

Affinity 691

Chapter 691 - Large Shadow Under The Water

Grey could only grit his teeth as he jumped back into the battle.

Klaus followed behind him as well.

Boom! Bang! Bam!

They continued fighting against the Bunny, and as usual, Grey and Klaus were beaten brutally by it.

Two minutes later.

Thud!

Grey and Klaus could barely stand after crashing into the wall once again. They've created so many craters in the wall that it almost looked like they were following a certain pattern. One thing that was worth mentioning was that they never slammed into any position twice. The Bunny also knew the dangers of causing a hole in the tunnel, so it made sure not to send them flying in the same direction.

Grey and Klaus were on their knees panting for air. They exchanged looks and they could see the frustration and terror in each others' eyes.

They've managed to at least cause the Bunny some harm, but compared to their current state, it didn't seem worth it.

'I hate bunnies.' Grey said hatefully in his head.

Just as he was about to stand up, he heard Void's voice in his head. It felt like he was listening to his savior.

'You guys can come now.' Void said.

"We can finally leave." Grey said with much difficulty.

When Klaus heard this, he didn't even think twice before sprinting in that direction. He didn't want to stay here any longer.

This was the first time he had been beaten this seriously. What was annoying was that almost all their attacks were useless against the Bunny.

Grey told the others about the news and just like Klaus, he ran. He had a greater fear of staying here than Klaus. If not for the fact that he needed to tell the others, he would've run the second he heard the news.

The Bunny, seeing them trying to run away, ditched the others it was fighting against and gave chase after the duo.

Reynolds, Alice, and Kyle heaved a sigh of relief as they also ran in the same direction.

When they got there, Klaus and Grey were nowhere to be seen. It was obvious that they had gone past the hole.

"Hurry, it's gradually sealing." Void's voice came from inside the small tunnel he made in the ice.

The others exchanged glances before rushing into it.

The Bunny was preoccupied with defending against the ice wall. When it tried to stop Grey and Klaus, it caused a reaction from the ice wall and it retaliated. This was also one of the causes that hastened the resealing of the ice.

They successfully went into the tunnel, finally escaping from the paws of the hateful Bunny.

Walking through the ice tunnel, the group were amazed. They could see that on the sides of the ice, was water.

The ice tunnel surprisingly took them through the water, taking them to another cave. While walking, they saw a large shadow move past the water.

Even while being in the ice tunnel, the aura they sensed from the shadow sent a chill down their spines. They all froze momentarily from fear.

"What was that?" Klaus asked.

"Something we shouldn't concern ourselves with. Void, hurry, please." Grey urged Void.

The Bunny was a small fry compared to the shadow they just saw.

One has to know that this ice was extremely thick and tough, yet the shadow's aura still not only seeped through, but it also terrified them. This showed just how powerful the creature was. From the looks of it, it might just be able to kill them with its aura alone.

Void nodded his head aggressively before hurrying with the corrosion. Grey switched places with Klaus, secretly using his darkness element as well.

He couldn't take the risk of staying here anymore. What if the shadow saw them and took interest in them? For it to survive at this depth showed it was extremely powerful. It could probably smack the ice into smithereens.

After a few more minutes, they managed to step out of another cave. This one had what seemed like an oasis, with a floating dark item in the middle.

"That's it!" Void exclaimed when he saw the dark item.

He was the first to step out, so the others naturally didn't see it until they stepped out as well.

When they caught sight of the floating item, they knew it was definitely something special.

Kyle looked at Void, dumbfounded by the fact that he was actually able to accurately locate the treasure after getting close. His attention quickly switched from Void to Klaus, the reason was that without Klaus, this might not have been possible.

Void said he couldn't sense the precise location of the treasure when they entered the compound. And the group forced Klaus to use his 'gut feeling', he somehow brought them here, relying purely on luck! That was unheard of!

Klaus' level of luck was on another level entirely. Kyle didn't think he had seen anyone as lucky as Klaus.

If anyone was luckier than Klaus, then that person wouldn't even need to cultivate before they got to the top of the world.

"Whatever made this ice should be here, correct?" Grey shifted his gaze from the treasure to Kyle.

"Should be. There's a possibility it was made years ago as well. I can't be too certain. But since it can regenerate this quickly, the beast should be here." Kyle replied.

He hadn't sensed any living thing here, hence he was a little skeptical. This was why he told Grey there's a chance that the beast wasn't here.

"Alright." Grey nodded.

Collecting the treasure was entirely up to when Void wanted to. He was more interested in this ice. If he could catch the beast that made it, then it would be easier, he could just learn from it. Klaus would benefit from it as well.

Void didn't rush in approaching the treasure. He knew it wouldn't be that easy to take the treasure, there would definitely be an obstacle. If he rushed, then he might harm himself needlessly.

Chapter 692 - Encountering A Near Extinct al Creature

Void examined the place a little longer, only after he was sure there was no danger did he finally step forward.

Klaus on the other hand went towards the water. There might be something special in it, after all, a treasure formed here. He wasn't too optimistic about finding any though.

When he got close to the water, he, unfortunately, found nothing good. With no choice, he went to the side to watch the others. He didn't have the energy to explore the place.

The beating he received from the Bunny made him depressed. His face was back to normal thanks to Grey's light element, but the light element couldn't heal his emotions which were almost destroyed by the Bunny.

'Hateful creature.' He thought spitefully.

Unknown to Grey, he was gaining a new Bunny hater. Well, it can't really be called hate, more like fear.

This encounter made Grey's fear of bunnies increase to a new height. Presently, he felt all bunnies were psychotic things that should be avoided at all costs!

Void was about to cross the small lake before hastily retreating.

Boom!

The water exploded out from below, causing a large amount of water to spray in all directions.

Seeing the water, Klaus' expression changed drastically.

"Don't allow the water to touch you." He yelled while covering himself within an ice dome.

Grey teleported out of the range of the attack, same as Void. Kyle and Alice used the fire element to create a fire wall to protect themselves. Reynolds' Elemental Warrior was still by his side, so he didn't have any problems with blocking the water.

When the water landed on the ground, it gave off a black gas before fading.

"It's contaminated." Klaus said with a grim expression.

"The darkness element truly is something else." Reynolds commented.

"I'm afraid this isn't a result of the darkness element alone. Look at the lake, and you'll know it's either set to attack once someone wants to pass over it or, there's something inside or around controlling it." Kyle stated.

Void looked at the lake, and with a snort, he blinked and appeared beside the object floating in the air.

The moment he appeared close to it, a powerful repulsion force pushed him away, and when he got to the top of the lake, the force stopped and the water below him shot up.

This time it was different from the first time. It shot at only Void, minimizing the area to increase speed.

Klaus was the closest to the lake, and he reacted accordingly. With Void caught off guard, it was up to him to protect him.

He created a thin ice veil that stopped the water from touching Void.

Void hurriedly left the place, appearing beside Grey. He was clearly shaken from his close encounter.

"There's something here." Grey said with squinted eyes.

What Void just experienced was caused by the wind element. This place must have been created a long time ago to train people, but now it was no longer what it was. Different types of creatures have occupied the place, and with the aid of the trials set here, they were incredibly dangerous.

The attack from the lake seemed natural, but the repulsion Void felt when he appeared close to the treasure wasn't natural.

Even though it was faint, Grey sensed elemental particles. This could only be possible when someone or something was using elemental attacks.

"What now?" Klaus asked.

They couldn't advance since there was an unknown enemy, but they couldn't stay here either. His greatest worry was leaving this place altogether.

There was no way to return the way they came, which meant there was another way to leave this place, and it should be connected to this place.

"We should find our opponent first. Then we'll think of what action to take next." Grey said while looking around.

He still hadn't been able to sense what was attacking, but whatever it is was protecting the treasure.

'Void, try approaching it again. You already know of its attack, so you wouldn't be caught off guard again.' Grey said to Void.

This was the quickest way to find what was attacking. All he had to do was track where the elemental particles were coming from.

Only extremely sensitive Elementalists could attempt what he wanted to do. This is the reason the others didn't know it was an elemental attack but he did.

Having multiple elements gave him extra sensitivity to elemental particles.

He concentrated fully on the area where the treasure was floating. After Void disappeared, he appeared there within a second.

Like the first time, a powerful repulsion force pushed him to the top of the lake. Void wouldn't fall for this the second time, so he vanished before his figure got to the lake.

Grey traced the elemental particles and realized it was coming from the ground, around a place that had flowers around.

After tracking it, he went over to where it was coming from, and without warning, he sliced a large lump from the ground.

Taking out at least a meter worth of soil. Looking at the ground, he found nothing.

"Huh? Strange, I could've sworn it was coming from here." He muttered to himself.

While he was looking at the ground, the lump of soil he sliced out started to move. Something small was wiggling around in it.

The others who were standing around Grey noticed this and retreated back subconsciously.

A few seconds later, a creature popped out of the lump of soil. It was around six inches tall and had a face of a child, with eyes, and a mouth but no nose or ears. It was translucent with a mixture of blue and green colors.

It had arms but no legs.

The group stared at the somewhat cute yet strange creature with interest. Grey had been alerted to this, so he saw the creature when it was leaving the lump of soil.

His gaze was fixated on the creature, before looking at Kyle who looked like someone who had seen a ghost.

"A Seelie, but how?" He muttered in shock.

Grey had read about a Seelie before, so hearing Kyle say the name, he was a little taken aback. From what he knew, they were almost extinct in the world. He never thought they'd encounter one here.

Chapter 693 - The Perfect Bait

"A Seelie? I thought they were extinct?" Alice asked, surprised.

"Apparently not, there's one right here." Klaus replied while looking at the Seelie with interest.

This little guy was behind that troublesome ice.

Seelies form from a place of concentrated elemental essence. It usually takes years for them to form and gain intelligence, from the looks of it, it hasn't been long since this one formed, hence its somewhat low intelligence.

A smarter Seelie would know not to come out in the presence of people. These al creatures were highly coveted by people because if absorbed, they could help improve one's elemental grade and mastery of their element.

This Seelie was special in the sense that it had two elements, a Dual Elemental Seelie was rare to see, even when they weren't almost extinct.

The Seelie looked at the group with interest. It hadn't left this place since it formed, so this was the first time it was encountering something different from al beasts or phantoms.

It couldn't speak, so other than staring at the group, it did nothing else.

Alice was drawn to it immediately, and she thought of capturing it as a partner.

"It's extremely difficult to gain the trust of a Seelie." Kyle saw through her intentions and said.

"Whoever manages to acquire its trust will be its partner, deal?" Klaus asked.

There was only one Seelie, and there were five people here. Void was excluded, since well, he was already a partner to Grey, and all beasts don't usually have other all creatures as partners.

Grey nodded, having no issues with Klaus' suggestion. The same goes for the others.

Kyle never thought they'd use such a method. This was Seelie, something that even relatives would fight over to get, yet these people said whoever could gain its trust would acquire it. What if the first person who stepped forward gained its trust immediately, what would happen to the others?

While Kyle was thinking of how carefree the group were, Klaus was the first to step forward.

The moment he approached the Seelie, it attacked instinctively. With the aid of the wind element, it pushed him back, while ice spikes sprang out from the ground, almost impaling Klaus.

Klaus reacted quickly and evaded the attack.

"What's wrong with the world? Now cute things only have murderous intentions towards me?" He complained while cleaning the sweat off his forehead.

If he didn't react fast, he would've been injured. In the space of thirty minutes, two cute creatures had threatened his life. This was unacceptable!

"Next." He said grumpily.

He couldn't try again for now.

Reynolds was the next to step forward. He raised his hand above his head as if to show he didn't have any dangerous intentions toward the Seelie. He managed to get close to the Seelie unlike Klaus, but it attacked as well.

His Elemental Warrior blocked the attack, but its appearance frightened the Seelie and it continued attacking.

Reynolds was forced to retreat.

"Wanna try?" Grey looked at Kyle, who shook his head.

As tempting as this looked, it was also very dangerous. This Seelie hasn't used its full strength yet. From what he could tell, it should be at the First stage of the Sage Plane. Once it's frightened to a certain stage it would attack with its full strength, and the group would be in danger at that time.

Grey turned to Alice, and she was already walking toward the Seelie with a calm smile. She didn't make any movements, after getting to within ten meters of the Seelie, a smile broke out on her face as she whipped out her secret weapon.

It was none other than a piece of meat she kept from Grey's last cooking. She used her fire element to warm it up, and its rich aroma wafted through the entire place.

The Seelie wanted to attack, but the second it perceived the aroma of the meat, it froze. Its previous noseless face saw a change, and a nose ally appeared on it as it took in a deep breath.

The others saw it drooling as it stared at the piece of meat in Alice's hand.

Grey and the others were stumped. They never thought Alice would use a method like this. She was obviously baiting the Seelie.

Once the Seelie got a taste of this, it would definitely want more, and the only way to get it is by following the person who gave the food to it first.

'My chance is gone. A shame. I would've liked to have one of these. I read that they form a bond with their partners, and once it's formed, even if people tried to steal the Seelie, it would be useless. And they can also merge with their partners during battles, aiding their partners with their elements.' Grey communicated with Void telepathically.

Once a Seelie creates this bond with their partners, they transfer their essence to them. This would have no effect whatsoever on the Seelie, but if people were to steal it later in the future for its essence, it would be worthless. Then the aspect of merging would give the Elementalist an added element. Unfortunately, this can only be possible when merged.

Alice for instance already has two elements, if she manages to form a bond with this Seelie, she would gain two more if they merge. Unfortunately, it was extremely difficult for people to create these bonds since only the Seelie can initiate them.

'You don't need this thing, I'm more than enough.' Void replied proudly.

'Hehe.' Grey laughed without making any comments.

Void was annoyed by the laugh, but let him be and focused his attention on the Seelie.

Alice had been able to get within three meters of the Seelie, and the closer she got to it, the more it drooled, fixing its gaze on the piece of meat throughout.

Before long, Alice was standing in front of it. She still had her amiable smile, squatting down, she took the meat closer to the Seelie.

At first, the Seelie didn't make any movements, but after a while it was unable to hold itself back anymore and pounced on the meat, devouring it.

Alice didn't let go of the meat throughout the time, only when it got to the last part of it did she give it to the Seelie.

Chapter 694 - Creating A Bond With The Seelie

The Seelie finished the entire piece of meat while looking at Alice. Although there wasn't any sort of intimacy in its eyes, it didn't seem to feel threatened by her any longer.

Alice was still in the same squatting position, bringing out another piece of meat, she saw a delighted expression on the face of the Seelie which made her smile. She used the fire element to heat up the meal but made sure it was not too hot.

This time, she gave the entire piece to the Seelie before it started eating. It seemed to gain a small amount of trust in her since it let her touch it. But after a while, it retreated.

Alice didn't feel down by this, she knew it wasn't going to happen so easily, but at least this was a start.

'Can I get the treasure now?' Void asked Grey.

'No, only after she's managed to at least become friends with it. If not, it might think she's only trying to deceive it.' Grey shook his head.

With nothing left to do, the group could only sit by the side and watch. It would take a while before Alice would be able to form a relationship with the Seelie, and they weren't really in a hurry.

According to what they know, it would take at least one week before the miasma will cover the parts it has exposed, so they still had some time.

In the blink of an eye, two days went by. During these two days, Alice was constantly with the Seelie, trying to communicate with it. At first, it had difficulties understanding her, but as time went on, it started to show it could understand some of the words she was saying.

"When do you think we'll be able to leave this place?" Klaus asked bored.

"Very soon. I think she's made considerable progress with the Seelie." Reynolds was the one who replied.

"How lucky." Klaus shook his head wryly.

When he brought up the suggestion, he felt he had a chance in creating a relationship with the Seelie, who would've thought that Alice would be the one to benefit from it in the end.

Had he known, he would have said they should fight for it. Thinking about it, he knew that would've been worse since Grey would beat them up.

'It's better if Alice gets it. Grey already has so much, adding this to his power would just be unfair to the world.' Klaus thought while looking at Grey.

Grey noticed his gaze and smiled as if he could hear what he was saying in his head.

Klaus shook his head to dispel those thoughts, before hoping that things would move quicker between Alice and the Seelie.

Luckily for them, Alice told them they could take the treasure later that day.

Void was excited when he heard this and before Alice completed her statement, he had already appeared there.

"Wait! If you take the treasure, a portal will open, transporting us back to the mansion. It will only stay open for five seconds." Alice stopped Void just before he managed to take the treasure.

The others felt a cold chill run down their spines. Without becoming acquainted with the Seelie, they would've been trapped here for who knows how long.

Klaus and Reynolds glared at Void who gave them an embarrassed smile as he returned to his original position.

"You can communicate with it?" Grey pointed at the Seelie.

"Yes, it can transmit its voice to my head. It took a while, but I finally managed to learn how to speak with me." Alice nodded while caressing the head of the Seelie, which laughed in return.

"Since you can, have you asked if it wants to come with you?" Kyle asked curiously.

This was the most vital part. If Alice could create a bond with the Seelie, it would ward off lurking eyes.

It would be impossible for them to keep the Seelie a secret since people would see it. The only way it can hide is if it merges with whoever it forms a bond with. If people see that it's already formed a bond with Alice, they would lose interest in it. But if they noticed it hadn't, they would immediately try to capture it.

"Yes. She agreed to leave with me. I've already told her the dangers and she agreed to form a bond with me." Alice replied with a smile.

"So easily?" Kyle was taken aback.

It usually takes people years before they can make a Seelie trust them, yet, in the space of two days, Alice not only got the Seelie to trust her, but she even convinced it to form a bond with her? It was unbelievable!

If Kyle wasn't present here, he would never have believed something like this.

"Great, now do your thing. I want to leave here as soon as possible." Klaus urged.

Alice laughed before communicating with the Seelie.

A few seconds later, a light thread came out from the head of the Seelie and shot at Alice's forehead. After connecting with her forehead, the thread tightened, before both parties were covered with a bright light.

Alice had two elements, the fire, and lightning element, so she gave off red and silver lights, the Seelie had two elements, ice, and wind, so it gave off light blue and green colors respectively.

The lights increased before becoming a cocoon that covered both Alice and the Seelie.

The group waited for almost ten hours before the cocoon showed signs of breaking.

When it broke, Alice was the only one inside.

Her aura had changed slightly, she broke through to the Fifth stage of the Overlord Plane after forming a bond with the Seelie. She was already very close to the Fifth stage, so after getting the essence of the Seelie, she advanced to the Fifth stage. This was just the beginning, with the aid of the Seelie's essence, she would advance quicker until she catches up with it.

The group congratulated her when she came out.

"It's time to head out." Void rushed towards the treasure once again.

Chapter 695 - Strip Her If She Disagrees!

In the west wing.

At one of the halls, a portal opened and five humans and a cat rushed out of it.

When they stepped out, there were four people in that hall, and all of them were either in the Eighth stage of the Overlord Plane or the Ninth stage.

After Void took the treasure, everyone in the place sensed it. It was what brought people here, so the second it was acquired, its aura disappeared completely. There are a few people who have ways of searching for these sorts of things.

These four were part of those people. Seeing Grey and his friends come out from a portal meant that they got something powerful, and the aura of the treasure disappeared almost at the same time the portal appeared.

"Hand it over." A young lady who looked to be around twenty years old asked coldly. She was wearing purple clothes, with long gold hair.

"Hand what over?" Klaus asked haughtily.

He had always hated people like this. They didn't even know them yet they were asking them to hand something over.

"The treasure. If you still enjoy living, I'd suggest you do so quietly." The young lady spoke again.

"What treasure?" Klaus decided the best choice of action was to feign ignorance. No matter what, he would deny this till the end.

The young lady was starting to lose her patience when they heard the footsteps of others.

Hearing the footsteps, a grin formed on Grey's face and he threw something in their direction. He waited for the time the new arrivals would step in, that way, they would see the item being given to them, but they wouldn't know what it was.

The most annoying part was that he was going to use the space element to keep the item back in his storage ring. Besides, the treasure wasn't with him, he only threw a shabby black plaque at the group.

The young lady stretched out her hand, trying to catch the item, but it disappeared soon after.

However, to the group that just arrived, she hid it in her storage ring the second it touched her hand.

"We've given it to you, and let us pass." Klaus quickly caught what Grey was trying to do and said, making sure the people who came in just now heard of it.

"What are you talking about?" The young lady asked, annoyed.

Grey threw something in her direction, and just as she was about to catch it, it vanished. She was still trying to understand the reason behind that before Klaus spoke.

The group that just arrived had eight people in it, and three of them were in the Ninth stage of the Overlord Plane.

"Please, let us pass, we've already given the treasure to you." Reynolds joined in on the act as well.

The leader of the new group walked over, standing behind the group of four.

"What are you people talking about?" He asked with a raised brow.

"Hmph! This is none of your business." The young lady snorted coldly.

From how she responded, it was obvious that she was acquainted with this young man, and their relationship was by no means good.

"Care to explain?" The young man didn't bother with her and turned to Grey's group.

Klaus told them what happened. According to him, they accidentally entered a room that took them to another space. They saw an item lying on the ground, after picking it up, they were transported here. These people saw them when they came out and took it from them.

The young lady looked at Klaus with bulging eyes.

"Shut up you liar!" She scolded angrily.

"You see, she's trying to silence us so she could take the treasure for herself." Klaus pointed out.

Even the three people with the young lady had confused expressions. They didn't know what Grey threw at her, but they knew she caught something and hid it immediately.

There was no way they were going to know if Grey's group was lying or not. And the young lady had no way to justify herself since they saw her catching the item.

'Is she trying to trick us as well?'

This was the only question in the heads of the young lady's companions. A treasure of this caliber was something that would make friends betray each other, so it was not unexpected that they started to doubt the young lady.

When she saw the looks from the others, she felt irritated.

"Can't you see they're trying to frame me?" She questioned in anger.

"Bullshit! You're obviously trying to keep the treasure for yourself." Klaus retorted before anyone could even speak up.

"I'll kill you!" The young lady was finding it difficult to keep her cool.

"Search her and you'll know that we're not lying." Klaus suggested, irritating the young lady even further.

She was from a major family in a high leveled Region. She was traveling when she heard about this treasure, hence she came. She would obviously have some rare treasures with her, so it was unwise for her to allow others to search her storage ring.

"Come on, just let us have a look at the treasure." The young man from the new group said with a smile.

"What treasure? I don't have any treasure." The young lady said angrily.

"That's exactly what we said, but what happened when you threatened us? We handed what we saw over to you. Threaten her, I'm sure she'll confess if you do so." Klaus interjected.

The young lady looked at Klaus with hateful eyes. But for some reason, the person she hated the most was Grey. If he hadn't thrown that strange item at her, no one would've been able to pressure her.

"Camille, just hand it over and move on. There are other treasures here. With your strength, you'll get something good." The young man said.

"I don't have any treasure." The young lady referred to as Camille replied.

She was still trying to calm herself down when she heard Klaus' next statement, she almost spat out a mouthful of blood.

"Strip her if she doesn't agree." Klaus said with a menacing smile.

Camille looked at Klaus, and she was sure she would never hate anyone as much as she presently hated him.

Chapter 696 - What Have I Gotten Myself Into?

Grey looked at Klaus with an odd expression, while Reynolds held in his laugh. Alice on the other hand looked like she wanted to beat him up.

Kyle looked at the group, terrified of their evil ways. He knew Grey had the space element, and the treasure was not with him to start with, so whatever he threw at the young lady was crap. He took it

back with the space element, but most people would think it was the young lady hiding it in her spatial ring.

An ingenious plan, with Klaus there to escalate things, it was nothing short of brilliant. The fact that they didn't even need to speak to each other to understand their plans made them even more frightening.

He crossed his heart never to offend them. If he knew anyone that tried to offend them, he would caution the person against it while apologizing in their stead.

Klaus was an evil maniac, Grey was silent and deadly.

Camille flew into rage and attacked Klaus when she heard his statement.

"More evidence!" Klaus yelled as he dodged the attack.

Even though Camille was in the Ninth stage, and was stronger, it didn't mean that she could beat him up with him being unable to retaliate. He was in the Seventh stage of the Overlord Plane, after all.

However, when they felt the power of her attack, they knew the difference in strength between geniuses in the mid and high leveled Regions.

Grey could fight against a genius in mid level Regions that were in the Ninth stage of the Overlord Plane without much difficulty, but those in high leveled Regions were a different story.

Although they didn't know she was from a high leveled Region, they were able to guess when they noticed her cultivation stage. Most of the people her age in mid level Regions were still in the Early or Mid stages of the Overlord Plane, but she was already very close to the Peak of the Overlord Plane.

Boom!

Her attack slammed into the wall, destroying it.

Klaus breathed a sigh of relief when he saw the state of the wall.

'I can't believe I irritated such a demon.' He thought internally.

The young man stopped Camille from attacking. They were here for this treasure, and if he had to cross blows with Camille to get it, he would. They were from the same Region, and both families didn't take each other as allies, so they could fight against each other.

"Hand it over." He motioned to the rest of his companions and four of them came forward to surround Camille and her group.

The other three went to block off the escape route of Grey and his friends.

The people who came were in the Seventh stage, all three of them.

Grey knew this young man wouldn't believe them completely, but this was all they needed. Once he shifts all his focus to Camille, they could easily deal with these guys.

With him, Klaus, and Reynolds' Elemental Warrior, they would be able to deal with these guys. Then there's also Void and Kyle as well. This meant that before the young man and Camille could figure out what was happening, they would be able to escape with ease.

All they had to do was to wait till the battle between Camille and the young man became heated.

"Just wait here, once he's confirmed that the treasure is with her, then you can leave. Since we're here, why don't you people hand over your treasures, you can't tell me that was the only treasure you've found." One of the three young men who surrounded the group said with a smirk.

"Oh, doesn't that mean you guys have also gotten treasures along the way as well?" Grey asked curiously.

"Why are you asking, you want to take them from us?" One of the young men mocked.

They felt Grey and his group wouldn't fare to attack since they had a Ninth stage Overlord Plane genius with them, and not only one for that matter.

"You know what, that's exactly what we want to do." Grey looked at his friends before flashing a bright smile at the three young men.

Camille had already started to fight with the young man and his group. She was irritated by Klaus, so she could barely keep herself in check.

Their fight was already getting to a heated state. This was enough time for Grey and his friends to take out these three. They didn't plan on killing them, robbing them was enough.

With Void with him, he didn't need to be scared of not being able to access the storage rings since their owners are still alive.

Void could easily go in and out of his storage ring, these ones would be no different.

When the others heard Grey's words, they smiled and attacked simultaneously. The trio never expected that Grey and his friends would truly attack them, hence they were caught off guard even after Grey told them they wanted to rob them.

Kyle was once again dumbfounded by how the head of these four worked. He wasn't sure there would be anyone who would have the guts to attack in a situation like this, but Grey and his friends obviously didn't care about being hunted down by Camille and the young man.

'What have I gotten myself into?' He asked himself.

But there was one thing he couldn't deny, moving around with them was exciting. He hadn't felt this agitated in a long time. His blood was pumping and he joined the group in their attack.

Before Camille and the young man's groups figured out what was wrong, Grey and his friends were gone. The three young men who were supposed to block them were on the floor, with only their underwear, the rest of their clothes were stripped from their bodies.

Without even asking, everyone knew who the culprit behind that particular act was. If not Klaus, who else?

In another hallway.

Klaus was laughing like a psychopath as he threw the clothes of the young men outside the building.

Chapter 697 - Powerful People Have The Right To Rob People!

Kyle looked at the laughing Klaus, he couldn't help but feel a chill run down his spine. The speed at which Klaus was able to strip the men was shocking.

From how he did it so quickly, he knew this was not Klaus' first rodeo.

'Why would someone derive joy in something like this?' He thought to himself.

The group rushed out of the hallway and entered another one. This place was massive, so as long as they ran, it would be impossible for these people to find them. Well, unless they were unlucky and met them again.

"You're a psycho." Alice looked at Klaus with disgust.

"Hehe, they deserved it." Klaus laughed menacingly.

Reynolds laughed as well, Grey shook his head when he saw their proud expressions. They obviously had no shame in what they did.

Alice scoffed and continued walking down the hallway. Even though they had gotten the main treasure they came here for, and even got a bonus in the Seelie, they couldn't leave the place without searching for any other thing.

They didn't stay in that section of the mansion, opting to head to the main building. Even though it was populated, they would be able to find some things there.

Thirty minutes later.

Grey and the group appeared in the one of the rooms, and there were people there fighting for something.

Klaus suggested that they waited till they finished fighting, if the treasure was something valuable, then they would snatch it.

Unfortunately, the people who were fighting there didn't let them. Seeing them entering the place, the two groups stopped fighting and looked at them. No one wanted to be taken advantage of.

"Leave." The two groups said simultaneously.

"What are you fighting for?" Klaus asked with a playful smile.

"It's none of your business, leave." A young man in the Eighth stage of the Overlord Plane stepped forward. He was the one with the highest cultivation stage in the room, so he felt he had the right to speak to the group.

"Sorry? What did you say?" Klaus made a face.

"I sai..."

"I can't hear you, because I don't listen to bullshit. In fact, leave now and you'll keep the things you've already acquired." Klaus interrupted the young man when he was about to speak again.

Klaus' words annoyed him and he attacked. Since he was stronger, so he thought, he felt Klaus had no right to speak to him as he wanted.

Unfortunately for him, this was the worse decision he could make.

Klaus didn't even think twice and retaliated, with a wave of his hand, a stream of water appeared and rushed towards the young man's attack.

He also made his special heavy water, hiding it inside the attack. Due to the effect of the water, his attack easily destroyed the attack of the young man and rushed toward him.

The young man was taken aback, but he prepared himself to defend against the attack.

He was in for the surprise of his life. The Seventh stage Overlord Plane Elementalist he was looking down on trounced him brutally.

Klaus didn't even hold his hand, attacking viciously. After his first attack caught the young man off guard, he continued his assault. The rest of the people in the young man's group were in the Seventh and Sixth stage.

When they tried to join in on the battle, Reynolds summoned his Elemental Warrior, while Grey stepped in as well. Kyle couldn't stay still as well and attacked.

Alice tried her new strength. She broke through to the Fifth stage of the Overlord Plane recently and she hadn't tested her strength yet.

She picked the person in the Seventh stage and attacked. The other group that was previously fighting against the young man's group decided to watch from the side. Now, instead of Grey's group to be the spectators, they were now the ones fighting.

"They might be strong, after their battle with these people, they would be tired. We can get them then." One of the Seventh stage Overlord Plane Elementalist in the group said.

Of the two groups, the one with an Overlord Plane in the Eighth stage had six people, while the other group had seven people.

Their battle was in a stalemate, hence the reason they couldn't afford to allow Grey's group to watch from the side.

Even though Grey and his friends were five, they had no issues with fighting against these six people. Void didn't even join in, he was waiting till these people were defeated before he snatched their spatial rings. That was his task. He would only fight when the opponent is in the Ninth stage or at the Peak of the Overlord Plane.

Boom! Bang! Bam!

After almost five minutes, Grey and his friends defeated their opponents.

"I'm still raring to go." Klaus cracked his knuckles and turned to the other group.

They've already robbed this group and chased them out, now, it was the turn of the other group.

"We'll leave on our own." The leader of this group said.

He already knew they were no match for these psychos, and they not only beat their opponents, but they robbed them as well.

"Hand over your spatial rings and get lost." Klaus demanded.

"What?" One of the ladies in the group asked with an annoyed face.

"Why are you looking at me? If you were stronger, wouldn't you do the same?" Klaus mocked.

This was the truth though. It was just like the time they encountered Camille, had she not felt she was stronger than them, she wouldn't have tried to force them to hand over the treasure. It was the rule of the world, the powerful had the right to rob others!

With an annoyed expression, the group handed over their storage rings and left. All their savings were in there, and even the treasures they were given by their families were taken as well.

"What a bargain. We should do this often." Klaus laughed.

"You do know this will bring in a lot of enemies your way, right?" Kyle couldn't help but ask.

"Of course, but how can your life be fun without enemies? Who would feel sad when they see you make it?" Klaus said.

"Learn to create enemies, they spice up your life." Klaus went on to advise.

Grey shook his head before looking at what the group were originally fighting for. It was surprisingly a small orb, but he could feel a powerful force residing in it.

"If this thing is destroyed, it would definitely cause a large explosion. Good stuff." Klaus nodded while caressing his chin.

When they left the room, they started to move from room to room. The next few rooms didn't produce anything, but they met a few people.

Klaus was disappointed when they didn't try to engage them. He didn't want to be the one who initiates the battles, all he wanted was for someone to make an error and he'll use it as an excuse to fight and rob them.

Robbing people was fun!

Void certainly agreed with him.

They soon got to an intersection and they decided to split up to maximize the treasures they would find. Reynolds and Klaus took one path, and to Grey's surprise, Void voted to go with them.

Grey couldn't stop him, so he let him go with them. Alice and Kyle took another path while Grey picked the last path.

He wanted to be alone. Moving this way would be more efficient for him.

Within a day, news of two people and a cat robbing people started to circulate in the mansion. They managed to attract so many haters in the place in the space of a day.

If these people had the chance, they would've killed them already.

Grey heard of it, and knew who it was. If not Klaus, Reynolds, and Void, who else could it be?

'These people will attract so many enemies that I would have to avoid them when leaving this place. If not, they might kill me.' Grey thought.

Kyle and Alice also had this thought. If they grouped up with Klaus and Reynolds now, they would be in trouble.

"What is wrong with those friends of yours?" Kyle asked.

"I honestly think you're abnormal, but this is why I enjoy staying with them. They make life interesting." Alice said with a smile.

She honestly didn't feel strange after hearing the news. She had heard far worse. When they were in the trial land, Klaus and Reynolds robbed people of their pants! What the hell were they going to do with it?

She told Kyle of this and he finally didn't bother with this issue.

Klaus and Reynolds were crazy from the get-go, so trying to comprehend what they did or why they did whatever they did is impossible.

"I'll just take them as they are. The truth is, they're not bad company. Other than causing too much trouble, they're fun to be with." Kyle remarked.

Chapter 698 - This Would Be Fun

The group stayed their separate ways for almost three days, even when Grey accidentally encountered them, he pretended as if he didn't see them and went the other way.

Klaus and Reynolds wanted to go after him, but since people were there, he attacked the duo which came as a surprise for them, before telling them via the communication device that they've made too many enemies and he was still too young to die.

Klaus and Reynolds naturally didn't take it lying, but when they were ambushed by almost twenty people, they realized maybe they had gone too far.

They anonymously decided it was high time they left the mansion. Most people would be trying to recover what they've lost, and since there were possible treasures in some rooms, it was safe to assume that there would be people still inside the mansion.

Grey was surprised when he heard their decision since he didn't expect this to happen. At most, he thought maybe they would hide inside the building for a while, who would've known they would outright leave.

'This is for the better.' He thought to himself.

He wanted to recall Void, but then he remembered that everyone who had been robbed knew about this mysterious black cat, so he decided against it.

However, leaving the mansion wouldn't be enough, they would have to leave this Region as soon as possible. Most of the people they robbed were from this Region, so, it would be dangerous if they were caught by them after leaving this place.

Alice laughed when she heard Klaus and Reynolds' decision.

"To think they still know when to use their brains." She chuckled.

Kyle felt this was the best decision for the group as well. Most of the people they robbed will stay here for a few more days, so as long as they weren't heard from for the next few days, it would at least help lessen their current fame.

The duo left the moment they agreed on the decision.

Grey continued exploring this place. There wasn't really much he wanted here. All he found were strange fruits or elemental weapons that were too old. He still hadn't found an elemental weapon on the same level as the multi-elemental weapon he got from that hidden underground in the trial land.

Even with his current cultivation stage, the consumption was still too high for him. There had been times when he tried using it, but the amount of essence it uses was too terrifying.

While walking in one of the hallways, Grey encountered a familiar face.

"You!" A spiteful voice came from ahead of him.

It was that of a young lady, and looking at the face, he tried recalling where he had seen her.

Camille who had hated the group since encountering them could never forget their faces. Well, Grey and Klaus were especially handsome, so it was quite difficult to forget about them so quickly.

When she saw Grey's expression, she knew he didn't recognize her, which irritated her even further.

"I'll kill you!" She yelled and attacked.

"Oh, now I know you. You're that girl who tried to rob us." Grey smacked his lips as he finally recollected who Camille was.

Boom!

Camille was a Lightning Elementalist, so her attacks were not something to joke with. Luckily for Grey, she was alone.

'Let's see how powerful those in high leveled Regions really are. Please don't disappoint me.' He thought to himself.

He had faced a few geniuses from high leveled Regions when he was traveling to the Southern Continent, but that was then. Besides, there was a difference in strength between most geniuses.

Swoosh! Bang!

He gathered energy in his legs, and with the aid of the lightning and wind element, he exploded with frightening speed as he dodged the attack.

After dodging, he retaliated with an attack of his own.

Camille was two stages ahead of him, and to his surprise, fighting against her, he felt a slight pressure from her.

Boom! Bang! Bam!

They continued exchanging blows, and Camille was obviously on top when it came to strength level. She was on a different level when compared to the geniuses from those mid level Regions.

Grey couldn't help but wonder just how different the strengths of geniuses from the high leveled Regions and those in the mid level Regions are. This was exactly why he refused the idea of them joining a Faction here, if not in the high leveled Region, then they wouldn't join any Faction.

Boom! Bang!

Their battle was intense, but even with Camille's advantage in strength, she still couldn't defeat Grey. Now she understood how Grey played that trick on her.

'He's not only a Multi Elementalist, but he also has the space element, and two of his elements are special. Where did such a freak come from?'

She was internally shocked, but it didn't mean she had a good impression of Grey. They were already enemies, so there was no use in thinking about his talent or not.

Bang!

Grey was struck by one of her attacks, and it sent him crashing into one of the rooms, bursting through the door.

'Wow!' Grey was impressed by her strength.

If he could use all his elements, he naturally wouldn't be at a disadvantage even with the stage difference, but presently, even with four elements, and one of them being the space element, he still couldn't keep up with Camille.

He decided it was time he brought out his inscriptions, they would be beneficial in distracting her.

To his surprise, more inscriptions lit up, and he realized three of the five in the sky had silver colors. He only created two, one for his fire, and the other for his lightning. Both were blue and red respectively.

He was still wondering where the other three inscriptions came from until they attacked him.

'An Inscriber. I never thought she was also like me.' Grey was once again amazed by Camille.

"Oh, you're also an Inscriber? This would be fun." Camille's eyes glittered.

Chapter 699 - Stuck In The Mansion

Boom! Bang! Bam!

Both Inscribers attacked continuously without giving the other party any chance to breathe.

Grey had only two inscriptions up, but he was able to keep up with Camille who had three inscriptions set up thanks to his added advantage of having multiple elements.

Camille was stronger, and being born in the Aurora Continent meant that she was used to fighting against Space Elementalists. She could defend against them.

Space Elementalists were troublesome to deal with, but they were not omnipotent. With sufficient experience, people could deal with them.

Boom! Bang!

Camille attacked with a lightning bolt which Grey was able to deflect easily.

Grey countered her attack with the fire element.

They continued exchanging blows for a few more minutes with no one being able to gain the upper hand. Camille was shocked by Grey's strength. She was two stages ahead of him, yet he was able to fight against her on equal footing.

If this was a life and death battle, it was unknown who would win. Well, she still had confidence since she had a few trump cards that she didn't want to show against someone weaker.

"It's a shame you're in a lower stage, else I would've loved beating you up. Playtime is over, hand over the treasure and I'll consider letting you go peacefully." Camille said.

"What treasure? We don't have anything, the only reason I did what I did was to put you in trouble for annoying us, nothing else." Grey replied nonchalantly.

When Camille heard Grey saying that he purposely did what he did, her facial expression turned distorted. She knew that he purposely did it, but the fact that he was saying it in front of her meant that he didn't fear her.

It was like a kid playing a prank against their elder and laughing about it to their face.

"I don't believe you. Hand it over peacefully." Camille said.

The duo had stopped fighting, just watching each other.

"I can't continue explaining myself. This is something that I don't have. Do you expect me to give you something I don't have?" Grey asked.

Camille looked at Grey for a few seconds, contemplating about the possibility of using any of her trump cards, after thinking thoroughly, she decided against it. It was a waste of time.

"We'll meet again, hopefully you'll be more entertaining." Camille said.

With that she left Grey alone.

Grey didn't try to stop her. Fighting against another Inscriber was fun, but he had other things to do. With no one to block him, he continued his journey.

There was one thing he was sure of, he would encounter Camille or her companions here again. They still had a few days left to stay in the mansion, so he had to make the best of it.

Klaus and Reynolds were already outside waiting for the others. Kyle and Alice were still inside, hoping to find another fortuitous encounter. Alice didn't really have too many expectations, the Seelie she managed to get was enough for her. It not only increased her fighting power, but it also gave her two added options in fighting. It was like a double bonus.

Three days went by in a flash, and everyone in the mansion started to rush out of the building. Grey's friends included.

The miasma would be returning in a few days' time, and only a few people who still wanted to risk it were inside the mansion. There are a few people who were unable to get anything good while the place was open, so now they felt that with lesser people, they would have a better chance of getting something amazing.

"Where's Grey?" Alice asked Klaus and Reynolds when they came out.

"He's still inside." Klaus replied.

Void was standing on his shoulder, looking at the mansion with interest. They could already see the miasma slowly returning to the mansion.

"Don't tell me he got greedy?" Kyle asked.

Although he hadn't been with the group for long, he knew they weren't greedy people, well, other than Klaus, Reynolds, and the surprisingly talking cat. He was at least fifty percent sure that Grey wasn't the greedy type.

"He's not that type. For one thing, he's the most cautious person among us. If he's still in there, either he found something really good, or he's trapped." Alice explained.

When they were in the trial land, Grey was the one who urged them to start heading back to the portal even before the time was up.

"Hopefully, he found something good." Reynolds commented.

Alice was still worried so she tried contacting him. However, he did not respond.

"Let's wait for a while." Klaus suggested.

It wasn't like there was anything they could do anyway.

The group nodded and went to a hidden place. Klaus and Reynolds had too many enemies, so staying here where people could see them was too dangerous.

Inside the mansion.

Grey was rushing through one hallway, behind him was a large beast. The beast was at the Peak of the Overlord Plane, and no matter how he tried to attack it, it seemed almost insurmountable.

He even tried using the chaos orb, but it was inefficient. That was his strongest attack, even when in the Fusion State. If even that was not effective, then he didn't know what to do.

While he was running, he recalled he could still use his fire domain. Without wasting any time, he tried using his domain.

In a split second, the hallway was shrouded with hot blazing flames. However, the beast continued chasing him, it was as if it was oblivious to it.

'What the hell is this?' Grey looked at the orb in his hand.

This was the reason this beast had been chasing him relentlessly. He had tried everything in his power to lose it, even pushing his space element to the limit, but it was still not enough.

On the way, he saw a figure rushing in his direction. It was none other than the young man who fought with Camille.

"I knew I'd see you again, hand it over." The young man said.

Chapter 700 - I've Been Scammed!

"I knew I'd see you again, hand it over." The young man said while blocking Grey's path.

Grey, who was still thinking of ways to avoid the beast chasing after him, was a little taken aback when he saw the young man.

"Oh, sure. Here." He didn't even think about it twice before tossing the orb in his hand to the young man.

At first, he originally didn't want to give up the item since it was difficult to obtain, but he wasn't going to get himself killed because of it. Since this young man showed up, it was best to hand it over to him.

He had already stayed here for too long and it was time to leave.

The young man was stunned, but he still took the item. When he tried to keep it in his storage ring, he was astounded when he realized he couldn't.

"Bye." Grey said as he ran past him.

The young man was still thinking about why the orb didn't enter his storage ring when he sensed a powerful aura rushing toward him. He raised his head only to see a large beast that stood around two and a half meters galloping at him.

'Could this thing be chasing that guy?' This was his initial thought, so he tried to move to the side to give the beast a chance to chase Grey.

However, he realized the beast moved as well, aiming at him.

"F*ck off!" He unleashed a powerful attack on the beast.

His eyes nearly bulged out when the beast didn't even flinch.

"What's this?" He couldn't sit still any longer.

The beast roared and attacked when it got close.

Bang!

Its large claws slashed at the young man who dodged hastily. The attack hit the wall, creating a large claw mark on the wall.

"What the? Damn it, I've been scammed!" The young man looked in the direction Grey went with hatred.

Whatever Grey gave to him was obviously the reason this beast was attacking him, however, for the beast to attack meant that it was something special.

He gritted his teeth and contemplated if he should use his trump cards or not. Just like Klaus, he had a talisman that had the attack power of a Sage Plane expert, even an Elemental Sovereign talisman as well. He was from a powerful family, so it was natural for him to have these for protection.

Bang! Boom!

The beast didn't think unlike the young man, it attacked continuously without rest.

The young man evaded and blocked the attacks. But as time went on, the pressure started to increase.

"Damn it! I'll take the risk. It better be worth it." He said with gritted teeth while taking out a red talisman.

Crushing it, he tossed it at the beast.

Boom!

A powerful energy exploded out of it, followed by a raging fire. The strength of the attack was on a different level. Even this powerful beast was left almost helpless against the attack of a Sage Plane Elementalist.

From the second it felt the strength of the attack, it quickly started to prepare its defenses. Unfortunately, it still wasn't enough to protect it.

With a painful roar, the beast was sent flying, slamming into the wall before being hit by the leftover attack.

Its previously impenetrable body was filled with wounds and its blood was flowing from them.

The young man took advantage of the opportunity and attacked.

Bang! Boom!

With the beast's injuries, it was only a matter of time before it gave up.

When the beast realized that staying here would be its end, it gave up on the orb and ran away.

The young man tried to stop it from running, but unless he used one of his talismans, there was no way he could keep it here.

"What is that beast?" The young man looked in the direction the beast ran towards. He couldn't help but think about it. Its defense was on another level completely.

He looked at the orb and his expression softened a little, this was the reason he sacrificed one of his precious talismans. Making them wasn't easy, so naturally they couldn't use them wantonly, unless absolutely necessary.

'Heh, better be worth it.' He thought to himself.

He tossed it up, however, to his greatest surprise, the orb didn't come down.

"Hello again, thanks for helping me hold on to this, I'll take it now if you don't mind." Grey's voice came from behind the young man, before he could even react, Grey's had bolted out of the place.

"Wait, what?!" The young man exclaimed.

He was too shocked to react immediately, only after Grey's figure disappeared into the hallway did he finally react.

Without wasting any time, he rushed after him. How could he let Grey go with the orb like that?

He had expended a lot of effort just to ward off the beast, now Grey appeared again and took it so casually. He even had the guts to say thanks!

"I'll kill you!" The young man's enraged voice could be heard across the hallway. Unfortunately, no matter how much he screamed, Grey was not going to stop and wait for him.

If the space element was left out, Grey still had a large array of elements to help with his speed. If he added his physical speed as well, then it was basically impossible for anyone in the Overlord Plane to catch up with him if he wanted to escape.

On hearing the young man's scream, Grey chuckled as he ran away.

When he passed the item to the young man, he originally ran away, but after hearing the sounds of fighting, he came back.

He was about to give up on it when the young man brought out the talisman. Only after seeing it did he start to plan on how to recollect the orb. Taking it from the hands of the young man would've been difficult, but it wasn't impossible.

Who knew the young man would throw the orb into the air, presenting him with a heavenly opportunity. He didn't think twice before swiping the orb away.