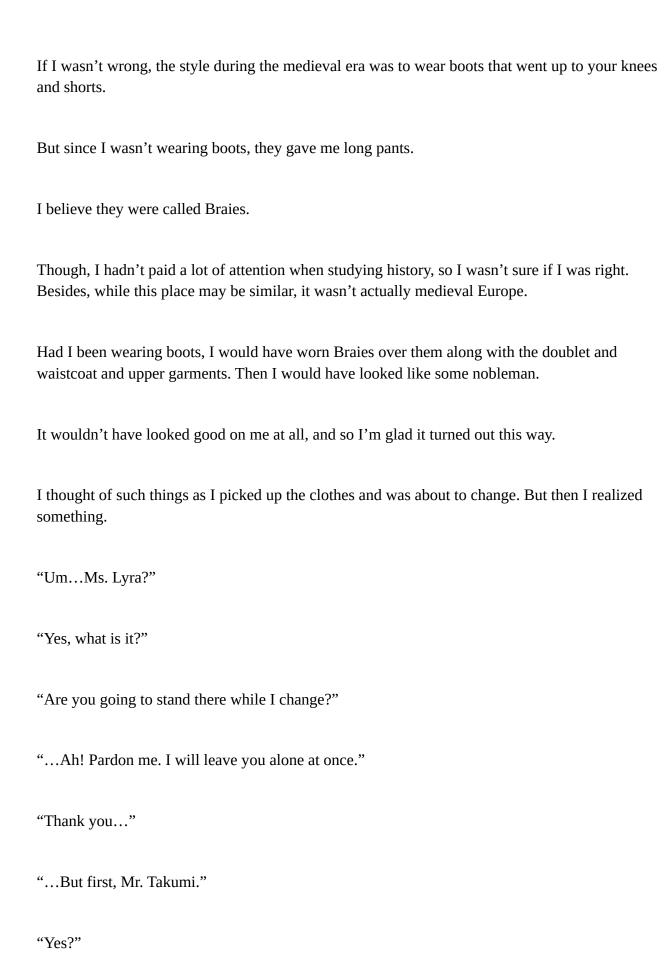
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The last time I shaved was the morning before I came here. While I was preparing to go to work.

So it was nearly two days. When I looked in the mirror, the scruff was long enough that I could pull it with my fingers.

I felt a little embarrassed about walking out in front of the others in this state.

Seeing myself like this, I felt even more foolish about how before breakfast, I had thoughts of growing out my beard and looking dandy.

Yes, this needed to be shaved off.

I picked up the knife with a resolved expression and began to shave away.

Ten minutes later, I looked at myself in the mirror.

...There was blood here and there. But it was likely because I wasn't used to doing it like this. At least, I hoped it was the case.

There was a new bowl of hot water and a towel in the same place as this morning. Ms. Lyra must have prepared it. And so I washed my freshly shaven face and then washed and dried the knife.

I put the knife down on the desk next to the bed and then inspected my face in the mirror once again.

"It stung a bit when I washed up, but it seems to be fine."

The cuts were still visible, but were bleeding anymore. And all of the stubble was gone.

"Alright, this is fine."

With the inspection done, I left the room in order to meet the others in the garden.

Ms. Lyra gave me a fright again as she stood waiting in front of my door, but I managed to hide my surprise. She then led me to the back garden.



"Yes. I thought it would be better to consult a man about that. My beard as well."
"Indeed. Though, I thought the beard looked rather nice on you."
"You did? But a stubbly beard just looks ungainly."
Don't flatter me too much, Ms. Claire.
I might start having thoughts about trying to look dandy again.
"Still, I'm glad to see that Tilura is very well now."
"Yes, really. And she is able to run around like this because you found the Ramaogi."
"Hahaha. Well, you did the most by worrying for her so much that you left the house in order to search for it."
"Lady Claire. I must say that what you did gave me such a fright. From now on, please take a guard with you when leaving the mansion."
"Ah, I'm being scolded by Sebastian now."