

## **A Glitched 911**

### Chapter 911 The Famous Young Lady Of The Adventurer Guild

Once we made our way back home, we were exhausted beyond belief, even me! We walked across the city's streets at night, admiring the beautiful stars and the full moon, as we walked inside of the Adventurer Guild while eating some night ice cream.

The moment we stepped in, we were greeted by dozens of Adventurers who were celebrating another day of work, drinking beer, eating good food, and so on. The huge Adventurer Guild Building tripled as both a Bar and also an Inn, so it was always really full at night, with people enjoying a drink before hitting the bed.

Adventurers were an important part of Agartha's economy, as these lands were not so fertile before my mom and I started to modify the land and enrich it with life. But what they always had were forests filled with monsters and rare materials.

Therefore, Adventurers, Hunters, Apothecaries, and Expert Gatherers made up a large part of this city's economy, and still do. They hunted monsters, gathered resources, and sold these materials across many other cities. This, in succession, also created an interest of other cities on this small, countryside town.

It has changed a lot since my mother became its governor though, we've got a proper production of resources now in huge fertile lands, our knight squads have been steadily growing to defend the city, and also we've raised a lot of soldiers as well.

Now, what we really need is to establish firmer and better connections with other cities, to constantly exchange products that aren't just rare materials we occasionally find sometimes, but a proper resource everyone needs daily, which will create a constant income.

In exchange we'll also get things we cannot easily mass produce here at a cheaper price too, both cities benefiting one another, or many at the same time...

"Oh, it's the young lady and her friends!"

"Young Lady Sylphy, good night!"

"Isn't it a bit late for you to be awake though?"

"Oi, don't treat her like a kid! She's a full-fledged hero now!"

"Were you on the dungeon again today? You guys are going to leave us jobless if you keep hunting everything over there!"

"Hahaha, yeah, sorry about that." I laughed a bit. "But it's not like many of you guys could clear the dungeon or even beat the boss, so I don't think you would mind?"

"Hey, she's sharp-tongued..."

"Ouch..."

"W-Well, we try, sometimes!"

"Yeah, yeah~" As I laughed, we walked towards the receptionist, the beautiful Saphira, a Mermaid or Fish Anima greeted our sight with a happy smile.

"Good work today as well! I assume you brought the usual!" She said, rubbing her hands with some cream to remain moist.

"Yep!" I said, as I quickly summoned Gluttony, the Mimic opened his massive jaws, letting out a huge pile of materials we didn't need and would sell.

There were hundreds of scales, bones, magic crystals, eyes inside of jars, and other special materials, there were also some rare ores such as Mithril and Water Spirit Crystals, which grow constantly inside the dangerous Dungeon not many dare step into aside from the first floors, which we usually ignore.

"Ooh, high quality Sea Snake scales! A-And the Eyes of the Fishman King- Variant?! Red Eyes?!" Saphira was amazed.

"Oh yeah, we fought a Super Rare Variant today!" Zack celebrated, his voice was always so loud everyone heard him.

"A Super Rare Variant? It exists?!"

"What beast did you fought now, you monster kids?!"

"Did he said a Super Rare Variant?! Is that a thing?"

"Yep, it was Berserk Fishman King Variant." Celeste smiled. "It had the ability to go Berserk and gain a lot of power, and even a crimson-colored aura he could control and change shapes. It was as deadly as a Tier 8 Peak Rank Monster... If not kissing the Realm of Tier 9s."

"W-Wha...?"

"There's such a monster near our city...?"

"It is so rare that it probably has never been documented."

"These brats are the only crazy enough to fight the Fishman King like five times a week and defeat him all five times... It wouldn't be weird if variants never reported before were to appear because the Boss keeps respawning." One of the more experienced Adventurers spoke, an old-looking dwarf with a long black beard and an eyepatch. "Impressive, oh, and that Mithril too! It looks just freshly created by the Dungeon!"

He quickly stepped in to see the ores we brought, Saphira was a bit annoyed, but didn't stopped him. Although he was a seasoned adventurer, he was also an important member of this Adventurer Guild.

"Guild Master why won't you go sit down for a bit? This is MY job! You always take whatever you want and then it becomes harder to calculate all the prices!" Saphira crossed her arms and reprimanded the old dwarf.

"Come on lass, leave me check em' for a bit at least!" The Dwarf Man laughed, his actual name was Darfu, the Adventurers Guild Master of Agartha. Someone as strong as the mightiest Warriors out there that has retired himself from the days of battle and adventure to live in this peaceful countryside town for a couple of decades now. Dwarves live long, similarly to elves, although not as much. "Aye ma'am, I'll have to buy you this Mithril again! My lil' cousin has just begun grabbin' the hammer and he'll be happy to know his old uncle sent em' some good materials!"

"Ohhh! Alright then!" I smiled. "The usual price then? You know that the price increases if I sell it exclusively to you, business is business after all, Mister Guild Master."

"Aye... This lass' as cheeky as her mom." Laughed Darfu, quickly taking out a Dimensional Pouch and giving me a huge bag of coins. "There ye go, this at least for the five kilograms I'm holdin'."

"Thank you for your preference~" I giggled, quickly beginning to count the coins, until I made sure they were accurate and then placed them inside of Glutton, who ate them happy.

"Woah that's a lot of money!" Zack complained. "Do we get a share?"

"Sylphy mined these herself so you don't get any share." Aquarina crossed her arms.

"Aw man..." Zack sighed. "Well, I did brought some of my stuff too. I hope it's enough money."

"For what?" Mist wondered.

"A little thing... I won't say, it's a big secret." Zack smiled, crossing his arms prideful.

"Hoh?" Celeste seemed interested.

"Oh my, this Romeo is planning something!" Saphira entered the conversation.

"Isn't he? He has gotten much more thoughtful, I bet it's something for Mist, he loves to spoil her and give her all sorts of gifts." I laughed. "Lately she has so many clothes we had to order her a new closet."

"H-Hey! Cut it off!" Zack groaned, blushing a lot.

"Youth these days... At your age I was just huntin' and eating monsters, not in love or whatever... Well, I've never been good at romance and whatnot. "Anyways, yer racking a lot of coins lass, are ya planning on buildin' your own city or what?" Laughed Darfu.

"Hmm, something like that." I nodded, rubbing my chin.

"PPFFFF..!"

The majority of the adventurers ended spitting the beer they were drinking.

"Wait, seriously?!" Darfu asked in shock. "Oh damn... That's bold of ye!" He started laughing.

"Well, it's a distant dream for now." I smiled. "Oh, is your cousin living nearby?"

"He's currently at Azurite Port and-"

"Ah, r-right!" Saphira suddenly gave me a letter. "Today we received a letter from Azurite! It's for you and your mom, Sylphy!"

"Oh?"

Once I sold the materials and made my way back home alone, as everyone else was too full and exhausted to come hang over at my house, I greeted mom with a letter as she and the rest of my family were having dinner.

"A letter? Oh, it's a letter from Aina!" My mom was instantly excited. "Usually if she wanted to tell me something from a long-distance, we would use a magic artifact, and if she wanted to send me something else, she would use a teleportation device, but this is different. If she sent a letter in this way, it means it's a special thing!"

"Oh, special? Like what?" Wondered dad.

"Yeah, what?" Zephy wondered, imitating dad as he rubbed his little chin.

"It is most likely a form- Oh, it is." My mother took the paper out, there was a small letter at the side of the huge contract. "It's a magic-imbued contract to open trading routes between both the Azurite Port and Agartha... As you may not know, my sister Aina is the duchess of Azurite, a port city close to the southwest of the continent, it's not that far, and we can get there through airship in just a day."

"Oh, so the trading route is possible?!" I wondered. "We can begin selling our products, my products too!"

"That's right, we finally got the things done. So if I sign this here and here..." My mother read the whole thing in a few seconds several times, her abilities were impressive. "And done." She finished signing it.

FLAAASH!

The contract shone brightly as several runic seals of advanced magic emerged, finishing the deal completely. Once it was done, the paper curled up into a cylinder and was sealed with a red-colored piece of cloth.

"How about we go to Azurite tomorrow morning?" My mother wondered. "You can invite your friends if you want!"

"Nice! This is the first time we'll go there! A Port town! I wonder what they'll have... Wait, a port town?" I wondered. "Ah, I guess I won't be able to sell fish as much."

"Well it wasn't as if Fish was your specialty, the Tropical Island you have is filled with many rare fruits that don't grow there. We've also got the Mana Fruits, the Spirit Leaves, and the Wisdom Apples, all incredible edibles that increase magic power, heal wounds, and increase mana temporarily." My mother explained. "That and a few other resources that can be mined, such as the Coral Tree Forest, and so on gives you plenty of non-fish things to offer. Though, this will also help us get in contact with other cities that Azurite trades fish and seafood products with, offering our own."

"I see!" I nodded. "Alright, I'm going to get things ready for tomorrow then!"

I excitedly ran upstairs as I was greeted by Nephilim in front of the door, who greeted me with a slight smile.

"Welcome back home, young lady-"

"Nephilim! We're going to a port city tomorrow!" I celebrated, rushing inside of my room, and beginning to choose my clothes and other things.

"Oh! Sounds fun." She smiled. "Should I go or stay...?"

"You can come, obviously! It's not going to be for too long anyways!" I laughed. "You need to explore and see the world out there too! You were confined in that temple for a long time, right? Don't you feel like you want to explore the beautiful world out there?"

"I... I have never thought about it that way." Nephilim was surprised, her two odd-colored eyes shining brightly. "But yes... I think it would be fun to do so."

"Heheh, see? Now come here and help me decide which dress should I pick- Oh! You too! You can't just go wearing those maid clothes everywhere. We'll get you all dressed up and pretty!" I nodded, putting one of my dresses in front of her to check if it fits.

"I don't mind my current clothes..." Nephilim tilted her head. "But maybe a change wouldn't be so bad... Maybe?" She was still confused about having her own thoughts and opinions.

"Let me help as well!" Alice popped out of thin air. "I think this one dress would look pretty on you, Nephi."

"And this too, right?" I laughed.

"S-So which one should I put on?" Nephilim was getting more and more confused. "Ahh... This is harder than I imagined."

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The next morning came faster than we thought, as I had already contacted my friends and they all agreed on coming, we were all assembled downstairs, enjoying a big breakfast before departing at nine in the morning.

Because we wanted to leave some strong people to protect the city, Uncle Arafunn and Shade decided to stay, while Ninhursag and Nepheline were going to accompany us. Mist and Celeste tried their hardest to invite Mother Mary, but she was too busy with the orphanage kids, so she couldn't find the time to come.

"A port city, huh? I wonder how it is..." Celeste wondered while eating a sandwich. "Azurite, it's like the second time I've ever heard about this place."



"There are many port cities around the area we live in within the Atlanta Continent, Azurite is one of the smallest and less known of the port cities because it is to the colder parts of the continent." I said. "But at this time of the year, it should be warm and nice there, perfect for a little summer vacation!"

"It is pretty much like our own city, Celeste." My mother explained. "Azurite has suffered a lot, especially by the cruel sea of those areas which is not that suitable for sea traveling or fishing all year round. They also had little resources aside from fishing, so they rely heavily on trading. Its thanks to my sister that got into the position of duchess for the last 100 years that it has improved to this point, and even then, it still cannot compare to some other cities, sadly."

"A-A hundred years... Elves really talk about a lifetime so casually..." My father laughed.

"Anyways, let's get going! The Airship's already on the airport." My mother quickly stood up, drinking her tea and as ready as ever.

#### Chapter 913 Something Is A Bit Odd

We made our way to the small airport at Agarth, which could at most hold two airships. The huge flying vessel never stopped to amaze me, I always wondered in my past life if there could ever be the possibility for people to be able to create carriages that could fly in the air. I guess all it took for that was having a lot of Magical Power condensed within a huge Magic Crystal of the Wind Element...

Entering the airship, we were escorted to our rooms, where there were large windows that we could use to see through the beautiful landscape from above and enjoy the long trip to the Azurite Port. Agarth slowly became smaller with each passing second, until we only thing I could see was a tiny dot in the between an endless landscape of grasslands and forests, and many mountains at the distance.

"Atlanta is sure a beautiful continent..." Aquarina smiled. "I think it's prettier than the human continent!"

"Really?" I wondered. "Even when that was your home?"

"Yeah, I don't have that many good memories of that place... And most of the good ones are because of you..." Aquarina blushed a bit, as she held my hand.

"Aww." I giggled, giving her a kiss in her cheek. "But still, wouldn't you like to go back there to check on things?"

"Well... Maybe." She shrugged. "One day, perhaps? Well, if you really want to go yourself I'll stick around. I don't plan on going anywhere on my own!"

"Eh? So you're never going on your own adventure?" I wondered, feeling rather confused.

"We can go on an adventure together, right?" Aquarina asked. "I don't really mind it, as long as I'm with you..."

"I guess that's what you say now. Once you grow up more, maybe you'll want to explore the world and have your personal time too~" I smiled teasingly.

"Meh." She said, sitting down. "Honestly, I wouldn't mind if we just lived like this forever... In Agartha, everyone together and happy... I wish wars and other things didn't exist..."

"Well, we can work so they no longer happen, or well, we can try." I smiled, sitting next to her, and resting my head on her shoulder. "The future ahead of us is uncertain, but I'm sure we won't have it easy... There will be battles, many. But if we stick around, I think we can find a conclusion. I hope..."

"..." Aquarina remained in silence as she looked through the window. "Hmm..."

"Oh geez, why are you being like this? Are you sleepy?" I wondered.

She was really like... not herself this morning. She has been rather down, and always talking about wanting to be with me forever. Did she had a nightmare or something?

"Maybe a bit." She smiled back at me, pretending to be alright. "I'll take a nap, can we cuddle together?"

"Sure..." I nodded, as she rested over my shoulder.

I was rather worried about her, but I didn't wanted to force her to talk either. Maybe she had some personal talk with her parents? But they seemed fine too. And if it would had been something big, she would had already told me. She never hides me important things.

Unless she's afraid of telling me? Maybe because it'll hurt me? But... What could there be that would hurt me so much she doesn't want to tell me?

Aquarina...

"I've noticed you're a bit nervous, is everything alright?" Wondered Alice, speaking to me through telepathy.

"A-Ah, yeah, I'm fine." I answered through telepathy too. "It's just that... Nah, I'm just overthinking things."

"Hmm, why not just rest? You woke up early and slept later yesterday." Said Alice. "While you do, we can assess things in your Soul Scape! Aquarina's fine, don't worry."

"Okay then, I guess I better just rest." I agreed, closing my eyes, and deciding to sleep while cuddling with Aquarina.

Once I slowly fell between a state of sleep and awareness, something similar to meditation, my consciousness and mind emerged within my Soul Scape.

It no longer looked like an endless black space, each of the Familiars I had, especially the Spirits, painted the Landscape differently with their elements.

There was a huge grassland beneath a starry sky of many colors, covered by forest and trees. To the other side had a volcanic hellscape covered with mountains.

And another area resembled a gray-colored wasteland, with sharp black rock spires and pools of miasmic liquids. There were intermediate areas between these three major landscapes, such as clear grasslands, some snowy areas, and so on.

I descended from the skies and landed on the grasslands near a forest of trees. Despite how real everything was, the Soul Scape wasn't a physical realm, and I couldn't bring any of the things in here outside, they would simply disappear.

Similarly, if I bring physical things here, they slowly are consumed by the Soul Scape and disappear in a similar manner, though that's limited to the most basic of things, highly magical artifacts and the like cannot even get inside.

"Master, you're here to play? Foo?" Naturia appeared at my side.

"Sure, let's apply around for a bit~" I smiled.

"Oh, she's here?" Furoh emerged at my side, shaped into the form of a small black wyvern. "Master! I'm so happy for you, with this you can finally start selling your products!"

"Oh? Right, you're right." I nodded. "Aaaah... But that doesn't matter anymore. I'm worried about Aquarina. She's... definitely hiding something."

"Hmm, what's going on?" Ignatius wandered into the conversation, scratching his scaled chin. "Aquarina you said? Huh, well, I'm not good with these things... But I think you should let her cool down for now. Once she thinks things through, maybe you can talk to her again! Right?"

"T-That's... surprisingly thoughtful from you, wow." Alice gasped.

"Did he really said that?" I asked.

"Wow." Furoh said.

"W-What?! What's wrong with being a bit empathic?!" Ignatius cried. "Seriously, I'm more than just a dragon! ...Sometimes."

"But you're right, yeah." I smiled. "Let's just wait for now. No pressure. While I'm at it, I should check what you guys need to evolve..."

## Chapter 914 Familiar Evolution Materials

There were so many of my Familiars that it was a bit hard to check on everyone's requirements and Status, after all, I have a total of twelve! Yes, twelve Familiars!

How did they become so many?! Am I insane or something? And how come my Soul can just easily hold on to all of them so seamlessly?

A-Anyways, the requirements weren't as crazy as I imagined for the majority, the non-Spirit, or Monsters Familiars, like Sapphire and Scarlet were the easiest, they had no big requirements or specific names, simply asking for Ores, Materials, and so on, their evolution varying depending on that, just like when someone reinforce and upgrades a magic weapon or magic equipment.

Moving on to the monsters, Furoh, Violet, and Glutton, their requirements were slightly interesting. They required materials from monsters similar to them. Furoh and Gluttony needed Mimic Guts, Mimic Eyes, and Mimic Tongues, alongside the hides of ten Tier 7 Monsters for Furoh and Space Spirit Stones for Glutton. Violet needed any sort of Slime Monster materials, Slime Cores, Colorful Slime, Slime Goo, and so on, which we could get from my Dungeon.

And then, the most complex of them were the Spirits. Unlike monsters, Spirits usually never grow outside of a certain level, but through making contracts and absorbing compatible materials, they can evolve into Greater Spirits, Pseudo Divine Spirits, and Divine Spirits.

To jump from Normal Spirit to Greater Spirits, each of my Spirits needs some generic basic material, and another very related to what they embody. For starters, they all need several Spirit Stones of their own

Elements, Natoria of Nature, Ignatius of Fire, Curse of Darkness, Beelzebub of Poison, and Brownie, who recently hit max level after evolving to C+ Rank required Earth Spirit Stones.

Those aren't so hard to find, I can find most of the elements out in my territory's wilderness. The Space Spirit Stones for Glutton can be replaced by Dimensional Crystal Fragments after checking on compatibility. I think Glutton needs Space-Attribute Materials due to his composition, as he's a Space-Attribute Mimic Monster now with a giant pocket dimension inside of his stomach.

Anyways, aside from the generic material requirements, which I'll secure in Port City in large quantities, there are the Rare Materials they need.

Natoria needs Elder Spirit Tree Branches, Roots, and a Lesser Yggdrasil Fruit. Ignatius requires True Fire Dragon Blood, Scales, and a Heart. Curse needs Accursed Demon Beast Guts, its Eyes, and also its Tongue. Beelzebub needs Poison Devil Wasp's Stinger, Poison, Legs, and Eyes. And lastly, Brownie requires Golden Star-Nosed Mole's Nose, Guts, Ears, and Claws.

I think I can secure the materials for Natoria with the Yggdrasil tree growing inside my Dungeon, or a few of them, though I don't know how to get the fruit, perhaps if we visit Yggdra in Cloudia, things could be different. As for Ignatius, his body parts are long lost. At least the meat and everything else has been used long ago.

I can, however, use my own blood, the scales of my armor, and maybe even my own heart for that... Though, can I survive extracting my own heart and then regenerating it?! And I'm not even a true dragon, so that's not going to be easy! Maybe it won't even work, ugh.

The last three Spirits evolution materials are powerful and dangerous Demonic Beasts, Monsters that exclusively inhabit the Demon Continent! How will I ever get to those?! My only chance is Dungeons that could spawn them, so I need to start looking for any Dark or Demonic-type Dungeon out there... It's not going to be easy.

While it is believed that Monsters emerged from the flesh and blood of the First Demon King, similarly to the first Demon Tribes, Demonic Beasts are the ones that are always believed to be the Ancient Monsters with the highest purity of Demon King bloodline within them.

Some of them can surpass Tier 10 in power too. I remember that the Sword dad once said he liked to hunt Tier 15 Monsters... He probably meant Demonic Beasts, they're the true Apex Predators of the Demon Continent and one of the reasons why the Human Army is having so many difficulties advancing even after defeating the Demon King's Army even now, and also why they wanted my parents to continue helping them.

And as for Nephi... She has yet to hit max level, so I have little idea what materials she needs to eventually evolve, but I am already guessing that's going to be just as complex as the others, if not more! I bet they'll ask for True Demon Materials and... Maybe God Materials?!

"Anyways, I guess the closest evolutions would be Sapphire and Scarlet, and only if I use the most cheap of materials, I'll use some great ones. Probably I'll ask my parents if there was anything left from Arachne's corpse... Although she was a person though, that would be weird to ask for. I still got her strongest servant's carcass inside of Glutton, so we could use that for now." I wondered, rubbing my chin. "She was a really tough monster to beat. She was a bug too, so why can't I use her for Beelzebub?"

"You could try, but the evolution might end up in a failure and you'll waste those materials. What's worse, failed evolution rituals might weaken or kill the spirit." Said Alice. "It's not wise to do things boldly. I think you'll find the opportunity to get the materials, you just need to look around."

"I guess there's no helping it then..." I sighed, shrugging. "I hope you guys can wait. Also Ignatius, I'm not planning on taking out my heart, that's too gory, to be honest! So we'll wait until the opportunity arises, alright?"

"Ugh, fine." Ignatius groaned. "Naturia could be easier as long as we revisit Cloudia~ It would bring back a lot of memories of my early childhood if we went there, honestly!"

"It would be nice to go meet Yggdra!" Said Naturia. "She had yet to make a contract with Sylphy, wouldn't it be nice if she did?"

"It would!" I nodded. "Though I wonder if my Soul's size is enough..."

A thirteenth familiar might be too much...

## Chapter 915 Exhausted Quest System

"Wouldn't it be nice if the Quest System could give me the materials, easy peasy?" I wondered.

Ding!

[The [Quest System] is exhausted!]

[They say that without enough Causality Accumulated, it is impossible to generate such complex materials. It is much easier to make specific potions, or weapons and armor than body pieces of specific monsters or a true dragon.]

[The [Quest System] has already generated many quests a few weeks ago, and has been resting ever since then, as its many rewards exhausted its Casualty reserves.]

[If you want materials like these, you'll need to first create such a Fate-changing event that the entire world would shake...]

"I guess that's pretty unrealistic, alright." I sighed. "We'll have to just wait and see what we can do... I wouldn't want to shake the world for now, if possible, I want to grow stronger quietly."

"And well, there's that over there too..." Alice said, as we all looked into the distance of my Soul Scape, a large cocoon made of condensed black, crimson, and purple energy was constantly palpitating, swirling around monstrously as it remained silently resting.

Within it, we could sense several different yet monstrous souls merging fusing together to create something else entirely... For the last few years, this thing has been developing inside my Soul Scape.

Nope, it's not a parasite or something, its actually a Spirit. Yes, a Spirit that has been forming itself out of the residual soul fragments of the True Demons we defeated back in Eastgrain, the Blue Demon that



controlled the Goblins, and also now the Fragments of Arachne and her subordinates, small ones though.

All of them started to merge together for a while now. I've already got a "catalyst" to their power like with Ignatius being the earrings and stuff, its within Scarlet's composition, as she was fused with the core of Lilith, one of the True Demon Dukes that attacked Eastgrain.

"When will that thing hatch? It has grown larger since Arachne's whole incident..." Ignatius sighed. "It is unnerving to see most of the time."

"Sylphy's Unique Ability to create Spirits through the Souls she absorbs is very unstable, and we don't know yet how it truly works." Alice explained. "This new Spirit must have gone through some sort of process where it couldn't properly make itself, so it has stayed developing for a long time. Perhaps because of the composition of the True Demons Souls, which are so alien."

[The [Quest System] says that because these souls were so alien and couldn't be properly processed, they remained fusing and swirling together, attempting to become something, but ultimately failing.]

[However, things have finally changed now that the fragments of many compatible Demons of this world have emerged. The Fragments of the Soul of the Blue Demon alone weren't enough, but thanks to Arachne and her many other strong subordinates, things must have changed.]

"It's perhaps because they went through True Demonification, where a Demon from this world and fuses with the souls of True Demons into a strange ritual, channeling it within their Cores." Alice explained. "Because of this, although their souls are still from our world, and therefore can be processed by your Soul's special ability, they are also compatible with the True Demon Souls, finally making them capable of fusing, and now, the process of turning into an actual spirit has finally begun... Whatever is born from this cocoon might be the strongest spirit so far."

"Stronger than me?! Preposterous!" Ignatius said pridefully. "Once that egg hatches I will already become a majestic Greater Spirit Dragon King God!"

"Oi, oi, I don't think you'll become all those things." I facepalmed.

"Hmmm... It is certainly strange." Beelzebub sighed. "To think some of the fragments of my disciples would come united as one in this chimeric spirit... I do wonder if the new life will inherit their minds or personalities?"

"At this point it's unclear, but I highly doubt it. The fusion is so strong that whatever was left of their wills has long ago been absorbed and assimilated into a single organism." Said Alice.

"Interesting, its composition is somewhat similar to my own." Curse analyzed. "Fascinating, very fascinating. Whenever this is born, Sylphy, you might end up acquiring an incredible power similar to the Curse you possess. If not higher!"

"Aren't you exaggerating a bit?" Furoh wondered. "I just hope we can just get along with it..."

"Well, yeah, let's hope for the best." I nodded.

I spent the rest of the hours I slept with my many Familiars, playing, talking, and also training their Skills and Magic, so they could grow stronger even if they hit max level. After all, they've got Skills to level up anyways.

I wanted to check on my Dungeon, but to do that we would need to move in there, and I prefer to wait a little for now until we get to Azurite. Though through the last weeks I've accumulated a nice chunk of Dungeon EXP and Dungeon Energy, and the new species introduced had been proliferating nicely.

But oh well, I might as well just enjoy my girlfriend's company as I cuddle with her. I don't think there's anything more cozy than her being at my side like this...

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"Sylphy? Wake up!"

Suddenly, I slowly opened my eyes as I found Lara at my side, Aquarina nowhere to be seen.

"Ah, Lara... Where's Aquarina?" I wondered.

"She went to the bathroom I think..." Lara said. "Anyways, let's go eat lunch with everyone else! You've been sleeping for hours, sleepyhead!" She gave me a few head pats.

"A-Ah, yeah, I'll go after I find Aquarina." I nodded.

"Alright~" Lara quickly ran to the dining hall in the huge airship.

I wonder where Aquarina is though, did she really went to the bathroom as Lara said?

I closed my eyes and spread out my senses, until I finally sensed her, not so far as I imagined her to be, although she was with someone else, someone strong.

Her mom?

I made my way towards her, crossing through the corridors, until I reached their room. With my senses, I could more or less listen to what they were discussing rather easily, even if unwillingly.

"Aquarina, it's for the best of you... We NEED to do this... I know it hurts but-"

"But I don't want to leave Sylphy behind!"

W-What are they talking about?

## Chapter 916 What's Happening?

Without wanting to, I ended hearing Aquarina discussing with her mother, not something I've ever seen more than once or twice. They usually get along really well, and her mom's so carefree that she has little restrictions on her too.

So what's happening? And what did she meant by leaving me behind?

"Listen Aquarina, you're not leaving her behind... forever. Okay?" Her mother sighed. "You have to be a bit more mature about these things. You know what happened back with Arachne and everything else... How everyone almost died? Remember that? Whatever enemies we'll face in the future... Not even you nor us will be able to take them down if we don't do everything in our power to get stronger."

"But... Is there no other way?" Aquarina cried. "I just don't want to... be separated from her..."

"Sigh... It's not like she'll disappear from existence, Aquarina! You need to grow up a bit more and begin to understand that life's not all nice and carefree. There are times where we need to sacrifice precious time with those we love... So we can protect them." Her mother seemed pained with her words.

"No! I don't wanna! And I don't care! I don't care at all about you and your dumb stupid things!" Aquarina cried, acting furious, she was in tears, suffering.

"Y-You insolent brat! How can you say that to your mother?!" Nepheline was losing her patience. "Hey! Where are you going?! Come back!"

"I don't care! Screw you and the traditions!" Aquarina cried, running away.

Suddenly the door was slammed open as Aquarina appeared, running through the hall. I had hidden in the bathroom next to their room, shocked of what I've heard...

"This girl..." Nepheline sighed. "Just what can I do to convince her to trust me, just this once? Have I been an irresponsible mother?"

I remained in silence as I heard Nepheline walk away as well. I ended sighing in relief once both were gone. But at the same time, I couldn't help but feel really afraid, and concerned.

Just what were they even talking about? About leaving and... traditions? Is Aquarina moving away from us with her parents? But where? And why?

She clearly doesn't want to but they're pretty much forcing her...

But if I ask them straight away, won't that make them even angrier? Because it would mean I spied on their personal conversation, that's not good either.

Ugh, what do I do? What can I do as Aquarina's girlfriend to help her?

I ended feeling really down, sitting on the bathroom's toilet, and resting my head over my hands.

Despite how strong I've grown... I can't help but find these problems so hard to deal with.

There are just things you can't just resolve with strength alone, personal problems that won't be resolved unless we properly deal with them.

Ugh, I shouldn't be sitting here like a dumbass.

"Aquarina, wait for me!"

I quickly stepped out of the bathroom and ran to the room we shared, where I heard her crying over her bed...

My baby...

"Aquarina? Are you there?"

I knocked the door, without wanting to get inside rudely.

"Ah...! S-Sylphy...?! Aren't you having din... dinner?"

She seemed surprised.

"Baby come on, open the door. You're crying, right? Let me see you! Please..."

"I-I'm not... I'm not crying..."

"You are, I heard you... What's going on? Can't you tell me what's happening?"

"..."

Aquarina remained in silence, as I ended having to forcefully open the door with my strength, breaking it a bit.

And then, I found her sitting over the bed, trying to clean her tears with her hands, her face was slightly swollen for crying so much, and her eyes were red.

"Hey..."

I walked to her side and sat with her, hugging her shoulders. She didn't wanted to look at me in the eyes at all, but she slowly calmed down as I caressed her head.

"Everything's alright... Don't cry, okay? It's fine..."

"Sniff... Sorry... I shouldn't had gotten like this... I just..."

"What's going on?" I asked. "What happened?"

"I-It's... I don't know if I can tell you yet." Aquarina sighed. "It's not something easy to tell... And I don't... I won't do it anyways! I... Ugh..."

"It's alright..." I sighed. "Whatever you decide, I'll always support your decision." I smiled back at her.

"S-Sylphy..." Aquarina's eyes were about to cry again. "Sorry for making you worry, I'm fine..."

She gently held my hand, yet even now, I could tell she wasn't being true to herself, nor to me. She was hiding something, but the more I wanted to know, the more I felt like I would be a bother if I tried to ask her and get involved in her personal life, the life of her and her family.

"A-Are you sure? Come on, please tell me..." I asked her again.

"I-It's nothing too serious." She smiled. "Don't worry."

"But I need to know! How else will I know what to do if I don't?" I asked her. "I thought we trusted each other..."

"Y-Yeah! It's just that... Ugh, maybe we can talk about this once we're on the port." She sighed. "Can you wait a bit? To make up my mind..."

"S-Sure..." I sighed, giving up. "Let's go eat something now, alright?"

"Hmm." She nodded, after she washed her face with her magic, we moved back to the dining hall and ate something with everyone else.

The atmosphere was oddly silent aside from my friends chatting a bit... Aquarina was silent, slightly mad at her mother, and her mom was also silent too, crossing her arms while just thinking angrily.

Once we ate, my mother called for me, asking me what was happening.

"I wish I knew! But I just have no idea either." I shrugged. "I just heard them both discussing and then Aquarina started crying... I don't know what to do so I just stayed at her side. She doesn't want to tell me either."

"It's the same with Nepheline." My mother crossed her arms. "I'm racking my brains trying to think what it could be but I just can't remember... And that muscle-headed Amazonian woman is not speaking either, as tough as stubborn as a rock in both body and mind, isn't she?"

"Sigh... I guess mother and daughter are very similar in that regard." I sighed.

#### Chapter 917 Visiting Azurite Port And Auntie Aina's House

We arrived at Azurite Port by the evening when the sun was already slowly falling from the horizon. The atmosphere has been a bit less tense, but Aquarina and her mom had not even gave a glance to one another.

Meanwhile, my mother and my father had been trying to cheer up Nepheline, me and my friends have been trying our best to make Aquarina feel better, it has worked, as we simply chatted, played with magic, read books, and did some alchemy to pass time and let her forget what happened, even if for a bit.

The port city was much more beautiful than we expected, as we walked down from the airship, we were greeted by an absolutely beautiful scenery, white-colored houses that seemed to have been shaped out of the white marble stone growing in these areas decorated the port beautifully, with many different shapes I never thought houses could take.

Some were rectangular, others were very triangular, a few were even circular in shape, making a very amusing sight. There was no house that was the same as the one at their side. The paved streets were



decorated with colorful stones as well, beautiful works of art made into the streets to decorate everyone's daily life with some color.

The blue sky with a few clouds, and the setting sun made for a lovely visage, making the entire scenario even more romantic. And of course, the beautiful and calm sea at the distance, reflecting the light of the sun. Aquarina's beautiful blue eyes couldn't stop shining brightly as she watched everything.

"This city is so big! It's much bigger than Agartha, isn't it?!" Aquarina was excited.

"It is!" I nodded, glancing around.

"Woow, the sea! It's really the sea, everyone!" Mist began jumping as she watched the sea from afar.

"Not bad..." Celeste smiled.

"So nice! Zephy, look, the houses look weird!" Celica pointed out.

"I saw that!" Zephy nodded. "Look those circular houses... How did they made those?!"

"Dunno!" Celica was just as confused.

"Hehehe, alright! Let's go explore the place, everyone!" Lara said, leading our entire group.

"Hey, hey, cut it off! Don't go running away so fast!" Luck reprimanded her.

"Kids, wait a minute please." My mother stopped us. "My sister should be coming here... Ah, there she is. Ainaaaa!"

"Oh, Faylen, everyone! So you've arrived!" My beautiful aunt Aina greeted us, with her much taller height and her long and beautiful blonde hair with gentle green eyes, it was hard not to find her among the crowd.

She came accompanied by her daughter, Susanna, and her husband, a blue-eyed gray-haired elf with a silent and analyzing glare, he was also wearing glasses. He didn't look too friendly, and this is the first time I see him.

"Hello Aina! Long time no see!" My mother hugged her tightly.

"It hasn't been THAT long, sister." Laughed Aina. "Oh, Sylphy and everyone else! Good evening! You look excited! Don't worry, you'll get all the time in the world to explore my city once we get your luggage to my house."

"Greetings." Her husband said, slightly timidly.

"Ah, right, this is my husband, Ernest. He's usually closed on his research laboratory making medicines and potions, he's a renowned alchemist but... He's not that good at dealing with people." Aine giggled. "He's a lovely father and husband, however. I hope you can be nice to him!"

"Sure!" We said.

"Hi uncle!" I said, greeting him.

"Hello..." Ernest said, as stiff as a rock. "Aina, did you have to say all of that? It's so embarrassing..." He whispered to her.

"Hahaha! Don't worry, we're between family here, dear. Calm down and relax." Aina smiled gently, soothing her anxious husband's heart.

"R-Right..." Ernest sighed.

"Come on daddy, let's lead everyone to our house!" Susanna said. "Sylphy, I'll show you the big collection of dolls I have! You can play with one!"

"Ah, is that so?" I smiled. "I would gladly play with you, Susanna!"

"Did you say dolls?!" Celica asked, approaching Susanna.

"Yeah! Do you wanna play house too?" Susanna wondered.

"I do! I do!" Celica was very excited.

"Nice to meet you, Ernest, I'm-"

"Allan Bravo Firebrand, I know your name very well, Hero." Ernest smiled. "It is an honor to meet you- Oh, and of course, Lady Nepheline as well."

"Hmph." Nepheline remained in silence as she nodded.

"I-is she alright?" Ernest felt threatened by her aura.

"She's fine, she just... got herself into a little personal problem, that's all." My father tried to calm down the man. "Anyways, I hope you're good at drinking!"

"I-I can handle a few shots but nothing too strong..." Ernest readjusted his glasses.

"Hahaha! Well, this is your day because I'm going to help you get better at drinking. I heard Azurite got the best liquors of all around the continent!" My father was looking forward to tasting the liquors of the continent... Well, I should had expected that.

As we made our way to Aina's house, we were greeted with all manner of street vendors, large carriages with merchants selling their products, huge food carts, people selling freshly caught seafood, and also all sorts of shiny gems, materials, weapons, armor everything!

We couldn't help but take a glimpse at everything, as I ended buying several materials that could be of use for my Spirit's Evolutions. I got myself a lot of high-quality Spirit Stones, and even found someone selling a few Poison Spirit Stones, saving myself the annoyance of looking for the rarest of the bunch aside from the Space attribute ones.

The vendors were always amazed when they saw me feeding their products I just bought to my bag mimic pet, Glutton, who always licked their faces afterwards... He's quite the sunshine, isn't he?

"Ooh, so this is your house! It's like thrice as big as mine!" Faylen was shocked.

Aina lived in an incredibly luxurious mansion, so big it was three times larger than ours. Beautifully carved out of white marble stone and decorated with many statues, a giant and gorgeous flower garden, several small fountains, and one larger one filled with freshwater fish.

The interior was just as luxurious, with golden linings across the walls and many expensive-looking statues, armors, and all sorts of paintings in the walls...

The socioeconomic difference between our two families couldn't become clearer now...

## Chapter 918 Sylphy Sells Her Dungeon Products

"So, the contract has been signed." Aina said, sitting over the chair in her office, she had an even bigger office than my mom, and had like four secretaries helping her deal with all the paperwork she had to go through as the Duchess of a Port City where there was constant trade of products between many other nations.

"Keep in mind dear that I didn't do this just deliberately because we're family." Aina smiled back at me, my mother sitting at my side. Everyone else was outside, not allowed in here due to this personal meeting. "Your mother sent me many of the materials you've harvested from this Dungeon you've been building, and honestly, they're something out of this world. I have never seen such high-quality products. From the fruits to the fish, the clams, the crabs, the soil! Even the soil and the coral trees! And

don't even let me get started with the wolf pelts, the spirit crystals, the magic tree products, and the freshwater fishes, free of parasites and as clean as they could get without any magic intervention!"

Auntie was completely fascinated with the products, much more than I expected. For someone that seems products being exported and imported every day, they gotta be really special if they got her to act this way.

"Em, really?!" I asked. "I... well, I'm glad!"

"Indeed, you should be glad!" She said. "Now, let's talk about business, Faylen."

"Yes, there you go Sylphy." My mother said, giving me another paper. "This is a special delivery contract, you'll deliver a specified amount of food, materials, and other resources here for a specified payment, basic product exportation stuff."

"Ooh, let me read." I nodded, quickly beginning to check on it.

The writing was clear and concise, and there was no little letters trying to trick me into agreeing to something I couldn't even read properly or anything.

It asked for the delivery of one hundred kilograms of freshwater fish, and other seafood products I could add. With no specified quantity of which. Then it also asked for another two hundred kilograms of "exotic fruits", and another fifty kilograms of coral tree branches.

Looks like coral tree are more valuable than I imagined, their material is used to craft exquisite furniture and also for magic artifacts due to its amazing magic conductivity, it is also used to make toilet and bathtubs due to its ability to channel water attribute mana.

It asked for the delivery of these things every three months, which looks doable, so four times a year? The profit per delivery was...

Huh?!

"Are you really paying me this much for just this?" I asked in shock.

"Eh? It's too little?" Auntie asked. "I guess I can increase it a bit more. But I thought it was a fitting price for all we're asking..."

"N-No, it's fine as it is! I mean... T-Ten million per delivery is a lot..." I sighed.

"Well your products already got the attention of many nobles, so they're your primary clients now. I'll buy them off you and then distribute them among the nobles and merchants interested." Said Aina.  
"Easy, right? So? Are you up for the challenge? If you sign that, you'll also be registered automatically in the Merchant Guild, I'll give you a metallic card and everything."

"So nice..." I was amazed, it felt like one of my dreams was coming true, and I was growing up as a person too, getting my own job, on my way to become an adult! "Sure! I'll sign it right away! With this, I can finally begin making up a solid capital!"

I instantly signed the documents, I'll need to go inside my dungeon to prepare everything too, and I also need to do it properly, carrying the fish preferably still alive inside special containers, cut the coral trees carefully, enchanting the fruits so they don't go bad quickly, and so on.

I could probably ask my friends to help me and offer them payment for it, right? Oh, wait, so that's how they do it, huh? Am I going to become a boss now?! So cool!

"And done!" I gave auntie her contract.

"Alright then." Aina smiled, glancing at Sylphy.

"Well done." Faylen smiled. "You surprised me with this proposal at first, but I am now sure my daughter is growing up to become someone incredible, not just in power alone, but also on smarts and capital! To make the town of your dreams where all kinds of people can live together, you'll need a huge capital, not just strength alone. And also, connections are very important."

"Yep, so how about we go on a meeting?" Aina asked. "They're waiting!"

"They?" I wondered.

"Yeah, the merchants and nobles. Four of them are already waiting and three more are already on the way. They were so amazed by the products qualities and their authenticity that they wanted to meet you in person." Said aunt Aina.

"I-I... Well, alright." I nodded. "No point in getting nervous, I already signed, I need to meet my clients!" I smiled, trying to muster confidence.

"That's the spirit!" My mother said. "Don't worry, I'll be right by your side dear. Let's go."

"Let's get going then." Aina smiled.

The two led me to a huge hall, where many important-looking people were waiting. Two of them were tall elves, one with pink hair and the other with long silver hair. There was also a half-dwarf lady, and very tall half-elf as well, resembling a corsair than a merchant.

"Arr, is this the lass? She's so young! Is this really her?" He wondered, looking at me with his sharp single eye, the other had an eyepatch.

"Indeed, this is our girl of miracles." Aina smiled. "And the bringer of such high-quality products."

"It is a pleasure to meet everyone." I said, lowering my head and acting politely with everyone, just as mother had taught me before. "It will be a joy to do business with everyone here. I hope we can get along from now on."

"Well, she does has manners." The silver haired elf smiled. "Now, young lady, how about you show us your products?"

"Oh, right now? Sure... Very well." I nodded, summoning Glutton, and bringing out a large wooden box, saliva-less, filled with exotic and fresh fruits I had just made before coming here. "Is this enough of a proof of my products authenticity?"

"S-She tamed a Mimic?!"

"And that box- Look!"

"The fruit... such a delicious and sweet smell."

"I can tell you're hungry. You may take a free sample, help yourselves." I smiled.

As I said that, everyone hastily took a fruit each.

"This is the ambrosia of the gods!" The pirate-looking half-elf celebrated. "Goodness gracious, I've never tasted a mango so sweet before! And it doesn't feel artificial, I cannot notice any sort of magic infusion into it, its just a naturally made flavor!"

"The coconut is so lovely." The half-dwarf woman said. "It's juice is so sweet and relaxing. With some wine, it would be a delicacy worth hundreds of coins."

"This banana is so soft, yet firm, and also creamy and sweet." The silver-haired man muttered.  
"Amazing, truly incredible!"

"Hmm, this orange... It feels like the taste of summer." The pink haired elf sighed in relief, smiling. "It's incredibly rare to find such fresh and delicious exotic tropical fruits like these in this area of the continent..."

They loved everything!

Chapter 919 Negotiating Is A Bit Hard



The rest of the nobles arrived right in the middle of the feast the first ones were having, surprised, they quickly joined them and started sampling what they were going to eventually buy in large quantities.

The products harvested from the Dungeon were of incredible quality and seemed to not be "contaminated" with Spells that others would usually use to artificially enhance flavor, freshness, or nutrition, something that Elves were very sensitive against, and disliked.

Other races such as humans or dwarves aren't as mana sensitive as Elves, so they usually don't mind or sense the change in flavors, but because we elves have special taste buds in our tongues that can taste mana, we can immediately tell when something has been artificially flavored with magic spells of low tier, and the flavor becomes usually bitter.

Its different when it comes to Cooking Magic because that's specifically made so we can taste the Mana and the essence of the products, but it can only be used when cooking and preparing dishes to eat right away, preservation and enhancement magic are other elements, usually Nature Element Spells such as Plant Sugar Enhancement, De-Aging, and so on can preserve food's flavors for longer, but also make them taste worse for us...

It's a rather complicated thing that Elves have been dealing since the dawn of ages, hence the reason why we appreciate naturally grown food that tastes this good, and why instead of conjuring preservation magic on the food directly, we instead utilize magic artifacts to save them inside and preserve the food for longer.

"These fruits are divine!"

"Oh my, I can't get enough."

"So free of any weird mana enhancement... And so fresh, juicy, and sweet, all natural!"

"H-How?! Just how?"

We couldn't reveal it came from a Dungeon or it could generate some problems, so we simply decided to say that it was grown back in Agartha, on specially designed green houses that my mother made using her amazing magic as the Saint.

"I see, food grown by the Sait herself and her daughter, it makes sense how good it tastes now..."

"Her Magic and Divine Powers go beyond our own taste buds, instead of making the fruits taste bad, they make it even tastier!"

"Incredible!"

"Well, the secret is in helping the plants grow using magic, but not directly intervening with the fruits themselves." I explained the process of how things grew inside my Dungeon, absorbing my endless Mana to grow as much as they wanted.

"We know of such process, but not many have been able to properly master such an art before, even the oldest Druids out there have difficulties producing as many fruits and vegetables through such methods."

"Well, in these parts of the continent, these products you've brought are very rare, young Heroine."

"At first I was skeptical, arr, but Aina, you've chosen a good lass now." The pirate-like half-elf laughed.  
"Lookin' forward to makin' business with you, Lady Sylph!"

"Thank you very much!" I smiled as radiantly as I could, showing them my gratefulness.

I wasn't pretending, I actually felt really happy that they liked everything! They seemed to giggle and smile at my honesty and slightly off manners, and found me rather cute and intelligent, some noticed I must be really hardworking too.

"Well, we're looking forward to our business from now on." Said Auntie Aina.

"Thank you for your time." My mother also thanked them.

"Yes, thank you!" I smiled.

As they walked away after having a nice meal, as they were busy people that had many appointments every day, we finally could relax.

"PHEW..."

We ended sitting over our chairs, as if we were melting. It was exhausting how much we had to entertain them, speak to them, and sell them the products properly!

"S-So this is how the world of merchants truly is..." I sighed.

"Indeed." Aina giggled. "It'll take a while for you to get used to this, but if you've got the energy and the desire to learn, you'll do so just fine."

"Make sure to remember all the things you've learned from today, Sylphy." My mother reminded me. "Never forget these experiences, they'll shape you into a very competent Merchant in the future."

"A-Alright." I yawned. "Hahh... I'm so tired! But at the same time, I feel so happy... I've made a lot of money... Though it's gonna take a while to collect everything. Should I pay my friends to help me collect things?"

"I think that would be for the best, if you plan to slowly build your own Company, workers are necessary. The closer they are from you, the more competent and trustworthy they will be." Auntie Aina smiled, patting my head. "Your friends are a wonderful consideration, if they're willing, that's it."

"I bet they will." I said. "As long as I offer them some cash... But I could also contract some people from back in Agarthia, there's always some workers ready for anything, right?"

"Yeah, it would bring some much-needed jobs for a lot of our citizens." My mother nodded. "Just as I expected of my daughter, not only you're thinking about your new job, but you're also considering how to use these opportunities to benefit your people, that's how true rulers think!" My mother hugged me tightly.

I remember how many times she has reprimanded me and had been grumpy to me, seeing her being genuinely happy and proud of what I've accomplished, not just necessarily tied to just strength or magic power feels much more gratifying...

But now I should go meet everyone else!

"Alright, I'll get things done soon, Auntie, I'll go look for my friends for now!" I said.

"Sure thing, have fun dear." Auntie smiled.

"We'll be here if you need anything, honey." My mother gave me a big kiss in my forehead. "Your dad's with your uncle on the second floor if you need him. Your little brother should be with Nephilim in the manor too, somewhere, or maybe with your friends, he's alright because I'm checking on him with my Spirits, so don't worry."

"Okay~" I walked outside of the large office and finally meet again with my friends, who were having a lot of snacks in the flower garden.

"Hey! I'm back!" I waved my hand.

Chapter 920 Rich Girl

"Well, look who's back!" Zack said, greeting me with the rest of my friends.

"How were things, Sylphy? Did you make a big sale?" Mist wondered innocently. "Did you sell your products?!"

"Are you rich now?" Lara wondered. "Maybe I should also make my own crops and sell them if you can make some money with it..."

"I am not exactly rich, hahaha." I laughed a bit. "But I did struck a pretty good contract! As long as I can manage to get the quota every three months, I'll be earning a few million gold, that should be pretty good to start a capital. Maybe I could make myself a company in the future?"

"W-Wait, a few million?!" Celeste was shocked. "Oi rich girl, some people out there work their entire lives to make half of that!"

"Ahahaha... W-Well, I guess." I sighed. "I am getting too used to money, I should humble myself a bit, isn't it?"

"I think it's fine." Zack smiled. "As long as you like what you're doing, it's good. And it's also nice to do things other than just... fighting and training all the time. Dedicating your life to a different goal than fighting is really nice, I think."

"Oh? You're overly nice today, Zacky. Want to join my company as my right-hand man?" I smiled.

"Can I?!" Zack asked, excited. "I-if I get to marry Mist and we make a family... I would like to start working on something that could bring good money without having to risk my life all the time..."

"Z-Zack..." Mist blushed a bit as she heard her boyfriend's words.

"I-I would also like to join if I can... I can do lifting jobs at least?" Luck wondered, glancing at Lara as she nodded and gave him her thumbs up. It seems it was her idea originally...

"Sure, sure, I had already considered paying you guys to help me move all the products. The Dungeon can't move things on its own, so I'll need the help of others to handle things in time." I explained. "I would love if you helped me out, I'll make sure to pay you for your hard work generously."

"Hmm, now that sounds good. Count me on too." Celica smiled. "With my shadows I can lift a lot of stuff, so I could do a lot more than these two muscle-heads."

"What...?! No way you'll beat me!" Zack said competitively.

"Hehehe, looks like everyone's happy." Celica smiled, sitting over the flowers and playing with dolls with Susanna.

"Sylphy is such a big girl now, she is making lots of money..." Susanna said. "When I grow up I want to be like her!"

"But Susanna you have almost my same age..." I sighed.

"Huh? Really?" Susanna gasped; she was quite airheaded. "Ah, well, I'll do it eventually..." She yawned. "Oh! What were we doing? Right, doll playing!"

"Hehe, you're such an airhead, Susanna!" Celica giggled, giving her a head pat.

"What does airhead means?" Susanna wondered, confused.

"It means you're nice and gentle, but sometimes, you get distracted often. I get called that a lot too!" Celica giggled.

"Oh really? Then we're like twins!" Susanna giggled, holding Celica's hands.

"Twins!" Celica started giggling again.

They were quite similar, indeed... Although Celica was a few years younger though, I hope Susanna begins maturing a bit more later on, she's been spoiled so much that she's too relaxed in everything.

Or maybe we are the weird ones acting with so much responsibility when we're so young? Huh... Never thought about that too deeply.

But anyways, where's Aquarina?

"Is Aquarina around here? I haven't seen her." I said, looking around.

"She went off with her mom to the port." Said Celeste. "Maybe they went to resolve whatever dispute they had. Honestly this is the first time I've ever seen Aquarina and her mom fight..."

"Yeah, things got pretty serious there, I wonder what happened..." Zack sighed. "I'm a bit worried myself, but I don't know if I should butt in on this."

"It would be better to leave this to the two of them for now." Ninhursag walked in, she had been wandering the garden for a while, just relaxing and chilling mostly. "It is a personal dispute, if you get into the conversation, you may worsen things..."

"Hmmm, I-I guess..." I sighed, looking into the distance. "Oh well, I can always talk to her later. How about we go on a trip around the town, guys?"

"Oh, sounds good! I've been waiting for you to say that!" Mist said excitedly. "We could had gone on our own but we wanted to wait for you, Sylphy!"

"Hahah, okay then, sorry for making you wait." I crossed my arms. "Let's go! Oh, Susanna, can you show us the city?"

"Sure!" Susanna quickly got up and cleaned her dress. "I'll show you guys the place! You'll love it! Azurite has a lot of food stalls and restaurants, so we can eat while we watch the place!"

"You invite?" Celica wondered.

"No problem!" Susanna smiled. "I've got a lot of money, hehe."

She was sure a spoiled rich lady, much more than I was...

But I am still worried about Aquarina, the discussion with her mom seemed rather strong, I wonder if she'll be alright.

I kind of want to just run where she is and solve things with her and her mom, but it's not like she butts in when I am discussing with my own mom, or anything like that... She always respect that.

So if I don't do the same, wouldn't I come out as a hypocrite?

Ugh, though it's eating me away with guilt...

"What's wrong Sylphy? Come on, let's go!" Susanna grabbed my hand and dragged me with everyone else.

"A-Ah, right, I had spaced out for a bit there..." I giggled. "Let's go have some fun."

I still have all these friends I've gotta give some time too, thinking only in Aquarina all the time is also not good... I should at least distract myself a bit, and hope that things with her mom go well.

RUMBLE!

"Huh? What's that?" Mist wondered, as we walked through the streets.

At the distance, two figures could be seen fighting above the ocean, the sea waving furiously, shaping itself into countless forms and clashing against a single muscular figure.

SPLAAASH!

"A-Aquarina?!"