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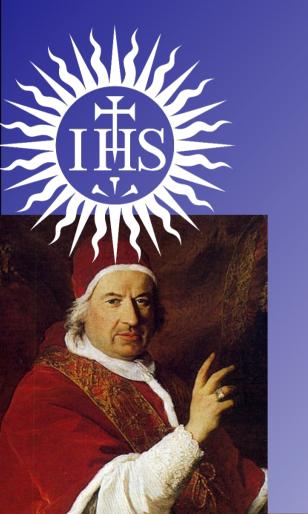
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1) The Jansenists were gaining in political strength in France, and opposed what they saw as the "liberal" doctrines of the Jesuits

2) Louis XV's favorite mistress, Jeanne Antoinette Poisson was married at the time of their dalliance, but that didn't stop her

She chose as her confessor the Jesuit Father de Sacy, and assured him that she was penitent and that nothing sexual was

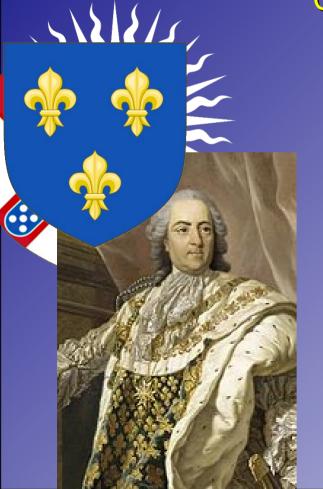
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When he found out that she had lied in confession, he denied her absolution, preventing her from being forgiven
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But his successor, Clement XIV, shut them down entirely, suppressing them and not allowing them to meet together or operate in any Catholic lands

Luckily for the Jesuits,

1) Clement didn't officially dissolve the Order

2) The Holy Roman Empire and Russia didn't care what the Pope said, so the Jesuits retreated into those countries...

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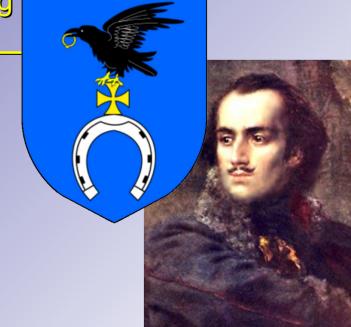
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When Russian troops cracked down on the Polish confederates, chasing them into Ottoman lands, the Turks weren't happy about it

But though they had numerical superiority over the Russians, the Turks had been at peace for so long that they lacked the necessary skill to fight a prolonged war against anybody

Russia's small navy in the Black Sea was trained by seasoned British veterans

and the Crimean Tatars declared their independence from the Ottomans and their

alliance with Russia

(though, to be honest, they basically just got taken over by Russia, just like eastern Poland did)

(any of that sound familiar?)



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in 1772, the major powers on each side of them
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themselves







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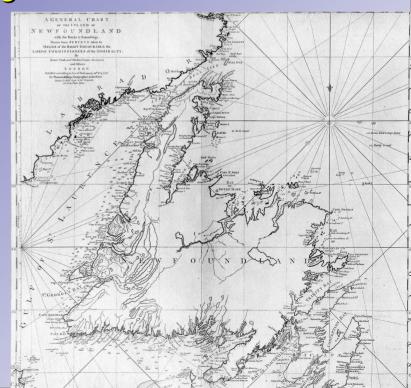
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he published in 1767 precise that it was still in use by seamen well into the 20th century)

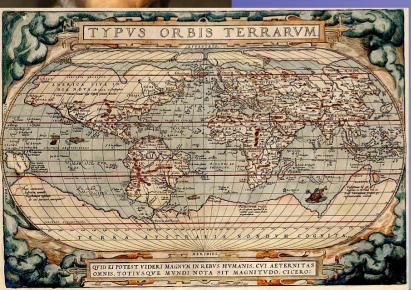




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The Dutch had even mapped part of this "Australian" coastline in the 1600s, calling it "New

Holland"

But no European had ever tried to settle the place
So technically, "New Holland" was still up for grabs
Stopping at the newlydiscovered island of Tahiti



Cook made his way around New Zealand, and finally to the East coast of Australia Thirteen years later, England sent a fleet of ships to "New South Wales" to establish a penal colony at Cook's
"Botany Bay"

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2) to lay claim to the
continent as its

first settlement

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Admiralty at the time)
(and yes, this was the same guy for whom the food

(tem was named)

(depending on the story, he'd be too busy either working at his desk or playing cards to stop to eat,

so his servants would put meat between slices of bread so he could keep doing his thing)





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Returning to the island of Hawai'i, tensions arose between the British and the natives, and he was killed rather nastily on shore



(but then they gave him the funeral of a great chief, so there is that)



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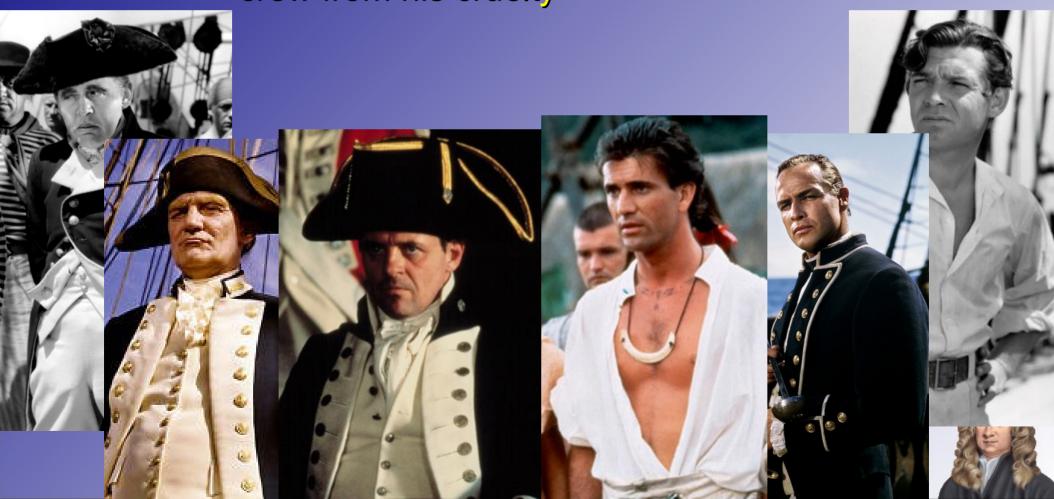
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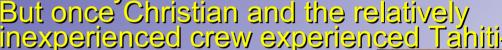
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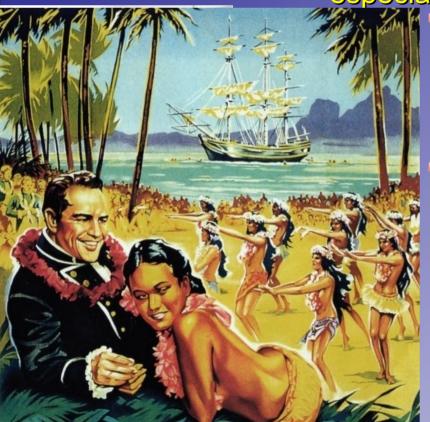
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But once Christian and the relatively inexperienced crew experienced Tahiti—especially Tahitian women—they didn't really have much of an interest in the whole
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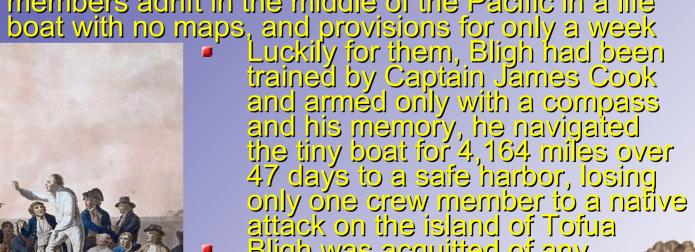
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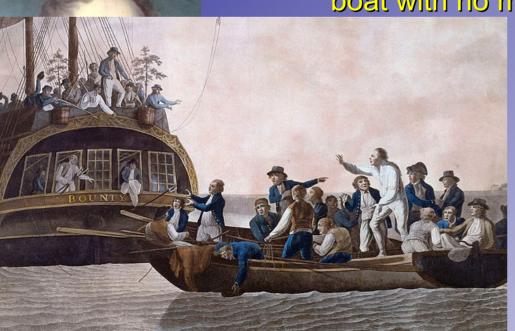
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Due to Christian's friendship with Bligh, the crew didn't kill him, but simply set him and 17 loyal crew members adrift in the middle of the Pacific in a life boat with no maps, and provisions for only a week



Bligh was acquitted of any wrongdoing as captain, and was given a commendation for bringing his men home



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The Canadian and American cities called

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In 1579—thirty years before Jamestown on the
east coast—British secret agent Sir Francis Drake
had sailed around the globe and claimed northern
California for Queen Elizabeth

Because Elizabeth knew they couldn't hold onto "New Albion" against the strong Spanish Navy, they kept the claim a secret until they thought they'd be strong enough to trot it out and try it Later, the United States used this unused claim to justify stretching "from sea to sea" (i.e.; encompassing legally British territory)



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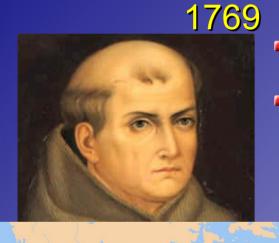


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Thus, under Junipero Serra, the Franciscans established the mission of San Fernando Rey de España de Velicatá in Baja And then later (turning Baja over to the Dominicans), they established a mission at San Diego de Alcalá





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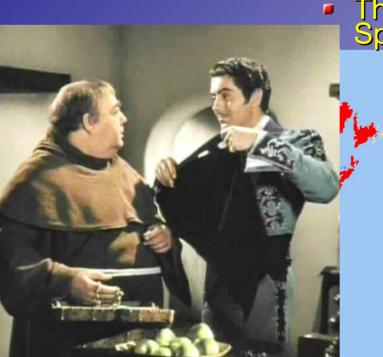
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That year, two Franciscans were on their way to a new mission in Monterey, and came across two infants

(Note: Unlike most missionary efforts, the Spanish never really did get past monks reaching out through mission stations—which is why, for instance, in Zorro movies, the local priest is actually always a Franciscan)



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(and yes, if you're doing the math, that means that Mozart wrote his first opera when he was 14)

(for that matter, he wrote his first symphony when he was 8, so...)



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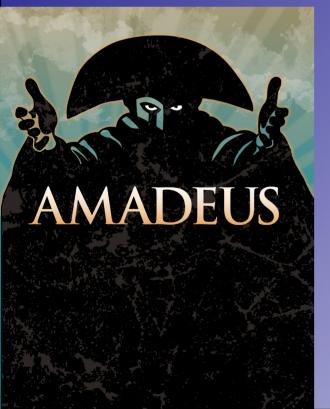


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(named after John Chrysostom—the greatest
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and numbered the Emperor and Empress of the
Byzantine Empire in his flock)

(and whose middle name, "Theophilus," meant
"love of God"—named after Dr. Luke's patron, for
whom he wrote his Gospel and the book of Acts
—though Mozart himself preferred the Latinized
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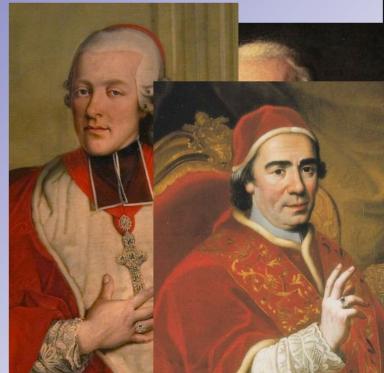
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But everything that I've ever read suggests that he cared for them a great deal, and that they cared for him in return—he simply saw that Salzburg wasn't a large enough venue for Wolfgang's genius





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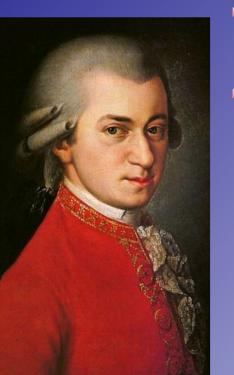
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(Colloredo finally did let Wolfgang resign—and jold his assistant to literally kick him in the butt on his way out)



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In a letter to his wife and son, Leopold wrote,
"God must come first! From His hands we receive our temporal happiness; and at the same time we must think of our eternal salvation. Young people do not like to hear about these things, I know, for I was once young myself. But, thank God, in spite of all my youthful foolish pranks, I always pulled myself together. I avoid all dangers to my soul and ever kept God and my honor and the consequences, the very dangerous consequences, before my eyes."



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(whose alcoholic father really did abusively exploit his genius in the hopes of beating him into the shape of another Mozart...)



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