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King Henry VI would never be the king that his father King Henry V was. However, he must remain king because it is what was right. The noble House of Lancaster has occupied the throne since 1399, and it was only right that it shall continue to do so.

Conflict struck when the House of York used Henry VI's health as an excuse to demolish him. Upon Henry's recovery, Queen Margaret of Anjou made her move with the start of the war at the battle of St. Albans. While the house of Lancaster suffered a defeat at the battle, the war had only just begun.

Now it is 1456. While the War of the Roses has sat in an uneasy truce for the past year, conflict is soon to bubble up. After decades of the Hundred Years War, the Kingdom of England no longer knows peace. The House of Lancaster knows this and awaits the right opportunity to break through the current Yorkist stronghold.

Yet, even as the overarching battles between the Houses of Lancaster and York loom, much more churns behind the scenes. The civil war involved many individuals, pitting cousin against cousin and neighbor against neighbor. No one was immune to the factious violence spreading throughout England. Each has a unique goal to obtain through the conflict, and often do not align with one another. Even with those on the same side.

As members of this crisis, one must navigate these murky waters to satisfy their goal and devastate their enemies'. The noble House of Lancaster must prove its worth by any means. All is fair in love and war.