

Hypothetical Battle

Date Played: Wednesday, 28 December 2005, start time 10:10 a.m., game ends 3:14 p.m. Run time 5 hours and 4 minutes.

Scenario: Two armies meet.

Game Length: No duration set

Victory Condition: Take the field from opposing forces.

Players: Alex in command of Carthaginian forces. Michael in command of the Persian forces.

Comments: A simple test play of the rules.

The game fun and play went well. We both were quite exhausted toward the end – making me want to speed play a tad. A few errors were discovered on the charts, and these will be corrected. Also, the armor values of units is going to be modified. It will be more complex, and I have avoided adding this layer of complexity, but it has become an increasingly obvious flaw with the system.

Victory by the Persian forces was largely due to successful morale checks and the lesser experienced forces of the Carthage.

Forces:

Stands							
	CARTHAGE					men	
12	Moorish Infantry					576	
12	Moorish Archers					384	
15	Spanish Swordsman					960	
8	Lybian Pikemen					512	
4	Carthaginian Cavalry					256	
4	Spanish Cavalry					256	
						2944	TOTAL MEN
	Persians						
10	Immortals					960	
11	Slings					352	
2	Light Cavalry					192	
9	Greek Mercenary Peltasts					288	
10	Greek Mercenary Hoplites					640	
						2432	TOTAL MEN
	manpower ratio:	1.210526	CARTHAGE AT THE ADVANTAGE				

Map & Deployment:

Deployment:

All units must deploy within 8" of the edge of the board.

All terrain is flat with an impassible river on the south edge of the board. There are also woods on the north edge of the board.

Turn 1 (10:10): Persia and Carthage have their forces lined. Carthage is in open order, Persia is in close order. Cavalry on both armies' left flank. Carthage skirmishers across entire front of infantry, Persian skirmishers on flanks of infantry.

Persian Morale = 10
Persian Losses = 0%

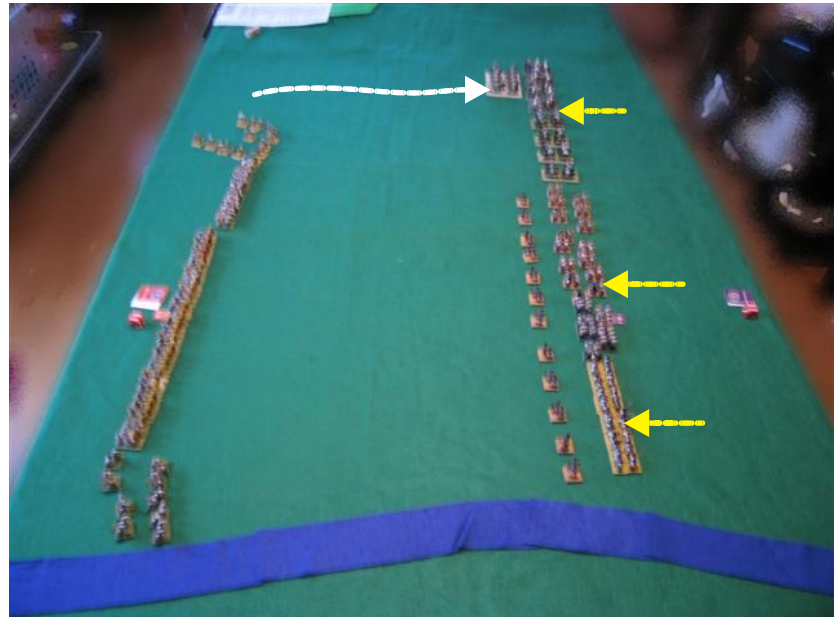
Carthage Morale = 10
Carthage Losses = 0%



Turn 2 (10:25): Both army commanders give an advance command. Persian cavalry in close order charge opposing cavalry in open order.

Persian Morale = 10
Persian Losses = 0%

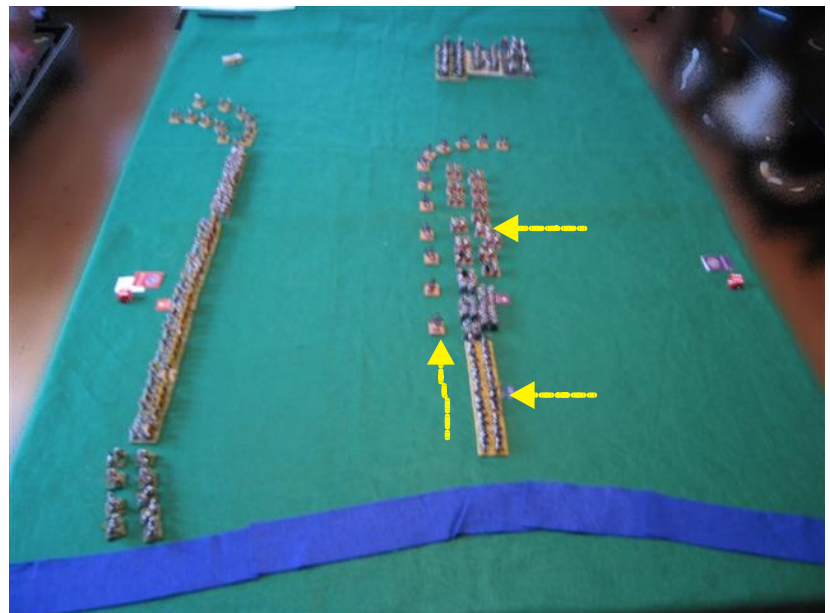
Carthage Morale = 10
Carthage Losses = 0%



Turn 3 (11:09): Persian cavalry are surrounded by opposing cavalry.

Persian Morale = 9
Persian Losses = 0.7%

Carthage Morale = 9
Carthage Losses = 0%



Turn 4 (11:24): Carthaginian forces halt and close order.

Persian Morale = 10
Persian Losses = 3.9%

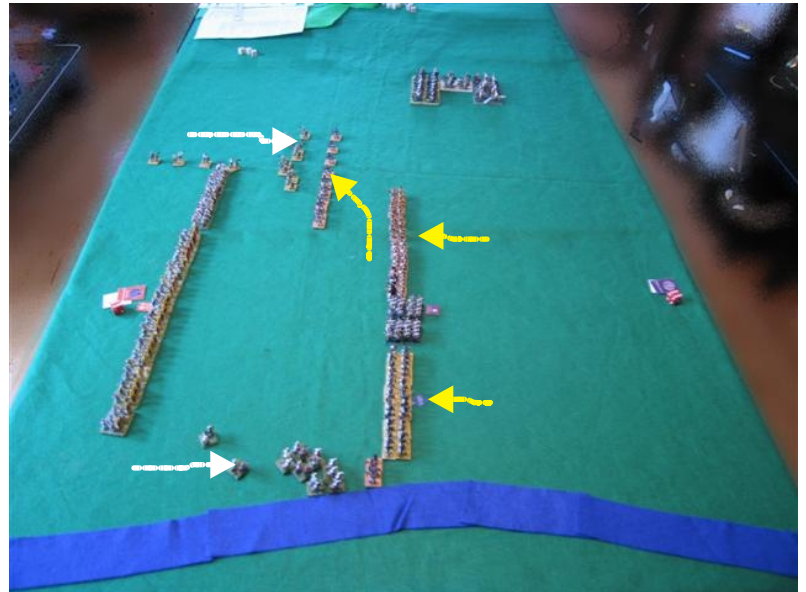
Carthage Morale = 9
Carthage Losses = 1.6%



Turn 5 (11:50): Units advance.

Persian Morale = 10
Persian Losses = 4.6%

Carthage Morale = 9
Carthage Losses = 1.6%



Turn 6 (12:25): Morale level of Carthage army prevents novice infantry from advancing.

Persian Morale = 10
Persian Losses = 6.6%

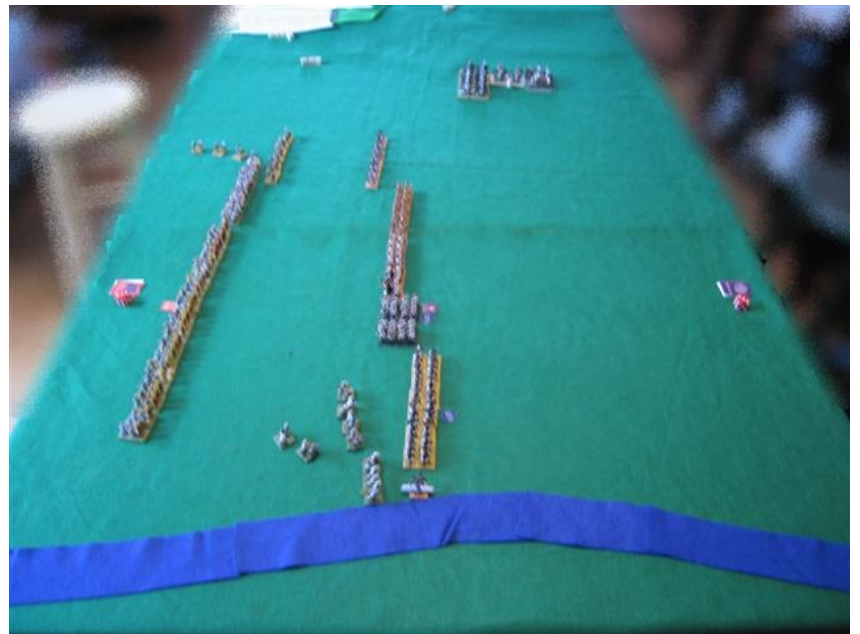
Carthage Morale = 8
Carthage Losses = 2.7%



Turn 7 (12:48): Cavalry slug it out. Lines hold waiting for morale to improve.

Persian Morale = 10
Persian Losses = 7.9%

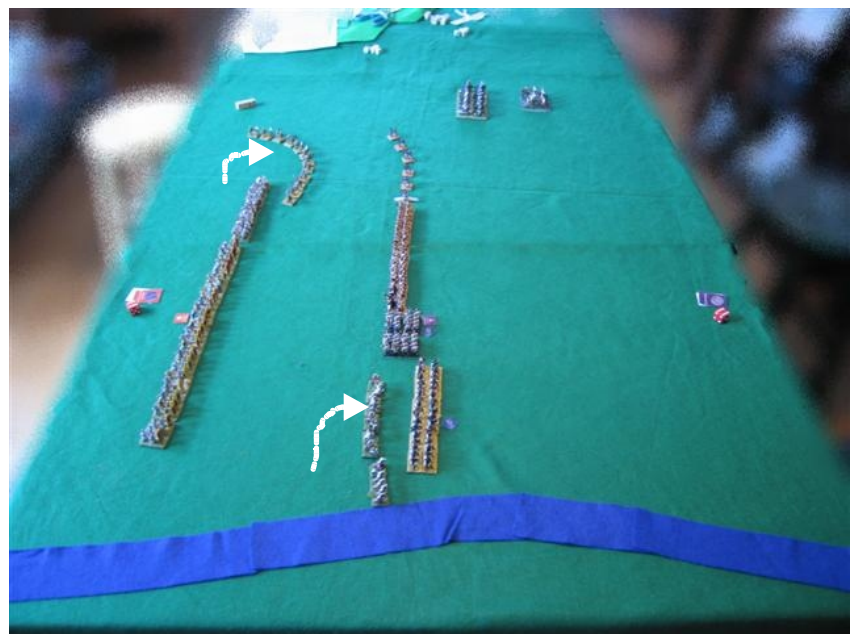
Carthage Morale = 8
Carthage Losses = 4.3%



Turn 8 (13:06): Persian cavalry are completely lost. Carthage continues struggle with morale and novice units.

Persian Morale = 8
Persian Losses = 7.9%

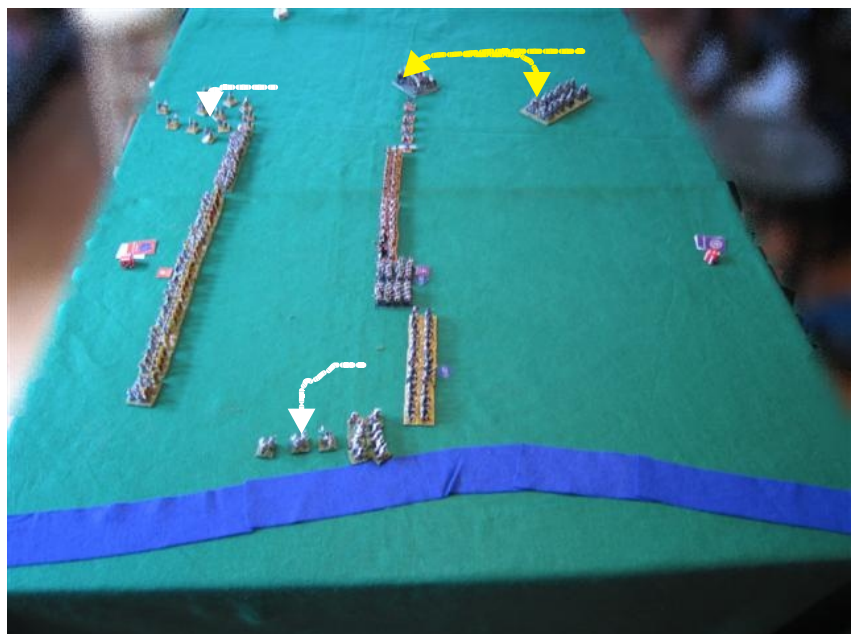
Carthage Morale = 6
Carthage Losses = 4.3%



Turn 9 (13:25): Carthage cavalry is on the move. Persian skirmishers do their best to protect the infantry flanks.

Persian Morale = 9
Persian Losses = 9.2%

Carthage Morale = 7
Carthage Losses = 7.1%



Turn 10 (13:35): Persian skirmishers keep hitting the novice Moorish units.

Persian Morale = 8
Persian Losses = 9.9%

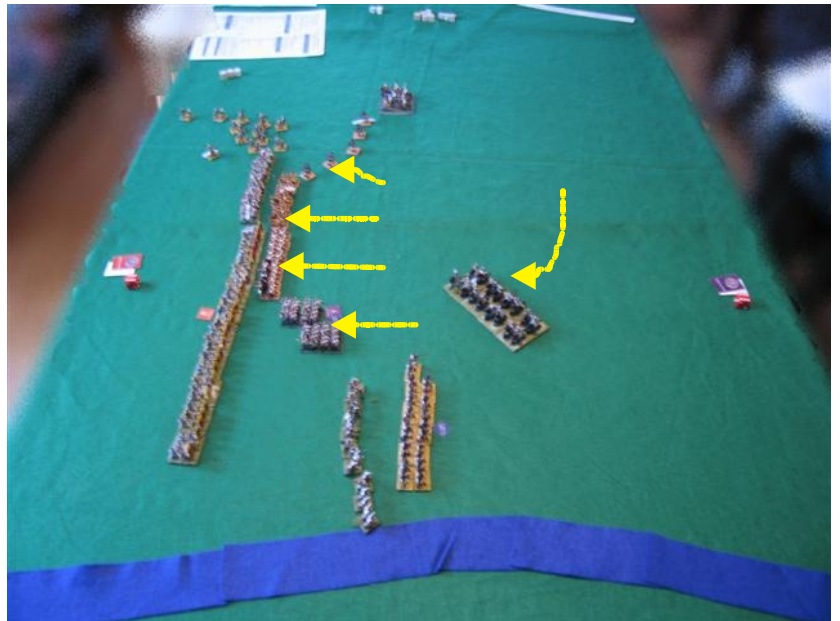
Carthage Morale = 7
Carthage Losses = 8.7%



Turn 11 (14:00): Carthage settles on the all or nothing charge.

Persian Morale = 8
Persian Losses = 9.9%

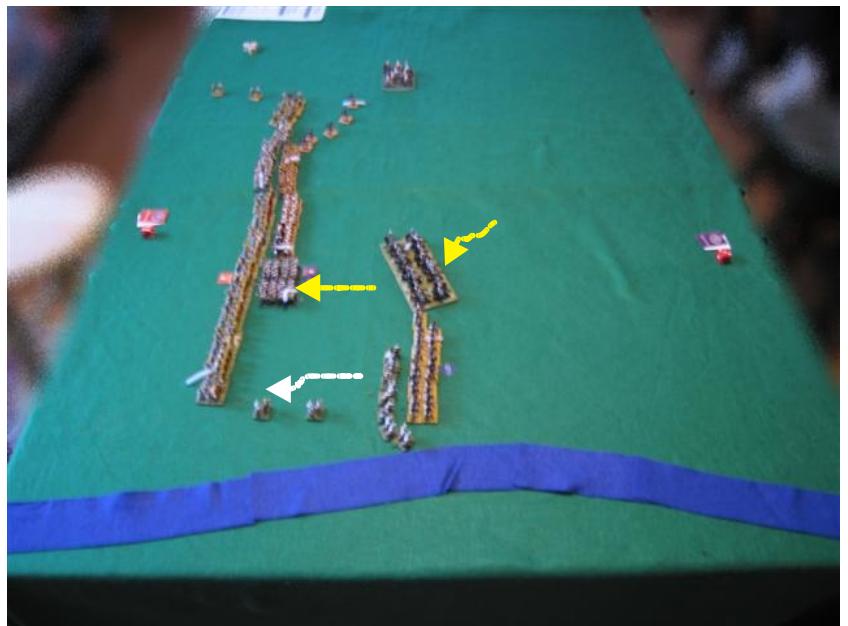
Carthage Morale = 7
Carthage Losses = 9.8%



Turn 12 (14:36): The lines are engaged. The losses are fairly even along the line, it is those Moorish infantry taking a pounding from the skirmishers on the right wing.

Persian Morale = 8
Persian Losses = 11.2%

Carthage Morale = 7
Carthage Losses = 10.9%



Turn 13 (15:05): Cavalry charge to assist in the offensive, but the Persian line is holding.

Persian Morale = 9
Persian Losses = 11.8%

Carthage Morale = 8
Carthage Losses = 14.1%



Turn 14 (15:14): Moorish infantry route, and Carthage player forfeits seeing little chance of victory.

Persian Morale = 8
Persian Losses = 13.2%

Carthage Morale = 6
Carthage Losses = 17.4%

