## **Beloved Dog 1011**



After Sebastian and Claire had their say, I suggested we introduce them to the fenrirs.

Alred nodded and Ms. Jane muttered something...

Once all of the servants had been introduced to the fenrirs, we then moved to a different part of the garden.

While they continued to shake, the servants were able to introduce themselves. Though, some of them looked teary-eyed when the fenrirs barked.

After that, Tilura had introduced Rahle and the cockatrices.

Walter was especially surprised to see them, as he had read about them in books.

"What is this? I see you have some herbs growing..."

"I guess Mr. Ekenhart didn't tell you about my ability either. Well, it will be faster to just show you."

"All of these were made by Mr. Takumi."

We had reached the small herb field in the corner. It was a place to learn and do research in preparation for Range village.

The servants began to look around with interest.

Leo and the others were now playing some distance away, so they were able to relax again.

"Mr. Takumi's ability? I know that you mean to grow herbs in Range village, but... Are you a pharmacist? Or a farmer?"

"Hmm... Not really."



"It's ramogi. There's no doubt about it. But...how...?"

"It grew on the ground where there was nothing before... Or did you have a fully grown one somewhere?"

"No, it couldn't be..."

"Besides, there would be soil on it if he had hidden it in the ground. Also, the leaves and stem are not bent..."

While they were not experts, it seemed that the servants had some knowledge about herbs and medicines. And so they inspected the ramogi up close with puzzled expressions.

I suppose Mr. Ekenhart had chosen people who he thought would be useful to me. Even if they would not be involved in making the medicine, it was best that they had some knowledge.

"This is my ability. My Gift. It is called Weed Cultivation. I am able to create plants out of nothing."

"Weed Cultivation... A Gift?"

"The Gift. So there really are people with that ability."

"I have read about it before. But to be honest, I had my doubts about it being real..."

They were quite surprised by this revelation, and looked like they were not sure how to respond.

Though, they were not nearly as surprised as when they had met Leo and the fenrirs.

"The Gift... Is this why you are going to Range village...?" freewebnovel.com

"Exactly, Mr. Walter. Of course, there are limits to how much I can make... But if used correctly, I should be able to produce a lot of herbs. Without having to worry about climate or the quality of the soil. Though, if I do it too much, it could ruin the soil..."



"Hmm. It is too early to pick anyone. In fact, isn't it likely that they will not want to be chosen now?"

When leaving, the servants had glanced towards Leo.

And since it seemed like they were still scared, I thought that they probably would not want to work for me.

While I could understand them not wanting to work around something they feared... It was too bad. Leo was so cute.

Chapter 1013

There was no strict criteria for choosing

"Well, they are servants of a duke. They understand the importance of a Silver Fenrir. I doubt any of them would run away."

"So you are not sure?"

"It has been so long since I left the main house. And so I am not as in tune with how they think over there."

"Yes, some of them I have not seen in a long time as well. I didn't know that Alfred and Jane were married now... They used to fight a lot, you know?"

"Hoho. But arguing like that suggests a degree of closeness too."

Apparently, it had been some time since Claire and Sebastian were last there.

And people did change.

"In any case, I hope the people I choose will not reject me. Of course, I have not been able to decide anything yet..."



"As for their abilities, everyone has their strengths and weaknesses. So I cannot say anything. But I don't think you're wrong to care about that. After all, they will have to work closer to you. And so it is not just ability, but their character that is also important."

"That is why there are butlers like Sebastian around my father. People who are able to tease him... Even if they act normally in public."

"Haha... I suppose they get along very well with Mr. Ekenhart."

"I have been serving this family since the previous generation. And the old master was not one for formalities."

Claire's grandfather...

"In any case, you should decide based on any criteria that you see fit. If they are not sufficiently skilled or you have issues with their character, you can always hire someone else." Rand  $B \check{E}$ s

"I suppose I shouldn't expect to hire a team of perfect staff all at once... I understand."

"Please ask me or Sebastian if you need advice."

"Yes, I will. But was there anyone you would recommend, Claire?"

"Oh, asking already? Well... That Walter does interest me."

I had asked Claire because she was born and raised in the main house. And so she would know most of the people there.

According to Mr. Lyra, she had even helped to hire some of them...

But Walter was Sebastian's son, so he would be different. But perhaps Claire had hired one of the others who arrived today...

Chapter 1014

Claire was thinking about reinforcing my knowledge

"Lady Claire, I do not think it would be a good idea to have him around Mr. Takumi and Leo..."

Sebastian said with a serious expression.

"I see that you are still strict with him, Sebastian. Indeed... I understand and agree that he needs more experience."

"Without experience, his knowledge will not be as valuable to Mr. Takumi. Besides, he would want to be in a house with a library. Not some remote village."

"I don't know what his opinion is... Still, I think he would be more useful to Mr. Takumi than Tilura."

"Why is that?"

"Even if he doesn't have experience, you still need someone with a lot of knowledge nearby. Since Sebastian will not be there..."

"Yes, I will be staying here with Lady Tilura."

As someone who did not have much knowledge about this world, it would be good to have someone like him around.

It was not as if the others lacked knowledge, but Sebastian was the one who had read many books... So he must know things that they did not.

"But... His attitude towards Mr. Takumi is also worrisome... And he may not be motivated to work in a village without books. At least here, I can keep an eye on him."

"Well, I can't say anything, as I have not been watching him... I suppose we will have to wait and see. If Mr. Takumi wants to, he can choose someone else. Besides, I will accompany him most of the time when he goes out."

While he was recommended by Claire, I was not feeling too positive about it at the moment.



Apparently, Leo wanted to tell me something. Ah, she was asking if she should give them a ride like the last time. What we did to Ms. Gelda and Mr. Ekenhart. For Leo, it was like a fun game. "Well... There are so many this time. Though, there are the fenrirs." "You are going to make the fenrirs do something?" "Ah, sorry, Ms. Lya. Uh, Leo says..." And so I told her about Leo's idea. Chapter 1015 I heard Ms. Lyra's opinion as well "I don't know if it would work on all of them, but it would be a good thing if they got used to Leo. Just like Gelda." "I-I'm sorry about that, good Leo." "Wuff-wuff." "Well, we can leave Leo and Liza with Ms. Gelda for now... Ms. Lyra. I think we should gather them together tomorrow and have them ride on the fenrirs. Of course, as long as they are not too scared. I do not want to force them."

"Riding on a fenrir would be an incredibly rare opportunity. And so I doubt anyone will say no...

Regardless, I shall tell Mr. Sebastian and Lady Claire first thing in the morning."

"Thank you. Uh, by the way..." "What is it?" "Out of the maids who came here... Are you friends with any of them?" "Friends? Oh, but as long as they work for you, I intend to treat them the same way." Ms. Gelda and Ms. Lyra were already coming with us. So I wanted to know their opinions when it came to the people who might work with them. However, Ms. Lyra seemed to be very professional on that matter. "Well, that is fine... But, surely you would rather work with someone you got along with, rather than someone you hated? For instance...when you are on break..." I thought it was actually quite important to have co-workers who you got along with. After all, I had some experience there... Well, to be honest, many of them would quit after a year or less. And so I never got too close with anyone. Besides, most of the time, the conversion would revolve around complaining about our boss. "Indeed... That is true, Mr. Takumi. It would be easier to work with someone who I liked. Of course, everyone in this mansion is so nice. And there is no one who I dislike..." A lot of the servants were from the orphanage in Ractos, so it was probably easy for her to get along with them. "As for the people who came today, I did not know them before. But though I only spoke to her a little, Ms. Cheryl..." "Ms. Cheryl, huh..."

Out of the maids, she was the one who seemed the most like Ms. Lyra. "She seemed to take everything very seriously. Not like that Walter." "Well... I'm not sure I saw the same thing." I suppose it was her intuition. "That being said, she seemed different after seeing Leo... And then she was shocked when seeing the Gift." "Well, everyone was surprised. I felt bad for showing them so much at once. For me, Alfred, his wife Jane, and Walter made the strongest impression, and I had not thought about the others as much. However, there was still plenty of time for my opinion to change... The following day, I woke up and ate breakfast. And then I went about growing herbs to send to Ractos. As for the servants, they would still be tired, and had some unpacking to do as well. So I would not see them again until after lunch. However, I had Ms. Lyra tell them that I would be using Weed Cultivation, and that they could come and watch if they wanted to. And most of them did. Butler Aloysius, Winfeld and Jane the maid would rather sleep... But that was fine. "Mr. Takumi. We are finished here." "Master, here is the medicine."

"Thank you, Ms. Lyra and Milina."

From a distance, Ms. Gelda was watching Liza and the others play.

I thanked my two helpers and did some stretches... I had to squat on the ground a lot when using Weed Cultivation. And it puts a strain on my lower back.

I would have to be careful... Well, it was not that bad compared to actual farm work...

Chapter 1016

More explanation about Weed Cultivation and making rubber plants

"Mr. Takumi. The plant you were holding just now. It transformed in an instant... Is that magic? Or is it the Gift?"

"Walter. Now that I think about it, I hadn't explained that part yesterday. Uh, with Weed Cultivation, I can do more than just create plants..."

Surprisingly, it was Walter who seemed the most interested.

Perhaps he had calmed down after yesterday, and his attitude towards me had changed.

"...Yes, I once read about it. How it is not just a single ability... I see. I see. But it is a related ability. So he can change the herbs into medicine. Interesting."

He muttered to himself. Apparently, he had read about the Gift in books. He might even know more about it than Sebastian. He really was a bookworm.

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"So, next... Ms. Lyra?"
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"Yes. Here."

"Thank you."

She quickly brought out the pot. I then placed it on the ground and got to work. Though, I could not make too much. My plan was just to make a little rubber every day. However, the liquid from the rubber plant started to harden when exposed to air. It could be melted with heat after that, but it could be a lot of work. And so Ms. Helena gave me a pot to use. "What kind of herb is that? I've never seen it before..." "Haha. This is not a herb. It's a rubber plant... Uh, I don't know what the official name is. But that's what I call it." Alred looked at it curiously. Once the plant had grown, Milina asked to be able to do the rest, and so I left it to her as I talked. "Rubber plant... I heard of them... So you can make more than just herbs?" "Of course. There are limits, but I can make different things. Such as flowers." As long as they were not plants that were altered by humans. That means most plants that were edible. After all, those tended to be changed in some way by the farmers who grew them.

"Rubber...rubber... Is it like that tree sap... They grow it in the south, and it can be used for many

different things."

"You know about it, Walter?" Sebastian knew about it, so I suppose it was not that strange. Though, Walter seemed to have not seen it in person. "Ah, y-yes. I've only read about it. A mysterious material that is mixed with something for various purposes. Though, it is rare, and so it is not seen in other countries very often. Only the rich can afford it." "I see... Well, this is probably a little different from that kind of rubber. Ummm..." I then explained to him how it changed when heated over a fire. At the same time, I told him how I could use Weed Cultivation to make plants that I imagined. I even told him how I would faint if I used it too much. And so as useful as it was, I could not make great quantities of anything. "So that is why you are going to plant fields in Ractos?" "Yes. There is only so much that I can do alone. You can see the herbs over there. They increased after I made a few with Weed Cultivation." "I see... I was wondering why you would hire someone if you could grow them yourself. That makes sense." Chapter 1017 Liza was playing a strange game "Master, I finished!" "Thank you, Milina. Now..."



Alfred and the others froze up for a second but then nodded and agreed to go.

Chita looked a little happy. She would likely get used to them quickly.

In fact, Ms. Lyra had already told Claire and Sebastian about it during the morning. And they said that as long as we stayed away from the roads with lots of traffic, we could run as much as we wanted.

After all, it would be very surprising for the average person if they saw Leo and the fenrirs rushing past them...

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"Hmm... Hmmph! Yay!"
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"Wuff-wuff."

"Oh, that's amazing, Liza! I could not do that... Maybe if it was just Sherry..."

"Kyau...kyu!"

And so I took the servants and walked over to where Leo and the others were.

For some reason, Sherry and the other fenrirs were lying on the ground at equal intervals.

Just as I was about to call Liza, she began to run and then jumped over each of the furry hurdles.

It reminded me of gym class, and I felt a little nostalgic... Though, the things she was jumping over were quite big, so it was quite impressive.

"Hehe... Ah, papa! Are you finished with work?"

"Wuff-wuff!"

"Uh, yeah. I am for now. But...what are you doing? Or rather...why?" "Well... Mama was jumping over Rahle. And so I wanted to jump too." "Wuff-wuff." "Mr. Takumi. I wasn't able to do it... I need to train more!" "No...I don't think it is a matter of training..." Apparently, Tilura was a little sad that she could not do the same thing as Liza. She saw herself as an older sister, so it was no wonder that she did not want to lose to her. "So Lady Tilura is using the fenrirs to step over..." "No, it's that beastkin child... Liza? She can jump higher than her own height." "Well, she was jumping on all fours, so it is not just her leg strength." Again, the servants were muttering to each other behind me. As expected, they were astonished by how high Liza could jump, or that the fenrirs could play like this so peacefully... Chapter 1018 I asked Feri to carry everyone "Beastkin often have superior physical strength compared to humans... Or so I have read. I suppose that is why people spread strange rumors about them."

"What do you think about them, Walter?"



"He says it will be good exercise!" Exercise. Well, it was true. They seemed to be resting a lot whenever they were at the mansion. They had run to Ractos in search of Tilura, but for creatures that lived in the forest, it was probably not enough exercise. Now that I thought about it, Leo also seemed to not be as active after becoming larger. Even if she did play in the garden. It would probably be good to run in a wider area sometimes. "I see. Thank you. After you run...I'll have something delicious prepared for you." "Gur!? Gur-gur!" "Uh, the fenrirs seem to be reacting strongly..." "Though, they don't seem angry..." I did wonder if they would get bored of having hamburgers every time. But perhaps it would be a hassle to ask Ms. Helena to make something else. Regardless, all of her food was good. So they should be satisfied anyway. "So, uh..." "What is it, Mr. Takumi? You were talking to the fenrirs..." "Ah, it was nothing really. Uh, but not all of you are here..." "Wuff?"

"Mr. Takumi?"

I was wondering if I should tell them in advance, and they were now looking at me oddly.

It might be good to be prepared mentally. Alright, I would tell them then.

"It will be after lunch. I want all of you to go for a ride on the fenrirs... Just around the mansion. So please tell the others who are not here right now."

"Huh? On the fenrirs!?"

"Is such a horrifying thing actually possible!?"

"I'm a little scared... But they do look rather soft..."

Chapter 1019

It was best to tell them right before

When I told them about riding the fenrirs, most of them shuddered with surprise.

Only Ms. Chita was a little different... On the other hand, the servants that already worked at the mansion looked a little jealous.

"Hey, Chita. What are you saying? Don't you see that he is basically condemning us to death! Nothing could be more horrible..."

"No, no. It's nothing like that. As I said yesterday, the fenrirs will not attack you... You won't get hurt or anything. It's fine. I'll be with you while riding on Leo."

"But... Are you really sure, Mr. Takumi?"

Walter was exaggerating now, and so I had to protest.



After hearing that we were going, she demanded to come too. And it was decided that Sebastian would accompany her.

The saddle had already been strapped to Rahle. Both Johanna and Phillip were standing nearby with dark expressions.

Phillip had not experienced it yet, but he had heard all about it from Johanna.

I felt a little bad, since this was all my idea.

"...So, is anything feeling too unwell to ride?"

"No, no... This will be a good opportunity to get used to the fenrirs."

"Hehe. Alred. While it will be scary at first, you will understand soon enough. It is quite comfortable to ride them."

Claire reassured him with a smile.

Indeed. Much like Leo, they were careful so that you did not shake too much, or be hit by too much wind. It should be more comfortable than a horse.

When heading to Bleiyu village, I had ridden behind Phillip. And it had been quite rough.

It probably helped that the fenrirs had a lot of soft fur as well.

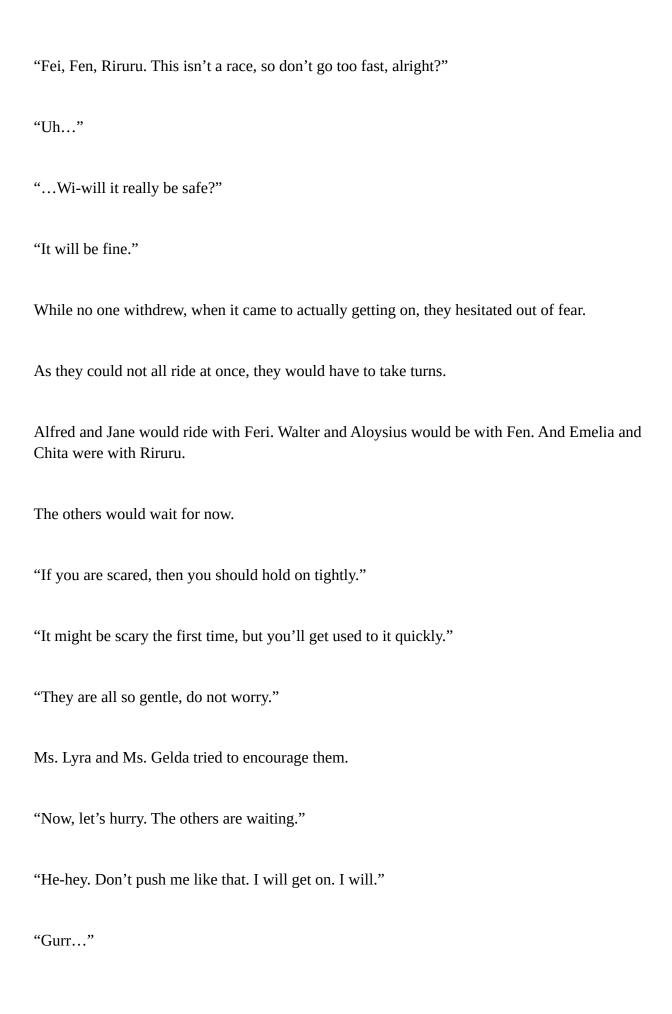
"Alright then. Please mount the fenrirs one by one. Liza and I will be riding on leo."

I could not just stand by and watch them. And so I would be riding as well.

Besides, Leo needed some exercise.

Chapter 1020

We went for a walk with Leo and the fenrirs





## "Gurr!"

Leo barked, and then she and the fenrirs began to run. In the sky, Rahle was flapping its wings and rising higher.

With Leo taking the lead, we headed in the north side around the walls of the mansion.

There were vast fields of grass here, with only a few trees. So there was a clear view.

As long as we stayed away from the roads, we were unlikely to meet anyone... Though, I suppose there was the chance of monsters.

But then again, the guards and soldiers teamed up every day to patrol these areas. So it was not very likely.

Besides, I had heard that monsters hardly ever appeared here after Leo's appearance.

Perhaps they could sense the presence of a Silver Fenrir, and their instincts made them stay away.

In any case, we had all these fenrirs with us, so there was no danger. Even Rahle was keeping watch from above.

"...I was a little worried about riding without a saddle and reins. But it is quite stable."

"Indeed. I never would have thought that riding a fenrir could feel so safe."