A quick history of the Battle of Mourning Hollow.

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When the Vard arrived from the north they marched to take land. Trying to expand the borders from Skarsind, they pushed into Hercynia. The warriors who dwelt there, the predecessors of the Navarr, fought back hard against them. They had strong resources, powerful magics and good tactics but the Vard wore mail made by trolls and their axes and spear were also crafted by Trolls smiths.

They pushed the Navarr back to the forest's edge and started to encroach into Summersend. The Navarri were stronger in their forests, and used powerful Spring magics against their invaders. The Vard were prepared and they seemed to be able to resist the magics used against them and many Navarri died, the Vard warriors unstoppable in their ferociousness and their skill.

They would have taken Summersend if it wasn't for an Uskan mage, Severin the Black. He was master of Night and Winter magics and his coven were all masters of their field. With their magics they aided the Navarri forces, cursing the Vard and sapping their spirit and will.

With the magic spreading into Summersend it was her that that the battles were fought. Hundreds, thousands of troops died in this battlefield, until the Vard pulled back to the West, leaving Hercynia and too weak to defend Skarsind, losing it to the Steinr.

The Uskan mage, Severin, was not seen on this battle, but in the largest battle – the battle of Mourning Hollow, the Vard attacked his coven. His Son, Kazamir was killed in the battle and his head placed on a spike to scare him away.

Before he left, Severin used his magicks to curse Mourning Hollow, causing the dead to rise so that the Vard would never come back.

Severin was not heard of again for many years but was thought to be one of the group of mages who aided Alderei the Fair to oppose the First Empress.