are as different as mayor and queen). True, "khanum" is Turko-Persian, and "Nizam" is Urdu/Turkish/Arabic, but still.

Not much, I'll admit. But it's there. With a Hindu core area and satellite areas (different cities contributing the "Turkish," "Persian," elements that were not indigenous to original Trivigaunte) brought in through the military campaigns the text suggests they've gone through, I can envision a Mogul-type/Indus Valley empire with an Islamic (monotheistic/desert) aspect that is matriarchal rather than patriarchal (Allat rather than Allah). (This is largely speculative, of course.)

(Can't resist pointing out the silk road.)

=mantis=

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