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Chapter 471 A Devastating Attack!

Lucifer was unleashing all the power he could against the Ants nest, but he found himself shocked time and time again as he saw the unscathed building built by the incredibly hard crystalized miasma, which could even be said to be Demonite on its utmost high-quality state. However, and rather thankfully, Lucifer was not alone.

Indeed, there was another fighter alongside him and Gero and the other Undead, Partner. She was not only able to wield Darkness, but Blood Magic, which was still in the Dark Spectrum, but not as much as others.

She quickly conjured thousands of Blood Blades one after the other, slicing through the Ants that began to attack with magic against her and Lucifer, the two resembled two very annoying wasps trying to eat as many ants as they could. The ants were panicking.

However... something suddenly emerged from the nest, and it had a humanoid shape this time... The enormous aura of a monster way above B+ Rank emerged, the entire surrounding suddenly became extremely cold, the aura of miasma we had sensed before was here once more. However, this time, we were all used to this bastard, and we had grown stronger.

Not only my Undead but Lucifer and Partner had leveled up almost twenty levels in the Bird Invasion Fight, their stats had skyrocketed a lot, and they seemed fearless. Stats in this world were everything, as long as you got higher or near equal stats than your foe, you've got your chances way higher than before.

"BBZZZ...!"

FLASH!

As the Worker Ants struggled, the Humanoid bastard quickly flew out of the tower and... flew directly towards us?!

"Not happening!"

FLUOSH!

Lucifer flapped his enormous wings, flying at an incredible, sonic speed. Easily breaking the barrier of sound and generating a deadly invisible shockwave, he reached the Abyssal Ant General and intercepted its body with his chest.

"Dragon Art: Orichalcum Scales!"

CLASH!

Suddenly, Lucifer unleashed an Art I had never see him use before! His entire body suddenly glowed as if he had turned into a statue made completely out of metal, and the powerful Ant General hit him and ended cracking its own fists!

"CRAAH?!"

The Ant gave out a surprised and flabbergasted sound. It's small head looked over the titan that Lucifer was in comparison, as his Art quickly wore off, showing his true appearance of a black scaled death dragon.

"Where are you aiming at?" Lucifer asked furiously. His enormous body suddenly moved faster than the Ant could predict from such a big body, his tails swept the ant, throwing it into the skies.

CLAAAASSSSHHH!

"BBZZ...!" The Ant's wings moved around in shock of the enormously strong hit it had to take, as Partner quickly emerged behind the Ant while it flew away from the shockwave generated by Lucifer's hit.

FLASH!

"I got you! Vampiric Blood Spear Arts: One Thousand Roses!"

Suddenly, Partner's spears began to move at an incredibly astonishing speed, flashing through the skies and generating countless of mirages. Each attack turned into a real one somehow, piercing through the ant's body while it remained in the middle of the air.

Its entire body began to receive countless wounds all across, as the Ant was so shocked by their newfound power that it continuously vomited blood in agony, shockwaves of chaos attempted to fight back but were promptly absorbed by Partner's living armor.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

"CRAAAHHHH...!"

The Ant General scream loudly declared its defeat, as Lucifer overkilled it by unleashing a deadly breath attack, turning the entire monster into ashes.

BOOOOMMM!!!

Wow, that was amazing.

The entire Ant was destroyed so easily! Leveling up really made them stronger. If they work together like this and don't let the Ant gain any momentum, they can easily defeat them between the two! The most dangerous aspect, the chaos powers it held were completely inhibited by Partner's living armor which is capable of eating the miasma itself, and Lucifer seems to be very resistant to it as well.

"Well done, but we are not done here yet...!"

"Yeah!"

Lucifer and Partner continued distracting the Ants, which continued coming out by a near endless amount. Meanwhile, Gero and the other Undead kept marching, with many of them sacrificing

themselves through my [Undead Detonation] and exploding in the process, managing to kill a few more Ants.

However, a large group of these Ants already noticed us conjuring this powerful magic, and were trying to get to us, so Lucifer and Partner had to stop them with everything they had. The battle was getting harder and harder with each passing second.

Meanwhile, Emeraldine seemed almost done with her incantation. The combined power of Laura, Takeshi, and my own Stats by 50% added into her own Stats through Laura's amazing [Twin Connection] went at full effect, as her hands suddenly summoned an enormous fishing rod made out of materialized light and nature magic, made completely out of wood.

The fishing rod shapeshifted, turning into a gigantic staff, amazingly so, and quickly began to absorb the power of all three of us, alongside her own spirits all into a big mix of enormous quantities of Mana.

FLASH!

Suddenly, Emeraldine grabbed her bow, holding the staff made out by magic which quickly shapeshifted into a long arrow, and then, she pointed it at the tower from afar.

"This better works..." She murmured to herself. "Divine Spirit Arts: Yggdrasil's Arrow!"

FLAAAASH!

The arrow flew across the skies, generating a shockwave that broke the barrier of sound, flying across the skies and slowly falling like a shining fallen star towards the tower made of crystalized miasma.

Lucifer and Partner quickly flew away while grabbing whatever Undead they could with themselves, right before an enormous explosion that turned everything around us into complete whiteness.

The arrow hit the tower, and then it exploded into thousands of roots which constantly grew bigger and bigger, until a whole ass tree grew in a matter of a split of a second. Without being able to bear the power of nature, life, and light, the entire ant nest and everything inside exploded.

BOOOOOOOMMMMM!!!

It was an amazing finisher, and it worked wonderfully!

We did it!

Chapter 472 [Purifier Of Chaos]!

The entire tower made by crystalized Miasma was destroyed! Reduced to smithereens! Probably everything inside as well, because the only thing I noticed after the loud explosion were the countless bodies of many ants spread over the grassy floor below. Perhaps some might had escaped, but I sent my flying Undead to catch them and then bombard them with their own bodies. Eventually, I believe we at least reduced 99% of their numbers.

Honestly I can't believe my insane idea somehow worked, but I guess you never truly know until you try! And well, it truly worked at the end, although we all ended super tired.

"Phew..."

Emeraldine and the rest of our group ended lying over the floor, almost dead. I was also very tired, overusing my own Mana to such a ridiculous extent made me extremely dizzy, the feeling of dizziness that I get by leveling up didn't made it any better, although seeing the level go up so nicely this day really put a smile on my face anyways...

Ding!

[You and your Party slain [Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion Worker (B- Rank)] x306]

[Your and your Party slain [Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion Eggs (D- Rank)] x1029]

[You and your Party slain [Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion General (A- Rank)] x1]

[Calculating EXP Earned...]

[You earned 13769000!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 19 to Level 20!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 20 to Level 21!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 21 to Level 22!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 22 to Level 23!]

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[Your Level has increased from Level 28 to Level 29!]

[All Your Stats have increased]

[You earned Bonus System Points!]

[A few Skills have leveled up!]

[You learned the [Mana Transfer: Lv1] Support Skill!]

[You acquired the [Purifier of Chaos: Lv1] Title Skill!]

[Mana Transfer: Lv1]

A Skill that only those who have acquired incredible Mana Quantities, capable of transferring over a million units of MP are capable of learning. By activating this Skill, the ability to transfer Mana to a target becomes incredibly smooth, the amount of Mana Transferred is also purified into a rich, element-less mana that anybody can absorb.

Usually, some Mana is lost while transferring it to a target, but now 50% of that Mana can be recovered, with an extra bonus of +5% with each Skill Level. Additionally, any target that receives Mana from the user obtains a bonus to their own Magic Power which enhances their Magic Damage Dealt by +20% with each Skill Level.

[Purifier of Chaos: Lv1]

A special Title that only those who have purified incredible quantities of Miasma can acquire. It passively enhances all Damage Dealt to Chaos-type and Miasma-type Entities by +50%, with an additional +10% Bonus with each Title Skill Level. Additionally, the purification of Miasma becomes incredibly easy, and areas once infected by Miasma can be purified through the special [Purification] Ability that the user can automatically conjure by owning this Title. [Purification] increases in power by +20% with each Title Skill Level.

Woah... Not only I gained nine levels, but I even acquired two brand new Skills, and they're amazingly useful at that as well! With the new Mana Transfer I will be able to easily transfer my Mana to my friends, and with the wonderful Purifier Of Chaos even I have become a Saintess!

What the heck? I didn't even knew such a Title existed though. Now I can conjure a special Skill named [Purification] to purify things from Miasma... Isn't that a bit too much for a Ghost though? It is like the

complete opposite of what I should be all about. Maybe I might end up hurting myself if I use this Ability...

And well, my Stats skyrocketed once more as well, heheh...

[Name]: [Maria Fuentes Belles]

[Status]: [Strengthened, Cursed]

[Race]: [Beelzebub]

[Job]: [Dark Shadow Spectral Death Spirit Queen]

[Level]: [19/80] -> [28/80]

[EXP]: [1169000/1900000]

[Rank]: [A++]

[HP]: [68000/68000] -> [86000/86000]

[MP]: [182000/182000] -> [218000/218000]

[Attack]: [31500] -> [45000]

[Defense]: [33500] -> [47000]

[Magic]: [172000] -> [208000]

[Agility]: [68000] -> [86000]

[Aether]: [100]

[System Points]: [352000]

[Soul Grimoire Abilities]: [Creation], [Deletion], [Transfer], [Enhance]

[Characteristic Skills]: [Ultimate Skill: Yog-Sothoth] [Unique Skill: Supreme Magic] [Unique Skill: System] [Unique Skill: Goddess] (Sealed) [Undead: Lv--] [Dark Element: Lv--] [Death Element: Lv--] [Poison Element: Lv--] [Illusion Element: Lv--] [Elemental Spirit: Lv--] [Fiend Language: Lv10] [Shadow Transportation: Lv7] [Abyssal Body: Lv10] [Supernatural Senses: Lv10] [Poison Body: Lv9] [Plague Body: Lv4] [Abyss Eater: Lv3]

[Resistance Skills]: [Status Effect Immunity: Lv--] [Greater Magic Damage Resistance: Lv6] [Darkness Resistance: Lv10] [Fear Resistance: Lv10] [Elemental Resistance: Lv9] [Poison/Toxin/Venom Absorption: Lv-] [Erosion Resistance: Lv4] [Holy Light Resistance: Lv1]

[Physical Skills]: [Phantasmal Grasp: Lv7] [Masterful Stealth: Lv5] [Cursed Abyssal Blade Arts: Lv2] [Barbaric Dark Axe Arts: Lv2] [Phantasmal Limbs: Lv6] [Fist Strike: Lv7] [Piercing Spear Attack: Lv4]

[Magical Skills]: [Greater Curse: Lv6] [Life Absorption: Lv7] [Phantasmal Puppeteer: Lv2] [Dark Sun: Lv5] [Dark Storm: Lv5] [Abyssal Spear Arrow: Lv3] [Abyssal Barrier: Lv3] [Abyss Manipulation: Lv3] [Black Lightning Strike: Lv3] [Transfiguration of Death: Lv2] [Soul Devourer: Lv2] [Undead Detonation: Lv9] [Shadow Thread: Lv8] [Disease and Poison Creation: Lv7] [Pandora's Box: Lv9] [Shadow and Death Domain: Lv9] [Gorgon's Five Cursed Eyes: Lv7] [Gorgon's Transformation: Lv7] [Chaotic Dark Meteor: Lv4] [Dungeon Manipulation: Lv1] [Abyssal Demon Transformation: Lv2] [Illusory Delusion: Lv4] [Mind Bending: Lv4] [Insect Manipulation: Lv3] [Miasmic Essence Manipulation: Lv4] [Gate of the Underworld: Lv2]

[Support Skills]: [Shadow Storage: Lv10] [Death Restoration: Lv2] [Erase Presence: Lv10] [Summon: Lv7] [Spirit Summon: Lv4] [Aura of Famine: Lv9] [Embodiment: Lv2] [Cooking: Lv4] [Hunting: Lv4] [Split

Thinking: Lv8] [Mental Mapping: Lv6] [Phantasmal Stomach: Lv8] [Farming: Lv3] [Alchemy: Lv2] [Mining: Lv1] [Dismantle: Lv1] [Taming: Lv1] [Mana Transfer: Lv1]

[Title Skills]: [The Dark Witch: Lv7] [Dungeon Conqueror: Lv4] [Big Game Slayer: Lv9] [Taboo Mark: Lv8] [Bringer of Misfortune: Lv10] [Undead Queen: Lv9] [Evil of the World: Lv7] [Pickpocket: Lv7] [Apprentice Swordsman: Lv8] [Apprentice Axe Warrior: Lv6] [Apprentice Spear User: Lv1] [Apprentice Thread User: Lv5] [Spirit Queen: Lv4] [Spirit Mediator: Lv4] [Poison Queen: Lv5] [Merciless Assassin: Lv4] [God of Light Nemesis: Lv4] [Shameless Degenerate: Lv3] [Opportunistic Buyer: Lv4] [Plague Slayer: Lv5] [Gluttonous Eater: Lv5] [Saint of Death: Lv4] [Deceiver: Lv2] [Undead Slayer: Lv3] [Slime Slayer: Lv2] [King Slayer: Lv3] [Dungeon Master: Lv1] [Dungeon Destroyer: Lv1] [Queen of Flies: Lv2] [Sin of Gluttony: Lv2] [Mold Breaker: Lv3] [Sacrilegious Existence: Lv1] [Vampire Slayer: Lv1] [Little Farmer: Lv3] [Bookworm: Lv2] [Clandestine Brewer: Lv2] [Greedy Miner: Lv1] [Butcherer: Lv1] [Gotta Catch Them All!: Lv1] [Mythical Beast Slayer: Lv1] [Purified Of Chaos: Lv1]

[Divine Protections]: [Hel's Divine Protection]

Ooh, this is really nice now... I got over 200k MP! I will get to a million eventually, eventually! But for now... Oh? I see, so I earn 10k MP with each Level Up, right?

[That's right. You gain an additional +1000 System Points with each Skill Level Up, the bonus is smaller though.]

I see... That's useful. Although I am quite prideful I didn't need to use my plot armor- I mean, my System Points to resolve a problem.

[You're really taking this lightly... But I am also quite relieved you didn't need to use them.]

Oho?! So you're caring for me now?

[Okay, I won't talk to you any longer.]

Eh?! Wait! Don't get angry!

Chapter 473 Time To Purify This Place!

I tried to calm down the System but he was quite the grumpy little guy. At the end I wasn't able to do much for him, but at least he was still sometimes answering my questions. I guess I'll have to see what I can do. He's strangely very annoying with his personality. He's worse of Tsundere than Lucifer himself, the prideful dragon... He's supposed to be a nice and serviceable System, but he just gets angry over anything. He really just needs to chill out a little bit at the very least... Well, whatever's the case, I should get up.

As I got up from the ground, I noticed Emeraldine, Takeshi, and Laura, who were all sleeping. They passed out by all the enormous pressure of the giant spell we unleashed. The amount of Mana they had to control was immense, so I guess it makes sense they feel so terribly tired. The day was already ending in here, so I suppose it was better to spend the night, get down to the next floor in the dungeon, and then out of here. I can already guess there'll be a big boss later, so we need to properly prepare.

The distance from here to the next floor seems very long, and I can already calculate that the monsters down there can't get up here so easily, if they were just beginning to make a tower here and then just sent their first Ant Parasite to the first floor with the Mole King, it probably means they are still scouting the area, a night where we can sleep and recover so we can go down there shouldn't be an issue. At most, we'll get interrupted by an army of ants in the morning... but that only means even more bags of EXP for us!

"Anyways, you guys must be tired, let's make a camp here for now."

I quickly unpacked a tent and other things, and even put to boil some stew, which I added some medicinal herbs so it could bring them back to full soon. And while leaving a pack of Phantom Clones watching over them as they slept inside the big tent I had bought and built some time ago, I moved towards Lucifer and Partner, finding them inspecting the area.

"Hey! How's things going? We won!" I said happily.

"Yeah, that was insane..." Lucifer flew down into the ground, quickly turning back into his humanoid form. "I think I skipped a beat when I saw that attack, Emeraldine really did something incredible there... With enough Mana, people can really do insane things..."

"T-That was so amazing!" Partner flew to my side. "If we didn't moved in time we would had most likely gotten turned into ashes though!"

"Yeah, I guess you're right... Sorry for not having told you to move away beforehand." I sighed. "But it looked like you guys were very busy dealing with the incoming ants, so that seemed to be quite a difficult task."

"Well what matters is that we lived to tell the tale." Lucifer said. "But I am fairly sure we are not done yet, come here, we found something while looking around."

"Yeah, look! Here!" Partner and Lucifer quickly guided me where the tower of the ants was located some minutes ago, there was a massive hole where the entire scorched dirt was, which led to an underground tunnel. The ants were most likely there as well.

"I can't feel any life forms there, it seems Emeraldine's attack reached down there and it easily destroyed it all, though there's no pretty tree left behind the tree itself blow up to cause this much damage. The power most likely spread through every tunnel." Lucifer said.

"Ah... So even if we took down the damn tower, this thing would had remained, I guess we did it well by going for an all-out attack." I said while nodding.

Quickly after, I noticed many dropped items spread around, mostly ores, sometimes ant-themed equipment such as Ant Soldier Ring and even Abyssal Ant Necklace, which granted some enhancement to magic, but seemed to be rather weak so they were not worth much. And because they were imbued with miasma, they probably cannot be used by conventional crafters to be repurposed into new items.

Nonetheless, I could either use them as snacks to recover MP or repurpose them myself, as someone immune to Miasma, and use them for new equipment that will be more worth it. I picked everything up, until we reached the underground caves. In there, we found what Partner and Lucifer were talking about.

Countless caverns filled to the brim with purple, red, and black crystals. All of them were... indeed, Demonite. It was a low quality one, but this wasn't simply growing naturally. It felt rather artificial.

"Demonite? Here? I thought it could only be truly made if someone tampered over miasma..." I said.

"Well yeah, the Worker Ants seem to be able to do just that. they're an entire Race of monsters that not only have adapted to Miasma and use it to grow powerful, but it is also their tastiest dish. Like how normal ants plant fungus these creatures shape miasma and use their secretions to crystallize it so they can eat it later." Said Lucifer.

"Woah, so like... Miasma Honey, literally?" I asked in surprise.

"More or less, it is a similar process." Said Lucifer.

"Ahhh, just being here kind of gives me the chills, all these crystals are filled to the brim with miasma! It could easily bring an entire nation to their ruin if someone used them for some nefarious purpose... Imagine what would the dwarves do if they find this?!" Asked Partner.

"Demonite is an incredible ore due to its highly volatile composition and the immense quantity of power it has. If we let society find such big mines of Demonite, they'll probably only use it for something bad. Even the dwarves are not an exception." Lucifer said.

"I see... We better take away all of this and purify the place, and I've got the perfect Skill for that!"

Chapter 474 Mining Several Items

Demonite was a precious material, but the dangerousness it had was too much for us. Although I would have wanted to keep this mine for myself and see it grow over time so I can get as much as I want, as they're an interestingly tasty snack for someone like me, I decided to mine it all using [Mining] and my pickaxe, storing most of it for my own research and the usage of materials for high ranked Undead, who seem to all need some sort of high magic power material such as Demonite to work. I even saw

"Demonic Monsters" in the Soul Grimoire's later pages, so in the future I might even be able to bring out powerful Demonic creatures even stronger than Undead, which is slightly frightening!

CLANK!

Crash!

However, at the third area I was mining, my pickaxe broke.

"Ah, shit..."

Demonite was an incredibly hard material, using the pickaxe alone won't do, it easily broke, and that's considering it is made of an extremely hard and condensed metallic material. Will I need to make a pickaxe out of mithril or something to get the Demonite by my own?

"Using the pickaxe might seem fun but let's hurry up for now."

CLAAAASH!

Lucifer's enormous fist clashed against the walls, the Demonite shattered and broke into tiny pieces one after the other. I guess we really didn't had any time to play Minecraft for now... Ugh, I wanted to be the Queen of the Cave though!

"I guess you're right." I sighed, quickly shaping my own hands into giant pickaxes, and then materializing them into the hardest material I could turn my own phantom, resembling the hard as metal material of my own nails and bones.

CLANK! CLANK! CLANK!

I began hitting the walls with Lucifer at my side, as he was suddenly surprised I was now doing this with my own body. The Demonite easily began breaking down into pieces and I used Inventory to automatically store them the moment they fell down into the floor one after the other.

"Inventory!"

Ding!

[Items have been dismantled]

[You acquired]:

[Purple Demonite Crystal (A Grade)] x42

[Red Demonite Crystal (B Grade)] x30

[Black Demonite Crystal (S Grade)] x12

It seemed like the Black ones were the highest purity of miasma, while the red were the lowest and the purple in the middle... Nonetheless, even the lowest purity was still a B Grade Ore, that was amazing by itself. If they weren't so toxic for life itself they would make for some amazing equipment for anybody... Well, I can still use them to shit over my foes with Miasma itself. I bet even those Vampires would panic if I took out a sword made out of Demonite and slash their chest with it, heheh...

Like that, we continued mining and mining, until two hours have passed and we ended mining an enormous quantity of Demonite. In the way, we also found some interesting herbs that were growing in these areas, and mushrooms, both of them were adapted to the Miasma and thrived in such environment rich in this corrupt and evil essence.

"Look at this weird herb, Master!" Partner brought me yet another new herb. This one looked absolutely menacing, with the shape resembling an octopus but made out of black leaves, it had a very hard stem, almost as hard as stone

"Ohoo! This one's named Black Shredder..." I said in surprise. "What the heck with that name- Uwah!"

Suddenly, the herb that Partner pulled out moved on its own, its leaves shaped into sharp blades and they tried to shred my hands into pieces. Now that's really painful... Well, it would. Thankfully that doesn't work for me.

"It seems that my view of Miasma is slowly changing, I never expected things such as plants and mushrooms to thrive with Miasma, but I guess that if things such as Ants do, maybe any living being could eventually adapt, or only those that are very hardy." Lucifer analyzed.

"Yeah, I mean... Maybe." I said while nodding. "I might be able to consume all these products because I am immune to Miasma, but it is kind of sad nobody else can benefit from it."

"Well, the stronger you grow the better." Said Lucifer. "Wait, can't I consume it too? And Takeshi and Laura as well?"

"Oh... Right." I said with surprise.

"Then a lot of people can consume it!" Partner said. "I remember that Takeshi and Laura still get some fevers from time to time, their bodies are still having a hard time adapting. Maybe if you make them some potion out of these herbs they could get better? After all, perhaps what they need is Miasma, which they have not been able to take from anywhere."

"Oh... do you suggest that they might be like these ants to an extent, Partner?" I wondered.

"Kind of... I mean, aren't they? If they need Miasma to live and need to eat it and all... I am sure they should love it and grow bigger. But some experimentations should be done first, so we don't commit a mistake." Partner was showing her growth as she seemed more and more mature while speaking. And even more, she had grown to be very careful and also intelligent in what she speaks. Although she has good ideas, she never forces me into them.

"Sounds good." Said Lucifer. "Nom..."

Lucifer suddenly ate a whole black mushroom and chewed it.

"Hmm... It tastes awful, like boiled trash and mud..." Lucifer swallowed it.

After waiting five minutes, nothing bad seemed to have happened.

With this we have more than confirmed he's immune to miasma, and...

FLASH!

"Oh!" Lucifer suddenly felt his aura of darkness growing slightly stronger. "These mushrooms are amazing! They somehow made me slightly stronger... Maybe we should try cultivating them in secret..."

"Ahahaha... I don't know about that, but I'll see what I can do!"

And like that, we moved back to the camp, finding the stew made out of medicinal herbs already boiling. It was time to have some nice dinner.

Chapter 475 A Ghost That Can Purify?!

(Some Minutes ago...)

"[Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]!
[Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]!
[Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]! [Purification]!"

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

From my hands, the flash of holy light of purification came out. Something I never thought I would be able to wield! Me! A ghost! I can use Holy Magic now!

...Well, not really, it is this only Ability, tied to a Title, so I can't use Holy Magic actually. However, it works wonders anyways, easily purifying the Miasma in the underground until nothing remained but normal stones!

"Amazing... I never thought you could learn something like this as a ghost!" Lucifer said.

"It is part of a Skill I acquired. Didn't you guys get anything similar named [Purifier Of Chaos]?" I wondered, as the two quickly checked their Status.

"Oh, I got it as well..." Lucifer said.

"M-Met too?" Partner said.

"Then try it out with me!" I said, as the two timidly tried to say Purification.

"[PURIFICATION]!"

FLASH! FLASH!

Two flashes of light came out of their hands, which quickly flew into the cave and purified it slightly. It was smaller and weaker than mine, but they still had its power! Amazing, so not only Titles increase stuff passively, but they can even grant special abilities that usually we shouldn't be able to use normally. Maybe there could be other skills out there that could grant special abilities as well.

Maybe if I defeat a True Dragon I could get a Dragon Slayer or something, and gain Dragon Scales or Dragon Breath Ability... Wouldn't that be nice~?

"Huh? Why are you looking at me so weirdly?" Asked Lucifer, finding my stare rather creepy.

"Heheheh..."

"Eh? You're getting creepy again!"

After our small talk there and after finishing to purify the entire place down to the last pebble, we moved back to the camp. Emeraldine and the twins were still sleeping, and the little Wyvern Baby and the Phoenix Onyx were watching over them while resting around the bonfire. They didn't fought this time, but they leveled up by being part of our party I believe.

Although that little wyvern doesn't let me look at his status. Seriously, does he has a special skill he was born with to not let me see it? It is a bit mysterious... Especially that one Cursed Eyes I saw him use in the fight against the Phoenix as well. Well, he seems pretty clueless when I look at him, so he's sure not all the things I am imagining.

But if he is...

"Graoh?!" The Wyvern suddenly felt my menacing aura, quickly waking up and looking at me alarmedly.

He looked so innocent and small that it melted my heart. I am sorry for scaring you little guy.

"Ah, there's no way you're evil..." I sighed, petting his head.

The wyvern seemed to sigh in relief

As I attended the stew and saw that most of it was done, I looked into my Inventory, checking the new goodies I have acquired:

[Category: Ores/Stones/Jewels/Herbs/Mushrooms/Element: Miasma]

[Purple Demonite Crystal (A Grade)] x734

[Red Demonite Crystal (B Grade)] x1023

[Black Demonite Crystal (S Grade)] x305

[Black Shredder Herb (C Grade)] x42

[Blood Crimson Herb (C Grade)] x23

[Demonic Eye Fruit (B Grade)] x11

[Black Atomic Mushroom (B Grade)] x64

[Abyssal Mushroom (A Grade)] x22

Woah, all these items look menacing, even the herbs and the mushroom look like they were harvested straight out of the depths of hell...

Alright, let's check them out one by one~!

[Purple Demonite Crystal (A Grade)]

Demonite of the Purple Color. Its high concentration of Miasma is rather obvious as its color slowly turns blacker. It is a special ore made up by the crystallization of Miasma through the artificial secretion of venom from the jaws of Legion Ants. Other means can be used to create them, such as their natural

growth from Evil God Fragments. Highly volatile and dangerous, merely touching such an ore can cause cancer to a person that is not strong enough to withstand its power.

[Red Demonite Crystal (B Grade)]

Demonite of the Red Color. It is the lowest quality Demonite as its concentration of pure Miasma is not as high. It still a rather dangerous ore to handle, and special equipment is required to be used if the user doesn't want to be poisoned by its toxicity. At this state, it can be purified using special means and turned into other, mysterious Ore.

[Black Demonite Crystal (S Grade)]

Demonite of the Black Color. The Demonite with the highest concentration of Miasma there is. It is clear on its grade that this is incredible dangerous material. Merely looking at it from a near area might inflict poison and kill people on the spot. This monstrous item can only be handled by special means or powerful enough beings capable of either absorb miasma or be immune to it altogether. Its usage can bring complete disaster to the world, and chaos might spread to every corner, bringing the prophesied Ragnarök that the Evil God desired since he was split into pieces by the other Gods.

Wow, so touching Demonite just gives you cancer?! Holy shit... That's dangerous. Well, I am sure Partner is alright, and the rest as well, I had checked them beforehand and they were all healthy. Maybe they are slowly getting a resistance to Miasma anyways, or something else... But for now I better not take them out of my own Inventory. They better stay there for the time being, they're a bit too dangerous to be going around with such things leisurely...

However, the Black Demonite description was the longest, and the most lore-heavy of them all. It said stuff as bringing chaos to the world, the prophesied Ragnarök and even mentioned the damn Evil God in

all of this, that one guy that got split into pieces and sealed when he went on a war against the other Gods of this world.

Is that the ultimate purpose of Demonite? Damn...

Chapter 476 Collecting A Large Assortment Of Materials

Aside from the Demonite, I had more to see, such as the three plants and the two other mushrooms. The herbs were only C Grade, while the mushrooms were B Grade and above. I can't believe Lucifer just ate one like nothing when they're obviously highly poisonous. He's really a bit crazy sometimes.

[Black Shredder Herb (C Grade)]

A black plant with the shape of an octopus. It is incredibly venomous and toxic to digest, and it has a bitter and annoyingly spicy taste. It is also incredibly vicious, shaping its leaves as blades to slice anything that gets closer or touches it. It might possess some sort of Miasma within it, which it uses to nourish itself. Could be used for Alchemy, but nobody has ever tried processing it. Not poisonous as long as it is not digested, as it doesn't emanate Miasma.

[Blood Crimson Herb (C Grade)]

A red plant with the shape of a heart. It palpitates eerily whenever it feels something getting closer, and whenever a monster tries to take a bite, a bitter and burning blood-like liquid will come out, burning the face of anything that tries to take a bite. It has a horrid taste and is highly poisonous. It possess a lot of Blood Attribute Essence.

In the past, it was rarely processed by Vampires into a special wine they seemed to love, which could even replace Blood they required to live to an extent. However, due to its rarity, it cannot be easily found and once pulled from the ground, it will die in a matter of hours unless it is somehow placed inside a space where time is stopped.

[Demonic Eye Fruit (B Grade)]

A strange and bizarre fruit that pops up from black stems inside areas with a lot of Miasma. They resemble menacing demonic eyes and have a very sweet flavor, yet they're poisonous and can kill someone that eats more than one. It can cause hallucinations and even death by cardiac arrest. The sweetness it possess is genuine, as it has high levels of sugar. If processed and purified from its poison, it could become an incredible delicacy. However, not many have managed, and those that did had their methods lost in time.

[Black Atomic Mushroom (B Grade)]

A monstrously big Mushroom that irradiates a horrendous and poisonous smell. It is incredibly venomous to the point anybody that smells its odor for too long might pass out on the spot, and if it continues to smell it, the person might die after a few minutes. Its miasmic aura is said to possess radiation but that was merely a myth, as it was only just and horrendously strong poison gas its spores produce. The mushroom easily spreads itself by killing anything that gets closer and placing its spores over the corpse. It is said that it possesses an incredible quantity of magic, but no alchemist has ever been able to refine it due to its dangerous nature.

[Abyssal Mushroom (A Grade)]

A black mushroom with a red eye-shaped dot on top. Small and rather pocket-sized, it is a delicacy amongst Legion Ants and often planted for the very purpose of being consumed. It possess a rich

amount of miasma inside, which has been slowly refined into an incredibly disgusting flavor that these monsters find delicious. It can also enhance the power of those capable of eating and digesting it, passively increasing their Magic Power and Mana capacity.

Wow, they're all insane! I don't really know if I could even use them, but the Crimson Herb seems like the most useful for me right now! If I could plant it in masse in a separate greenhouse back home, I could produce a special wine for Partner to replace the blood she needs to drink to an extent! It also doesn't seem to be that poisonous, maybe if I purify it, it could end up being rather a good wine...

And the Demonic Eye Fruit is also quite interesting. Perhaps if I can manage to somehow be able to purify the poison it has and turn it into a delicious and sweet fruit, its horrid appearance might be ignored. It is also blood red inside, with an eye-shaped seed, so I might be able to plant them and somehow modify them using Purification.

I also got the Farmer Skills and Titles, I feel like with Emeraldine's help, I could purify this fruit and makes it a staple for our village, especially because it can grow anywhere as long as there's miasma, which I could easily feed to them by triturating Demonite into dust and putting it into the soil, or infusing miasma I produce on my own... Well, I can't produce the highest quality, so I have no idea if that could work.

And the mushrooms seem rather interesting. I guess I could place the Atomic Mushroom around a specific area I would want to protect, so anything that gets closer runs away or dies... Well, I doubt it would be that easy though.

And lastly... Ah, that mushroom's the one Lucifer ate! It says in the description itself that if someone is capable to actually digest it, their magic power grows a bit... I see. Maybe I could make a colony myself and give it to those that could eat it, maybe.

As I inspected the items, the delicious smell of grilled chicken meat and mole meat filled the air. This promptly made the children wake up from their nap, and even Emeraldine.

"Meat!" Takeshi said.

"Meat..." Laura said.

"Hahaha, both of you look like little zombies." I laughed. "Did you sleep well? Right after everything ended, both of you dropped into the floor with Emeraldine. I was dead worried!"

"Oh, so we won?!" Takeshi asked with excitement.

"Indeed, we won!" I said happily.

"Ah... I am awake... Ugh, I ended falling asleep, didn't I?" Emeraldine slowly crawled from her tent.

"Yep, time to have dinner now. We need to eat and rest for tomorrow morning. I have already sensed the dungeon's layout, most likely the next floor is the last one. Whatever is dwelling down there, we are going to exterminate it."

Tomorrow, this little adventure of us might finally end.

Chapter 477 The Dungeon Core's Last Stand

Within the depths of the Dungeon, the Core of the Dungeon reacted to the events that transpired on the second floor of this Dungeon, the only floor before reaching the third and last one. The powerful Dungeon Core seemed to have developed great intelligence and cognitive abilities, and therefore, it had developed strong emotions of frustration when she saw what happened. Indeed, it was a "she" as the Avatar she created for herself was indeed a female.

"The Phoenix not only was destroyed but the second colony I've been trying to build for so long was destroyed as well?! What sort of ridiculous outcome is this?!" She furiously said. "Not only that but these beings... Just who are they to be able to unleash such incredible amounts of power and Mana? And I even felt my own Mana being drained by that strange, phantasmal woman!"

The Dungeon Core avatar roared furiously, shaking the cave where she was located, her enormous might made everything tremble, as countless Worker Ants serving her panicked, running away from the fury of their... Queen.

"After I've been painstakingly trying to get that area and slowly take over the upper floors of my Dungeon so I could come outside... It all ended getting demolished in mere minutes! And not only that but the mine of Demonite I built with all the effort I had was also completely stolen?!" The Dungeon Core roared furiously.

Unlike other pragmatic and colder Dungeon Cores, who had yet to fully develop a more human-like personality, she had developed over the thousands of years since her existence, especially with the contamination of "that" which had brought her such incredible new powers in exchange for slowly making her go mad with power, even more than the norm for dungeon cores.

"As things are right now, I cannot simply sacrifice more troops and go attack them. It would be... better to wait them here and completely eliminate them. I have an enormous army at my command in this place. Perhaps I won't even need to lift a finger myself." She said with a smile.

In front of her, an enormous army of monstrous beings made a gigantic line, not only just small Worker Ants, but tall humanoid Ants, and even bigger, titanic ones. There were many shapes and even colors, and they were all more than ready to tear apart their prey in exchange for recognition, the recognition of their queen...

"Now that the opportunity to escape to the outside world is here, I won't miss it. I shall reach the other Mountain and reclaim the other lost half..." She said, looking at a strange black crystal incrustated in her chest. "Yes... The knowledge and malice this item has provided to me has proven to be the greatest. The guidance of the Evil God is supreme! I am so close to become one of the Calamities of this World... I am so close..."

She quickly looked at the projection in front of her, looking at Maria who was eating a stew while carefreely talking with her friends.

"I won't let this one take away my position, even if you're just as strong to be able to inherit such a Title, I will become the Great Calamity... I will... bring back the glory of destruction and vile of my lord, the God of Evil!"

Her words couldn't sound more cliché, but she was completely nuts. The power of whatever was incrustated into the Dungeon Core's Avatar chest was fueling her with insane amounts of Miasma and

Demonic Power far surpassing common sense. The fury of the gods of committing such a taboo could not reach her, as she was hidden within the Dungeon itself.

(Maria POV)

When we woke up in the morning, the dungeon also changed, the moon atop the artificial sky was gone and now there was the sun slowly rising from the horizon. This type of dungeon are amazing. I am beginning to think they could truly be a work of the gods...

As I woke up from sleeping for around eight hours, my mind felt refreshed. Overusing my own Mana always gave me deadly headaches that couldn't let me concentrate, but right now? I felt at 100%! I could easily take down a Boss if I my mind into it.

Everyone was already awake by now, we were preparing some delicious breakfast, while I was also multi-tasking and doing some experiment with Emeraldine. I had taken out a Crimson Herb I got from the Demonite Caves and refined it using Purification, taking away all the miasma, until it suddenly began shining brightly, as if it gained some new and magical aura.

"Wow, this is amazing..." Emeraldine was shocked. "I also have that Title, so this means I can use Purification as well and purify things that have Miasma? And the purification is so clear as well, it easily took away all the bad toxins but left all the good things in the herb... In fact, the herb itself had grown healthier, isn't it?"

"Yeah, it even gained some magical properties." I said with a smile. "I don't know if this can be do as well with other stuff, but this blood herb is pretty useful..." I said, quickly beginning to inspect it. "Apparently, based in the description, it can be used as substitute for blood if the juice inside its leaves is brewed into a wine."

"Eh? A wine?!" Asked Emeraldine.

"Yeah, but I was wondering if it could be possible to accelerate such a process through alchemy?" I wondered.

"Huh, I see where you're coming from." Emeraldine inspected the herb. "Perhaps what happens is that once the herb's juices mature and get a specific type of bacteria inside which turns the juice into alcohol, it becomes a substitute for humanoid blood, maybe if we could artificially add that... But I don't know if that's possible."

"Huuh... A bacteria that turns juice into alcohol you say?" I wondered, inspecting my Skills.

I do remember I have a Skill named [Disease and Poison Creation]...

Chapter 478 Making Wine And Reaching The Last Dungeon Floor!

"So you have such a skill?" Emeraldine quickly learned about it as I told her.

"Yeah but I have no idea if it might actually work." I said while rubbing my chin. "Any ideas?"

"Hm, perhaps it might work, but how about we experiment first?" She asked.

"How so?" I wondered.

"Here..."

Emeraldine quickly brought some juice I had for the children in a glass bottle.

"Try to create such bacteria first and then insert them into this juice, if it slowly turns into wine, then it might do its job. But we'll still need some time... Unless we have something that can accelerate this process." She said.

"Huh, I see... Well, technically I could."

"Eh?! Just how far do your powers go?"

"Well... Disease and Poison Creation allows for the creation of specific bacteria, viruses, and toxins. I barely use it because it is too dangerous most of the time, but I had just realized it could be used for alchemy and other things, and not be something completely harmful. I acquired it when I evolved into a Pandora." I said. "In fact one of my strongest Skills named [Pandora's Box] uses this skill as a pillar for the creation of its explosive attack."

"Interesting! How about you try out first? Maybe if you do it slowly and more detailed..." She said. "You could do something!"

"Yeah, let me try."

I sat down and closed my eyes, concentrating myself. The few times I have used this Skill it was only to just "bring disease and poison" and nothing else on mind. Therefore, I only created poisonous fog and horrible bacteria and viruses...

But now I want to make wine so... How do I figure this out? Just with my own intent?

Err...

I thought about delicious wine all the time, until suddenly, an almost transparent gas leaked out of my hands, flying into the juice in front of me and sinking into it. For a moment, it felt like nothing really happened, but suddenly, as I infused Mana into it, the juice began to slowly change, bubbles began to appear as its color turned darker.

The smell of alcohol began to come out of it, and I couldn't help but feel the most shocked as well. I looked at it with astonishment clear in my eyes.

"I-I think it might had worked!" I said happily.

"Let's try it!" Emeraldine quickly took a cup and drank the wine, which juice was apple.

"Hm? Ah... It tastes a bit... like apple cider?" She wondered. "Wow, this is fine as it is, though it might need a bit more aging."

"Ahh... I did it! I made wine! Holy shit I am literally Jesus now!" I laughed.

"Je... sas?" Asked Emeraldine, without knowing about the legendary wine maker of my world.

"But I might need more practice, for now I don't want to compromise those herbs so we'll leave it at that." I said, quickly bringing the apple cider to the breakfast table, Lucifer and Partner tried it out and said it was pretty alright. Meanwhile, Laura and Takeshi wanted to drink but I prohibited it with all my soul. Children shouldn't drink alcohol!

"Uuugh, but we want apple juice!" Said Takeshi angrily.

"No is no, Takeshi, maybe when you grow up." I said as I reprimanded him.

"Geehh..." Takeshi said while taking his tongue out, he was really childish sometimes. Well, he was a child.

"Hahah... Dear just eat your breakfast, it is tasty." I said.

"Okaaay..." Takeshi said. "But when I grow up I want to drink wine with mama..."

"Sure... Fine." I said.

"Well I had already drank wine in my previous life... It is nothing that special." Laura said. "I didn't really liked the bitter flavor. It was just the worse thing to ever exists."

"Huh, well, I guess that's that..." I said with a nod. I could understand how she felt, when I drank alcohol for the first time I also felt it was fucking disgusting, but I just got used to it. This is also another reason why I prefer wine that is very sweet.

When things finished, we found ourselves standing in front of the cave that led underground towards the floor 3 of this dungeon. It seemed that the third floor was completely underground, so it was going to be a big cave which probably will be like a damn maze. Thankfully, I had the amazing Automatic Mapping Skill with me to do all of this.

"Onwards!" I said, leading my companions as we moved forwards without stopping. Lucifer transformed into a giant dragon form and led us underground, flying across the cave sections at a fast speed by rapidly flapping his enormous wings, in a matter of seconds we found ourselves inside a beautiful cave with many colorful crystals growing everywhere, enormous mushrooms, herbs I had never seen before, and ores growing in the walls and ceiling.

"Incredible, this place has so many resources!" Said Emeraldine.

"We hit a gold mine of stuff!" Lucifer said.

"Yeah, but we've got company already!" Partner said, as Lucifer quickly landed over the floor, letting us jump out of his body.

In front of us, an enormous swarm of over a hundred ants rushed towards us without stopping. It seems that they were waiting for us for a long while now! How come, did they wanted to offer a welcome party so badly? I guess I'll have to take all of this EXP for myself out of their hands.

"Careful, there are some humanoids in there, Maria!" Lucifer said, readying himself for battle as I noticed five General Ants mixed in between the Hundred Workers. They were walking slowly and like humanoids, and not only that, but they were wielding magic weapons imbued with miasma, Cursed Weapons!

"These bastards are really not saving on resources to make stuff like that. I can see they had been using the ores and crystals growing here! It is a pity for them I'll be taking this entire Dungeon for myself. We have to somehow earn enough funds to kickstart our new guild after all! We can't let Helga and the other dwarves down!" I laughed, unleashing my darkness.

Chapter 479 Advancing Through Armies Of Abyssal Ants With The Power Of Explosions!

An army of Worker Ants ran towards us in a big formation, I could easily tell there were at least a hundred within their ranks, and ten General Ants mixed in between them sporadically, as if they knew they were strong enough and could mix in between the smaller ones to fool us and surprise us with a powerful attack. The Ants were grouping together and forming strange formations right after they took a sight of us. Some of them marched forward, having larger jaws than the others, these were most likely Warrior Ants, while the smallest were Workers, and the big, humanoid ones were the Generals.

"BBBZZZ...!"

The ten generals raised their arms and directed them at the rest of the ants, their very presences surging with black auras that began to encompass the other ants, enhancing their strength and power. The powerful Ants roared furiously, marching towards us. Some of their jaws opened and began spraying us with their venomous saliva, while another group behind them began to conjure large magic circles, firing Darkness Bullets and Darkness Arrows against us.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

However, Lucifer easily shielded us with his enormous wings, which served as natural shields of gigantic size. A smile surged in his lips as he suddenly began to inhale air, his throat bulged like that of a frog for a few seconds before a devastating dragon breath attack was unleashed!

FLUOOOOSSSHHH!

The enormous blast of darkness and phantasmal flames took over the entire Ant group, some tried to make enormous shields to protect themselves, but that proved to be completely useless as such shields were pierced by my own shadows, as I expanded them into an enormous domain to both enhance Lucifer and my Undead's powers and also overtake their shields.

It was merely child's play to easily absorb the darkness shield conjured by a lesser magician than me, especially if they were merely some ants!

BOOOOMMMM!!!

The explosion provoked by Lucifer's breath attack burned several ants to a crisp. Perhaps we needed a big blast back then, but now that everybody had leveled up even more, we were strong enough to even do this... and this as well!

"[Transfiguration of Death]!"

FLASH!

Suddenly, I captured the many souls of the Ants that died right there and put them back into their charred bodies, right before doing something even nastier while the other ants surrounding them, most of them wounded, were trying to get back up.

"[Undead Detonation]!"

All the Undead Ants began to glow with bright purple light before exploding one after the other consecutively. Their bodies quickly exploded into miasma that became even more phantasmal flames, taking over many other Ants

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!

Their numbers were quickly halved in a few seconds, and that wasn't all of it either. Emeraldine stepped forward as she pointed ten arrows using her bow at the Ants, imbuing the power of her spirits into them and then firing all the arrows at the same time.

"Sacred Sprit Arrow, Bring Down My Foes!"

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH...!

All the arrows flew towards separate directions, glowing with bright white and golden light, and quickly reaching the Ant Generals one after the other, piercing through their bodies and then exploding!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM BOOOOMMM!!!

"BBZZZ...!"

"GRYEHH...!"

"GRAAH...!"

They gave all sorts of agonizing cries, but it was fairly obvious they were dying! Some of them survived the holy light that began to burn their bodies, managing to fly away in time or barely evade the arrows, four Ant Generals made their way towards us.

"Let me handle this!" Partner roared, moving forward at full speed as she swung her two spears which were imbued with the power of her Blood Aura and her Mana.

FLAAASH!

She resembled a flash of bright red light as she reached the four Ant Generals, fighting them all by herself! Her spears swung horizontally and vertically, unleashing countless Blood Aura Slashes which not only pierced through the hard exoskeleton of the Ant Generals, but even damaged them internally by inflicting powerful curses reinforced by her own Vampiric Cursed Eyes!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH!

Partner began to gracefully spin around the air, jumping over the Ants and beginning to pierce through their heads using her spears. Even being pierced in the head wasn't enough to kill these bastards, but she made sure to kill them by controlling hundreds of piercing spears made of her own blood which flowed out of her own pores, piercing through their torsos and then... yes, exploding!

BOOOMMM!!!

Three Ant Generals exploded, their guts and flesh flying away as Partner smiled devilishly. The last Ant General seemed to panic, immediately trying to fly away in desperation, only for a fishing rod thread to wrap around its body.

"BZZZ?!"

The giant bug quickly looked behind itself, trying to break the threat but finding it was incredibly hard to destroy, although it was slowly managing, it was a bit too late now.

"I caught a big fish!" Takeshi said, as the hook of the fishing rod began to pierce through the body of the General Ant, reaching the heart it had deep within, alongside its crystal-like core.

"Then it's my turn, let's see if this strategy works!" Laura said at the side of her little brother, as she touched his fishing rod and then Takeshi quickly let go of it.

FLASH!

The fishing rod and its thread quickly glowed with bright red and orange light, suddenly exploding thanks to Laura's amazing Detonation Ability!

"GRYEEEEHHH...!"

BOOOOMMM!!!

The Ant General gave out a pitiful agonizing groan as its interior began to bulge from the internal explosion, until it finally exploded like an inflated balloon, leaving nothing behind but guts, flesh, and purple blood...

The other Ants were all slain similarly to before, as I raised them into Undead and then killed them right away through Undead Detonation, countless explosions happened one after the other, until we cleansed the entire place of Ants after only four minutes since we arrived here.

Man, I love me some explosions.

Chapter 480 Explosion Maniac!

Ding!

[You and your Party slain [Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion Worker (B- Rank)] x108]

[You and your Party slain [Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion General (A- Rank)] x10]

[You earned 5320000 EXP!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 28 to Level 29!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 29 to Level 30!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 30 to Level 31!]

[You acquired the [Explosion Maniac: Lv1] Title Skill]

[Explosion Maniac: Lv1]

A Title granted to those that enjoy making things explode or to create explosive items. By detonating over a thousand items this Title can be unlocked. It enhances the power of any type of explosion provoked by the user either through items, magic, skills, or other methods by +50%, with an additional +10% boost with each Skill Level. Additionally, there's a 20% chance to create [Chain Explosions] whenever an explosion of any kind is provoked, which can only affect foes.

Woah! Not only I gained three levels but even an amazing new Title Skill! Well, from now on everyone can feel free to call me the Explosion Manic because I sure love to make things explode. And what with these ridiculous titles popping out of nowhere nowadays? +50% boost to the power of my explosions?! I am getting completely overpowered now!

That's literally half more damage dealt just with this mere Title... Well, the requirements of a thousand detonations was big though, I guess I finally managed to let enough things explode, although all of them were Undead I raised and then made explode using Undead Detonation.

And the ability to make [Chain Explosions] seems pretty sweet, if I can trigger that I could literally make thousands of ants explode! In fact, I am going to do that just now because we should continue moving.

"Now that we are done here we should quickly move on." Said Lucifer. "Maria, you have a Mapping Skill, right? Can you tell where to go?"

"Yeah, wait a bit..." I said, quickly closing my eyes and concentrating my senses. I expanded them all like a shockwave, using my own Mana.

And then, my Automatic Mental Mapping Skill quickly began to be filled. It also helped I sent several Phantom Clones everywhere to look around, filling more of the map. Several of them ended getting lost, but a few others managed to reach dead ends filled with eggs and several Ant Workers being led by Generals.

Apparently the Ants were moving rapidly, leaving aside anything they were doing before such as grooming and cleaning eggs and making bigger caves and began marching across the maze-like cave, rushing towards our position! We either wait them to get here and fight them endlessly, or we move to the Boss.

Well, I might as well just move to the boss while we exterminate anything that come our way, we don't want to spend days in here even though we can't get a bunch of EXP that way, it is not worth it, there's no way I am staying in this nasty ant hole forever!

"For now, follow my directions, we'll move across that are filled with eggs to blast them, that way more ants won't come our way." I said. "I am still searching for the Boss, most likely the queen, this third floor is a gigantic maze so it might take a while!"

"Alright!"

Lucifer quickly let us mount over his back as he flew into the air, using his enormous wings he quickly followed my directions, until we reached a long corridor with many large rooms at each side storing thousands of eggs, this was a delicious EXP fest!

However, there were also over three hundred Ant Workers rushing towards us furiously, with tens of Generals at their disposal and even more, we saw five gigantic ants like we had never seen before, and even the Ant Generals were stronger than the previous ones we fought, holding stronger weapons, and seemingly knowing fighting techniques!

[Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion Goliath] [Rank: A] [Status: Furious]

An enormous special breed of Abyssal Parasite Ants with a gigantic size that can reach up to fifty meters of height. These enormous Ants have gained the name of Goliaths and are powerful guardians of the Ant Queen.

With their enormous sizes there's very little things that can go against them. They boast tremendous HP and Defense Stats, and can easily provoke tremors and earthquakes, and even control the ground below them to generate pitfalls. However, they're very slow.

Skills: [Near Impenetrable Chitinous Exoskeleton] [Unmovable Body] [Giant Body Slam] [Tremor] [Crush] [Earthquake] [Pitfall Creation] [Crushing Jaws]

[Abyssal Parasite Ant Legion General Knight] [Rank: A] [Status: Furious]

A special variant of the Ant Generals who have reached a higher Rank than A- at A. Their power is almost the same, but their intelligence is way superior to normal Generals and they're cunning and swift with their movements. They had self-taught themselves the ability to use powerful Cursed Weapons masterfully and can also conjure powerful Dark and Miasmic Magic to both enhance their Weapon Techniques or enhance their bodies. However, due to their pride, they often work alone.

Skills: [Amazing Reflexes] [Cursed Sword Mastery] [Cursed Axe Mastery] [Cursed Rapier Mastery] [Cursed Spear Mastery] [Shield Mastery] [Armor Mastery] [Magic Genius] [Miasmic Aura]

Oh boy these guys are surely bad news! Look at those enormous Goliaths, and then there's the Knights which are those shiny guys over there, they're all separated from one another. I guess their only weakness is that their pride is too big for them to properly cooperate like the other Lesser Generals. It is or time to crush that pride as well then!

"Everyone! Attack!"

While sitting over Lucifer's back, we all gathered our magic and powers and sent out a barrage of attacks. Emeraldine in specific was doing great, she unleashed a rain of dozens of light arrows that began to explode one after the other, generating enormous trees to grow out of the ground and to trap several ants.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!