

Chapter 14-B

Europe & World New Encounters



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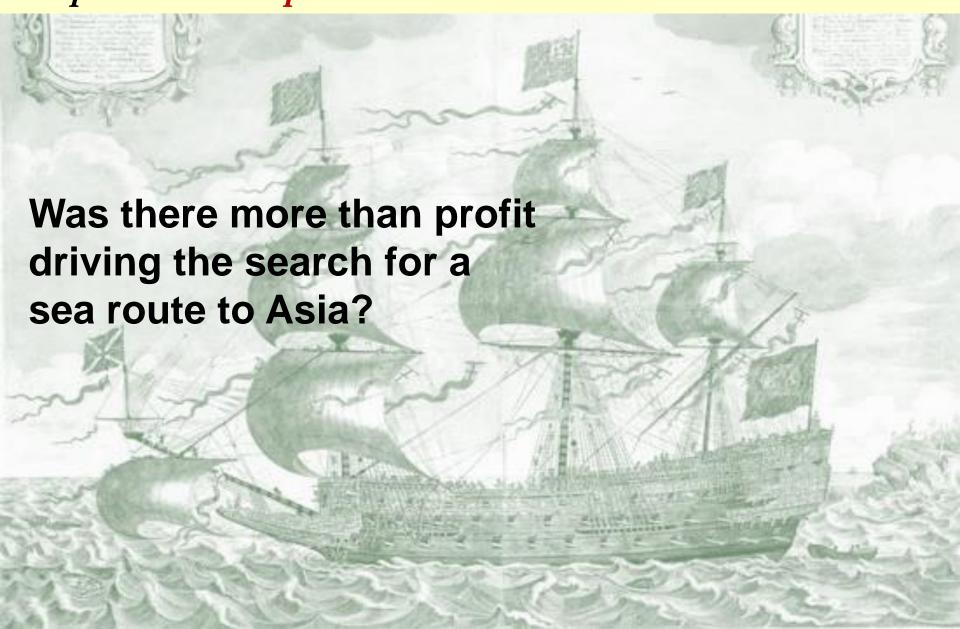
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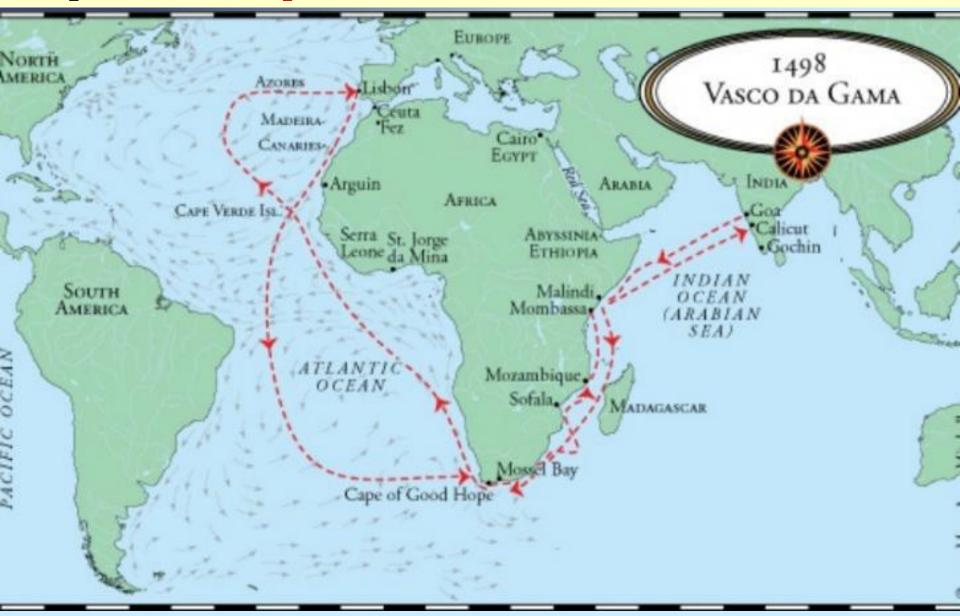
The Spice Trade

The price of pepper as it changed hands was enormous - costing 1 or 2 oz. of silver at the production point, it was 10 to 14 in Alexandria, 14 to 18 in Venice, and 20 to 30 in the consumer countries of Europe.

1500%

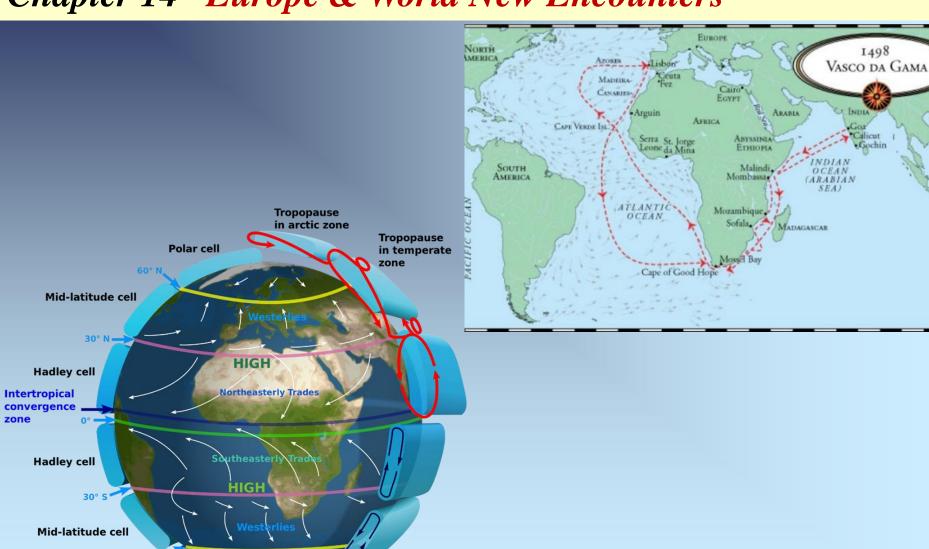
The Portuguese could buy spices at the source. Pepper could be sold in Europe for over 3 times the purchase prince. There were transport costs and the expense of maintaining patrol ships and forts but the Portuguese could make a 90% profit on their investment.

300% 90%



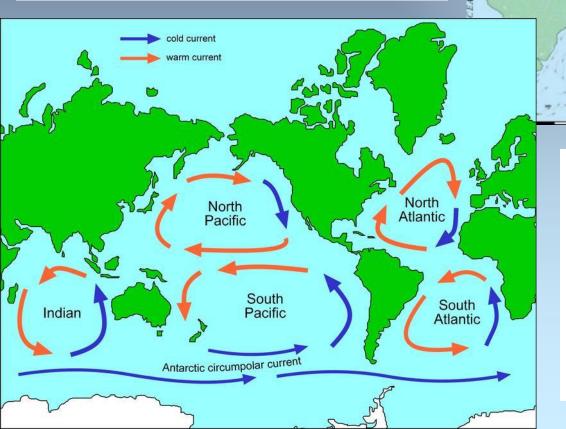
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Polar cell



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Portugal kept the Cape Route a "trade secret" for 100 years.



Current off coast of Africa is not strong (1 knot) but the ships only sailed at around 3 knots.

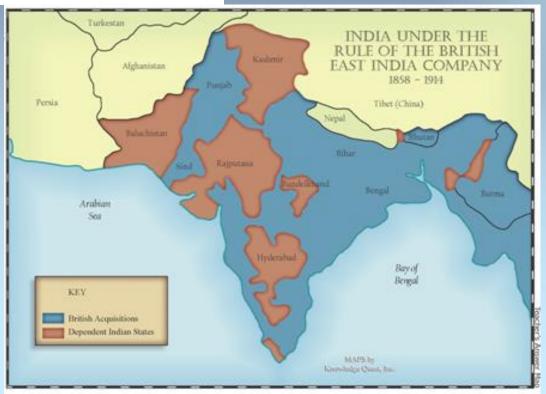
Mozambique.

1498 Vasco da Gama

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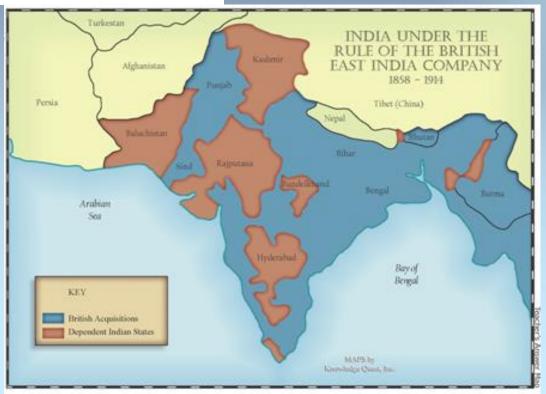
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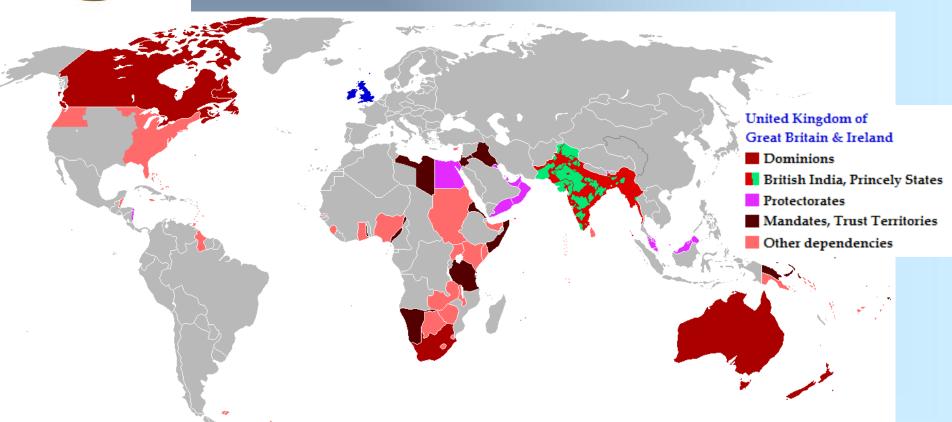
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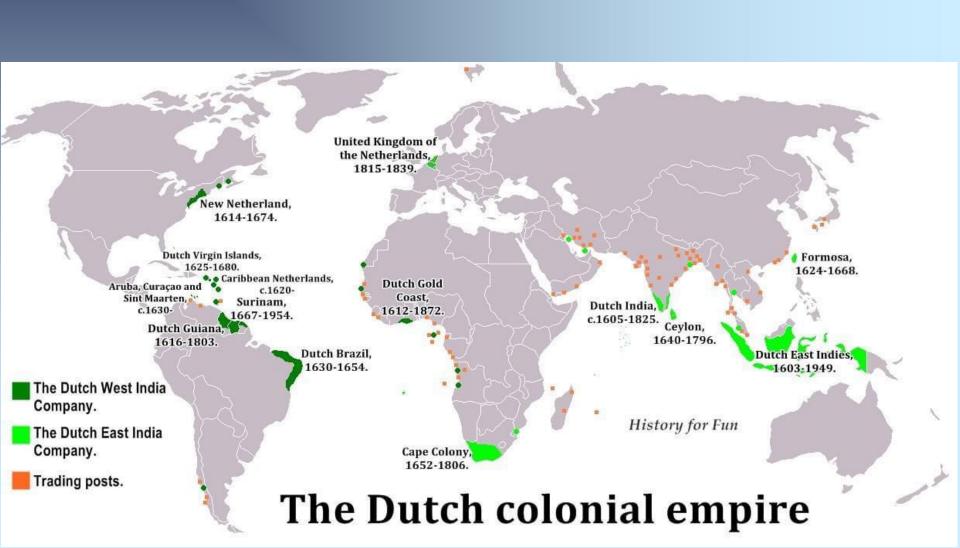


"The Spice must flow"

Dutch East Indies Company (VOC)

<u>Vereenigde Oostindische Compagnie</u>

- 1. Stock Company 1602
- 2. Power to wage war, imprison and execute convicts, negotiate treaties, strike its own coins, and establish colonies
- 3. Paid 18% dividend/year for almost 200 years



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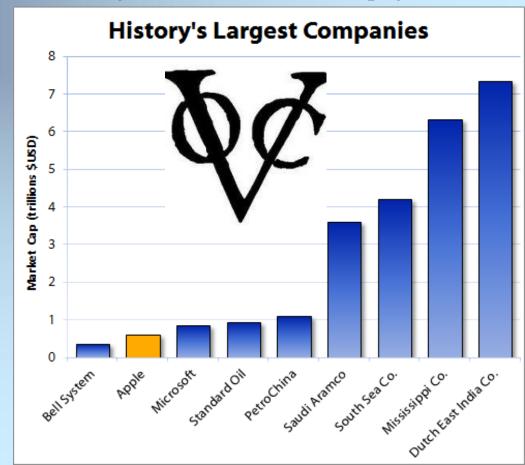
Private Joint-Stock Companies

East India Company (1600)



Dutch East India Company (1602)

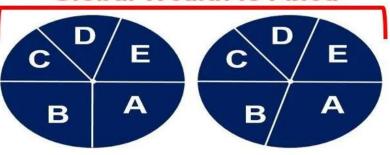
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Mercantilism

Global Wealth is Fixed



If country 'A' grows economically It will be at the expense of another



The pie is world GDP, and each country aims to get the biggest slice possible

What is Mercantilism?

A system of political and economic policy, evolving with the modern national state and seeking to secure a nation's political and economic supremacy in its rivalry with other states.

According to this system, money was regarded as the store of wealth, and the goal of a state was the accumulation of precious metals by exporting the largest possible quantity of its products and importing as little as possible, thus establishing a favorable balance of trade.





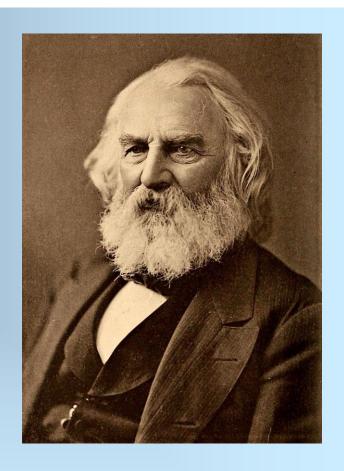
Christmas Bells

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Till ringing, singing on its way,
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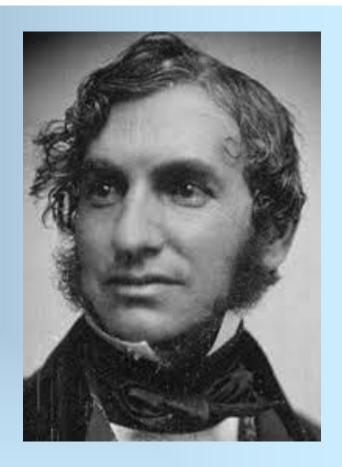
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Then from each black, accursed mouth
The cannon thundered in the South,
And with the sound
The carols drowned
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

It was as if an earthquake rent
The hearth-stones of a continent,
And made forlorn
The households born
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong,
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The Wrong shall fail,
The Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good-will to men."

Next Up... One More Day

