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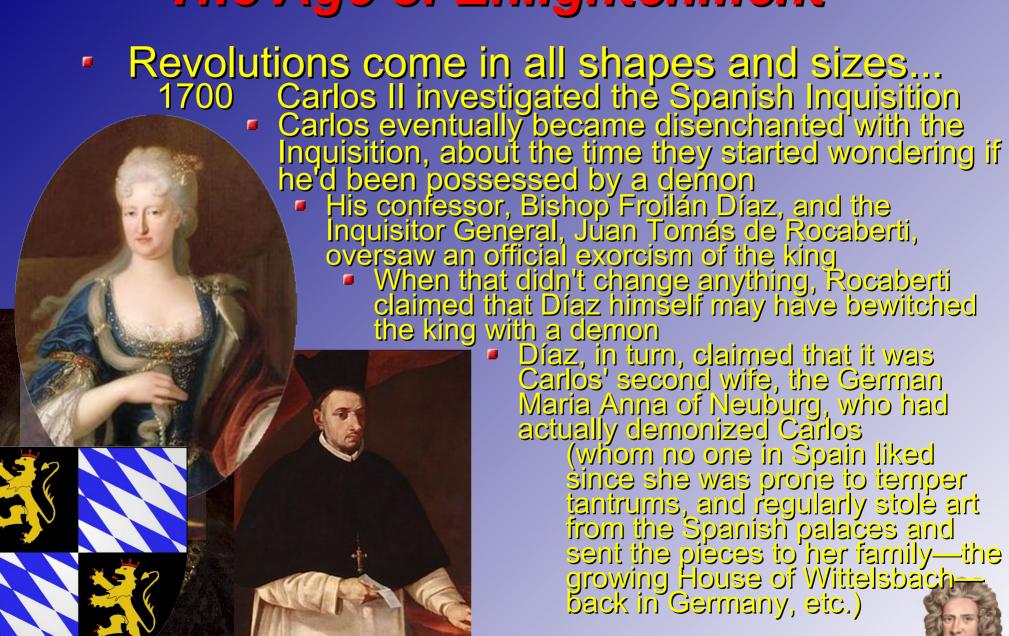
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(who, if you'll remember, was the product of way too much in-breeding within the Hapsburg line, and came to power when he was only 3...)

(about the only joy he'd had growing up was clambering through the halls of his palaces like a feral child—he couldn't walk until he was 8 and presiding at an auto-da-fé with the Inquisition in his teens, back in 1680)

(he judged 120 heretics, and giddily enjoyed watching 21 of them burn at the stake)





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His confessor, Bishop Froilán Díaz, and the
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oversaw an official exorcism of the king
When that didn't change anything, Rocaberti
claimed that Díaz himself may have bewitched
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Maria Anna thus demanded that Diaz be tried and convicted of heresy and witchcraft



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In 1691, they'd arrested the Protestant servant of the ambassador to England as a heretic and exhumed the corpse of the ambassador's

Anglican chaplain so that they could publicly mutilate and display his corpse

On Majorca, the leadership built for themselves a grand palace using the money confiscated from a single investigation of one Jewish family

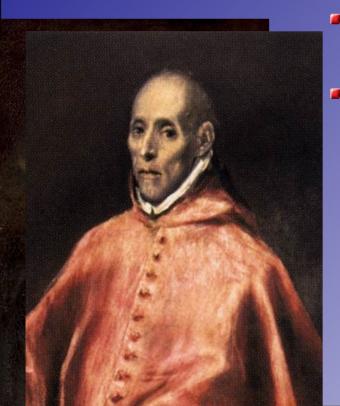
The Inquisition also used its power to give power and privilege to its own members and to their families, taken from people who were being tried—who were always found guilty if their stuff was desirable



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Carlos agreed, and all copies of the Junta's findings were burned
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(but he was also a Wittelsbach, so he met with opposition from the same people who hated Maria Anna)



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The Germans were busy in-fighting, and Louis was busy (and kinda financially strapped)
fighting the rest of Europe
So he actually turned to the traditional enemy of France—William of Orange, the king of England—to clean up the mess

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(a sect of Catholicism who followed former Dutch Bishop Cornelius Jansen and who'd adopted a theology very similar to the Calvinists and the Dutch loved their Calvinists)





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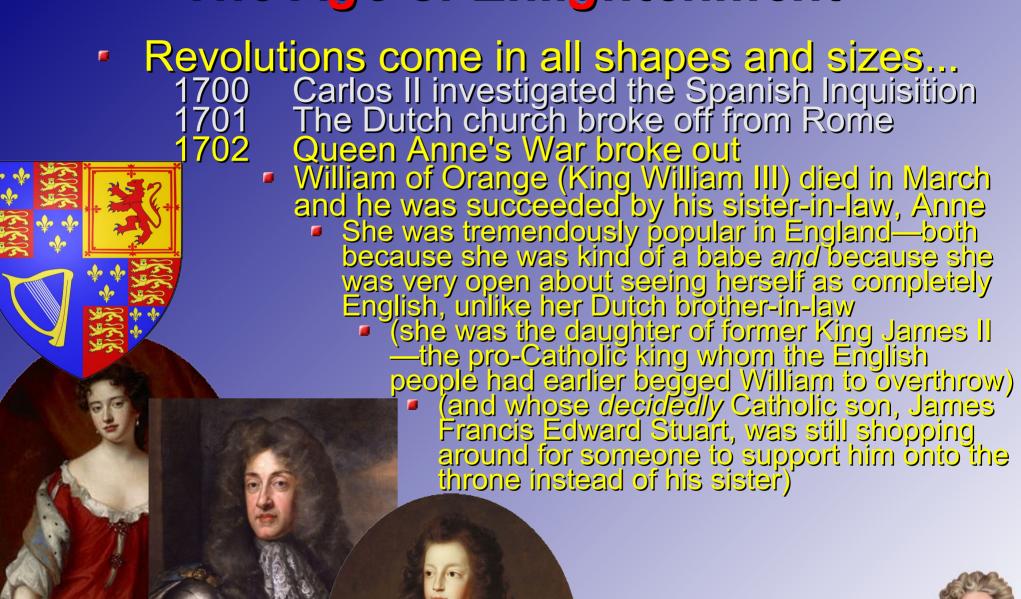
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Fagan to ordain their priests in a new Catholic Church in the Netherlands

(which later became known as the "Old Catholic Church of the Netherlands")







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William of Orange (King William III) died in March
and he was succeeded by his sister-in-law, Anne
Seeing trouble down the line, once bankrupted
Bourbon France and Spain got their acts together,
Anne immediately declared war on both kingdoms



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(obviously, the odds were decidedly in England's favor)





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(both of which would end up coming in handy half a century later on, when the colonies declared their independence from Britain)





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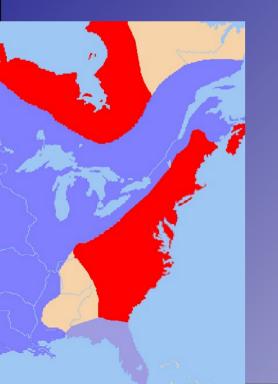
(as well as the concurrent Tuscarora War, when the English, Dutch, and German colonists in North Carolina came together against the Tuscarora / Iroquois Confederacy—which again helped sow the seeds of the future by making the colonists all see themselves as members of one cause, as opposed to simply being separate English, Dutch, and Germans)

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(in large part due to the fact that she knew that her little brother, James Stuart, was was growing up and was trying to start a new Jacobite Rebellion—this time, in Scotland)

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This set France and Spain against Austria as the major superpowers, and took a lot of the pressure off of England

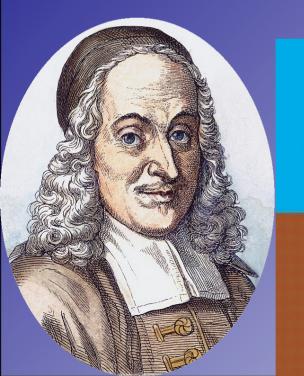




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(back in 1675, Spener had published his life's work, Pia Desideria, outlining their tenets)



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(as part of that, the Swedish Pietists instituted "Covenanticles"—small group Bible studies within their churches)

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(it was from within those "Covenanticles" that the Evangelical Covenant Church was born)

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Warriors, Kings

VAISHYA

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SUDRA

Commoners, Peasants, Servants

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Outcast-Out of Caste. Street sweepers, latrine cleaners

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By 1711, he had completed the first translation of the New Testament in Tamil

(for the first time, the Indians could read the Word of God in their own language...)

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To the people of India, he's still a cultural hero In fact, this picture of him is actually from a national postage stamp,

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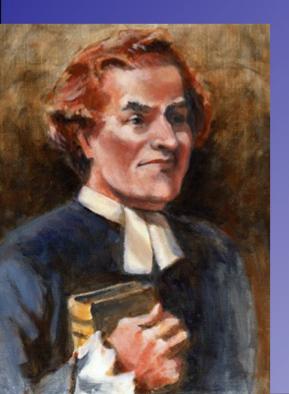
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(a group of ruling elders who oversee a geological area that contains multiple churches—kind of like a Catholic diocese or one of the

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So by 1706, there were enough Presbyterian(-ish)
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the creation of the first presbytery in Philadelphia

And thus, the church that was later to be known as the Presbyterian Church, USA, was formed (not to be confused with the much later—and much smaller—Presbyterian Church in America [PCA], which broke off in the 1930s because the PCUSA had begun to drift decidedly liberal)



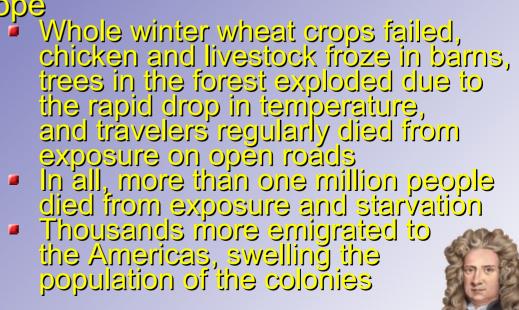
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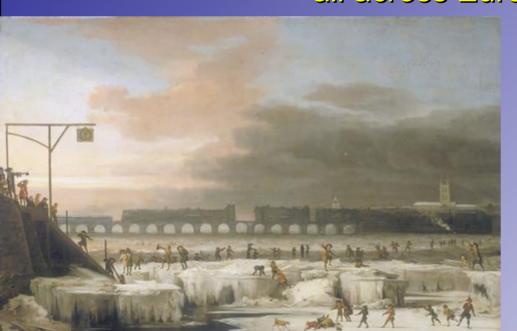
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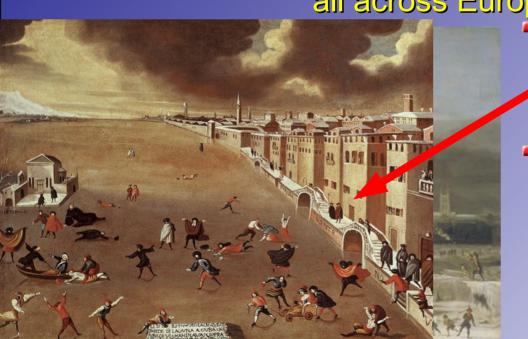
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Scientists still don't know what caused the freak weather that year (but this is a painting of people skating on the canals of Venice—even the Baltic Sea froze over!) Once the Spring finally came, the "Little Ice Age" which had begun around 1300 began to recede, and temperatures rose rapidly over

the next few years

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He wrote to Clement XI,

"It is not so much a devoted son, oppressed by the injustices of his enemies, as a persecuted Church threatened with destruction, which appeals for the protection and help of its worthy pontiff..."

The rebellion was on...

