Beloved Dog 791







When I entered the horse, one of the maids told me that Tilura and Ms. Lyra had gone to the room that we were using. Regardless, I did not want to alarm her by barging in.

"Sorry coming here without permission..."

"Haha. It's fine. This is not my house. I'm just being allowed to stay here for now. Anyway, try this. And you too, Ms. Lyra..."

As I had a little idea, I had stopped by the kitchens.

Since the konjac milk tree had been made as a test, I wanted them to try it...

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I gave them the trial drinks

"What is this, Mr. Takumi?"

"I would have brought it if you told me... But thank you."

In order to help pacify her, I had extra milk and sugar put in Tilura's tea.

When I told Ms. Helena it was for Tilura, she was happy to bring out the sugar... As for mine and Ms. Lyra's, there was no sugar inside, which was the original plan.

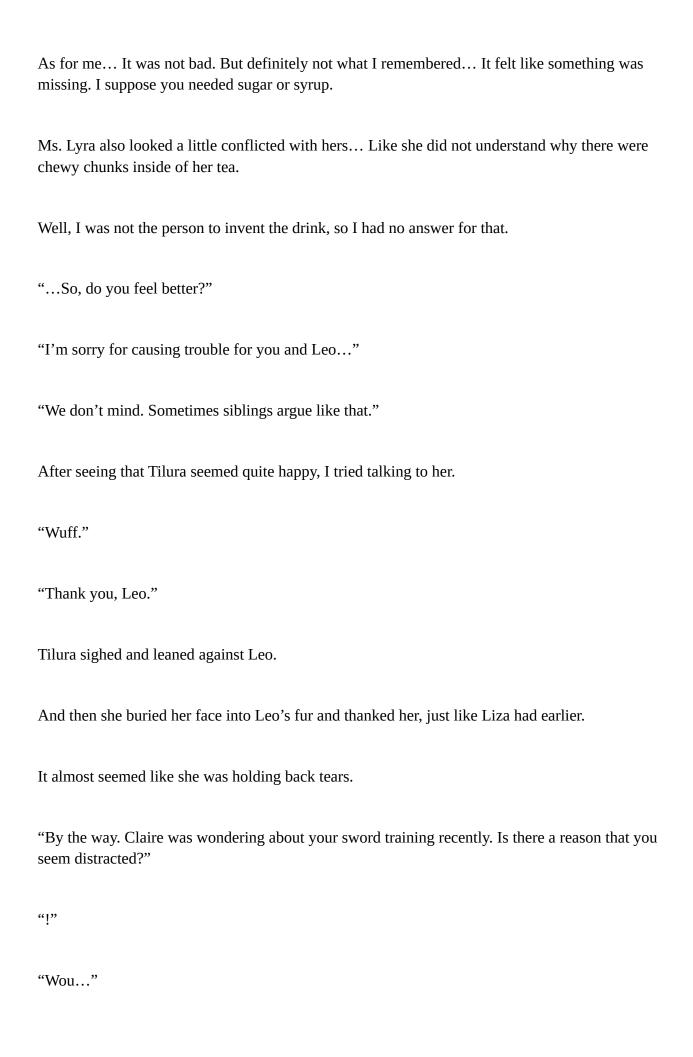
As for Leo, I promised to give her milk and grape juice later.

"It's the drink that I was talking about yesterday. While this is just a test, I had some sugar put inside. I think it should taste good, so give it a taste. Ah, you should mix it with a spoon."

"Okay... Ah, it is delicious! And there is something inside that is quite chewy. How interesting."

Normally, you would drink it with a straw, but since we didn't have any, I told her to use a spoon instead.

Regardless, Tilura seemed to like it, and had no trouble eating it with the spoon.



As soon as I mentioned Claire, she froze and clutched onto Leo even tighter. Leo then looked at me accusingly. "Uh... I just wondered...is there something else on your mind? I'm not angry that you fought with Claire. I just want to know the reason." "...She didn't send you here to lecture me?" "Not at all. If anything, you are justified in being angry after that. I think she should have listened more..." I tried to make it clear that I was on her side. Which was mostly genuine. I didn't want to make Claire the villain here, but I understood Tilura's perspective... And I had said as much in a roundabout way, so I hoped that Claire would understand. "...I know that I can't just be saying that I hate studying..." "Yes..." "I can train fine when I am with you and Leo...but I can't focus when alone..." "And why is that?" Not wanting to rush her, I waited patiently for her answer. Leo also sat without moving while Tilura held onto her. And Ms. Lyra waited quietly a short distance away.

"Lonely? But even when you are training alone, the rest of us are still in the garden? And you do not study alone either... Is it because Rahle was gone?"

"...I'm lonely."



As for Claire, she wouldn't even be in Range village all that much, as she would be looking for other villages and towns to sell the herbs. So that meant she would not be able to be in this mansion for too long.

We were already starting to build a house in Range village, which would be like our base.

And so Tilura might feel as if she was being left behind.

I did wonder why she didn't go to the main house with Mr. Ekenhart. But I suppose there were reasons for that.

"I know that what you and Claire are trying to do is important. And everyone isn't leaving because they hate me... But I can't help but feel sad when I think about it happening..."

"Yes, yes... I understand. Especially since you always spend so much time with Leo and Liza... And with even Claire leaving..."

"Yes..."

Tilura was smart for her age, and so she understood the significance of the work that was to be done.

And she knew that it was not because we disliked her.

But she still felt lonely with the idea.

"...That's why you can't concentrate on studying and training?"

"Because when I think about how everyone will be gone soon... I want to spend as much time with them as possible... I know that I can't play all day, but... Rahle was gone up until today. And Claire is always so busy. That's why I always think of playing..."

"So you won't feel too lonely when the time comes?"

"I don't know if I won't feel lonely. But playing does help me forget a little."

After thinking of it like that, it was no wonder she became mad when Claire rebuked her regarding her studies.

"I see. It would help distract you. Especially if it is fun."

"Wou..."

I nodded in agreement.

Leo looked apologetic, as if she should have sensed it. And so she pushed her nose against Tilura.

I felt partly to blame as well...

I was only thinking about how welcomed we were by the villagers, and how I would have to hire people.

It was the same with Claire and Sebastian. There were many things to reflect on.

After all, if we moved to Range village, that meant Tilura alone would stay here. It should have been obvious to notice.

Not only that, but without realizing her feelings, we were constantly talking about the future and what we would do over there.

And were not thinking about how we would miss her... Well, I'm sure if we did realize, we would have felt sad...

Chapter 794

Leo's sneeze was effective in lightening the mood

"Yes... I feel sad about going away as well. Don't you agree, Leo?"

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"...Wou..."
"Leo..."
Leo nodded in agreement and poked Tilura with her nose.
It was probably her way of apologizing for not knowing. Or maybe it was her way of showing that
they were still together now.
Tilura seemed to understand this, as she gently patted Leo on the nose.
It kind of reminded me of when Liza and Leo first became close.
Speaking of which...
"Tilura...wait..."
"Wa...wa-chooo!"
"Ahhh! Le-Leo!?"
"It must have felt ticklish... Ms. Lyra. Excuse me..."
"No, not at all."
Just like before, Leo sneezed loudly.
Though, this time she had done her best to hold it in.
But as it was in vain, Ms. Lyra had to clean Tilura with a towel.
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Still, I did feel like there was a lighter atmosphere in the room because of it.



"Yes! I will be able to visit all of you! So I can just go every day!" "Uh...I don't know about every day..." After all, I doubted they would let her travel alone. So someone would have to go with her each time. Sebastian...no, he couldn't do that. Also, Rahle would become tired. Well, I suppose that problem could be solved with some herbs. In any case, I wanted her to consider it as a possible solution. It would not be enough though...so we would have to think of other things. Perhaps we could invite children from the orphanage to come to the mansion? Well, there might be problems with that. "In any case...it should be possible to meet often, or find other ways to keep you occupied." "Yes... Thank you, Mr. Takumi. I hadn't thought about that. I was just thinking about playing while I could..." "Well...at your age, it cannot be helped." If anything, it was impressive that she thought to hold it in without complaining.

Regardless, there was nothing I could do alone. So I would have to talk to Claire and Sebastian about it...

Chapter 795

Tilura had calmed down

"Wuff. Wuff!"



It wasn't about who was wrong. They were both just getting emotional. And so they should be able to make up if they apologize. I did not want them to be like this, as things would be awkward. "Mr. Takumi, I could apologize even without that! "Ahaha. That's true. Yes, you are able to apologize. But you should remember this. Though it doesn't always work. But if you realize that you are wrong and apologize, people will forgive you most of the time. Of course, if it's more serious, then a mere apology won't be enough. But for just an argument, it should be fine." "Yes. Thank you." "Wuff?" Leo looked at me suspiciously, as if she knew I was just quoting someone. But I ignored her. While she had looked very uncomfortable during the argument, it seems like she was listening to me and Sebastian earlier... As for Ms. Lyra, she just stood there and smiled. "Kyau..." "Haha! That tickles!" "Hehe. Sherry likes to be pettere here. I suppose it is here for Liza?" "Uh...Claire?"

"Oh!"









"I understand! Uhhh, Rahle says they cannot fly very much, so they will not escape. Also, they don't have the ability to petrify yet. So they are just like any other birds."
As she said this, the Cockatrices beat their wings as much as they could. But they could barely fly harder than Tilura's head.
That meant they could not go over the wall that surrounded the house.
"Well, with Leo, Rahle and Sherry around, I don't think anyone would even think they were dangerous."
"Indeed. They seem scared. Even the guards here could handle them. The servants as well."
"Pii!"
"Pii!"
If you took out the petrification ability, they had no way to fight at all. Especially not at this size.
While I talked to Claire and Sebastian about such things, the two birds perched on Tilura's shoulders, and they rubbed against her.
They sure were desperate.
"After seeing them like this, no one could consider eating them"
"And it is too late to take them back"
"Pii!"
"Piii!"
"They said that they don't want to go back."



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"Kii! Kii!"
"Pii!"
"...Is Rahle telling them to be glad they didn't get eaten?"
"Yes, Mr. Takumi."
I just had a hunch, based on the situation.
Still, sand...huh...
Chapter 798
Where to find clean sand
"Sand... I suppose that won't be difficult. But where should the sandbox be built?"
"It cannot be in the middle of the garden."
It was where Leo, Liza and Sherry played. Also, Tilura and I trained in it as well.
Also, we were planting herbs as part of my research with Weed Cultivation.
Hmm...? Weed Cultivation?
"Uh, I was just wondering... The sand just has to be clean, right?"
"Pii-pii."
"They say it should be dry and smooth."
"Hmm. Dry and smooth..."
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"Pii-pii!" I watched them run happily around the field and eat the bugs. They were surprisingly helpful. "Hmm...it is usual for bugs to appear near plants... But they are good at finding ones that would escape the human eye." Apparently, the butlers would occasionally help to remove them... Chapter 799 A role for the Cockatrice fledglings Plants made with Weed Cultivation were sometimes picked immediately, but the ones that were left sometimes attracted bugs... But then again, they also tended to wither quickly, which did not leave much time for the bugs to gather. "With the other plants around the mansion as well, the servants kept an eye on them for bugs... But perhaps we have an alternative now?" "Indeed. But there are only two, which is not much... But I suppose they can protect some of the plants. And they are able to do it without damaging anything." "Pii. Pii." "Piii!" While watching them patrol the fields, we decided to ask Rahle about the Cockatrices. Of course, Tilura and Liza interpreted, as did Leo.

Apparently, they were considered cleaners among the monsters of the forest. And adult Cockatrices

were able to eat very large bugs.



"Yes. I suppose it was because she defended them from the beginning." The Cockatrice children were chirping happily again as they sat on Tilura's shoulders. Perhaps bird-type monsters just liked her? Well, Leo and Sherry did as well. And there were dogs in Range village. Perhaps animals and monsters liked her? "Well, if they will watch the plants around the house during the day, there will not be much time to play." "Yes. I guess she can just play with them when playing with Leo and the others. ... So, there is no need to reject Tilura's way of thinking." "Ahaha. Yes." I had told Claire and Sebastian what was on Tilura's mind. Sebastian had already guessed at it. But Claire was like me, and hadn't really considered it. And so she was rather apologetic now. However, she was now watching Tilrua and smiling. And I was sure that the same thing would not happen again... Chapter 800 The Cockatrices were named "Hmm...what to do..."

"Hey, papa? Was Liza's idea bad?"

"No, not exactly... But I think you don't need to choose every time..."

"Wuff..." "Tsk. Leo sighed... Well, I can't criticize others when it comes to giving out names." After the decision was made concerning the Cockatrice fledglings, we ate dinner outside, and then I returned to my room and pondered. There was a reason for this. Liza and Tilura had suggested that we name the Cockatrices. And then there was the issue of familiars. Naming monsters would result in a contract. And so it could not be done so lightly. But then I wondered about Liza naming the fenrirs. Though, it turned out that it was different with beastkin. So I thought, what if someone else thought of a name, and Liza was the one to name them? And so Tilura and Sebastian had ideas, but Liza decided first. And while it could be taken back, they then asked me to think of a name instead. Though, Sebastian already knew that I was no good with names. Not that Liza was any better. But since I had no confidence in it, I started to think we should just stick with the first idea... However, it was late, so I would tell Claire and Sebastian tomorrow. "Alright, we will go with your names then, Liza." "Yay! Cokka and Triss!" "Y-yes. Fine."



