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Chapter 501 Natoria's Evolution Options

[You have selected the [Young Red Blaze Dragon] [Rank]: [D++] Evolution Option for [Ignatius]!]

FLAAASH!

Ignatius entire body began to glow with bright white a red light, as his entire body exuded an enormous wave of heat, spreading around his surroundings at the same time as his body grew larger, centimeter per centimeter... until then, the evolution was done!

Ding!

[Ignatius] has evolved into a [Young Red Blaze Dragon]!

The little dragon was no more, as he now had the size of... almost 50 centimeters, he was almost as big as I was when I was four years of age. I've taken a big stretch when I hit seven years, and now that I am getting closer to nine I am getting pretty tall again. Ignatius became so tall he probably reaches my belly.

His body developed mildly, although he remained most of his Baby Dragon Features which made him look cute, he now had a few rougher and rowdier appearances here and there, spikes over his shoulders, muscular forelimbs with big claws and fingers, a long and spiky tail, and three black horns growing from his forehead, with sharp red and orange eyes.

His belly had white color as well, and seemed slightly softer, perhaps being one of his weak spots if a predator were to try getting close to him. However, he seemed rather rowdier now, and he even looked like he was up to no good, like a punk kid.

"LET'S GOOOOOOO!"

Ignatius roared, as flames came out of his jaws as he opened them upwards. The fire was spiritual fire anyways so it didn't burnt anything unless I wanted. He began to celebrate as he looked at his body, finally he looked slightly bigger and not like a child anymore- well, he still looks very much like one but still.

"I have finally become an adolescent now! I am big! Hahaha! I think I could had been as tall as you when you were five!" He laughed maliciously.

"Yeah but you're still tiny anyways." I said with a smirk.

"I don't care about your teasing; I am happy as I am! Bwahaha!"

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Ignatius the Red]

[Race]: [True Fire Dragon Spirit]

[Rank]: [D] -> [D++]

[Level]: [0/25]

[EXP]: [0/5000]

[Class]: [Baby Dragon] -> [Young Red Blaze Dragon]

[HP]: [495/495] -> [515/515]

[MP]: [400/400] -> [420/420]

[Strength]: [440] -> [450]

[Defense]: [455] -> [470]

[Magic]: [260] -> [280]

[Resistance]: [245] -> [265]

[Agility]: [235] -> [245]

[Luck]: [110] -> [120]

[Charm]: [150] -> [160]

[Skills]: [Eggshell: Lv7] [Dragon King's Son: Lv4] [Baby Dragon Breath: Lv7] [Roll: Lv6] [Dragon Scales: Lv5]
[Dragon Claws: Lv5] [Fire Absorption: Lv8] [Physical Damage Resistance: Lv3] [Magic Damage Resistance:
Lv2] [Intimidation: Lv1] [Furious Dragon Bite: Lv1]

This little dragon's stats increased by a small bit and he even got cockier too, which might or might not be a good thing, depending in the perspective.

Ignatius also acquired two new Skills.

[Intimidation: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

A Skill that powerful Dragons might awaken, their very Auras generate a threatening aura of red color that can cause fear and make foes flinch in horror upon seeing the Dragon in question. It is capable of lowering a foe's stats when intimidated by -10%, increasing with each Level. In stronger cases of intimidation, a foe might even get Paralyzed for a few seconds.

[Furious Dragon Bite: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

A Skill that all Dragons develop, it grants them the ability to use their well-developed jaws to bite furiously through a foe's flesh. While biting, their jaws become stronger and reinforced with magic, their fangs are as sharp as knives and they can easily tear flesh and break bones as long as they get a good grip in a foe's flesh. As this skills develop by breaking fangs and regrowing them, the fangs continuously grow tougher, sharper, and deadlier, granting +25% enhancement to damage dealt when biting a foe alongside ignoring -10% of their defenses per Skill Level.

"Big wow, both are deadly Skills! Well done Ignatius!"

"Sylphy make me something to bite with your weird Alchemy thing power." Said Ignatius.

"Err... Wood? No you're going to break that easily... Alright." I said, quickly grabbing forks, and nearby rusted metal swords and knives.

"Extraction: Iron."

FLASH!

All the weapons suddenly began to be slowly extracted into a big block of iron as I felt a lot of my MP going away constantly, and I felt a slight pressure as well. This thing probably costs a lot of MP with each use.

"Metamorphosis."

FLASH!

And then I shaped it all into something resembling a big bone.

"Here, a metal bone. Do as you may."

I gave it to Ignatius as he began waving his tail around and started chomping on the piece of metal. His jaws were so strong now that they left biting marks all over. It seems that becoming a Young Dragon also comes with wanting to bite things with his well-developed jaws.

"Now, Natoria! It's your turn! Come here baby."

"Fofofofo!"

Natoria was excited, flying to my side as I checked her status. She had developed rather nicely.

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Natoria]

[Race]: [True Nature Spirit]

[Rank]: [D+]

[Level]: [20/20]

[EXP]: [--/--]

[Class]: [Magical Sapling]

[HP]: [270/270]

[MP]: [700/700]

[Strength]: [132]

[Defense]: [140]

[Magic]: [500]

[Resistance]: [385]

[Agility]: [245]

[Luck]: [140]

[Charm]: [180]

[Skills]: [Photosynthesis: Lv4] [Seed Bullet: Lv5] [Nature's Healing: Lv5] [Entangling Vines: Lv3] [Leaf Of Life: Lv3]

"Nice, nice, your stats increased pretty well." I said while nodding. "Alright baby, let's see your Evolution Options, I am assuming you have too, right?"

"Foo!"

Ding!

[Available Evolution Options for [Natura]]

[Deadly Venomous Vine]

[Accursed Screaming Mandragora]

[Spirit Tree Sapling]

[Nature Familiar]

I saw all four of Natura's Evolution Options, and they seemed quite interesting, and at the same time, very strange. I had never thought she had the talent to evolve into a Deadly Venomous Vine or an Accursed Screaming Mandragora! And what is Nature Familiar anyway?

Naturia had four evolution options now, it was the same as when it happened to Ignatius just some minutes ago. Will Furoh also have several evolution options?! Well, one thing I noticed is that this evolution is actually for their Class, or something. It seems their race just stays as a Spirit...

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Naturia had four evolution options now, it was the same as when it happened to Ignatius just some minutes ago. Will Furoh also have several evolution options?! Well, one thing I noticed is that this evolution is actually for their Class, or something. It seems their race just stays as a Spirit. Unless something very big happens, perhaps they'll keep the same race they have but their Class will change, which will reflect as a new appearance, new powers, and the like.

It makes me wonder if this is also related with the System, Classes don't exist in this world after all. It probably means that the System is capable of modifying the body and granting the skills and new power through Class Change similar to an Evolution by itself... Well, maybe Furoh will be different as he is not a spirit.

Anyways, let's see Naturia's Evolution Options, with the Additional Information turned on. After upgrading Heavenly Sight, I had acquired the power of seeing even more information when I analyze things.

[Deadly Venomous Vine]

[Rank]: [C-]

A special type of Plant Monster that is made up of countless entwined vines with spikes filled with deadly poison. Each spike is capable of injecting poison that can either Paralyze, inflict Burn, deadly venom, and more. They're particularly nasty monsters that wait to ambush a prey by mixing with vegetation deep within forests.

Additional Information: Powerful and tricky, and with a variety of poisons at its disposal, however, it has a hard time leveling up due to its strength and it doesn't have that many evolution options. Mostly loses all healing abilities in exchange for poison.

[Accursed Screaming Mandragora]

[Rank]: [C]

A powerful one and a half meter large Mandragora-type monster that dwells deep within jungles or forests. Once stepped over, it will emerge from the ground and scream, dealing direct damage into anybody within a kilometer radius. Its scream that inhibit senses in anybody that hears its scream and causes powerful and deadly curses that can paralyze or even stop the heart of a foe. However, it is powerless against anything of higher Rank.

Additional Information: Incredibly strong for its Rank but cannot evolve anymore, levels up incredibly slowly and once it evolves, it doesn't grow much stronger.

[Spirit Tree Sapling]

[Rank]: [D+++]

A mysterious and mystical sapling of an even more mysterious tree. A sapling of a Spirit Tree is said to be a protector of the forest child. Revered by the Elves of the Atlanta Continent, once one is spotted, it will be swiftly moved to a sanctuary where it will be taken care of and slowly allow to grow up over time, evolving bigger until, perhaps, might one day become a Legendary World Tree.

Only a few of Spirit Tree Saplings exists in this world, and they posses incredibly ability over Nature and Life, generating auras of healing light and even being able to create healing leaves and fruits that once consumed, are said to restore youth, and even extend lifespan.

Additional Information: Rather weak and slightly defenseless, but it can move around with its roots. It has a wide repertoire of healing skills and buffing abilities to enhance and heal its protectors. Although it is rather weak, it can level up at twice the speed and has a bright future in terms of future evolutions.

[Nature Familiar]

[Rank]: [C-]

A golem-like being made of wood that is created by high ranked Forest Spirits, Dryads. They're powerful and have robust bodies that grow over time by absorbing the life from monsters and magic from the environment. They take a variety of shapes and have special abilities, but most of them are shaped to be powerful and defensive guardians, they have a balance between defense, attack, magic, and healing, but cannot specialize in anything.

Additional Information: Level up slowly, its evolution options are narrow and it cannot properly move at a good speed to keep up with its master.

"I see, everything has a certain flaw except... Well, the weakest of them, but also the one with the greatest evolutionary options." I said, as Naturia seemed to understand what each evolution option said and seemed to agree.

"Alright then, what do you want to be though?" I wondered.

"Do you want to be a deadly and poisonous mass of vines?"

"Or perhaps a big mandragora that screams and kills everyone?"

"Perhaps you want to be a big and chunky doll-like wooden golem?"

Naturia began to imagine herself in each evolution, making adorable yet shocked faces.

"Or a small spirit tree sapling?"

"Foo!"

She began to seemingly nod, as her eyes shone brightly.

"Okay then!"

Ding!

[You have selected the [Spirit Tree Sapling] Evolution Option for [Naturia]!]

FLASH!

Right after that, Naturia began to glow bright gold, as she was encompassed in this magical light, her entire being began to change. Her small and tiny branches grew longer, as her main body almost reached 50 centimeters. Her wooden body became healthier and shinier, as more leaves grew over her small branches, which now grew longer and thinner. She started looking like a small tree.

Ding!

[Naturia] has evolved into a [Spirit Tree Sapling]!

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Naturia]

[Race]: [True Nature Spirit]

[Rank]: [D+++]

[Level]: [0/25]

[EXP]: [0/5000]

[Class]: [Magical Sapling] -> [Spirit Tree Sapling]

[HP]: [270/270] -> [290/290]

[MP]: [700/700] -> [750/750]

[Strength]: [132] -> [142]

[Defense]: [140] -> [170]

[Magic]: [500] -> [600]

[Resistance]: [385] -> [485]

[Agility]: [245] -> [255]

[Luck]: [140] -> [170]

[Charm]: [180] -> [250]

[Skills]: [Photosynthesis: Lv5] [Seed Bullet: Lv6] [Nature's Healing: Lv6] [Entangling Vines: Lv4] [Leaf Of Life: Lv4] [Mana Fruit: Lv1] [Spiritual Healing Aura: Lv1] [Life Enhancement: Lv1]

Naturia looked amazing after evolving, she now truly became something of a tree herself! And not only that, but her stats also skyrocketed a bit too much! I thought this was a lesser evolution. So what would have happened if she evolved into the others, she would have gotten even more stats, perhaps...

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Naturia's evolution was slightly surprising, her stats have also increased more than expected, and she acquired three new Skills, Mana Fruit, Spiritual Healing Aura, and Life Enhancement.

[Mana Fruit: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

A special Magical Fruit imbued with the power of a Spirit of Nature and Life that can be produced by spending MP. Once created, it can restore up to 500 MP when consumed. The restorative amount of MP increases as the skill level does. This fruit can also be used as a valuable material for the production of items through alchemy with stronger effects.

Consuming the fruit might also heal from Lesser Status effects such as Headache, Fatigue, Exhaustion, Confusion, and even Brainwashing. The more MP is spent on the fruit's production, the more powerful is the fruit's effects. With each Skill Level, the leaf's effects and nutritional richness increases by +15%.

[Spiritual Healing Aura: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

An exclusive power of Spiritual Trees, it grants the ability to gather the spiritual essence of nature and heal several targets within a wide range surrounding the user. The targets can even be an inanimate object or a living being, or even the environment itself. Living beings receive a Heal based off the MP spent plus +10% with each Skill Level, while using this in certain inanimate objects or things such as soil, the nutrients in the soil are enhanced, plants grow faster and healthier, and more. With each Skill Level the range in which this Aura can reach is increased by x2.

[Life Enhancement: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

An exclusive power of Spiritual Tree, by choosing specific targets, it is possible to imbue them with the power of Life itself, enhancing their entire bodies in the process. This temporarily increases all stats by +20% with each Skill Level and creates a positive status effect that can help wounds heal faster and cancel Curses from affecting wounds. Additionally, instead of all stats being boosted, a single stat can also be targeted, in which case the enhancement is doubled, however, other Stats cannot be boosted while this boost is active.

"Woah all these are amazing. I couldn't expect less from a Spiritual Tree like you, Naturia! Well done!"

"Fooo!"

Naturia flew around, now even bigger than before. However, she could float just fine as she could become translucent, or even reduce the size of her own body, resembling a small miniature tree.

With her new Skills it is possible to give even more of a healing enhancement to everyone around us, and she can even create fruits to restore MP! Although her fruits restore MP by a fixed number unlike my fruits that simply restore 50% of MP and HP no matter what, they can be eaten as much as anybody wants, and I bet we can produce more per day than mine.

They could also be a good material for Alchemy... Now that I've acquired the Alchemy Skill and it has been updated, there's nothing saying I can't use such power to make new potions which are even more effective.

However, for now... time to evolve Furoh.

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Furoh]

[Race]: [Mimic Demon]

[Rank]: [D+]

[Level]: [20/20]

[EXP]: [--/--]

[Class]: [Shapeshifting Beast]

[HP]: [950/950]

[MP]: [520/520]

[Strength]: [670]

[Defense]: [360]

[Magic]: [550]

[Resistance]: [320]

[Agility]: [600]

[Luck]: [130]

[Charm]: [130]

[Skills]: [Mimicry: Lv4] [Body Shapeshifting: Lv4] [Gluttony: Lv3] [Shadow Blast: Lv3]

At Level 20 he had really increased his stats a lot. I think he is the one with the most stat total of all my Familiars right now. It is obvious why though, he's amazingly strong due to having a physical body, so I guess it has to have some sort of advantage being made of flesh than just being a floating spiritual soul thingy. His Skills had leveled up a lot since he got his System, and he has become pretty amazing at Shapeshifting and Mimicry.

For now, let's see if he got any evolution options or he can evolve directly into something...

Ding!

[Showcasing [Furoh] Evolution Options...]

[Available Evolution Options for [Furoh]

[Amorphous Shapeshifter]

[Lesser Uroboros Worm]

[Shapeless Trickster]

"You've got three evolution options Furoh, come see them."

Furoh slowly looked at the status window evolution options, feeling slightly surprised.

"Eh? They all sound terrible! Can't I just evolve into a dragon instead?"

"No, that's not how it works. You may take many shapes but your evolutions are dependent of what you truly are."

"Sigh..."

Furoh didn't seem to enjoy his true form, and that's probably his reason on why he never took it since he gained the ability to shapeshift. He's a Mimic Demon so he has the innate power to shapeshift and

within his heart it feels like an impulse to him... so I suppose I can't just selfishly lecture him about how he should love himself or something.

[Amorphous Shapeshifter]

[Rank]: [C-]

A horrid being from the depths of dungeons and caves within the Demon Continent. It lacks a shape and moves around with a mass of flesh eyes and limbs. It can shapeshift in whatever it has registered within its mind and uses such powers to scare foes or obtain strength to acquire meals. It is monstrous and possess insane regeneration abilities, being able to sustain large quantities of damage and survive, escaping and healing to fight another day.

Additional Information: A vicious fighter that abuses regeneration to fight recklessly and try to devour prey whole. It levels up fairly slowly and its evolution options are not much.

[Lesser Uroboros Worm]

[Rank]: [C]

A monstrous worm that inhabits the dark depths of the Demon Continent, devouring Demonite Crystals, and any monster it can find. It is vicious and also possess the ability to shapeshift its body around, taking a few different forms to trick foes and devour them with surprise attacks. The more it eats the bigger it grows, until it eventually becomes too big to be predated by most things except higher ranked monsters.

Additional Information: It is powerful and can grow to insane sizes, but it cannot evolve anymore. It requires a lot of food to sustain so it might be a pain for its master to maintain.

And there's a third option too...

Chapter 504 Furoh's Evolution

There was a third evolution option for Furoh:

[Shapeless Trickster]

[Rank]: [C-]

A strange small being. No bigger than the size of a man, this monstrous being has no shape, resembling a mass of fleshy slime with eyes and tentacles. It prefers to live inside of dungeons, ambushing adventurers and devouring them. The more it devours strong prey, the stronger it can grow, even being able to imitate their skills and spells. It can eventually shapeshift into anything as it develops, gaining a part of what it shapeshifts into temporarily. Incredibly hard to discern and find out, very few had ever been slain less alone captured.

Additional Information: Fast Leveling and Develops quickly, specializes on shapeshifting and mimicry the most.

"And those are all three... What do you like?" I wondered, asking Furoh.

"Err..." Furoh looked around. He didn't liked any of them. "None, to be honest, none of them!"

"Ugh... We are never getting anywhere like this, Furoh."

"I am sorry..."

"You have to just pick something, come on..."

"I really don't want any of them but I guess... The worm one sounds strong."

"It is a trap though!"

"Trap?!"

Furoh was surprised, he really didn't get it, but I learned something from seeing the evolution options of Naturia and Ignatius so far... There are trap evolutions that cannot evolve any longer, those will ultimately inhibit growth, which is something very important.

Sometimes just taking the weakest evolution is for the best, as it has the greatest potential for growth after all. I told that to Furoh until he realized his mistake.

"Right... Then the last one?"

"Yeah, let's pick this one."

Ding!

[You have selected the [Shapeless Trickster] Evolution Option for [Furoh]!]

Instead of a flash of light emanating out of Furoh, he was encompassed in pure darkness, as he began to glow darker and darker, until he turned into the pure embodiment of darkness, a mass of endless

shadows without a defined form that began to grow larger and larger, until it finally stopped. The darkness and shadows dissipated, revealing the figure of something resembling a slime made of flesh with multiple eyes and tentacles. Wow, that's crazy looking.

"Ugh, haven't I become even more grotesque now?" He sighed.

"Come on, you've got your charm as a monstrous creature." I said. "Well, and a demon of course."

"Well, I prefer to take a better form than that..." Sighed Furoh, as he quickly transformed into a Blue Slime similar to Pyuku. "Slimes are technically the same as I am but they're cute... I wish I was a slime."

"I guess I cannot deny a slime's cuteness but you're also cute in your own way..." I said, petting him. "Your assistance was of great help back in that battle, you did way too much in fact, without you I don't know if I could had managed to do what I did, so thanks a lot, Furoh.

"Ahahaha... It was nothing, I was just helping my contractor." Furoh seemed to be embarrassed.

"Well now, let's check what you've gotten. There are two very annoying spirits behind me waiting for their turn at getting a System..." I sighed.

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Furoh]

[Race]: [Mimic Demon]

[Rank]: [C-]

[Level]: [0/25]

[EXP]: [0/5000]

[Class]: [Shapeless Trickster]

[HP]: [950/950] -> [1000/1000]

[MP]: [520/520] -> [560/560]

[Strength]: [670] -> [700]

[Defense]: [360] -> [380]

[Magic]: [550] -> [570]

[Resistance]: [320] -> [340]

[Agility]: [600] -> [650]

[Luck]: [130] -> [140]

[Charm]: [130] -> [140]

[Skills]: [Mimicry: Lv5] [Body Shapeshifting: Lv5] [Gluttony: Lv4] [Shadow Blast: Lv4] [Stealth: Lv1]
[Illusion: Lv1] [Deception: Lv1]

Ah, his stats increased a lot didn't they? Not only that but he now has one thousand HP?! He's so tanky I can't even put it into words anymore... Well, and all three of his new Skills sound interesting, fitting of something named "Trickster".

[Stealth: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

A special ability that only very tricky monsters capable of melding with shadows can learn. It allows for the ability to hide from anything by covering themselves with a mantle of invisible Mana and making of the user's entire existence null to others. It only works as long as they're not found or detected, and immediately deactivates upon the usage of an attacking skill or spell. The hiding effect of stealth is enhanced by +20% with each Skill Level.

[Illusion: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

A Skill that only very tricky monsters can acquire, which allows for the creation of illusions through magic. Such Illusions can be manipulated to make fake things seem real, or to bring discomfort into the hearts of an opponent. It can also directly affect the mind and cause several status effects such as Confusion, Insanity, or Madness. Illusions can be melded with Stealth for better effects. The effect of illusions is enhanced by +20% with each Skill Level

[Deception: Lv1]

Skill Proficiency: 0/1000

A Skill that only Shapeless Tricksters can learn. Passively increases the ability to deceive a foe. The more a foe is deceived by the user, the stronger the user will grow, with a boost to all stats of +15% with each Skill Level. Additionally, as long as the target falls into illusions, the illusions effects are enhanced by +50%.

Wow all these Skills scream "playing dirty" but I can't help but like them. They sound so great and interesting it left me slightly surprised. I guess they come perfectly well for someone like Furoh who can shapeshift and mimic stuff.

"Ugh these Skills sound strangely dangerous..." He sighed, worried about the stuff he shouldn't be really worry about at all.

"But they'll do their job just fine, you have to be nasty and play dirty if you want to survive in this world Furoh, you know this firsthand, right?" I asked.

"...Well yes." He sighed. "I will do my best in that regard."

"Now's my turn to shine, right? Right?!" Beelzebub quickly flew to my face and began to annoy me. He really wanted a System Seed. He was being quite annoying, but I guess it was understandable.

Chapter 505 Beelzebub & Curse Status

Beelzebub began to rub his fatty grub body over my face.

"I also want one of those Systems!"

"Sure, but Curse, I can't really trust you yet, so I am not giving you anything for now..."

"Eh?! I helped you!"

"I know but still..."

"It's not like I can even betray you if I want to, right? I am already trapped within your soul; we'll probably die together now."

Curse was right I guess; he had been chained and now he was pretty much merged with my soul. He was like part of my very being and he'll most likely die alongside me.

But still... Isn't he too new of a friend? Kind of feels a bit iffy to give him the System Seed right away. I was just thinking to wait a bit but I guess the sooner the better. If he tries anything funny I can use my authority and take away the system out of his soul, Alice told me I can do that.

"Ah... Fine, I'll give both of you some Systems, so stop bothering me already!"

At the end, Alice quickly made both seeds, which were cubic shaped after some effort. Both of them ended costing 600000 EXP, not as much as I imagined, but the next ones will cost even more expensive, and so on, until they'll begin costing millions, and maybe one day billions!

...Well, not like I really plan to give them to the entire world, but I've got enough to make even more if I wanted. Who could benefit from them? I could give them to my parents so they can keep growing stronger, as they seem to have hit a wall, or maybe to Aquarina and Zack as a priority because they're growing with me and it might come in handy if they're stronger whenever something very dangerous happens eventually.

It'll be a hassle to explain to them what it is about and how the System power is even possible... Maybe I should just give it to them without telling them? Nah, that would only make them ask their parents about it, which would end up ruining the entire thing from being a secret.

I had originally thought about telling my parents about the System's powers, they know I was born with special powers already, from my "near endless mana" to them, which is actually endless, to my "near immortality" and so on. They had also noticed my spirits had been growing stronger quicker than any spirit they had ever seen before across their lives, and I remember father looking at my spirits whenever they leveled up with a bit of surprise... I can already assume he told my mother that, through some sort of power, my spirits can grow faster by slaying monsters.

Hmmm... Nah, it is too complicated. For now they're already strong enough so let's leave it at that. But for Aquarina and Zack, it sounds plausible. I think they could understand if I tell them it is a mysterious magic I was born with and which allows me to help others grow stronger, after experimenting with my familiars, it works so I wanted them to have it.

But they're a bit prideful, would they accept my help which is clearly a cheat so they can grow strong fast and keep up with my pace? Huh... Well, if I give it to them as a birthday gift, maybe?

Anyways, after Beelzebub and Curse received their System Seeds, they quickly glowed brightly and then that was it. They got their goddamn Status.

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Beelzebub]

[Race]: [Abyssal Fly Poison Spirit]

[Rank]: [E+]

[Level]: [0/10]

[EXP]: [0/5000]

[Class]: [Poisonous Larva]

[HP]: [120/120]

[MP]: [150/150]

[Strength]: [70]

[Defense]: [50]

[Magic]: [150]

[Resistance]: [130]

[Agility]: [180]

[Luck]: [40]

[Charm]: [20]

[Skills]: [Aura of Pestilence: Lv1] [Poison Creation: Lv1] [Shadow Thread: Lv1] [Demon Lord Authority: Lv1]

<Status System>

[System Owner]: [Curse]

[Race]: [Ancient Curse Spirit]

[Rank]: [E+]

[Level]: [0/10]

[EXP]: [0/5000]

[Class]: [Parasitic Curse]

[HP]: [70/70]

[MP]: [200/200]

[Strength]: [30]

[Defense]: [40]

[Magic]: [170]

[Resistance]: [150]

[Agility]: [160]

[Luck]: [30]

[Charm]: [20]

[Skills]: [Devourer of Darkness: Lv1] [Ancient Curse: Lv1] [Demon King's Will: Lv1] [Black Chains: Lv1]

Woah, both were looking amazing. Beelzebub had some interesting Skills, such as Poison Creation Aura of Pestilence, Shadow Thread and... Demon Lord Authority?! So he inherited something from back when he was a Demon Lord... Now that's quite insane when you think about it, for real.

And then there's Curse, who acquired a variety of Skills that seem related to his very purpose as a Living Curse, or as he's called now "Parasitic Curse", is this why he's able to attach himself to souls and jump around from soul to soul as its host dies? I guess he's really like the embodiment of a parasite in that sense.

"Oh, so this is my Status! Finally! I finally got it!" Beelzebub got all happy. "Now time to evolve and go back to my glorious fly self!"

"Interesting, these Status things..." Curse said. "Would I be able to evolve into an even stronger Curse?"

"Yeah, I guess you could, but it won't affect me any longer, I modified you that way." I said.

"I am not planning in affecting you, I already told you. I've been living a life aimlessly since that ancient demon king created me. I want to find a new purpose, staying at your side and sticking to whatever you'll do seems interesting enough, and because you're half-elf, you'll live very long." Said Curse. "It'll surely be a life filled with interesting developments, in an ever-changing world such as this, a long life means you'll experience many things! I can't wait!"

Curse was certainly an eccentric guy.

After I was done with everything, I quickly decided to take a nap for real this time, and slept soundly for hours until dinner, where Aquarina and Zack came to visit me once more, this time bringing Mist, Celica, and Mary, who came to check on Celeste and to say hello to me.

"Shylphy! You're awake!" Mist said, jumping over bed.

"I was worried..." Celica sighed.

"I am glad to see you're doing well, Sylphy..." Said Mary, as she looked back at Celeste with a worried expression.

"Don't worry, she should wake up soon enough." I said. "I know she will."

Chapter 506 Beautiful Dreams

I spent the next few hours talking with Mary, Mist, and Celica. Through the week I spent being unconscious, they were slowly adapting to everything in our "wandering village". Apparently after the whole fight against Celeste, my parents quickly picked up the people of the orphanage in a very peculiar way...

"Well, Arafunn, your uncle, did something... rather surprising. He used his Wind Magic to lift the entire house off the ground, and flew it all the way outside the village..." Mary said.

"He did what?! Did uncle really do that?!" I asked in shock.

"Y-Yes... He used special magic to hide what he did, so nobody was able to actually see it at the end, but it was very shockingly surprising." Sighed Mary.

"We flew into the skies! Uncle Arafunn is very cool! I want to use wind magic one day, can I?" Wondered Mist.

"I believe you could, nobody is born without the ability to use magic of all elements, we simply have affinities that make an element stronger than others naturally, most of the time." I said as if I were imitating my mother's teachings.

"Oooh!" Mist got all pumped up. "Sylphy can you teach me magic?! Celeste used to teach me magic but she's..."

"I think I could! However, I am fairly sure my mother is way better at teaching Magic than I am." I said, head patting Mist. "How about she teaches you magic instead? I can ask her- Ah right she's busy with Zephy..."

"Yeah, that's why we didn't wanted to bother her..." Mary said. "I know a few spells, but Mist specializes a lot in Light and Life Magic, her healing spells were learned almost automatically."

"Amazing, you're a healer then, Mist! We just needed one for the party." Said Aquarina.

"I-I am?! I'll be a nun like Mary! So I have to heal well!" Mist giggled a bit, looking at Zack as if expecting his praise as well.

We looked at him with sharp eyes, until he understood.

"Y-Yeah, that's pretty cool." He said while nodding, scratching his head a bit out of embarrassment. Even for him it was quite clear Mist had a hard crush on him, so he felt slightly embarrassed now when she was near him. Despite being smaller than us, Mist had almost our same age. It seems her tribe is small sized, according to Mary.

"Ehehe, you can be a strong warrior in the front and I'll keep you healthy and safe, Zack!" She said, her eyes shining brightly, her second pair of eyes seemed to shine brighter than ever.

"Well that would be pretty useful." Said Zack with a smile, head patting Mist. He couldn't resist her cuteness at the end.

"Uwahh..."

Of course, she had a different reaction when he showed her affection than anybody else, blushing a bit.

"I wonder what magic I'm good at!" Said little Celica.

"Perhaps Darkness Magic?" I wondered.

I wasn't being racist or something because she was a Demon, but because I could sense within her soul that her affinity for Darkness was rather potent. Thanks to my upgraded Heavenly Sight, I was able to see through souls easily, and it also allowed me to detect affinities, elements which people are better than others.

"Darkness Magic? But that's scary magic... I want nature magic to grow flowers! I want to fill the world with pretty flowers!" Celica said innocently. "Like that, mama can always smile, like she does when I give her flowers!"

"Is that so dear?" Mary said with a smile, caressing Celica's fluffy hair.

"Sure thing then, I can teach you a good amount of Nature Magic Spells, growing flowers will be no problem if you put your mind into it!" I said, forgetting about making her learn darkness magic if she really didn't wanted to.

"Uwaah! Cool!" Celica said, jumping around like a little froggy, she lifted her teddy bear.

"Mister teddy we can make as many flowers as we want!" She said happily.

"I heard that flowers turn into tasty fruits too, did you know?" Wondered Mist.

"I didn't!" Said Celica while gasping. "So when I eat fruit, I am eating a flower too?!"

"Something like that! So maybe when you learn how to grow flowers, you can also make fruits!" Said Mist.

"Woow!" Celica got even more pumped up. "Like that we'll never be hungry... OH! If I make tons of fruits, maybe nobody will ever suffer hunger again!"

"Yeah! I had the same idea!" Mist said.

"Let's learn how to grow fruits!" Said Celica.

"Alright!" Mist was decided.

Their wish was so cute and innocent that it made me feel rather moved... But that's true. Maybe if I help them with my endless Mana, healing the hunger of the world... can it be a possibility? There's lot of people starving everywhere, sometimes food lacks, or sometimes the rich take it all for themselves and sells it for ridiculous prices.

If we fill the world with so many trees bearing fruits daily everywhere, wouldn't hunger as a whole not be a real problem? Like that, people could dedicate themselves to improve the world as a whole without such a problem getting in the way.

...But maybe my thoughts are also childish? Can I even do such a thing?

"I believe if you set your mind into it, anything could be possible." Alice whispered to me.

Alice...

I guess we could give it a try while we are in our journey.

"Haha, growing fruits all over the world? That's nuts... Not even the heroes could do that." Zack said while giggling a bit.

"Hey, don't laugh at their dream, Zack! That's super rude!" I reprimanded him.

"A-Anyways." Mary said. "I guess we should be leaving soon, we don't want to disturb you, Sylphy." Said Mary.

"Oh no, I'll be going back to my own tent tonight, you can stay here and be with Celeste in this bed, no worries." I said.

"Really? Thank you." Mary sighed.

Like that, we moved back to our tents.

And Aquarina ended sneaking in the middle of the night into my bed, cuddling with me.

She seemed to have missed doing this.

Chapter 507 The Next Morning

When I woke up the next morning, my body felt way more lighter. I guess I've fully recovered by now. I needed just a bit more rest. I didn't even feel any pain. If anything, I felt slightly sluggish, as if I really needed to stretch out and warm up my body. I need to begin exercising a bit more. Of course, not without training my new Skills. I've got a big assortment of Skills that can Level Up now, so I should begin training them all together to gain as much Skill Proficiency as I can efficiently as possible- But there's a problem. Most of them are quite flashy, so I cannot leisurely conjure them anywhere.

It is really quite the pain... However, I've discovered a good trick, a "cheat" if I would say so myself. While I am sleeping or by concentrating a lot, almost meditating, I can enter my Soul Scape using my mind, and there, I can conjure most Skills and gain Skill Proficiency as well! Of course, it requires me to sleep or be in a very deep meditation, and the more I use Skills or Magic there, the more tired I get mentally, so I cannot really abuse it too much.

But is a good way to train them every night for at least two or three hours at most, the other hours I require to use them to sleep so I don't wake up with a headache. It is a decent method, and I used it last night to train two hours...

I looked into my own Status, seeing the changes once more:

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[System Owner]: [Sylph Natoria Bravo]

[Magic Circle]: [Tier 3: Rank 1: Elemental Magic Circle]

[Physique]: [Tier 3: Rank 1: Yggdrasil's Eden Physique]

[Level]: [1/#523a]

[EXP]: [13050000/%4g3#]

[Class]: [Farmer]

[Subclass]: [Alchemist]

[HP]: [10/10]

[MP]: [20/20]

[Strength]: [4]

[Defense]: [3]

[Magic]: [50]

[Resistance]: [10]

[Agility]: [6]

[Luck]: [-10]

[Charm]: [20]

[Skills]: [Royal Elven Lineage] [Agriculture] [Lesser Fire Magic: Ember] [Mana Usage] [Hero Seed] [Divine Protection] [Heavenly Sight] [Alchemy]

[Special Skills]: [Agriculture: Lv10] [Yggdrasil's Endurance: Lv10] [Spiritual Blessing: Lv10] [Divine Fruit of Knowledge: Lv1] [Lesser Fire Magic: Ember: Lv10] [Fire Magic: Blazing Wall: Lv1] [Mana Usage: Lv5] [Heavenly Sight: Lv1] [Alchemy: Lv1]

[System Magic Spells]: [System Seed Creation] [System Modification]

[Curses]: [Curse of the Devourer of Darkness]

Ah, I've really got a lot of Leveling Skills now... The Level cap is 10, the other ones that got at Level 10 cannot level up again, but of course, I've already got a big assortment of ones that can Level Up. Divine Fruit of Knowledge, Fire Magic: Blazing Wall, Mana Usage, Heavenly Sight, Alchemy. That's six skills I've gotta keep up with to efficiently level up! It'll be hell no matter what. I only have three hours as a guarantee leveling inside of my dreams, more than that while sleeping will affect my mind and I won't be able to properly rest well.

Also in the day I've gotta do a lot of chores, now that I am growing up, my parents are shamelessly asking me to do a lot of stuff. They tell me to wash my clothes and make my bed. To tidy up the room of

the demon children, and probably to help mother in the kitchen. Sometimes papa will call me to help him at bleeding out the monsters and butchering them, which happens daily as they have to hunt to feed everyone now.

And that's without including the time I want to spend with Zack and Aquarina as well, I don't want to neglect spending time with them because I just want to train my Skills or something...

Like that, I lose over seven or eight hours in my day, the other hours should be spent sleeping though. At most, adding the three hours inside the soul scape, I can have... roughly five hours a day to do anything I want, probably...

Or maybe I should just relax and enjoy life, and things will get there... eventually?

Well, yeah but I will still try to get some skill proficiency.

I've grown addicted to seeing my Skills grow I guess.

One of the major reasons I was able to fight back then and do everything was because I've developed my Skills and my Familiars too.

Spiritual Blessing ended being a big trump card, allowing me to boost all my Familiars power to insane levels, and even helped Agni go against a True Demon Duke. He still struggled, and I heard from Aquarina that her father was the one that defeated Astaroth.

More importantly, I've got a lot of things to do right now. One of them is... my sword!

It's gone.

I can't find it anywhere!

Where is my beautiful sword at?!

I found my earrings and other accessories I have, my armor all broke though, so I only have these little things. Thankfully Beelzebub became a full-fledged spirit by now, or he might had disappeared if I broke the sword.

Which if I remember well... it broke in the fight against Lilith and then shattered when I fought Celeste. Damn, my sword... She had accompanied me through so much I've grown attached to her. Well, I've even given her a gender pronoun and all even though it is just an inanimate object!

I quickly woke up from bed with the intention of getting a new sword, or even asking my father to repair the old one somehow. I wonder if they would accept? The least thing they would want me to do is jump into danger now, using a sword must be banned for a good while.

But it's worth a try!

"Sylphy?"

Aquarina suddenly realized I had jumped off bed, as she grabbed my white dress and pulled me back to bed.

"Ah... Aquarina, good morning..."

"Mooch."

Aquarina gave me a kiss in my cheek, rubbing her nose over mine.

"Good morning..." She said while yawning.

She was too cute...

Chapter 508 Aquarina Learning The Truth

Aquarina gave me a kiss in my cheek, and it was filled with so much fluffiness and cuteness, I felt like all my worries were healed, and I felt so light I could float atop the clouds...

"Sylphy? S-Sylphy?! Are you okay?!"

Without realizing, I ended looking like I became paralyzed, I almost wasn't even breathing.

"Ugh... Y-Yeah, that surprised me a little bit." I sighed.

"What... surprised you?" Aquarina was fidgeting her fingers.

"Ah, well... Nothing." I didn't really wanted to make her feel like that kiss was not something she should had done.

"It was the kiss...?" She asked.

"No... It... The kiss was nice." I said.

"Really?" She asked, her eyes shining.

"Of course, we always kiss in the cheeks when we greet, right?" I asked.

"But to me... they're more special than a greeting." She said.

"Is that so...?" I asked.

"Uwah... I can't do this..." Aquarina quickly covered her face, as she grew as red as a tomato, steaming coming out of her ears.

"Ahaha, don't sweat it. I was going to take a bath right now and then go ask papa if he can fix my sword. Remember that it broke?" I asked.

"Oh yeah! Your sword broke..." Sighed Aquarina. "If it wasn't for that Celeste..."

Aquarina had some sort of grudge against Celeste now. I mean, I can understand her anger against her, she did a lot of bad things.

"Hey calm down now..." I said.

"Yeah I am calm, I just..." Aquarina crossed her arms. "I dislike her. No, I hate her! I dislike how you forgave her so easily too... It just doesn't make any sense to me. She did so many terrible things!"

"And what? Do you expect me to kill her or something?" I sighed.

"N-No, not that... Not you..." She said.

"Aquarina calm down, this is now how your parents raised you, right?" I sighed.

She was still young and propense to her own emotions, I had to calm her down.

I hugged her and gave her a kiss in her cheek.

"Promise me that you won't act like this in front of her, okay? At least... don't threaten her or something. I know she did fucked up stuff, I am also mildly angered at her. But this wasn't completely my decision. My parents, and your parents, also decided to forgive her and give her a second chance." I said. "Mary, Mist, and the other kids in the orphanage... They all care so much for her."

"I know, I know..." Aquarina said grumpily. "Y-Your face is a bit too close..."

"Ah..."

I stepped back a bit and then I extended my hand at her, asking for a handshake.

"Okay?"

"Okay... fine."

Aquarina held my hand as she seemed slightly reluctant but at the end decided to not... well, I don't know. I bet she'll still treat Celeste angrily. It took her years to get used to Zack. Aquarina is like this I guess.

"Maybe I am the idiot here I guess." I sighed. "But I kind of want to give her a second chance. She might had done a lot of bad things, but she was a victim for the most of her life."

"Hmm...." Aquarina sighed. "But Sylphy, if you had gone through the same things as her, would you had ever done the same things she did?"

"Ah..." I sighed. "Well, maybe no..."

"See? There's a difference between people!" Said Aquarina. "Some are just good and others bad at the end."

"No, no, don't look at life in such an outlook, Aquarina. Not everything is just white and black, everything is just gray. Sometimes light gray or dark gray, but most of the time people is too complex to make them into mere "villains" and "the good ones" that's just stuff from fairy tales. Hell, even the Demon King might had have his reasons to do the stuff he did." I said.

"But that doesn't mean that because someone has reasons to do what they do, they should be let to do as they please, right?" Asked Aquarina while crossing her arms.

"Y-Yeah, I know! And we stopped Celeste, right? We stopped her, and we won't allow her to do anything stupid again. With the watch of the heroes here, I doubt she'll ever try anything funny. And well... I kind of know her more deeply now." I said.

"M-More deeply?!" Aquarina asked shocked. "S-Sylphy don't tell me you like them older than you?! Ah, it must be those big things she got in her chest right?! I-I'll grow them when I grow up too!"

Aquarina completely took it the other way around, talking a lot of nonsense.

"Eehh?! W-What are you even talking about?" I asked while raising an eyebrow. "I don't... like her as if platonically or something. I am just saying I know her better... You see..."

I ended telling Aquarina about that dream where I stopped the Evil Gods.

"WHAT?! You can do that?!"

"It... was a bit unexpected but I was able to."

"How?!"

"I've got a curse that Furoh had, I stole it from him and it somehow mutated, giving me the power to absorb darkness. This is how I defeated Lilith's soul and how I damaged the gods' projections so they were scared and ran away. I broke her divine protections from them too, and even a demon spirit thing that was parasitizing her soul."

"You did so much for her! She better be grateful!"

"Yeah, that she's alive doesn't mean we'll give her everything. I want of her an official apology, and probably to lower her head and kneel before our parents, to ask for forgiveness for the stuff she did... It might be a bit tyrannical but... I think it is a good way for her to understand what everyone has done for her, right?"

"Yeah, I agree! We'll boss her around and make her life hell, hehehe..."

"W-Wait Aquarina, that's not what I meant..."

It seemed that Aquarina was a lot like her mother and might even become a bully.

Chapter 509 Forced Into Going To The Academy

After waking up I went to take a quick bath, and Aquarina decided to accompany me. We washed each other's long hair, which we had to take good care of, and then we were ready to go on adventuring- or well, just go ask my father the big question.

When we reached the tent where everyone was eating, we found my father putting big chunks of meat over a table, while my mother was cooking with Zephy over a cradle being taken care of by one of her spirits, Valkyrie, who resembled a beautiful blonde woman.

Now that I was a big sister, I guess I've gotta also help my little brother in anything he needs. He's also such a cute, red haired little brat.

"Zephyyy!" I quickly reached his cradle as he looked at me with surprise.

"Baaah! Abaaahh!" Zephy reacted, but wasn't exactly crying, pointing a little finger at me.

"Hello! I am your big sis! My name is Sylphy!" I said with a smile.

"Bahh..." Zephy suddenly stopped paying attention to me, distracted by a flock of ducks flying atop the sky.

"Looks like ducks are emigrating, season's changing." My father quickly appeared behind me. Is it my idea or is he growing a beard below his chin? It looks very thin right now though. It might take him a while to grow it, his body is quite hairless for being his age.

"Good morning dad..." I said.

"Good morning Sylphy. Seeing you here with Aquarina means you're feeling better? Can you walk well and all of that?" He wondered, petting my head.

"Yeah I am alright now!" I said. "In fact... I would die to go into a dungeon!"

"Dungeon? Well there's one in the port..." My father said.

"Allan!" My mother quickly reprimanded my father.

"Ah! B-But you can't go to any dungeon. Your mother said you should rest for at least half a year after what happened." My father said.

"EEEEH?!"

"Yeah, no going to dungeons until we get to our new home Sylphy. And after we get there you'll be taught more things. At the age of 10 you'll be going to the Magic Academy." Said my mother.

"Ah... I remember that... I guess." I sighed. "I remember being excited about this back then, but can't I skip it? What can they even teach me there that I cannot learn myself?"

"Sylphy there are teachers there that are double, triple, or even four times my own age. Do you think they're somehow not experienced in anything? I was taught by these people and became as knowledgeable thanks to them. I cannot simply be your teacher forever. The academy has well structured classes and amazing teachers that can teach you not only about magic, but the world's history, mathematics, languages, and more. You'll be going to one of the best Academies in the world too." My mother said confidently, she didn't budge.

"Uugh... Do I even need to? I just want to learn the basics and I'm good to go." I said.

"The basics won't do. Also what do you want to dedicate yourself in life Sylphy? There are many careers you could take, a wandering monster hunter is not what I want my daughter, with such immense talent, to become." Said my mother. "It would be wasting your talent and amazing capabilities to just end up as some backwater adventurer..."

"Hey! There's nothing wrong with that!" I said angrily.

"No, there's a lot wrong with it!" My mother reluctantly said. "I've already decided. You and your brother will become academically successful nobles. As the descendants of the Evergreen Kingdom's royalty, you have to be a bit more than just an adventurer, Sylphy."

My mother was breaking my heart. I honestly had no interests in dealing with nobility nor even become a respected princess at all, I just wanted to go there just because it would be safe, meet my family and that's it. I'm not at all into any of the responsibilities of being a royal family member.

"Geh..."

However, I was just almost nine, I can't go against the words of my mother. It would only lead to pointless discussions and more conflict, which I really don't want right now.

"It'll be fun, come on." My father said. "You don't have to be so pessimistic about everything. You can even bring your friends there, right?"

"Yeah I was about to tell you we could get Zack and Aquarina in there easily... And if they behave, even Mist or... Celeste. Celica is too young." Said my mother.

"Eh?! Really?" I asked.

"Wait, what? Me?" Aquarina asked. "I'm not a noble, right?"

"Well your father is a Noble." Said my father to Aquarina.

"Papa's a noble?!" Asked Aquarina.

"Of a fallen house, Allan be more mindful." Said my mother, reprimanding my father.

"R-Right, never mind..." My father quickly decided to not talk more about that.

"Fallen house? What's that?" Aquarina wondered.

"Nothing, nothing." My mother said. "How about we eat something and talk more about the Academy?"

My mother quickly brought some delicious breakfast. Fruit salad with whipped cream, milk, cheese, curated ham, freshly baked bread, butter, and fruit jam. She also prepared some eggs with large sticks of greasy meat from wild boar monsters named bacon.

"Yummy!" Aquarina quickly began devouring the eggs, pouring them over the freshly baked bread, her face quickly getting all covered with the oil the eggs were fried into.

"Aquarina eat more slowly." My mother told to her adoptive daughter while Aquarina's parents were still scouting the Port City.

I guess I can leave the concerns about the Academy thing for later. As of now, I wanted to ask my father about the sword.

"Dad, my sword... well, it broke from that battle." I said. "So could it be possible to... repair it?"

"Your sword?" He asked. "Ah, yeah, we recovered the bits of it. So you want it repaired... I guess it is doable. Even if your mother is reprimanding you right now, you still kind of deserve a big reward for everything you did."

"Nice! Thanks!" I said happily. "Can you use true demon materials for repairing it?"

"True Demon?!"

Chapter 510 A Crazy Request

"T-True Demon Materials?" Asked my father in disbelief. "Sylphy, you have to know that True Demons bodies cannot be easily handled, right? They possess deadly Demonic Energy, which is not from our world. Such a power, when handled incorrectly, can hurt someone or even kill them."

"I know but the Witch of the Blue Mountain was a Hero like you, right? I'm sure she could handle it..." I said.

"You're beginning to think she's like our personal item crafter, right?" Sighed my mother. "Well, she kind of was. Her Alchemy surpassed even mine and because she's half dwarf, she was also incredibly talented at Forging Magic, something not even I can do."

"She's probably the best Item Crafter in the world..." My father sighed.

"I guess she could handle it... But why? Why do you want such a thing, Sylphy? Shouldn't just repairing it be enough?" My mother wondered. "True Demons are existences not from our world and-"

"Because their bodies are tough! Remember the clothes the cultists used? They were all made from the true demons' skin and covered in their blood, I think. It made their coats incredibly resistant to magic, most magic was just easily reflected!" I said. "If we could simply use the materials from their bodies to make our armor and weapons, wouldn't they become amazing too? We just have to try using what we've got!"

"That's... right." My mother said. "We have yet to completely comprehend this new technology they were using, but using True Demon bodies for their making, I suppose that's why... It explains a lot now."

"The corpses of the three True Demons are stored in the Dimensional Storage Box." Said my father.
"They're still omitting a lot of miasma, so it is not safe to handle them normally."

"Hmm..." My mother suddenly felt slightly intrigued. "It is dangerous yeah, but we could improve all our equipment using them. Also didn't that Berith guy had a weapon?"

"That damned Pike of his?! It has like a million souls... We should purify that." Said my father.

"Yeah, we'll purify the souls inside, but the material itself is probably a unique type of ore from the Dimension of Hell, we could also use it to forge Sylphy's weapon." Said my mother.

"And the core of Lilith!" I said.

"And the core of Lilith..." My mother said, strangely complacent.

"I am weirded out your mom is being so complacent with you today." Aquarina pointed out.

"I-I am?" Asked my mother. "I... Well, I also think she deserves a reward. And her idea actually enlightened me. I still remember how resilient the True Demon Dukes were and all... Though a sword forged out of their materials might be too powerful for Sylphy to handle."

"I can handle it no problem, I've improved to Tier 3 Magic Circle and Physique!" I said.

"YOU WHAT?!"

My father and my mother looked at me in disbelief.

"Sylphy it is not good to lie about those things. Being tier 3 before even reaching the age of nine is completely insane, there's no way you could do that normally, it takes years of hard work, even with your talents." Said my mother.

"Yeah, we didn't taught you to lie." Said my father.

"Geez, just check me." I sighed.

The two quickly touched my forehead, closing their eyes.

FLASH!

A flash of light covered my body, scanning my body and soul.

The two quickly opened their eyes in surprise.

"S-She's really Tier 3 in both..." My father said in disbelief.

"Y-Yeah... How did she even...?" My mother wondered.

"Remember what papa said? When you fight strong monsters, their magical power is slightly absorbed, right?" I asked. "I fought so many strong monsters that I grew very strong."

"Maybe because she killed Lilith..." Said my father.

"I still can't believe she even did that, but it was only thanks to having a contract with Agni, that dragon gave her an immense boost to her power." Said my mother.

"Well?" I asked.

"Fine... Tier 3 is barely decent as a Physique to handle such a strong weapon as you're requesting. However, this time we'll divide the work with the Witch. I don't want to ask her so many things all the time. Though we'll ask her to enchant the sword with demon materials, we need to first fix it. And that's something we'll do ourselves. Sylphy, how about you begin learning Alchemy? It might be a little too soon for your age but I think this could keep you entertained for now." My mother said.

"Ahhh... T-That would be great! Yeah, sure!" I said happily.

Although I can use my Alchemy Skill, I can barely handle it at all, if I have mother to teach me how to do Alchemy properly, I might also improve my own Alchemy Skill's proficiency and method of usage. It would be killing two stones with one bird- No, the other way around.

"Can I also learn?" Wondered Aquarina.

"You're interested?" Wondered my mother.

"Yeah!" Said Aquarina. "I heard that my father uses Alchemy to create some of his Secret Weapons and Poisons."

"Ah, that... Yeah, I guess." Said my mother. "Shade is rather proficient at Alchemy."

"I have no clue myself so I cannot help here." Said my father.

And like that, things were decided, mother was going to give us official Alchemy Classes.

However I still had a few questions in my mind.

"When are we departing? And can we take a trip in the Port City?" I asked.

"We'll be going in a few weeks; we need to rest for now." My father said.

"Yeah, we also need to let the people we have with us to grow a bit ore healthy." My mother said.

"After that, we'll be traveling back to Atlanta through the skies." My father smiled.

"The skies? But didn't you said it was impossible and all?" I asked in disbelief.

"Well, I've managed to talk with one of my sisters, and in a few weeks, a flying ship powered with magic and alchemy is coming here to pick us up!" My mother said. "It has a capacity for hundreds of people, so we can all get on board with ease!"

"EEEH?! Really?!"

I guess that's the power of having such a strong family background...
