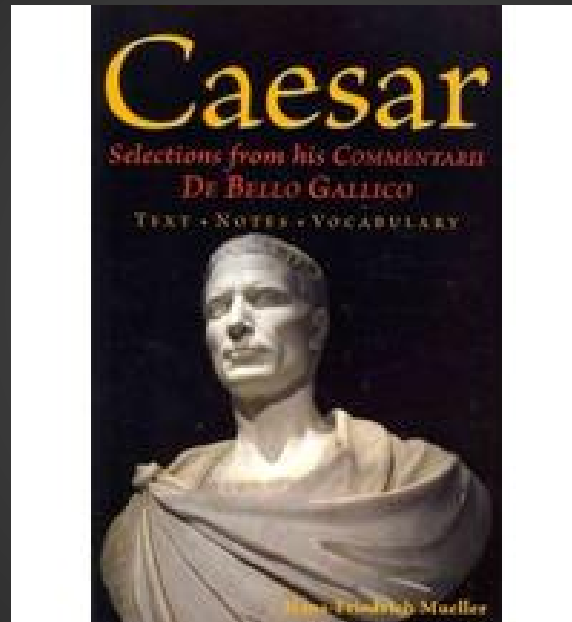


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Chapters 12-14



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Chapter 12: Caesar Confronts The Helvetii And Wins A Battle

- Saone (Arar) river flows through the Aedui and the Sequani territories, and into the Rhone river.
- The Helvetii were crossing the Saone river; three cantons had already crossed, while the fourth canton, called the Tigurine, was still on the other side.
- Caesar, with three legions, surprised and defeated the Tigurine in the Battle of the Saone. (June 58 BC) Those who survived fled to the nearest woods.
- The Tigurine had slain Lucius Cassius, the consul, and had made his army pass under the yoke in 107 BC.
- With the victory, Caesar avenged Cassius and Cassius's lieutenant, Lucius Piso (also slain by Tigurine), the grandfather of Lucius Calpurnius Piso, Caesar's father-in-law.

Chapter 13: The Helvetii Negotiate With Caesar But Refuse to Back Down

- After battle, the Romans built a bridge over the Saone river to catch up with the remaining Helvetii forces.
- The Helvetii sent an embassy led by Divico. He negotiated with Caesar that the Helvetii would settle wherever Caesar might wished them to if the Romans would make peace with them.
- However, if Caesar refuses, it would lead the two groups into war. Caesar must also recognize both the ancient disgrace of the Romans and the courage of the Helvetii from the battle in 107 BC (Tigurine vs Lucius Cassius's army).

Chapter 14: Caesar Replies With Harsh Demands Of His Own To the Helvetian Ambassadors

- Caesar replied to the negotiations by demanding the Helvetii to give the Romans hostages in order to give satisfaction to the Aedui after the Aedui experienced outrages which the Helvetii had committed against the Aedui, the Allobroges and their allies. Until then, Caesar would make peace with them.
- Divico replied that the Helvetii had been trained well by their ancestors that they were accustomed to receive hostages, not to give them. Thus, he withdrew from the Romans.

Map of Gaul at the Time of Caesar



Caesar's Campaign in Gaul Against the Helvetii (58 BC)

