



ONCE UPON A TIME THE ROYAL FAMILY

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Every story that begins with " Once Up On Time", there was a king and a queen.

In Brazil it had King Dom João VI and Queen Carlota Joaquina.

EXTRA!EXTRA! The king fat and the queen mustached were not caricature.

March 8, 1998the day was born radiant in Guanabara bay , when bay entered the bay around 40 vessels,bringing about 10.000 people. This is the story of the arrival of the royal family in Rio de Janeiro.

This story has been told several times, turned best seller, turned into a ghasly, but we do not know why it had never been counted the way it really should be told.

When the royal family has the opportunity to abandonLisbon, it was done, it was obvious and evident.

Napoleão war machine associated with the army that had been able to beat the Prussian army, quickly approached Portugal, although the troops commanded by General Junot, who was a French, and the same even had been Ambassador of France in Portugal.

This same poorly armed, poorly-fed and poorly equipped troop is approaching Lisbon, the Portuguese court, whose Prince was the future Dom João VI, and whose queen was Dona Maria, named "Dona Maria the Crazy" Which really was.

You realize immediately that you no longer have the right to remain in Portugal, except as a prisoner.

Then embark quickly on one of the ships were already set, and had already been ordered by the court itself, and that were anchored in the port of the castle, on the river Tejo where it had even departed 308 years ago Pedro Álvares Cabral, from where all expeditions to the colonization of Brazil had departed.

These boats depart towards the New World.

And a new mument that begins in history, not only from Brazil, but in a certain way in the history of all Latin America and mankind as well.

For the first time in history a monarch of European royal blood, not only came to the New World, as would settle in it.

The first impression, not only of the court on Rio de Janeiro, but of Rio de Janeiro itiself was a total estrangement, because most of the women who were aboard the court landed in Brazil with their heads shaved because there had an epidemic of lice on board that forced them to shave their hair.

Many of the courtesans and woen of the high carioca Society, thought that was the new fashion of Europe and treated or shave their own hair or put a handkerchief in your head that you never saw the portuguese do.

In turn, the portuguese who disembarked found and concluded that Rio de Janeiro was, as in fact it was, the most filthy of he cities on the planet.

Rio de Janeiro today has this image of beautiful and gorgeous. Rio de Janeiro has always been very beautiful, but the physical landscape, the physical landscape of Rio de Janeiro, because the human and urban geography of Rio de Janeiro was horrifies, was filthy. The sewers have done it in the open.

But it was a dangerous, violent and dirty place. And that landing, it causes them a surprise, especially in Carlota Joaquina, who never liked her husband Dom João VI.

The two had married when they were ten and twelve years old. The wedding nighth of the ear of Dom João, and it almost kicks your ear off.

Dom João himself was an almost caricatural figure, it was really ugly. His face aroses from a vaulting of wrinkles, he had been poorly diagramed.

Only the two, both Carlota and Dom João, pass a history victimated by their physical characteristics, which do not cate the truth in the facts.

Dom João did a lot for Brazil.

Dom João greatly improved Rio de Janeiro.

Dom João was a progressive force, and that transformed Brazil not only United Kingdom to Portugal by changing the entire colonial state of Brazil, as gave us the botanical garden, the National Library, brought the French mission etc.

Already the Carlota Joaquina, who also passes the history as a witch, limp, horrious and mustached, passes to history as total enemy of Brazil, which she indeed was.

Except she was that in a very different context. Carlota Joaquina was Spanish, in which Portugal and Spain were always adversaries. Spain had undergone the Napoleonic game.

Then there was in the mind of Carlota Joaquina an imperial vision of becoming Queen of a vice royal platino, which had to do with Argentina and of certain Way had to do with Peru.

So she was acting according to ageopolitical view, from her perspective, was correct.

Dom João himself, who never endured much to Carlota, in a fake marriage that they had to keep, Dom João would be the only father of Dom Pedro, who would become the Dom Pedro I.

Dom Pedro I was despised by Carlota Joaquina, he spent his entire life searching for his mother's love and never had it. So a little of the father too, however Dom João VI projected whole strategic vision that would make him become the first Emperor of Brazil, when Dom João is forced to return to Portugal after all the period that lived in Brazil very productive for him, Brazil produced a lot of income, but much of the money generated in Portugal was sent to Brazil to

keep the monarch court that in the tropics. while the portuguese stayed there without their king under the command of an english man Marshal Beresford, who expelled Junot, who was looting for Portugal.

There is a king, a queen, court, has almost the asleep, the beautiful asleep is also the moment to wake up, because the only way to build a country is knowing history.