## **Beloved Dog 671**

Chapter 671
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The welcome feast in Range village

Yes. I was very surprised when he attacked Leo, but I was even more surprised when I heard who he was. And then he apologized like that This has been quite a day.

Haha. But no one was ever in any real danger, so it was rather fun, wasnt it?

Hmm So you did not care at all that Leo was being assaulted?

Ms. Claire said with an annoyed look.

Of course, I dont want her to be attacked But Leo can handle such things easily.

I suppose

According to Mr. Ekenhart and Ms. Lugretta, he was so weak without magic, that even a common soldier could beat him.

And if Mr. Ekenhart could not even touch Leo, then there was no danger of someone like Mr. Euto hurting her.

Regardless, the two of you talk like you are friends now. That was also surprising. Even my father does not talk to him so casually

Wellits because he asked me to. Also, we seem to be similar in age

I was also able to talk with Mr. Ekenhart on very friendly terms. However, since he was much older, I still saw him more as a nice old man.

But then againEuto was actually unaging, and over a thousand years old. However, that was hard to imagine or even believe. But he looked the same age as me, and so it was easier to treat him that way.

As for his rank As he had founded the country, he should also be the king. But apparently he abdicated after the war ended. He could have just kept being king, but he decided to let his children take his place.

And so now he just traveled and enjoyed himself. He did show his royal crest in Range village after hearing the news about a Silver Fenrir. However, normally he would travel just like any other ordinary traveler.

But I am also close to you in age. You dont talk to me like that When will you start treating me more like a close friend, Mr. Takumi?

Uhh

Beforeright after you and Leo saved meyou said that it would take time to get used to it. Why is it taking so long?

Now that I thought about it, I did say something like that.

Im sorry, it might take a little longer Uh, Im too used to talking to you like this

But how long will it take!? I suppose its not been that long, buthow much more will you make me wait!?

UhMs. Claire?

After father returns to the house? Or when the house is completed in Range village? Or when the herb fields are created!? How long!?

A fire seemed to have been lit inside of Ms. Claire, and she began to question me heatedly with her face getting redder and redder.

Huh? Red face?

Ah, Ms. Claireyouve drunk too much wine

It had nothing to do with wine! Unless you are saying that we must drink the whole barrel before you can start acting like a normal person with me!

Nothats not what I In fact, weve both had enough. Lets stop drinking, alright?

Previously, she had gotten quite drunk with Ms. Anne, and regretted it later on. And though she had refused to drink for some time after thatshe had lapsed.

After all, this was a welcoming feast, and so we could hardly refuse. And though we had been careful to only drink a little, something must have triggered her, and she drank more than she should.

The reason Uh, I suppose that it was me

Even if she was currently in a drunken state, the fact that she was pressing me so hard now suggested that it really had been bothering her. The way that I still treated her with formal politeness

The bird monster wanted a friendly relationship So if it is so scared of Silver Fenrirs, then surely it would not have attacked? It just wanted to make contact, I suppose? It seems that way Mr. Takumi. Is that why you were so surprised earlier? One of the reasons the

We watched the fenrirs fight Grau! Gaau! The fenrirs barked eagerly towards the forest. At the same time, Phillip and the guards ran out of the forest and towards us. Behind them, I heard the sound of the approaching orcs. Uhhow many were there? Isnt that too many? ...I think

The reason that Sherry was not injured HmmI guess its because she is a fenrir. To not be injured after being hit so hard Wuff. Wuff-wuff-wou! Uhhh, she says that fenrirs are able to protect themselves by enveloping their bodies in magic energy. Thats why she wasnt injured. ...That isso

## Chapter 672

Provoked by bad adults

"Hahaha! You better watch out for that Takumi. Just look at what he has done to Hart's daughter."

"Mr. Euto?"

"That's true. And yet Mr. Takumi... I wish that they would just settle down so that I don't have to worry..."

"Even if that happens, there is a lot that Mr. Takumi doesn't not know. And so I'm sure you will not be able to retire so quickly."

"Tsk..."

"Mr. Ekenhart and Ms. Lugretta..."

"Mr. Takumi. We're still talking right now. Just ignore those other people!"

"Claire usually isn't this bold... I suppose it is because of the wine."

"Yes, yes. While getting so drunk is not commendable, sometimes it is necessary."

As I was wondering how to handle the situation with Ms. Claire, the others suddenly appeared behind us.

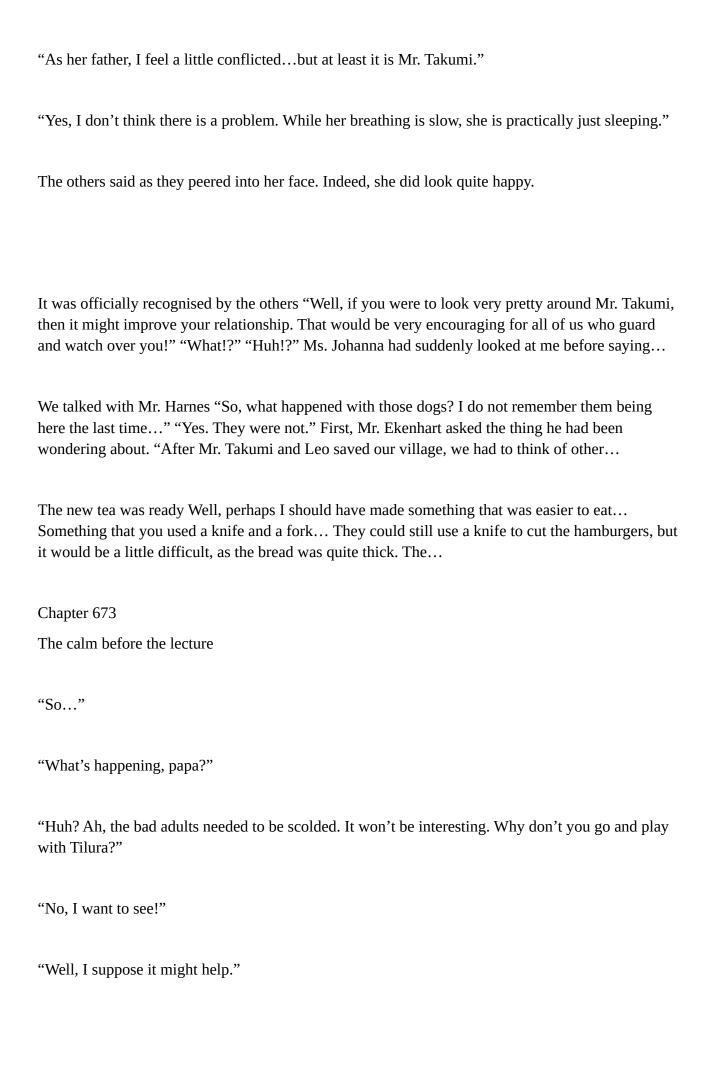
They were all a little red as well, so they had been drinking quite a lot... Perhaps they had seen what Ms. Claire was doing and decided to come and make fun of me.

That being said, I had already spoken to Mr. Ekenhart on the matter. It was supposed to be settled!

"Now is the time! Talk to me like you would Leo or Liza!"

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"Uh, but you are nothing like them..."
"Well, Mr. Takumi. I think your fate is sealed."
"Man up, Mr. Takumi."
How did this happen... I should never have suggested that Ms. Claire drink with me.
I had no allies here, and Ms. Claire looked like she was ready to pounce...
Would Leo help if I asked her? The thought entered my mind, but I did not want to be a coward.
And so I sighed.
It couldn't be helped. I did not want to be rude to Ms. Claire, and I was also sorry for my actions.
"Uhh...Ms...no, Claire. Yes, Claire. Well, that's a good start, I think. Thank you for always helping
me. I look forward to... Well, let's continue to be friends, alright?"
"Mr-Mr. Takumi..."
"Ohh!"
I held her by the shoulders, mostly to keep her at arm's length, and said it while looking into her
eyes!
"It sounds...a little strange to just call you that, but...."
"…"
I said, just a little worried that she might not like it after all.
However, she closed her eyes as if waiting for something...
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"Wuff..."
"…"
I had left the sleeping Ms. Claire to Johanna and Ms. Lyra. And I then made the bad adults sit down.
Leo sighed with exasperation next to me. I asked her to stay here so that they would not escape.
"Mr. Takumi? I'm sorry. Perhaps we went too far? I don't like to be watched by Leo like this."
"Yes, she has to keep an eye on you. But more importantly, you don't look that drunk anymore?
Were you pretending?"
"Uh... I am stronger than Claire when it comes to drink... But I am still drunk. See...? I'm
unstable..."
"Your bad acting isn't going to help, you know?"
"Takumi? I know we only just met today, but... Surely we can talk about this?"
"It's because we just met that you should have thought a little more before joining Mr. Ekenhart."
Mr. Euto was similar to Mr. Ekenhart, and did not appear to be all that drunk now. And he was also
protesting while looking at Leo.
"You don't seem to have much to say now, Ms. Lugretta?"
"While it was all His Excellency and Lord Liebert, I do regret those actions. Yes, I am sorry, Mr.
Takumi."
"I see..."
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"Sorry." "...I am sorry." Leo had barked, and the three seemed to have misunderstood her, as they suddenly bowed their heads and apologized. Though, Leo was mostly just sighing, as she wanted too wanted me and Ms. Claire to settle things already. Personally, I wished she wouldn't say such things. Especially around Liza. Provoked by bad adults "Hahaha! You better watch out for that Takumi. Just look at what he has done to Hart's daughter." "Mr. Euto?" "That's true. And yet Mr. Takumi... I wish that they would just settle down so that I don't have to worry..." "Even if that happens, there... I petted the parent fenrirs "Uh...like this?" "Gauu..." "Gau-gau!" "It seems like they like it..." I went between the two fenris and used both hands to rub their bellies. As they were so big, I could not rub their whole bodies at once, but I had plenty of experience with... We Went to Ractos with Liza I felt a little bad for Mr. Ekenhart, as he left looking quite disappointed about not being able to go to Ractos. Ms. Claire would be going instead. I still remember seeing her raise her fist in triumph at this. I suppose she was... Chapter 674 Typical punishment After that, there was two hours of talking, that may or may not have been a lecture. Regardless, I was thirsty. "...Hehe. Liza, I just thought of something amusing. Want to play?" "Okay!"





As it was jumping up and down and barking, it probably wanted some attention. I felt nostalgic, as Leo used to do the same when she was smaller.

And so I picked it up with both hands.

"Still, it has such nice fur... It is short but fluffy."

"Indeed. I think it's...a summer cut right now. But it will be even more soft when it grows out."

With Leo, there had once been a time when I was so busy with work, that her fur grew so long that it touched the ground.

There were some types of dogs who shed their fur before it grew that long, but maltese were not like that... Back then, she would suddenly look very skinny when given a bath. Well, I suppose she is still like that now.

As for the dog I was holding, it was carefully groomed, and so I could see that it was being taken care of quite well in the village.

"I see..."

"Kyan!"

"...It's angry at me."

"Haha. Perhaps it is suspicious. Small dogs can be like that...just like Leo. Though, I doubt it has the courage to pounce on you."

Claire must have wanted to pet it like Sherry, however, it barked at her angrily.

Now that I thought about it, even Leo had taken some time to get used to me... Though, as she got older, she started to like playing with children and became more sociable.

"But it seemed to have taken to you very quickly, Mr. Takumi?"

"That...is true. I wonder why? Perhaps it sensed something?" Was it because I was with Leo, who had been a maltese too? But it would have no way of knowing that. If anything, smelling like another dog would probably make them suspicious or jealous... I comforted Tilura "Well, it looks like they will arrive safely." "We're back!" "Wuff!" After watching Tilura and Rahle for some time, the large building finally came into view. Somehow, Tilura had managed to stay on this whole time. Perhaps Rahle had sensed her fear, as there were no more... She Was Happy About The Hat "That's right, Liza. Why don't you try putting this on?" "Hmm?" After talking about the possibility of Liza using magic one day, we were about to leave Ms. Isabelle's store when I remembered something. It was the hat that Mr. Halton had made, so... I kept my promise with the boys Mr. Ekenhart nodded at my explanation. He had already known some of the details regarding Liza's situation, but he now knew as much Ms. Claire and me. It was possible that there was more, and Liza just hadn't told me yes, but there... Chapter 675 Leo was jealous "Hmm. I don't know the reason... Why did you take to me so quickly?" "Wou?" "...But unlike Leo or Sherry, you can't answer me."

"Hehe. Perhaps it's because you talk to it like that, that it knows it is safe with you."





"Wou..."

Even though Leo could now understand us quite well compared to before, it would take more to convince her... Before coming to this world, something similar had happened once with the neighbor's dog.

And so I placed the maltese on the ground. It wagged its tail, thinking that I was going to play with it, and so I petted it on the head to make it quiet down.

Then I looked Leo straight in the eyes and approached her.

In the wild, looking at someone in the eyes was a sign of hostility, but it was different when you trusted each other.

If anything, she would purposely look me in the eye and wag her tail happily.

Of course, that still wasn't enough to know what the other was thinking...

"See? Squish-squish."

"...Does she like having her cheeks pulled like that? I doubt Sherry would enjoy it."

"Well, some don't like it... I guess it depends on the dog?"

"Wuff!"

"Oh, are you finally cheering up?"

While looking into Leo's eyes, I stretched out my hands and grabbed her cheeks and gently pulled on them.

Claire was a little puzzled, but assured her that this was my way of showing affection.

Now that Leo was bigger, her cheeks were even more squishy and fun to play with. Leo let out a sigh and her tail started to wag, which showed that her mood was improving.

I then petted her head and her tail wagged faster.

I would have liked to pick her up in the end, but she was too big now... So petting her was the best I could do.

After all, we had known each other for a long time, and Leo was my buddy.

Sherry was traumatized by the trolls "I don't mind. Besides, it's almost time for dinner." "So, father. You have something to discuss with Leo?" "Mr. Takumi did not tell you?" "Ah, I thought I would let them hear it from you...Mr. Ekenhart." "I see. Very well..." He then turned to...

Something was approaching "Wuff... Wou?" "She is saying that there is a presence and smell that is both familiar and unfamiliar..." "Familiar and unfamiliar..." Perhaps it was because the herbs were still having an effect... But she could even smell it. We had just eaten lunch, and so the area...

Rahle had done well "...Leo?" "Wuff? Wuff-wuff!" "Good morning. There, there. What happened?" I was standing where the servants had gathered, and so I could not see what was happening, as Leo and the fenrirs were blocking my view. Rahle was also spreading out his wings, so I could not...

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The dogs liked Liza

"Wuff!"

"You can do it because you know a lot about Leo. I would not know what to do if Leo was in a bad mood..."

"Wuff-wuff! Kyan! Kyan!"

"Haha. Well, it's not just Leo. I think it is the same for many animals."

I laughed as the small maltese barked for attention as well.

While it was no good to only play with one, there should be no problem if it is both.

Once Leo understood that she was not forgotten, she sighed and didn't do anything else when I petted the small dog.

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"Wuff! Wuff!"

"Kyan! Kyan!"

"Wah! Hehehe..."

"Liza! Look what is happening, Mr. Takumi!"

"Haha... They really seem to like her. Is it because she is beastkin?"

"Wuff!"

"...Pa...pa...! Ma-ma! Hel...!"
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As it would be breakfast time soon, I put the maltese on Leo's head, and Claire and I made our way to the village square. It was then that we encountered Liza, who was covered in dogs.

Some were playing with her tail, while others stood on top of her or rubbed their face against hers. Well, they were all wagging their tails, so they must be having fun. And I was glad to see Liza fitting in.

Leo also barked in agreement.

"Mr. Takumi. Aren't you going to help her...?"





"I suppose that's how it is. Though, I have actually made a castle. Everyone told me to make it bigger. But it became so big that I don't know what to do with it. Haha."

Euto said with a laugh. However, he really did not look like someone who lived in a big castle...

The dogs jumped towards Leo "Kyan-kyan!" "Wuff!" "Wou? Wuff-wuff." "You sure are popular, Leo. No one is scared of you anymore." The people of the village had a few dogs with them. Some were interested in Leo while others were more cautious. But once Leo moved towards them and licked...

Typical punishment After that, there was two hours of talking, that may or may not have been a lecture. Regardless, I was thirsty. "...Hehe. Liza, I just thought of something amusing. Want to play?" "Okay!" "Mr. Takumi? I think I have an idea...but are you sure?" "Takumi? Even I think...

There was a creature that seemed familiar in Range Village "Well then, according to our plan, we will arrive at the village tomorrow after lunch?" "Yes. While there were some interruptions, we are not behind schedule. And so we can rest and eat before continuing on to the village." "Very...

## Chapter 677

Preparations for the house were underway

"Mr. Takumi. I just heard from the chief that they are preparing a water system by connecting it to the river. Once that is finished, construction on the house can begin."

"I see. I don't know much about such things, so I'll have to leave it to you..."

As I was gazing at the vast land and imagining how it would change, Mr. Sebastian approached and told me about what he and the chief had discussed after lunch.

"Also... As is the country's policy, towns that are of a certain size always have a proper sewage system. According to history books, this greatly improved the quality of life for many people, and allowed them to be clean."

"Yes, it would be very inconvenient to not have that."

I didn't know how long it took them to have that here, but I had read that it was once quite bad in Europe.

There were even terrible plagues... Well, I didn't know if that was the exact reason. Still, having a proper sewage system would certainly help.

Still, I wonder how they did it? It seemed quite complicated.

"Takumi, don't you remember what we talked about yesterday? There are other people like you here. And they shared their knowledge."

"Ah, of course."

As I had looked a little puzzled after hearing Sebastian's explanation, Euto then cleared things up for me.

I see...so there were other people from my world who came here. Some of them would have specialized knowledge.

"Well, while they may not have revolutionized things, they could help make certain improvements. There was one person I met after coming here. Someone with a lot of knowledge. Ah…it was so helpful."

"I-I see..."

Euto started to think of the past with a far away look.

As for Sebastian, he took a few steps back. I suppose that as a butler, he did not want to get in the way when a member of the royal family was speaking.

"Ah, yes, yes. That's right. This sword was also made by someone who brought over their knowledge and skills. After all, they wanted their knowledge to be passed down. Hart told me that

you used one too now. Is that right? Though, you do not have it on you now. Well, it is not something to show around too much. Still, it is very sharp, isn't it?"

"Well, it is used quite differently from other weapons. I don't know much about them myself. Still...so you are the one who had them made..."

"Yes, because they are quite special. They are difficult to make... I once tried it myself, and ended up breaking the blade. It was such a waste."

At first, I had thought that those katanas were just made by someone who was a little eccentric. But since hardly anyone here knew about them, it seemed like the skill needed to make them was not widespread.

The blades were thin and mostly made for cutting...

And in a world with so many different types of monsters, you could not say that it was the best option in every scenario.

After all, those blades were supposed to be used when fighting against other humans. Well, sometimes they might have cut through horses as well. But those were only in very rare cases, I think...

Someone tried to attack Leo While Leo had become huge as soon as we came to this world, I still could not believe that she was the strongest creature here. To me, she was always my buddy...even if her appearance changed a little. In any case, after seeing her fight...

Someone was advising the villagers As for the land where the house would be build for me and Ms. Claire, it would be to the north of the chief's house, and next to the farmland. Because it would be more convenient if we lived close to the fields. However... "Isn't...

I would not see the main house for some time "Papa! Mama!" "Oh, Liza. So you're awake. Ms. Lyra. Thank you." "Wou!" "Not at all. Liza searched for you two as soon as she woke up... But I suppose she also got used to sleeping separately in the forest, and...

## Chapter 678

We talked about beastkin

"Well, these skills from other places. We will have plenty of time to talk about it later."

"That would be helpful. I still don't know much about what exists or doesn't exist here."

"Yes. That's fine, but..."

"Hmm?"

Mr. Euto suddenly looked to where the others were running.

"I forgot to ask you about it yesterday... But that is a beastkin, isn't it?"

"Ah, Liza. Yes. At least, that's what everyone says. And she has those ears and a tail."

"I see... It is not that strange after seeing Leo. However, it is quite rare for these parts. The beastkin's kingdom is up north... And the duke's lands are far to the south."

"We met her in Ractos. She was adopted by someone there. However, that person died, so I am taking care of her now. Leo wanted to protect her, and I couldn't just leave her in the slums."

"I see. Yes, I can understand why you did that. It is a harsh life. Even though things are not as bad here as they are in some other territories."

"Beastkin...how nostalgic. I once met one with a great, fluffy tail. It was almost as soft as Leo's."

"So you've met other beastkin?"

"Well, I have lived for a very long time. There was more trade before the war. And beastkin used to visit often. Besides, there were Silver Fenrirs here, so they would generally be peaceful in these parts. Until the war, that is."

"Huh. And they had the same ears and tail?" "Hmm... Well, they don't all look the same. Some ears are folded like that dog over there. And looked more like rabbits." "I see..." Well, humans also had many different shapes and appearances, so it was no surprise. Still, why did they end up going to war with a country that they had once had a good relationship with? "About that war. Did they really invade first? Oh, you don't have to answer if you cannot." "No... Not really. I cannot say everything, as it will shame the royal family. But it was our fault. So we can not blame them for attacking us. At that time, I was traveling on my own, and only learned of it after it was too late. I rushed back to intervene...had to bow to their king and everything. Thankfully, people like Lugretta were then put in charge of me after that, in order to stay in contact." Somehow, that was a relief to hear. That the country that Liza belonged to did not mean this country any harm. I did not want to have to fight them if it could be avoided. "Ah, speaking of Lugretta. There is something I have to tell you." "What?" "Well, not you, actually. Even if it is related to you. That was why I was headed to Ractos... I thought that Hart would be there. But then I heard about the Silver Fenrir and had to stop by this village. That turned out to be a good thing."

"Ms. Lugretta must have been mad..."



"Ah!"
Now that I thought about it, Mr. Ekenhart did say that the royal family was looking into the incident.
I had thought of it as being taken care of But since Ms. Anne's father was behind it all, I suppose that was not the case.
"Am I not allowed to hear it?"
"It should not be spread around, but I don't mind if you listen. After all, you were involved. Uh, you over there. Butler."
"Yes, what is it?"
"I need you to gather some people togetherto the chief's house."
"Certainly."
Mr. Euro then told Sebastian to call Mr. Ekenhart, Ms. Claire and Mr. Harnes as well.
"Sebastian should be able to gather them quicklyLeo! I have some business to attend to, so you stay here! And don't do anything dangerous!"
"Wou!"
"Okay!"
"Kii!"
"Everyone is here now."



"Yes!"
"Since Hart has made a request on your behalf, we have decided to be merciful."
"Merciful?"
"Yes. Not so much to your father, though. He must take responsibility for what he has done. But youare twenty?"
"I am nineteen, Your Excellency."

So she was younger than me... I thought we were the same age. Well, it was only one year's difference.

"You are still young. But the condition is that you repent and work vigorously towards helping the people. From what I had heard, you seemed to not even understand that you did something wrong... Though, you seem to have changed since then. Perhaps it was a good thing to leave you in Hart's care."

We played a trick on Mr. Ekenhart "It looks like they won't recover for some time..." "Hah... indeed..." As for Leo and Rahle, they were not interested in such things, and quickly went over to the fire where Ms. Lyra and the others were preparing the food. After some time had...

People were eavesdropping "Treating others well...I had never thought about such things before. I am a noble, a superior human. It was only natural that I should be treated as special, and there was no need to be concerned about others..." "Well...you cannot be treated well if there is no...

Mr. Hannes met Ms. Anne "I am quite old... And so my son and his wife told me to take Rosalie with me, just in case something happened. They could come with me, as they were busy in the village..." So that's why Rosalie was here. Indeed, Mr. Haines did...

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Ms. Anne's treatment was decided

"Yes. I think it was because I did not go out much and talk with other people. But by staying with the duke and the others, I have learned of different ways of thinking, and how to talk with commoners. Ms. Claire and Mr. Takumi have taught me a lot. I now understand how foolish I was."

Said Ms. Anne. She had not really...had much opportunity to speak with the people of the town. But it seemed she had learned a lot from talking to other people.

Regardless, it wasn't for me to say what was right or wrong in this case. But I did feel like she had improved.

"When I first heard about you, I had my doubts that you could really change... But I hope that things will go in a positive direction. And I think you should continue to stay under Hart's protection. And depending on how you conduct yourself, you may be able to take your father's place, as his rightful heir. However, the rank will be demoted to viscountess. Though, there will always be the chance to rise again, if you manage your lands well. But just the same, if you should torment the people as your father did, you will find yourself in a very dangerous position indeed!"

"Yes, Your Excellency. I am grateful for your mercy. I shall not forget it, and promise to do my best for the lands and people."

"Good. As for your father, the royal family will deal with him. He will have no rights as a noble, and will live the rest of his days as a criminal. As for your lands, they will also be under our management until the day you can inherit them."

"Certainly..."

"Well, that is everything. Thank you for your attendance, Anneliese, Hart, Claire and Takumi."

"...Ahhh! Are they gone?"

"Yes."

"Uh...I really don't like doing such things. It makes me tired..."

"You seemed to be accustomed to it?"

"Not at all. I guess I did it enough times to know how to act. But it still feels awkward to me."

After the Ms. Anne, Claire and Sebastian left the room, Mr. Euro let out a great sigh and started to stretch his tense limbs.

Ms. Lugretta looked exasperated.

As for Ms. Anne, she had been looking at the floor the whole time, and I saw that she was crying. While things would not be easy, having such a father, at least Claire and Sebastian were supporting her.

She would surely be fine with their help... Perhaps she was already feeling better and playing with Liza and Sherry now.

"Your Excellency, I am grateful for your compassion."

"Well, perhaps it would have been better to just have the entire house crushed. But it's so troublesome to put another family in their place... And I just know they would make me do all of the work..."

"I don't think you should decide things based on that... But surely you would have no trouble persuading the royal family? You are the original, after all."

"Perhaps. But what would be the point in abdicating if I were to return and wield my authority? And so I don't go out unless it is unavoidable. I only took this message because it was easy, and I happened to be in the area. I prefer to travel freely. It is the best, isn't it Takumi?"

"Uh... I suppose..."

I talked with Ms. Anne As for where the fenrirs slept, Leo had decided it. But Sebastian felt that it was still important for there to be human watchers as well, and so nothing changed there. Well, the fenrirs could only bark, and could not communicate with us in detail....

I asked Rahle why there were trolls here "If it's related to Rahle's mountain, then we should probably ask about it. Leo, could you call Rahle?" "Wuff. Awoooo!!" "...Kii!" "What is it?" "We were having such a good time flying...what happened?" I had been worried about Ms. Anne, but she...

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