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**Civilization 11 (Last lecture)**

**In the Netherlands:**

Because of its commercial nature it suited their book to adapt Protestantism because of its somewhat loose rules in comparison to the Catholic's. The Netherlands was a part of the Spanish empire and Charles V wanted to bring Netherlands back to Catholicism and so many people have died during that attempt but their death was in vain. When Philip became the king of Spain he tried again but the Protestants –Led by **Prince William of Orange** – opposed the Spanish ruler and a civil war broke in the Netherlands.

\*Before the Civil war broke in there, Queen Elizabeth gave permission to the Protestants rebels to use Dover as a base to launch their attack on the Spanish ships. But when the civil war started she withdrew that permission because she didn't want England to be attacked by the Spaniards.

While king Philip of Spain was busy in the Netherlands and the French were busy with their civil wars, Elizabeth started venturing in the sea. She chose **Hawkins** and **Drake**. They led the English ships to the north and they first reached Russia but they didn't find any riches in there. So they turned looking for warmer waters. They sailed to Africa and South America, they were already Portuguese preserves. Central and north America were Spanish preserves.

\*The viceroy of Mexico attacked the English ships and so many sailors were killed.

\*All these events that happened in Europe somehow encouraged Mary of Scots to plan and conspire against Elizabeth while she's imprisoned. She was getting help from **Lord** **Norfolk** and she promised him marriage. But they were caught by William Cecil. In reaction to that Queen Elizabeth took certain measures:

1-She imposed heavy fines on the people of the north which increased the level of their poverty.

2-She confiscated their lands

3-executed 800 rebels

<- in reaction to the things Elizabeth did, the pope issued a bull of excommunication against her which doesn't make sense because she didn’t belong to the Catholic Church in the first place.

\*The last conspiracy Mary of Stuarts attempted was to assassin Queen Elizabeth and declares herself the queen. The pope himself was involved in this conspiracy; he supported the catholic rebels in England spiritually and financially. They also set a catholic church for English men in the Flanders. They recruited ardent young Catholics in the name of religion. But again Cecil discovered this. For that Elizabeth gave his the title (**Lord Burghley)**.

**In reaction to these rebellions Queen Elizabeth issued new laws:**

**1-**those who don't attend the public masses would pay 20 pounds.

**2-**Private masses were prohibited and whoever is caught having a private catholic mass would be imprisoned.

**3-**Whoever converts to Catholicism would be trialed as a Heretic and executed.

**\***Elizabethhave always opposed the execution of Mary because not only she was her cousin, but she was an ------- ?queen. She also feared the Spanish Emperor's reaction. It was said that the Chancellors gathered without Elizabeth's knowledge and executed Mary.

**In 1585** Philip launched war against England and prepared the Armada. The English Fleet was way better than the Spanish Armada in the sense that Spanish ships were 130, Huge and loaded with soldiers rather than sailors. While the English ships were smaller in size and faster and although they were around 40 ships they beat the Armada in speed and maneuverability. A lot of Spaniards were killed, 8 ships were wrecked inside the canal and it was said that only half of the Spanish ships returned home. The English victory was led by Captain Drake. ………… -END-