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Chapter 691 Confronting A Divine Frost Dragon!

CLAAAASH!

Gigantic claws emerge from outside of the walls, as a creature covered on shin silver and clear blue scales resembling crystals set its golden eyes into the city. It quickly entered the battlefield, opening the walls furiously and freezing everything on its path.

"ROOOOOOAAAAARRRRR!"

It roared with a ferocious, terrifying roar so similar to Brunhild that it sent a chill down the spine of all the dwarves. They immediately knew this monster wasn't an ally unlike Brunhild. And that this... was also a being similar to her.

"You're a Dragon?!" Brunhild felt shocked, her eyes met the ferocious beast in front of her.

It was a gigantic Ice Dragon, his entire scales were covered on ice crystals, it had two enormous wings over its shoulders, and four strong and muscular limbs, with sharp claws capable of shredding through anything, just as they shredded the already destroyed walls and opened them even more than before.

The Dragon had two sharp golden eyes, and a long ice horn growing from his forehead. It was slightly smaller than Brunhild, and less regal-looking, yet it seemed intelligent and conscious, glancing at her back, and not stepping upon meeting her eyes...

"I knew it! I felt something within the outside and came down just to see what it was... To think there's a second dragon within these mountains..." He spoke with a tenebrous and rather malicious sounding voice.

"You're an Ancient Dragon." Brunhild felt surprised. "I've lived here for so long yet I have NEVER seen your face before! Who are you?!"

"Heh, of course you have not seen my face before!" Laughed the Ice Dragon, his golden eyes glowing brightly. "I am an even older Dragon than the ones that settled down in these mountains. I was once given the task to protect my goddess' dungeon, but was betrayed by the very gods and sealed with her treasures. M y name is Valkoinen, the Embodiment of Blizzards, and former Servant of Lady Skadi, now, I serve the Frost Queen!"

"Valkoinen?!" Brunhild finally remembered this dragon's name once she heard it. The dragon's origins went from the very ancient times where Gods stepped over the world.

Skadi had three Dragons that protected her, they were her children, which she adopted from their mother, the Primordial Ice Dragon, Nifl. Amongst them, the youngest was Valkoinen, the Embodiment of the Blizzard. It was said that he was given the task of guarding her Castle and her riches from any intruders, be it enemies or allies.

Yet... once the Age of the Gods came to an end and the Gods and Titans War finally concluded, Skadi went to the Heavens, leaving the Dragons behind. What happened with the other two is a mystery to Brunhild, but she knew that Valkoinen was the most loyal, staying inside of his master's castle for eons, waiting for her, only to never return.

Eventually, once the Era of Chaos happened and the War God Tyr fell and became the Evil God, Chaos and Miasma spread around the world and created Dungeons... The hidden Castle of Skadi ended turning into a dungeon, trapping Valkoinen inside. I think you should take a look at

Brunhild easily connected the dots, quickly realizing this powerful Ancient Dragon must have been unsealed from his eternal prison inside of Skadi's Tower Castle after the Frost Queen acquired the Crown of Skadi! This Dragon, even as weakened as he is now after being sealed for so long, would still be strong enough to compare with Frost and Zero, even without holding any Divine Artifact.

"I am one of the Frost Queen's Frost Generals. And I have come as the backup plan to make sure this city is destroyed even if Zero and Frost fail to do so." He said with a powerful voice. "Now, move aside! I am not here to fight my kin. If you retreat from this battle, I might even tell my Queen to make you one of our allies."

"What?!" Brunhild reacted with even more irritation, holding on Nyx with her giant claws.

"Think about it! Don't let your stupidity cloud your judgement." Said the Ice Dragon. "Why would you want to protect these pathetic vermin, lower than insects? They're nothing to care for! Once we finally freeze Midgard, and then the entire world of Yggdrasil, the Gods themselves will have to recognize us, we might even become Gods as well! Don't you realize that it is futile to fight against my Queen?! The Fimbulwinter, the Eternal Winter, will consume everything!"

"I never thought a Dragon... My own kin, would ever say such insane words. I thought wrong. I always imagined other Ancient Dragons would be wise and have some brain cells like I and my brother do... But I suppose I was completely wrong." Brunhild sighed. "Valkoinen! Have you not forgotten that you're a Dragon?! By doing this, you're going to betray our own family! Remember the Dragon's Will, our Primordial Mothers!"

"I don't give a damn about that!" Valkoinen roared back, freezing his surroundings. "My mother abandoned me and I was raised by another damned woman that abandoned me just the same as her! Do you truly believe I care about the "Dragon's Will"?! I am my own person, and I... will do as I please!"

FLAAAASH!

Valkoinen unleashed a powerful, freezing aura around his body, shaking his surroundings and bringing an incredibly cold wind everywhere, blizzard filling the city!

"If you stand in front of my path, then I will tear you apart with my claws! ROOOOAAAAARRR!" Valkoinen had no intentions to reason with Brunhild, leaping ferociously towards her and swinging his claws against her face!

SLAAA ASH! SLAA AASH!

"[Draconic Arts]: [Infernal Dragon Meteor]!!!"

Brunhild's fists were engulfed by infernal dragon flames, as they reached Valkoinen, clashing against his attacks and generating countless shockwaves of Flames, resembling falling meteors!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

Chapter 692 The Ones That Recklessly Want To Help

Within the city, Takeshi and Laura continued running across the streets. Laura was desperately trying to catch up with the mischievous Takeshi, but he was running rapidly.

"Takeshi! Wait!"

"Laura I need to help Brunhild! We need to protect the city!"

"I know but do you have to run away from me so desperately?!"

"I am just tired of being ordered around by you, you're not my mom or something...!"

"W-What's gotten into you out of the sudden?! Stop being such a child!"

"Ugh, see? This is why I am getting tired of you!"

As the twins continued discussing while rushing into the battlefield. Countless of monsters began chasing them down, quickly detecting the large quantities of Mana. Before they realized it...

"I told you to just leave me ALONE!" Takeshi said.

"I WON'T! You're my brother and I will stand at your side even if you dislike it!" Laura angrily said.

"AW00000!"

"GROOARR!"

"SHAAAAHH!!!"

"Huh?!"

Over a hundred monsters, most of the ones spread around the city reached them. The rich quantities of Miasma they emanated from their Demonite Cores attracted the monsters, which ended saving a lot of people beyond their reach.

"Why are we suddenly surrounded by monsters?! We've not even at the walls yet..." Takeshi felt surprised.

"Dummy! I told you to not do a ruckus!" Sighed Laura. "Our Demonite Heart Cores emanate Miasma around, don't you remember? Monsters are naturally attracted to this..."

"R-Right..." Takeshi's red eyes felt surprised, opening wide.

"RAAAAARRRR!"

The monsters roared, seeing the children as tasty treats that could even help them evolve if they devoured them. Monsters felt naturally attracted to Miasma, Demonite was also a special Crystal that grew out of crystalized Miasma or Chaos, the purest form was the one extracted from Evil God Fragments, which was what made the twin's Hearts back then when they were being created as "lifeforms capable of living and utilizing miasma".

Now freed from the Vampires that created them and desired to use them as slaves, the children had been growing with Maria's love and all her family, making themselves a great part of their lives. And slowly, over the months and even years, they have developed stronger wills, skills, and their levels have gone up severely, evolving and growing stronger. They're certainly not the same defenseless children than before, and their discussion just now, although harshly, showed their mental growth and more developed wills and personalities.

"They're coming, stay behind me, Takeshi."

"I can defend myself on my own, sis!"

Laura and Takeshi gave each other's backs, as they summoned their magic and Unique Skills, which they have been polishing through all this time.

"[Fisherman]!" Takeshi said, taking out a beautiful, brown-colored stick finely crafted using high quality wood, which quickly transformed into a big, silver-colored fishing rod.

The fishing hook quickly flew around, piercing the ground as if any solid object were water itself, and then reaching high, wrapping around several wolves, bears, snakes, and even other critters! I think you should take a look at

"GRAAAGGH?!"

"AW000!"

"SHAAAH?!"

The monsters felt surprised, as they struggled to free themselves, only for Takeshi to smile, forcing his fishing rod's thread to tighten up and then...!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH!

All the monsters were sliced apart by the enormously hard fishing threads wrapping around them! Blood splattered everywhere, a dozen or more monsters were gone in an instant.

"RAAAARRRGH!"

A larger, Frost Wolf Pack Leader leaped to battle Laura, opening its enormous jaws to unleash a powerful blizzard attack! However, Laura grabbed a small stone from her pouch and sent it straight inside the wolf's open maws.

"Thank you for opening them for me. [Detonation]!"

"G R A H?!"

B O O O O O O M M M M!!!

The wolf was unable to realize its mistake until it felt its stomach blazing with flames and then exploding into pieces alongside the rest of the monster's body. Laura swiftly conjured explosive flames around her, blasting away any other monster that got closer, while those that managed to get near the twins were caught by Takeshi's fishing rod, and quickly sliced apart or had their hearts pierced by the rod's hook.

The twins made quick work of the monsters, blowing them into bits and finally reaching the battlefield by following Nyx that was flying on top of the skies about to reach her aunt.

"Mama appeared using one of her Phantom Clones and said we had to protect the city, so I just followed you because of that, not to stop you." Laura said.

"I-Is that so...? See? I was right in going to fight then!" Takeshi said childishly.

"You still shouldn't had recklessly ran! What if I wouldn't had been there to protect you from the monsters?" Laura sighed.

"You didn't protected me! I protected myself..." Takeshi said while getting slightly irritated.

"Nyx should have already arrived. We can't see her on top of the sky anymore- Huh?!" Laura was suddenly shocked, as she saw something out of her mind.

It was a gigantic battle between two ferocious dragons! They easily recognized Brunhild, but had no idea who that blue and silver colored dragon could be, and how strong it could be to be capable of withstanding Brunhild's blazing firepower so easily.

"Nyx! Come here!" Laura called for Nyx, as the little girl was watching the battle in the skies.

"Waura!" Nyx flew back to the twins and was hugged by Laura.

"Why did you escape like this Nyx?!" Laura was worried, hugging her tightly. "And just what's going on right now?!"

"Big dragon... showed up... Volkanion... or something." Nyx tried to recall the Ice Dragon name, failing quite miserably at that.

"An Ice Dragon showed up?! That Frost Queen got an army of monsters with her..." Takeshi muttered. "Is Brunhild struggling though? She doesn't look like she's winning..."

"I don't know, but we have to help her out somehow..." Laura said. Pointing her hand at the Ice Dragon and firing a tiny pebble at it. "[Detonation]!"

BOOOOOOMMMM!!!

Chapter 693 The Game Of The Gods

Within the Heavenly Realm of Asgard, many deities showed their concern of what was happening in the surface. The weather in the surface has become an Eternal Winter out of the sudden, and not only the

entirety of Midgard was being affected, but the Winter started to expand everywhere else, freezing the oceans and reaching the faraway Continents of Alfheim, Muspelheim, Vanaheim, and more.

"What is going on?! I thought that Ice Giant that got the relic of Skadi didn't had enough power to bring the Fimbulwinter to Yggdrasil!" Panicked the God of Nature, Freyr.

"Odin! Did you do this?!" Asked Freyja, the sister of Freyr and the second Goddess in charge of the Vanaheim and Alfheim Continents.

Odin remained in silence while looking at a sphere made of divine crystal that showed what was happening in the surface.

"It had to be done. Without this enormous power, how could we have ever found a way to destroy that walking taboo?" Odin said with a sharp smile. "Do not worry, once she is dealt with, we shall take away all of the powers belonging to the Frost Queen. Isn't that right, Skadi? After all, all of this was your idea. I hope it goes as intended."

"W-Wha...?!" Skadi felt shocked. Odin, the King of Gods was blaming all of this to her now. "But King Odin you were the one of the idea...!"

"How can you lie so shamelessly in front of my father?!" Roared Thor, his lightning beginning to crackle furiously. "Do you have a death wish?! I wouldn't mind bringing you the same fate that your siblings and your father went through."

"Y-You...!" Skadi gritted her teeth; fury was quickly beginning to grow larger and larger as her eyes seemed filled with killing intent. She glanced back at the gods, but none wanted to help her, even those that trusted her knew they could do little about this.

However, there were some gods in almost equal footing to Odin himself.

"Odin, you despicable liar!" Freyja roared. "Stop blaming this to Skadi when it is as clear as water that you blamed this to her. Did you force her to do this?!"

"I can see that Skadi would never do this by herself, we know her way more than you do." Freyr said with a dignified look. "You've forced her to grant the Frost Queen her Divine Protection, amplifying her powers, isn't it?"

"Heh, Hahaha! What sort of ridiculous jokes are you two talking about, I would never..." Odin said with a smile. "Come on, it is not like anybody here has done anything bad yet! Once that monster is deal with, the Fimbulwinter will stop and everything shall go to the peace and quiet you Vanir Gods love so much."

Skadi sighed, glancing back at the siblings.

"Thank you for standing for me, but it's fine..." Skadi sighed. "I have to bear responsibility for this at the end..."

"Skadi..." Freyr sighed. "Odin... If things don't go as you say, we won't simply keep sitting down any longer."

"Hoh? But what exactly do you mean by that, my dear Freyr?" Asked Odin.

"You know what it means." Freyja said.

Thor and the rest of Odin's children squinted their eyes against the bold Vanir Gods. The two siblings knew they were in a disadvantage if they ever were to fight Odin's entire family, but it wasn't as if they had families of their own. I think you should take a look at

"You're hilarious." Odin laughed. "Let us see for now how this Scenario plays out. After all, the will of the gods is divine, and it will be done as we desire."

Odin looked at Maria struggling and fighting, while all her friends did the same. And the entire of the Dwarven Country within Midgard suffering from the invasion.

"Let's see how you can handle this now."

Meanwhile, at the other side of the world, within the Underworld where Death resided, there were many Deities that had died, and some that were born here. Amongst them all, the Queen of all Dead, Hel, was biting her nails while glancing what was happening through a crystal ball.

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"T-This is...! That damn Skadi! Is she the one influencing the Frost Queen to hasten her attack against Midgard?!" Wondered Hel. "And she's specifically targeting the Dwarven Country and Maria!"

"Could it be that she's not specifically targeting the Dwarven Country nor Maria, but was forced to?" Wondered an enormous black wolf, Fenrir.

"Skadi is a very peaceful deity. It would be extremely weird if she decided to suddenly hurt big sister's divinely protected for no reason..." A gigantic snake spoke, Jormungandr.

"Yeah, I agree, probably that Odin..." Fenrir said. "Hel, didn't you said that you had a talk with him, and father showed up?"

"Indeed, but that's... Could Odin have somehow convinced or forced Skadi to do this to indirectly target and kill Maria?" Sighed Hel. "That damn bastard of an old man... Does he truly desires to kill my Divinely Protected at all costs?!"

Hel began gripping her fists furiously, as her powerful aura began surging out of her body, reaching the entirety of the Underworld and shaking everything.

"And not only that, milady." An Underworld Deity spoke, a tall skeleton wearing armor, which was actually one of Hel's most loyal servants. "It appears the Church of the Light God is joining forces with the Frost Queen's army and charging a second attack to her own home, where the ruins of the Ancient Demon Kingdom remain..."

After hearing that, Hel almost snapped out. Her entire face distorted in pure fury, as she began to channel her divine powers, and preparing to create a brand new Divine Protection.

"Fine. If you're going so far... Then let's play nasty, you desperate old man." Hel said, looking into the ceiling of the Underworld.

Her divine powers quickly connected to one of the many Dungeons across the world, reaching a nest filled with gigantic black spiders and led by a powerful, yet small and innocent-looking little girl.

"Mama and her friends are in danger? Nn! I'll help!"

Chapter 694 The Witch Of Eternal Winter's Unsealed Powers

As Maria's allies confronted the other Frost Generals, Maria and Emeraldine were fighting Zero, the powerful Witch of Winter that was sealed for thousands of years ago by an Ancient Hero.

Spending her entire life sealed, and now finally freed by the Frost Queen, she couldn't wait for anything else than to fight and show the world her resentment and anger, her endless hate against everyone else for having wronged her, for treating her like a witch, a monster.

She fought Maria, unleashing her powerful magic and enjoying the fight, but a little and pesky elf woman was constantly firing at her powerful Fire Magic Arrows. These spells were strong as well, as the arrows pierced through her soul and slowly weakened her more and more.

As strong as the witch of winter was, she was incapable of healing soul wounds, and these were already beginning to take effect on her strength, while slowly making her more irritated

"You damn bitch! Why do you dare get in the way of my amazing fight against Maria! She belongs to me! She's only mine to fight and kill!!!" She roared furiously, pointing her winds against Emeraldine. "DIEEEE!"

"[Mystical Moon Phase Circle]!"

However, in front of Zero, a ring of beautiful moons changing phases emerged, as they started to absorb her magic continuously while rotating around beautifully! It was Maria, she had appeared right before her after being slammed into the floor by her.

"What?! You've already regenerated?!" Zero mistakenly believed that Maria would be knocked out for a while if her soul was shattered into pieces.

But unlike her, Maria's entire body was just her soul, and after evolving for so long, it has gained an insane level of resilience that only grew bigger as she absorbed Thor's Divine Spirit Vessel.

Zero's face distorted in shock as she saw Maria reemerged from all her pieces, reforming herself in mere seconds into her glorious and beautiful Titaness shape! Her powerful and prideful presence sent shivers down the Witch's spine.

"Here, I think you lost this, have it back!"

FLAAAAAASH!

Her rotating moon mirrors unleashed the attack that Zero sent to Emeraldine, as spiraling typhoons of darkness, lightning, and black ice began to engulf Zero into an endless storm of darkness!

B O O O O O O M M M M M!!!!

"Uuuaagggh...! C-Curse you and your damn Titan Powers!" Zero began losing her patience, as she fell into the ground. The enormous explosion damaged her even more, but it wasn't as if she was done for yet.

She channeled her magical powers as her [Leviathan's Divine Necklace] started to shine brightly, Frost Divine Power started overflowing from within it and her very body absorbed it. Her long hair turned dark blue and her eyes glowed with a clear blue color, countless tattoos resembling snowflakes emerged across her skin. "I guess I'll have to release more of the seals within my body...!" She said with a smile. "This is just the beginning!" She laughed.

Ding!

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Second Seal! Her True Powers are surging in...!]

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Third Seal! Her True Powers emerging even more wildly!]I think you should take a look at

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Fourth Seal! Her True Powers are transforming and her body is undergoing evolution!]

Frost and winds began gathering around her, generating freezing lightning and constantly beginning to change the weather more and more. An entire Blizzard was summoned in mere seconds, as she channeled her powers and unleashed them against Maria and Emeraldine

"[Fimbulwinter Blizzard]!"

FLUOOOOOOSH!

"Emeraldine!"

Maria quickly moved towards Emeraldine and also Francesco who was helping her by temporarily possessing her bow, using her enormous hands to protect them both from the massive blizzard attack!

B00000000MMMMMM...!

The power that was unleashed was tremendous, but Maria's several new Skills, mostly those related with her new Titaness side started to react powerfully, enchanting her defensive powers in exchange for thousands of Mana per second and many Moonlight Essence quantities!

The Moon Lily that grew inside of her Spirit Realm Soul Scape and the various other skills granting her Moonlight Essence were barely enough. The Selene's Ring she was holding supplied her with a tiny bit more of Moonlight Essence, but that was only every hour, and the battle has barely lasted ten minutes.

If she continued at the phase as of right now, where she had spent over half of her current Moonlight Essence quantities, before the next hour would arrive, she would run out of this essential power that granted her divine abilities, the only thing capable of fighting back against another S Rank being such as Zero.

"Aahahahah... HAHAHAHA!" Zero laughed, constantly conjuring more and more Blizzards against Maria and Emeraldine. "I know you can reflect attacks, but that got to have a cost, isn't it?! I do wonder how long can you continue taking this much damage? I am no magician for naught! I know that Divine Beings such as you need special energies to channel their special abilities. And I am fairly sure your Moonlight Magic requires the same! How about I exhaust you out of it?! Don't worry, just sit down, and relax, dear~! It'll be over quickly!"

Zero continued attacking with all her strength. After merely unsealing three of her current seals, her magic power and abilities skyrocketed in strength. Maria and Emeraldine were struggling to survive her onslaught.

"This damn bitch is infuriating! But she's not wrong..." Maria sighed. "I will run out of Moonlight Essence before we can even kill her."

"Maria! Don't forget that we are here as well!" Emeraldine said.

"That's right milady!" Francesco said. "There should be a way to overpower her, we need to work together."

"Work together... Right." Maria realized something. "Come, get inside of my soul! Maria said."

Ding!

[You've exchanged 250000 System Points!]

[You learned the [Divine Soul Connection: Lv1] Skill!]

Chapter 695 [Divine Spirit Soul Connection]

Ding!

[You've exchanged 250000 System Points!]

[You learned the [Divine Soul Connection: Lv1] Skill!]

[The [Spirit Connection: Lv5] Skill has automatically merged with [Divine Soul Connection: Lv1]!]

[The [Divine Soul Connection: Lv1] Skill has evolved into [Divine Spirit Soul Connection: Lv5] Skill!]

[Divine Spirit Soul Connection: Lv5]

A Divine Skill that can only be learned by powerful Divine Beings capable of connecting with their contract Spirits souls, and also that of their allies, be it spirits or other types of entities. Upon Connecting with a Spirit or an Ally, the user and the target share senses, thoughts, and perhaps even memories.

Elemental Affinities and Divine Powers are melded together and the power of the user is enhanced greatly.

While activating Spirit Connection with a designed Target, All Stats increase by +250%, with an additional +25% with each Skill Level. Divine Skills, Divinities, and Divine Magic Powers and Effects increase by +150% with an additional increase of +25% with each Skill Level, and MP and Divine Essences Consumption decreases by -50% with an additional -10% with each Skill Level. Additionally, powerful Spirit Magic Spells and Divine Spells can be conjured, unique to the user and the designated Target.

Limit of how many targets can be connected at the same time is 1 + each Skill Level. Connecting with too many targets at the same time can consume large quantities of Mana or Divine Essences, and greatly exhaust the connected allies. A long cooldown will be issued whenever the Skill is used too much, to guarantee the user's survival.

"Now this is what I call a freaking upgrade." Maria smiled.

She had realized she couldn't save her System Points leisurely anymore, and immediately purchased a powerful Skill she had been eyeing for a while, which miraculously merged with another existing one, evolving it and also letting it gain five additional levels!

"Now... [Divine Spirit Soul Connection]!" Maria said, quickly activating the Skill.

FLAAAASH!

Suddenly, two black and purple threads emerged from the depths of her soul and connected with Emeraldine and Francesco, as their power suddenly started flowing towards her own, and vice versa. Their powerful elemental auras started overflowing and combining together even better than before.

"Maria, what is this sensation?" Emeraldine panicked for a bit. "It is so fuzzy...!"

"This is the power of milady!" Francesco proclaimed. "Milady, we should do Spirit Fusion as well!"

"We can't, Emeraldine is not a Spirit and- Wait a second." Maria's eyes opened wide. "Emeraldine, do you have the Spirit Fusion Skill, right?"

"I do?" Emeraldine said. "Wait, what are you planning?!"

"Fuse with me and Francesco!" Maria said with a smile, her eyes shining bright red.

"I-I don't know if I could this is...!"

BOOOOOOMMMMM!!!

The blizzards continued emerging and exploding one after the other, they resembled bombs made of storms, as Zero continued freeing everything. Maria's titan-like body started to freeze while protecting Elfina.

"Hahahaha! What are you waiting for?! Are you no longer interested on fighting me? Have you give up, or are you perhaps planning to escape?" Zero laughed. "Come on... [Divine Blizzard Dragon]!"

FLUOOOSH!

A gigantic mass of storms, winds, ice, and freezing lightning gathered together, suddenly taking the shape of a gigantic serpentine dragon which roared furiously, quickly descending upon Maria's frozen body!

BOOOOOOOOMMMM!!!! think you should take a look at

The body shattered into pieces, leaving only the remains of a frozen statue without actually any soul behind. Zero laughed, thinking she had defeated them.

"Hahahah... HAHAHAHA! So that was all of it?! I guess a recently evolved S Rank can't hope to fathom this power. Aaahh~ Soon, the Fimbulwinter will cover the entire world! A new Era is soon to come-"

"Well, this certainly feels amazing."

"HUH?!"

Zero realized it a bit too late, but right behind her, the elf woman she despised so much emerged, her eyes suddenly shining bright red as flames came out of her hair, which had turned completely orange and red.

Her dress changed into one made of phantasmal flames, and her skin seemed slightly pale, as if she was a ghost. Countless markings resembling darkness, moon, and flames grew over her skin, and even a pair of long black horns grew from her forehead, alongside a third, red eye.

"What...?! The Elf?!" Zero couldn't believe it. That elf that had been attacking her from afar was way too weak and pathetic for her to even amount to anything than a long ranged attacker.

Yet... she suddenly changed so much, her aura of darkness, flames, and nature itself overflowed so strongly it seemed as if all her surroundings were distorting into her Divine Domain.

Ding!

[You have successfully undergone [Divine Spirit Soul Connection] and [Spirit Fusion] with [High Spirit Elf: Emeraldine (A+ Rank)] and [Infernal Blazing Ghost: Francesco (B+++ Rank)]!]

[As a result of the fusion, all of your stats have temporarily converged together, additionally, many bonuses increasing these stats even further have been activated!]

[However, due to the instability of this fusion, the limit time has decreased to 5 Minutes]

Magical Weapons converged together through divine power, as her bow changed, transforming into a gigantic red and black bow floating in midair right in front of her.

Ding!

[The power of the Divine Weapons have reacted to the combined souls, temporarily fusing into the Special Divine Relic [Divine Titan Bow of Muspelheim: Surtr]!]

[The power of the Special Divine Relic is reacting to the fused souls magic and divine essences!]

"[Infernal Phantom Flames Arrow Rain]"

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

The enormous divine bow suddenly summoned hundreds of red-colored magic circles, as the weapon mercilessly unleashed an endless rain of Blazing Arrows, shaping themselves as demonic beasts and ferocious dragons, and impacting Zero's entire Divine Domain of Blizzards, and her entire body as well!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOOM!

"T-This is impossible! How come you... fused?!"

Zero desperately attempted to evade the arrow rain, using countless shields made of blizzards, winds and ice, she evaded a few, only giving more time for her foe to draw closer.

FLAAASH!

Emeraldine and Maria reached her in an instant, resembling a gigantic fireball as they pointed their Divine Bow at point blank into Zero's face!

"You're a bit too slow, aren't you?"

"Ungh?!"

Chapter 696 An Incredible Fusion!

Ding!

[You have successfully undergone [Divine Spirit Soul Connection] and [Spirit Fusion] with [High Spirit Elf: Emeraldine (A+ Rank)] and [Infernal Blazing Ghost: Francesco (B+

++ Rank)]!]

[As a result of the fusion, all of your stats have temporarily converged together, additionally, many bonuses increasing these stats even further have been activated!]

[However, due to the instability of this fusion, the limit time has decreased to 5 Minutes]

[The power of the Divine Weapons have reacted to the combined souls, temporarily fusing into the Special Divine Relic {Divine Titan Bow of Muspelheim: Surtr}!]

[The power of the Special Divine Relic is reacting to the fused souls magic and divine essences!]

Maria, Elfina, and Francesco fused together through Maria's new Skills and their combined Spirit Fusion Skills, ultimately creating a fiery elven woman with the personalities of both Maria and Emeraldine, and an immense amount of power due to their combined, and further boosted stats and skills!

BOOOOM! BOOOOM! BOOOOM!

While Zero intercepted, defended, and evaded the powerful rain of Blazing Arrows shaped into infernal beasts and dragons, she began wondering how come things turned this way out of the blue!

However, she simply had little time to even think about that.

FLAAASH!

Emeraldine and Maria reached her in an instant, resembling a gigantic fireball as they pointed their Divine Bow at point blank into Zero's face!

"You're a bit too slow, aren't you?"

"Ungh?! Dammit!"

Zero waved her hands as she generated a Divine Barrier made out of her powers and the divine essence of her Divine Relic, attempting to shield herself from whatever they were going to bring out.

"{Infernal Phantom Flame Arrows}!"

However, it was the simplest of combined spells, which began hitting Zero's barrier constantly like a gatling gun. They didn't even need to aim using this amazing divine bow, as it generated divine magic arrows out of their own power and aimed with incredible accuracy, with an explosive firepower even more devastating at point blank!

BOOOM!

Crack...!

BOOOM!

Crack, crack!

BOOOOM!

CRACK!

BOOOOOMMM!!!

CRAAASH!

Four shots was what it took to easily destroy Zero's Divine Barrier, which happened in just a single second. She didn't even had time to evade as the flames of the fusion's Divine Aura engulfed her into a cage!

"{Divine Infernal Phantom Jail}!"

FLUOOOOSH!

"E-Eh?! I am trapped?!"

Zero continued unleashing her winds and ice, but it was futile, they were easily overpowered by the divine flames, as they began to burn her skin and her flesh, constantly consuming her.

"UUUAAGGGGH! GYYAAAAAHHHHH!!!"

But that wasn't all, the minds of Emeraldine and Maria worked together wonderfully as they pointed their temporary divine bow weapon at her and then started shooting countless arrows at her while Zero was being burned alive!

"{Consecutive Divine Blazing Missiles}!"

The arrows resembled missiles from Earth, an idea that Maria herself had, as they reached Zero even faster than normal arrow-shaped magic projectiles, blowing up constantly, endless blazing explosions began covering the skies.

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOOM!!!

The powerful blazing heat melted the ice below and above, as the skies slowly started to clear up from the black clouds covering it all!

"GYAAAAAHHHHH...!"

Zero agonized in pain, as she quickly fell into the melted rocky floor of the mountains, her entire body roasted alive and she was barely breathing, yet somehow she was still alive...

"Unnnggh... Y-Youuu...!"

"Ah...!"

Seeing the Snow Elf burned alive and suffering, Emeraldine suddenly flinched, as Zero's state made her remember her own state after being enslaved, and the suffering she went through.

"We have to kill her right away, Emeraldine!" Maria said, quickly waking her up.

"Ah, right...!" Emeraldine quickly snapped out of it.

But it was a bit too late.

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

Several seals set over Zero's entire body began to become undone, as her wounds were covered completely on ice and quickly regenerated, restoring her beauty only for her attributes to be enhanced even more. Her long hair became silver and her eyes turned gold.

Her skin became even bluer than before, gaining more divine tattoos around her body that represented the seals she broke. Her eyes began shining brightly, and they resembled those of a reptile, no longer an elf anymore.

A scaled tail grew in her back, and her dress continued growing longer, resembling blue wings, two sharp blue horns grew in her forehead, as her sharp and long nails turned into strong-looking claws, and silver scales began growing over her arms and legs.

Two large pair of wings surged in her back, as the power of her Necklace was completely channeled into her body at the same time as she broke the last Seals restraining her full power.

"Hahaha... HAHAHAHA!" Zero started to laugh, she completely recovered in just a single second. And her powerful aura was exuding a gigantic pressure around her. "That was truly a pinch, if you hadn't flinched for a bit, I might had actually died there! Do you like my new form? These are the blessings of this Divine Relic, which I desired to take for myself thousands of years ago... That damned hero had to seal me just when I was about to obtain it! I was a fool, I should had made sure I killed every single person on his Kingdom. Because I let that damn rat live without realizing, he ended coming for me at the end! Well, not like he was able to kill me, I killed him first. If it wasn't because he was a divinely protected... he wouldn't had been able to seal me using the powers of the God that blessed him, heh..."

Zero laughed, looking back at Emeraldine and Maria.

"But that's long on the past! Right, girls?" She laughed. "Now it is a whole new Era! An Era where I... shall become its queen! The Frost Queen said it was okay for me to take my own territory later, there's no need to fight for everything after all, right?"

"I'll fucking burn you to ashes." Emeraldine and Maria said at the same time, their combined eyes blazing with fury.

"Oooh~ So scary!" Laughed Zero.

CLAAAASH!

Chapter 697 The Witch's Last Stand

Ding!

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Fifth Seal! Her True Powers are finally beginning to awaken!]

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Sixth Seal! Her True Powers are developing further upon awakening!]

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Seventh Seal! Her True Powers are adapting to her body...]

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] has unsealed her Eighth Seal! Her True Powers have completely awakened on their totality!]

[The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S Rank)] Danger Rank has increased to S+ Rank!]

[The Divine Relic [Divine Leviathan's Necklace] is reacting to her powers! The [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S+ Rank)] has temporarily transformed into a Half-Dragon!]

"Fuck." Maria thought, as she saw her System notifications. Emeraldine quickly realized these strange notifications were also showing up in front of her, but explanations would have to wait for later about what this power truly was.

"Emeraldine, we can't hesitate any longer... Did you heard her? She just spoke about killing an entire Kingdom without even hesitating." Said Maria. "She's a vile bitch, not someone deserving of your pity." "I know... I now know." Emeraldine sighed. "I am sorry... for being weak hearted."

"It's fine. I guess that's what make you someone special too. And I wouldn't call you "weak hearted", you're just kind." Maria sighed. "Now, let's end her."

"Yeah, we'll burn her into ashes." Emeraldine nodded.

The two minds converged together once more, glancing back at Zero as their Aura continued expanding further and further, transforming into an endless inferno of phantasmal fire.

Ding!

[Remaining Time For Fusion: 3 Minutes, 27 Seconds.]

"I'll fucking burn you to ashes." Emeraldine and Maria said at the same time, their combined eyes blazing with fury.

"Oooh~ So scary!" Laughed Zero.

FLAAAASH!

Maria and Emeraldine flew across the skies like a blazing meteor, impacting with Zero with all their might. Six gigantic fists made of flames and combined with Maria's Titan Skills emerged one after the other, punching Zero with all their might!

"{Divine Sol's Blazing Fists}!"

Channeling the power of the Divine Titaness of the Sun, Sol, the gigantic blazing fists began hitting Zero from all sides, unexpectedly faster than the Witch of Eternal Winter had expected them to be!

CLAAASH! CLAAASH! CLAAASH! CLAAAAASSSHHHH!!!

"NNNGGRAAAAAHHHH!!!" Zero roared in fury after being hit so many times. Her powerful Dragon Scales easily helping her resist the flames, but the damage into her soul was still accumulating more and more. "{Frost Dragon's Claws}!!!"

Her nails suddenly turned into gigantic dragon claws made of Divine Ice, as she started clashing against Emeraldine and Maria's fist attacks, constantly unleashing destructive shockwaves all around the skies!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOOOOMMMM!!!!

"I won't die today! NOT NOW! NOT AFTER BEING FINALLY UNSEALED!!!" Zero grew more insane as the power of the Necklace's curse began taking effect, her mentality started to deteriorate even more, slowly turning her more savage and beast-like. "RAAAAARRRRH!"

She opened her massive jaws, unleashing a devastating Dragon Breath of Pure Blizzards!

FLUOOOOOOSSSSHHH!!!

The power was incredible, pushing Maria and Emeraldine down into the ground and completely turning off their Infernal Divine Domain in mere seconds!

BAAAAMMM!!!

"Ungggh...!"

Emeraldine suddenly vomited blood, as her eyes felt tired of overexerting themselves. However, Maria quickly brought out an Elixir from her Inventory and let her drink it.

FLAASH!

Her wounds were swiftly healed before Zero landed from the skies, kicking the two away with her scaled legs hitting them several times using her dragon tail as if it were a whip!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

"FUCK!" Maria roared, quickly channeling more and more of her powers, combining them with Francesco's and Emeraldine's and unleashing them all!

"{Infernal Gates of the Apocalypse}!!!!"

Combining several of her spells together, a gigantic gate leading to an inferno of flames opened up in the middle of the snow-covered landscape!

TRUUUUUUMMM...!

"GRAAAARRRRGGGHHHH?!"

Zero roared in confusion as countless blazing hands and chains started wrapping around her constantly, dragging her into the gates of hell as she roared and slashed the ground and the flames, trying to freeze everything on her draconic fury, but ultimately being captured!

TRUUUMMM...!

The gates closed, as an intense hellish flame inferno started consuming the Witch of Eternal Winter from within the gates. Her draconic screams could be heard as the gates began to be slammed by her attacks from within.

CLAAASH! CLAAASH! CLAAASH! CLAAAASH!

"She's actually going to destroy the gates?!" Emeraldine reacted in shock.

"I guessed so..." Maria sighed.

The two touched the bow floating around them, a bow seemed incapable of dealing enough damage to truly kill Zero at her current state, but the bow itself reacted to their wills... and transformed.

FLAAAASH!

[The power of the Special Divine Relic {Divine Titan Bow of Muspelheim: Surtr} has reacted to the wielder's desires.]

The bow transformed, quickly turning into a long white and red two-handed blade blazing with divine white flames, the flames were in the shape of a ferocious titan.

[The Special Divine Relic {Divine Titan Bow of Muspelheim: Surtr} has transformed into the {Divine Titan Longsword of Muspelheim: Surtr}!]

[Its offensive stats have increased greatly in exchange for losing its long-ranged attacks and greater accuracy.]

[The Special Divine Relic has temporary attained the {Dragon Slayer} attribute!]

It felt as if their fused weapons reacted to their desires. It was almost completely magical. Was this the power that Gods had? To transform the very concepts of their abilities and even weapons into whatever they required? Maria had considered using the new Privileges she acquired too, but this wasn't half-bad either.

Crack... crack... CRACK!

CRAAAASH!

The Infernal Gates were shattered into smithereens by a gigantic frozen claw, as the Witch of Endless Winter emerged out of them, half-burned, but still filled with enough energy to fight to the death.

"RAAAAAAHHH!!!"

Without even waiting a second, she leaped towards Maria and Emeraldine directly, her claws growing even bigger as her surroundings summoned thousands of gigantic spears made of Divine Ice!

"DIEEEEE!"

However, Maria and Emeraldine greeted her with a smile, swinging their gigantic great sword with perfect timing!

SLAAAAAASH!!!

Chapter 698 The Mad Witch's Demise

Maria and Emeraldine clashed against Zero with everything they had. Combining their powers and even all of their weapons together through Divine Skills, they created a blazing blade containing Divine Flames, that could cut through any ice. The two swung their sword violently, unleashing blazing slashes against the rampaging Zero, putting their very hearts and souls into these attacks!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAAASH!

"GRAAAHHHH!!! YOUUUUU....!"

Zero began to struggle, although her powers had amplified tremendously, her draconic might didn't fit her magic completely, and due to her mentality slowly eroding due to the dragon's powers, she couldn't conjure the powerful magic from before, and in exchange, she only had draconic abilities and immense physical might.

While her opponents had the best of both worlds.

"RAAAAAHHHH!!!"

Zero opened her jaws, unleashing another Dragon Breath and freezing everything around her surroundings, causing a tremendous and chaotic catastrophe!

B00000000MMMMMM!!!!

For a moment, she smiled as she saw the frozen silhouette of Maria and Emeraldine... Only for her face to quickly grow shocked as she realized the enormous blazing blade they held slashed through the ice and melted everything, filling their surroundings with hot steam and infernal flames spreading everywhere!

SLAAAAASH!

"JUST DIE ALREADYYYYY...!"

Zero enchanted her body with all the Mana she had now, jumping straight towards Maria and Emeraldine and pointing her two gigantic claws at them alongside her sharp, spear-tipped tail to end them both once and for all!

However, the fusion between two lovers calmly intercepted her powerful, yet sluggish and easily predictable blows with their sword, slashing apart her freezing dragon claws and ultimately, both of her arms!

SLAAASH! SLAAAASH!

"GRYYYYAAAAAGGGH....!"

Zero cried in agony as her two arms were sliced apart, suddenly opening her draconic jaws once more for another Dragon Breath!

"DIEEEEE!"

FLAAAAAAASH!

The massive beam of draconic power erupted from her jaws, completely engulfing Maria and Emeraldine within its endlessly freezing prowess.

Yet...

"{Surtr's Wrathful Slash}!"

SLAAAAAAASSSHHHH!!!

A massive titan made of flames surged from within the ice, Maria and Emeraldine completely transformed using Maria's Titan Skills. The titan of flames looked down at Zero, as her draconic eyes were filled with despair.

"A-Ahh... W-What... is... this?"

"{Ragnar?k's End}"

The enormous blade began descending towards her, slashing her in half before she could even move, her entire body burned and turned slowly into ashes, while being slowly sliced apart into two perfect halves.

CLAAAAAAAASSSSHHHHHH...!

"This... can't... be...!"

Zero's consciousness began to fade away as her entire body was being burned away.

"I... through my entire life..."

Memories of her life passed through her mind.

When she was a little girl lost in the woods. The hunger she felt after not having eaten in days. The bitter flavor of the bugs she ate desperately.

The anger and frustration she felt for being so weak, incapable of doing a single thing than fleeing from the village where her family lived as it was burned away by humans.

The pain and agony she underwent to train herself, fighting, hunting, training, killing... the countless times she felt lost, and with nobody at her side.

Always alone.

The ecstasy she felt as she destroyed the Kingdom of the people that killed her family and destroyed her village, and then the hollow feeling she felt within her heart once she realized what she had done.

And the madness consuming her mind and her heart...

The eyes of that Hero that showed up at her doorsteps, and the hate he carried for revenge, so very similar to her own hate.

She realized that moment, that this world... it was simply an endless cycle of destruction, where all mortals were the puppets of the gods.

"Heh... Hahahah... Hah... This is... life..."

Zero laughed in her last moments, as tears flowed from her eyes, before her body turned into ashes and her soul was completely destroyed.

Maria and Emeraldine quickly separated, and of course, Francesco came out of the fusion too. All three of them were completely exhausted...

"Aaaggh, we finally did it..." Maria sighed.

"I wonder, can you turn her into a ghost or something?" Wondered Emeraldine.

"Can't. Her soul dissipated away before I could take her, the power of that sword is the real deal..." Maria said.

"I see..." Emeraldine sighed, looking at the remains left by Zero.

An accursed dragon-shaped necklace, several silver-colored scales, claws, a dragon tail, horns, and a small, yet beautiful, blue-colored Magic Crystal.

"Are you feeling alright?" Maria wondered. "I'm sorry, maybe you wanted her at our side?"

"Nah, it's fine." Emeraldine said. "The moment I decided to fight at your side, I filled my heart with the resolve to kill others, no matter who they truly were, and no matter how much pity I felt. As long as they threatened innocents and tried to kill us, I simply... cannot be soft."

"Well, that soft-heartedness of yours is what makes you... Well, you." Maria said, giving Emeraldine a head pat and then a kiss. "Never stop being yourself. It is fine if you feel sad, and it is fine if you pity even our enemies."

"Maria..." Emeraldine felt filled with emotions. "W-Well, this is not the time for being lovey-dovey anyways! We need to quickly go help everyone else!"

"Right! Let's go then!" Maria nodded. "Francesco, you did amazingly too! And- EH?!"

"Hahhaha... I-I became a bit tiny." Francesco was now a small floating flame.

"FRANCESCO!" Maria panicked, quickly feeding him Mana and Phantasmal Essence. "Don't die on meeee!"

"I-I am fine milady! I was just too tired, I used most of my body and soul for that transformation... I need to rest for a while to recover, I am sorry." He sighed.

"No, no, it's fine. Come to my Soul Scape and rest in there." Maria swiftly stuffed Francesco inside her Soul Scape so he could recover quickly by absorbing the surrounding phantasmal energies.

And as they made their way to aid everyone else...

Ding!

[You have slain the [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S+ Rank)] x1!]

[You have slain hundreds of her minions!]

[You earned 3000000 EXP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 23 to Level 29!]

[All Your Stats have increased!]

[You Earned Bonus System Points!]

[The Divine Goddess {Hel, Goddess of Death and Ruler of the Underworld} seems proud of your victory]

[She says she has decided to become a more active player in the Game of the Gods.]

"Huh?"

Chapter 699 The Knight's True Form

Ding!

[You have slain the [Witch of Eternal Winter: Zero (S+ Rank)] x1!]

[You have slain hundreds of her minions!]

[You earned 30000000 EXP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 23 to Level 29!]

[All Your Stats have increased!]

[You Earned Bonus System Points!]

[The Divine Goddess {Hel, Goddess of Death, and Ruler of the Underworld} seems proud of your victory]

[She says she has decided to become a more active player in the Game of the Gods.]

As Maria defeated Zero with Emeraldine and Francesco's aid, she suddenly received messages from her own Goddess, Hel!

"Huh?"

She was completely dumbfounded, what the heck did Hel meant by this?

"Well if you're being so active send me some rewards!"

[The Divine Goddess {Hel, Goddess of Death, and Ruler of the Underworld} nods.]

[She has sponsored 100000 System Points.]

[She has gifted you the Special Divine Privilege: [Divided Egos (B Rank Privilege)]!]

[Divided Egos (B Rank Privilege)]

A being that has many faces can learn this ability almost naturally. This Privilege grants the user the power to divide their own powers and abilities into different "Egos" and fragment themselves, being able to act in several places at the same time.

Not to be confused with things such as "Phantom Clones" or "Familiars" as this power takes in account the user's true and total power and divides it depending in the amount of Divinities they possess, or "Body" related skills.

The more the user body is divided, the more pressure it puts into the original Soul and the more Mana is consumed. Because of this, it cannot be used continuously and endlessly. A proper cooldown is administrated upon usage.

Additionally, increases the Total Stats of all Fragmented Egos by +100% and their Skills and Magic Power and Effects by +50%.

[The Divine Goddess {Hel, Goddess of Death, and Ruler of the Underworld} says that this Privilege will be of utmost use for someone like you, so obsessed with protecting everyone.]

[Make good use of it.]

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"Thank you, Hel, I'll surely do."

(Some Minutes Ago)

Lucifer and Partner confronted Frost, one of the strongest Frost Generals with everything they had, but due to their own ignorance over his true powers, they fell right into his trap, and were constantly fighting a battle of attrition where their opponent seemed to have a tremendous upper hand.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

Lucifer clashed against Frost once more, utilizing everything he could to become capable of comparing with the strength of this titan made of pure ice. However, even as he was shattered and quickly regenerated again, Frost laughed.

"You're strong and fast, you're also quite powerful in defense as well! I could not have expected anything less from a Dragon King..." Frost laughed. "However, even with your flames covering your body, you cannot escape the Endless Winter!"

F L U O O O O O S H!

Suddenly, the entire Domain that Frost has created, named the "Winter Kingdom" began generating a powerful snowstorm all around the space, beginning to freeze everything and even turning off Lucifer's flames, which quickly emerged once more. This constant loop ended weakening the flames slowly and draining Endless Winter of Frost while at the same time, activating his special Unique Skill. Lucifer's third red-colored eye shone brightly, Lucifer's energy rapidly.

"Unnkkhhh...! This damn bastard...! {Ancient Dragon's Aura}! {Third Draconic Eye of Death Perception}!"

FLAAAASH!

Lucifer unleashed his Ancient Dragon Aura, fighting against the Endless Winter of Frost while at the same time, activating his special Unique Skill. Lucifer's third red-colored eye shone brightly, as he was finally able to see through Frost's very soul.

The reason why he didn't used this skill before was due to the requirements it needed, which would exhaust him severely as a result... nonetheless, as he saw through his death perception eye, he finally found it.

Frost's weakness!

But his weakness was just...

"What?! This... can't be! You're...?!" Lucifer felt shocked.

"Hahahaha... So you've figured it out? Well, it is a bit too late now!" Frost roared, unleashing consecutive attacks using his Frozen Axe!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

Lucifer evaded his blows by flying with his wings, which he enchanted with the Draconic Arts: {Rapid Draconic Wings} and began figuring out the truth about Frost's body.

"Your damn body is not the thing I am fighting...! You're just merely another puppet, another Ice Golem!" Lucifer roared with fury, charging his Mana into his jaws, and then unleashing a terrifying attack into the ground below, not at Frost!

B O O O O O O O O M M M M M M M!!!!

The massive attack blew up the entire ground, rocks flew and a gigantic hole appeared in the mountain, and from within the hole, something started emerging from within. It wasn't even a person, or a giant, or even a normal monster.

No, the thing that started to emerge from within the hole was the true body of Frost, his truest appearance. And he was... a gigantic mass of slime!

"Hahahaha! Impressive! To think you have a Skill that can figure such a thing!"

A gigantic mass of blue slime emerged out of the ground, covered by endless spikes and frozen plates. The entire true body he had suddenly crumbled apart, as the shield and the frozen appeared on the gigantic Slime's body.

"You're a damn Slime?!" Lucifer felt shocked. "So this entire thing is all your own magic..."

"What the...?!" Partner suddenly panicked as she saw the entire Winter Kingdom crumbling apart, and then merging together with an endless mass of blue slime, shaping into a titan of ice, several times bigger than the Frost they were fighting before.

"The appearance of a slime is a rather unsightly one, don't you think?" Laughed Frost. "Especially for a King such as myself. But fine, now that I've been found out, there's no point in hiding anymore! Now, come!"

Chapter 700 A Battle Between Kings

Frost couldn't even remember his former name, but he could remember who he used to be on his previous life, a King and Knight, an honorable man that stood with his people and protected them until the bitter end. Until the Church of Light and the Holy Empire destroyed everything.

As he lost everything and then even his life, Frost's soul died with so many regrets that it stood within his Kingdom's ruins, even after thousands of years, even when the ruins were buried over and over again, and nothing else remained but an endless land of winter.

In that time, someone suddenly found him, eons later, his mourning soul was held by the cold hands of a young girl, who promised him that his unfulfilled promises and his powerful, undying conviction were what she needed.

"Become my loyal knight, and once the world is mine, I shall give you back the Kingdom you lost."

He couldn't simply reject such an offer. He had lost everything, there was nothing else for him left. He accepted immediately, and his very soul was placed inside the small body of an Ice Slime. Although it wasn't the human body he once had, it held incredible new capabilities, and as he was trained and leveled up in the Dungeon where his new master resided, his powers kept growing more and more.

Until now, when it was finally time to advance. United with others like him, who were abandoned and lost in the world, he decided to charge in and conquer the entire Continent of Midgard, and take away the things that once belonged to him, his Kingdom, and his people.

This conviction, even on his new aberrant form, would never fade away, the powerful and almighty will of a regretful king.

RUMBLE!

The entire Winter Kingdom crumbled apart, and then merged together with an endless mass of blue slime, shaping into a titan of ice, several times bigger than the Frost that Partner and Lucifer were fighting before.

This was his true form, a gigantic, hundreds of meters big Eternal Winter Slime, a powerful S Rank evolution of the lowly Ice Slime. Covered on an incredibly hard armor of ice in the shape of a humanoid titan with sharp armor and holding a gigantic axe and a divine shield, Frost confronted the two once more.

"The appearance of a slime is a rather unsightly one, don't you think?" Laughed Frost. "Especially for a King such as myself. But fine, now that I've been found out, there's no point in hiding anymore! Now, come!"

Lucifer and Partner were left flabbergasted that he had been tricking them this entire time. Frost true form was that of a slime hiding underground, while he used his amazing ice manipulating magic to create a fake scenario for them to tire themselves out.

Despite being an "honorable king" as he called himself to be, his tactics were cowardly and like something that Maria would come out with, as Lucifer and Partner thought.

"This damn bastard was trying to weaken us and tire us out, wasn't he?!" Partner sighed, gasping for air. Indeed, she had grown already very tired, and without any more blood for her to drink, she was only going to grow more tired.

"Hahhh... I should had used my Eye of Death Perception sooner." Lucifer regretted. "Drink my blood. I know you're tired."

Lucifer quickly cut off a small wound on his right hand's wrist, as a large quantity of red blood started flooding out like a waterfall.

"Eugh, there's no way I'm drinking your nasty blood." Partner said while crossing her arms.

"Partner, just do it! This is not the time for us to be fighting!" Lucifer reprimanded her.

"Infighting, huh? This'll only make things easier for me!" Frost laughed.

FLAAASH!

Frost suddenly stretched his hands using his slime body, while still being covered on his hard, divine ice armor, he swung his axe against the two of them at an insanely fast speed!

CLAAAAASSHHHHH...!

However, Lucifer barely managed to intercept the attack by summoning his Phantasmal Death Scythe and infusing it with the powers of the Fire Dragons within the Draconic Records.

"This damn sneaky bastard... Do you call yourself a knight when you sneak on us all the time?! Cowardly piece of shit!" Lucifer roared furiously. "Partner, drink the damn blood!"

"Uuuggh, fine!" Partner cried, desperate of how the battle was only going to get worse and worse, she waved her hands and quickly manipulated the blood flowing out of Lucifer's wound into a sphere she quickly drank completely. Lucifer's wound immediately closed after that.

"{Eternal Winter Blades Storm}!"

Suddenly, Frost conjured a powerful magic spell, as countless magic circles appeared around Lucifer and Partner at the same, as thousands of gigantic, twenty-meter-long swords made of divine ice started falling over the two of them, and then exploding upon contact, freezing any of their surroundings!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

"Uuuggh...! {Divine Draconic Arts}: {Muspel's Divine Blazing Fortress}!"

FLUOOOOSH!

Lucifer hit the ground and channeled more of his powers and those of the Draconic Records, the only Bloodline he had access to was the Fire Dragons, as he was originally one. Thanks to this, at least, he was able to conjure incredibly powerful flames temporarily, although unlike his sister, he had to spend enormous quantities of energy and mana to do so.

TRUUUUUMMM...!

A gigantic fortress of blazing draconic flames was erected, surrounding his body and that of Partner and protecting the two of them from the rainfall of icy swords. The flames were so strong they spread into a shockwave, melting the ice around and easily weakening the magic of Frost.

However...

"{Frost King's Divine Shield Charge}!"

Frost emerged through the flames, charging across them using the Divine Shield of Uller to protect himself from the flames and completely destroying Lucifer's defensive spell, at the same time as he clashed against his massive body, throwing him down into the ground!

CLAAAAAASH!

"Unnggh...! YOUUUU...!"

Lucifer opened his jaws, unleashing a deadly {Infernal Dragon Breath}!

B0000000MMMMM!!!