

Beloved Dog 911

Chapter 911

Something familiar was flying in the sky

As for Ms. Delia being a private tutor, my only wish was for Liza to be able to read and write normally. So there was no need for her to be too anxious about it. But she still muttered about how she wanted to return to her studies.

Regardless, as the three of us sat there and enjoyed our tea, I looked up at the sky and...

“Bubuu!”

“Huh? Takumi, that’s disgusting!”

“So-sorry, Phillip. But, that...?”

“What on... Huh? Ahh!”

“What is it... Is that a large bird? I sometimes see them in the forest. But never this big...”

It was such a surprising sight that I accidentally spat my tea all over Phillip.

“That...is that Rahle?”

“...It has to be, considering its size. But why is it here?”

“You two know about that? It looks like a very powerful monster... I do not like monsters that attack from the sky. I should tell the villagers to evacuate!”

“Ah, Ms. Delia. I’m quite sure that it is fine. Do not worry. It won’t be attacking anyone.”

“A-are you sure?”

“Yes. Well, as for why it is here... I think I saw something that would explain it. Phillip?”

“Aye, there were two riders. I did not see their faces...but it should be Lady Tilura. And the person behind her was wearing armor, so it must be Johanna.”

Above, Rahle was flying in a circle as if to stay right above us.

And at one point, it had tilted its body so that I got a glimpse of the riders.

Regardless, I stopped Ms. Delia and assured her things were fine. But now the other villagers were noticing it, and things were getting clamorous.

“Even if we called everyone together and assured them...”

“It might not be effective. After all, a monster of that size never flies around here.”

“Indeed. In that case...since they seem to be looking at us. We should hurry up and move somewhere else.”

It would take time to calm everyone down. And that was less likely to happen if the monster continued to be flying up there. And so I talked with Phillip, and we decided to move outside of the village.

Ms. Delia said she would come with us.

“Hey, over here!”

“Just as I thought, it is Lady Tilura and Johanna. Why did they come all of the way here...?”

“Ah, they are coming down!”

Outside of the village, near the forest entrance... We stood in the direction of Ractos and waved our arms at Rahle.

Upon seeing this, Rahle began to slowly descend towards us.

As for the villagers, once they saw that we were leaving, and that Rahle was changing direction, they seemed to understand that the village was not under attack. And so things calmed down a little.

“Mr. Takumi!”

“Tilura. Over here!”

“Rahle, land over there in front of Mr. Takumi!”

“Kii!”

“Awawawa...”

I could tell by the way she ordered Rahle, that Tilura had been practicing and was more used to flying.

As for Ms. Johanna, she was wearing a helmet, so I could not see her well. But she did not look as sickly as Sebastian had, at least... Though, she seemed serious and would only look forward and not at us...

Chapter 912

Tilura told us what had happened

Rahle landed in front of us, and while Ms. Delia looked frantic, I petted Rahle's head and assured her that everything was fine.

Tilura then unstrapped herself and climbed down the saddle.

However, Ms. Johanna did not move for some reason... Was something wrong?

“Takumi. Please help. It seems like she cannot move. ...Johanna...I suppose you tried your best?”

“...No, no need to pity me... Arghh...”

“Ah, I know! She was holding it in! Oomph!”

“Alright, go over there and relieve yourself.”

“I am sorry...”

“Uhh? Is that the same person who was with Lady Claire in Ractos?”

“Yes. She is a guard, just like Phillip and Nicholas.”

As Ms. Johanna was wearing heavy armor, she had trouble getting out by herself. And so Phillip and I had to help her.

She then went away on unstable feet...

Ms. Delia looked puzzled. I suppose it was because she gave such a different impression the first time that they met.

“Alright, thank you, Rahle.”

“Ki.”

Tilura petted Rahle and said it was okay to stand up again.

“Now, Tilura.”

“What is it, Mr. Takumi?”

“Why did you come here? It doesn’t seem...like something happened over there with the others. You are too calm. But I’m surprised they would give their permission.”

“That’s right. I came here to take you back!”

“Take me back... Well, we did send Nicholas to tell you of our plans to return... But only two people can ride on Rahle...”

“Kii...kii...”

“No, not on Rahle. Leo and Liza will be here soon. Also, my sister.”

“Uh, Leo, Liza and Claire?”

“Yes. We all wanted to come. Of course, as I rode on Rahle, I was able to arrive first!”

“I-I see.. So everyone, huh... But Sebastian was against Claire coming... Did she manage to persuade him?”

“Lady Claire can be quite forceful when it comes to you. Also, Silver Fenris.”

“...Well, I supposed it was also because of Leo and Liza.”

Apparently, they were all together until around Ractos. But as Tilura could move on Rahle, regardless of there being forests or towns, she decided to come out to Bleiyu as a test.

I didn’t know if it was necessary, but as long as Claire and Sebastian were allowing it... And Johanna was with her as well.

Though, perhaps she was not that useful for flying.

“In any case, I suppose that we should go out and greet them then.”

“Indeed. Uh, Tilura and Johanna are one thing. But I don’t think Rahle should be taken inside of the village?”

“If Lady Claire is coming, then perhaps we could all go together. She will be able to explain things. And Sebastian will likely be there as well.”

“I suppose Sebastian would be there too... Hmm, I suppose he had to come in order to talk to the villagers...”

Chapter 913

They did not come by horse

“By the way, Phillip. Why are you talking like that in front of Mr. Takumi and Lady Tilura...”

“Oh, Johanna. You’re back. Oh, this is something that Takumi and I decided on...”

Apparently, she was quite strict about such things. And since things would soon be explained and exposed, she told Phillip to go back to his old speech patterns.

I felt a little sad, but Johanna would not hear any argument on the matter.

“In any case, I suppose we should tell Rahle to meet up with Claire.”

While I was talking with them, Tilura took the time to introduce Rahle to Ms. Delia.

Ms. Delia was still scared, but Tilura made her pet Rahle’s wings. She was trying very hard to show that there was nothing to be afraid of.

In any case, this could not go on forever, so I suggested that Rahle be sent back to Claire and the others.

“Uh, Rahle. sorry, but could you go back and tell Claire and the others that I know that they are coming now?”

“Kii?”

“Uh, since you cannot go to the village now. And if we are going, then we should all go together. So you might as well stay with Claire.”

“Kii. Kii.”

“Rahle is puzzled because they will be here soon anyway.”

“Yes, I heard that as well.”

“But even if Leo is with them, the others would be riding in carriages, surely. And since you separated in Ractos, they would either arrive at night or even tomorrow?”

“Yes, it should take that long.”

Phillip agreed with me.

“Mr. Takumi. They are not on horses or carriage. Aside from Rahle, this was also an opportunity to test various things.”

“Huh? What do you mean... Surely they are not all riding on Leo.”

“Sister and Liza were riding on Leo. And the others rode on Feri and Fen.”

“Oh, so it's the fenrirs...”

“Indeed, that would be faster than horses...”

“In any case, I now see why they will be arriving sooner. But, what should we do...”

“Well, if Sebastian is there, he will have thought of something...”

The duke's daughter and others were suddenly going to visit a village with various monsters. That was certainly going to cause a scene.

It really could not be avoided.

"Mr. Takumi. Lady Claire did ask that we go first and set a place for us to meet up."

"Ah, I see. In other words, Tilura and you are like messengers."

"Yes. Though, wanting to fly out with Rahle was the main reason."

"I understand. In that case... Ms. Delia?"

"Ye-yes!"

For some reason, Ms. Delia was quite nervous.

Even her tail was standing up straight. What was the matter? Was it because Leo and Claire were coming?

"Please calm down. Uh, Phillip... No, that won't do. Could you go with Ms. Johanna and tell the villagers that Claire will be visiting them?"

"Ve-very well."

"Takumi... No, Mr. Takumi. What was that about?"

"Well, Phillip... You did spend a lot of time drinking. I don't think the villagers have the best opinion of you. They might not believe that you are related to the duke."

"...Phillip. I heard about that from Nicholas. So it was true then..."

Chapter 914

We waited for Claire and the others

“I-I didn’t do anything wrong this time! I only drank because the villagers insisted on it... If I kept refusing, it would be very rude.”

“Well, I suppose Sebastian will settle the matter when we return to the mansion. We don’t need to talk about it now.”

And so we left Philip aside, and had Ms. Johanna and Ms. Delia head to the village.

“Also... Rahle. Could you lead Claire and the others here? That will be faster than us going to meet them.”

“Kii.”

“I will go to!”

“Yes, thank you, Tilura.”

“Let’s go Rahle!”

“Ki!”

And so Tilura and got back onto Rahle and they headed towards Claire and the others.

“...Things were so calm and peaceful just a moment ago. I thought we would get a few more days to relax and drink.”

“I didn’t expect this either, but...you should be careful. Ms. Johanna will rebuke you again.”

“Ah, that’s right. I’m sorry.”

“Well, I do like how relaxed things were in the village...”

We talked while watching Rahle flying in the sky.

“Mr. Takumi!”

“Huh? Ms. Delia? What happened?”

“Did something happen in the village?”

After we waited there for some time, Ms. Delia came while running like an animal.

It had been some time since I last saw her run like that, and it was almost nostalgic.

“Sorry to keep you waiting!”

“Were you able to explain things to the villagers?”

“Mr. Kanat will do that with Ms. Johanna! But I thought someone should be out here to greet Leo and Lady Claire. The chief also agreed.”

“I see.”

Well, Mr. Kanat knew a lot about the situation, and he had seen Leo as well. So it made sense.

“Oh... Even if it's my second time, I still feel nervous.”

“Does meeting Claire make you nervous?”

“No, I have not talked to her for long, but I could still see that she is a kind person. Even if she is a noble. It is Leo that makes me nervous.”

Now that I thought about it, beastkin were supposed to be able to tell things about a person's character. It was like an instinct.

"But there's no reason to feel that way about Leo. Also, she really likes being petted, so you should just do that."

"It works because it's you, Mr. Takumi..."

"I agree with Ms. Delia. Though, if you saw how things were in the house, you would know that he is not completely wrong either."

Is that so? Perhaps other people really did see Leo quite differently compared to me.

"Well, just pretend that she is like any other fenrir."

"I-I will try!"

As we talked, I heard something in the distance. A reliable, familiar voice that I had heard ever since I came to this world.

It was much lower than when she was a maltese. But it was Leo, without a doubt.

Chapter 915

A happy reunion

"Tha-that is Leo's voice."

"There is no doubt about it. But I can't see... Ah, is that them?"

When I turned to the north side and squinted, I could see something moving that was reflecting the light.

While they were not in a carriage this time, giant wolves were running in a field.

And Rahle was flying up ahead.

“Wuff, wuff, wou!”

“Hey, Leo!”

They seemed to see us as well, and Leo began to bark loudly as she ran straight towards us.

I waved back and called Leo’s name.

“Wuff!”

“Kyah!”

“Ah, mama is fast!”

“Oh... Claire, Liza. Are you alright?”

“Ye-yes... Mr. Takumi.”

“I’m fine, papa!”

After hearing me, Leo ran faster and moved ahead of the group. And then she stopped suddenly right in front of me.

Still, she somehow managed to not shake off Claire and Liza.

“Wuff...”

“Thank you, good Leo.”

“Thanks, mama!”

“Wuff. Wou... Wuff-wuff-wuff!”

“Oomph! Hey, Leo! Calm down!”

“Hehe. Leo was very sad after you left. So she cannot help but be happy now.”

No sooner had Liza and Claire climbed down, Leo started to lick my face excitedly.

I kind of felt as if I was about to be eaten... Still, I gave up on trying to stop her, and just waited for her to calm down again.

“Hah... Hah... Leo, that was a bit too much, you know?”

“Wou...”

In any case, I was also happy to see them after all of this time, so I was not angry.

“Phew...good. Leo. Were you being good?”

“Wuff!”

“I see, I see!”

As if to counter attack, and to console her, I threw my arms around Leo and petted her fur.

Some time after, when Leo was satisfied, I went over to Claire and Sebastian and bowed.

Behind them, Ms. Lyra and Nicholas were smiling.

“Papa! Me too!”

“Oh, Liza. I see you are doing well. Haha.”

“Yes. Mama and sister Lyra were with me all of the time!”

“I see. That’s a relief.”

Liza threw her arms around me and wagged her tails. Wait, tails?

“...Hey, Liza? What is...”

“Oh, I don’t know why, but it grew! Having two tails is great for keeping warm at night!”

“Uh... I see. That’s nice.”

Liza nodded happily. It seemed like having two tails was not a problem for her.

Previously, she would often bend her tail and hug it while sleeping on her side.

But now she could envelope herself from both sides, which I suppose was reassuring.

“Wuff?”

“Mr. Takumi. About Liza...”

“I was surprised, but...if it is not a problem for her...”

After that, Claire and Sebastian explained the situation to me.

But Leo continued to look puzzled...

Beastkin changed dramatically

Apparently, the tail had grown suddenly about two days after I left the mansion, and Liza had recovered.

Leo did not seem to think this was strange at all, and Liza herself was not troubled. If anything, she seemed rather happy about it.

Well, these people were not prejudiced to begin with, so it was no wonder no one saw it as a problem.

“So Liza changed as well...”

“Ms. Delia? Do you know something?”

“Ah, no... Well, I was going to tell Mr. Takumi about it earlier... But a change occurred to me as well. Though, I do not know any other beastkin, so perhaps it does not apply to everyone...”

“Change? What kind of change? You do not have two tails like Liza.”

“I think it depends on the person. For me, my tail just got longer. It used to be half the size before.”

“I see...”

Her tail was about a meter long, and similar to a cat tail.

“Well, we only have two examples right now. Perhaps there are other changes that happen for other beastking. We should not jump to any conclusions yet.”

“Indeed. Well, as long as she is not bothered by it. It was already obvious that she was a bestkin anyway.”

Compared to Ms. Delia, the two new tails were disproportionately large compared to Liza’s body. So it would definitely be difficult to hide them now.

Her tail and ears had always been fox-like, which did remind me of a nine-tailed fox... But that was something from another world, so I doubted it was like that here.

“Um... Aside from the tail, there is also something else...”

“There is?”

“Yes. After I got used to it... My body seemed to feel lighter...”

According to Ms. Delia, as her tail had changed length suddenly, it affected her balance. But after that, her body felt lighter, and her physical abilities were enhanced.

Before that, she was just a little faster than the others, but now she was faster than any human.

Of course, that was only when her tail was out. When she had to hide it under her clothes, she found it difficult to balance properly.

That was why he tripped and fell when we first met her.

The change was not just good, and it came with negative effects.

Ms. Delia admitted that hiding the tail was very troublesome and made it very difficult to walk.

Well, if it was that much trouble for her...would it be even worse for Liza?

“What is it, papa?”

“No, it’s nothing.”

When I turned to her, Liza looked puzzled as she wagged her tails.

It had been difficult to hide before. So it was safe to assume it was impossible now.

I did not want her to suffer by the need to hide it somehow.

Well, there was no need for that in the mansion or Ractos. And things would definitely be fine around the people of Range village...

Chapter 917

I talked to Claire about life in the village

“So, Mr. Takumi. How has life been in Bleiyu village?”

“Sebastian has been curious about it even since you left the mansion. I think he is hoping you would think of something new...”

“Well, he does like to make interesting suggestions. So I could not help but have high expectations.”

“Uh... I’ve been having a great time here...”

While they were looking at me expectantly, it was not as if I thought of new things all of the time... Regardless, I decided to tell them what life was like here.

“Hmm... Using water from wells and rivers as the foundation of life. That is still quite normal in most villages, which do not have a more intricate water supply system.”

While here, whenever I needed water for drinking or anything else, I had to go to the well.

And while it could be hard work, it would probably be very difficult to create a more elaborate system.

Besides, once I got used to the wells, I felt that there was less of a need for such construction work like that.

“Ah, but I would like a proper bath. There is something to be said about being able to soak in hot water, like at the mansion.”

“They do use a lot of water. It is difficult in most places.”

While I had no complaints about life here, it would not hurt to be able to bathe in a tub.

“Serpent wine? They drink that in Bleiyu village?”

“Yes. But... I don’t think you want to see it, Claire.”

“I heard that they can be eaten, just like orcs. You have to remove the poison first. Still, it is supposed to be good for you. There are places where you can buy the meat, but it is not very popular.”

“I wonder why? If it is good for you, then surely people would want it...”

Talk then moved to the serpent wine. And I had to tell Claire that I did not recommend it.

Obviously, Sebastian knew about it already, and explained to us that it was eaten in other parts as well.

And while Claire didn’t understand, I could tell why it was not popular,

“To put it simply, it is the taste. I have never heard anyone say that it is delicious. And that is enough to keep people away, regardless of any other benefits.”

“Also, the appearance. Well, perhaps it is different depending on how you cook it, but here, they just chop it up and toss it into the wine...”

“Still... I think we should buy some of it anyway.”

“Huh? Sebastian? Why would you do that?”

“...Mr. Takumi, if the villagers here like it, then there must be a reason.”

For some reason, Sebastian was interested in the serpent wine.

He wanted to buy some now, but Claire looked a little disgusted.

“I don’t know what you are thinking, Sebastian. But the chief did say it used to be used to warm the body. By mixing it with herbs and medicine, they could save up on firewood.”

“Hmm... Lady Claire. There is one big effect that serpents have.”

“Really?”

“Yes. Perhaps they know of it here... But when eating it, men become stronger.”

“Men... Is it not effective on women then?”

“I do not know... But apparently, the effect with men is great enough to notice it with your eyes.”

Chapter 918

I introduced Fel to the others as well

“I cannot say it too loudly, Lady Claire...”

“Huh... Oh...!”

“Hah... I knew it. Sebastian, you really did know more than you were letting on while explaining it.”

“Hoho. Not at all. Still, I think it will do the others some good. At least, if there is a need for it. What about you, Mr. Takumi?”

“As I said before, it’s not to my liking...”

Claire blushed and turned away when she realized what Sebastian meant about the effects of the wine.

However, I had no intention of experiencing that taste again...

“Ah, that’s right. One other thing. Ms. Delia! Also, I think Leo should be present as well. Hey!”

“Wuff?”

“What is it, papa?”

“...It’s nothing really that important, but... Anyway. Uh... Hey, Fel! You can come out now! I know you’re there!”

“Guff!?”

“Fel?”

Once I had everyone’s attention, I turned to the forest and shouted.

There was a surprised bark, which was likely from Fel.

“I want to introduce you to everyone. So can you come out here?”

“Guff...guff...”

“Is that a fenrir?”

“It looks like it. Still, I didn’t know there would be fenrirs so close by...”

After I called again, Fel came out of the forest, looking rather scared.

The others were only a little surprised by the sight.

I suppose their senses were numbed.

“This is Fel. Ms. Delia named it...”

“Guff.”

I then introduced everyone and explained to them Fel’s relationship with Ms. Delia and the village.

However, why was Fel looking so despondent...? I wondered, but it seemed to be because of Leo’s presence.

After all, a real Silver Fenrir was right in front of it now.

“So that is what happened. Stil, fenrirs are very important for beastkin. I do not know what the reason is, but they are never enemies.”

“Well, there is not enough information on it, but it seems to be the case. If Fel had found a human instead, things might have ended differently.”

“Well...it seems like the same thing will happen again...”

“Claire? Oh...yes, you are right.

I said as I turned to Leo.

“Wuff?”

“Guff...guff-guff.”

“Grrr....”

“Kyau.”

I didn’t know what they were talking about... But Fel had rolled over onto its stomach, while Feri, Fen, Riruru and Sherry were nodding.

Liza and Ms. Delia were petting Fel, so it seemed like the new fenrir had been accepted by everyone.

Though, it must be intimidating to be surrounded by so many people like that...

Chapter 919

We Entered Bleiyu Village

“Mr. Takumi. You said earlier that you treated Fel’s leg with the Loe...”

“Ah, yes. While it was an old wound, there was still a very visible scar. And Fel seemed to have difficulty with walking.”

“I see... But I don’t think that Loe has that kind of effect...”

“Sebastian. I know that you are interested in that, but perhaps we shouldn’t be talking here for so long?”

“Oh, that is right. Excuse me, I had forgotten.”

Some time had now passed since they arrived, and the village had probably calmed down now. So it would be best to head over there.

In any case, it was then decided that we would leave some of the others behind, and I would go with Claire and Sebastian.

This was because we didn’t want to take all of the fenrirs with us.

“Oh...oh... There really are fenrirs there...”

“So that’s a fenrir...”

“And there is a small one too. It is rather cut.”

“And what about that large one?”

“Grandfather, that is the Silver Fenrir that is friends with the duke.”

When we arrived at the village entrance, many people had gathered there... Perhaps it was everyone?

Leo and Feri stood out, and the villagers looked rather anxious.

“I’m glad that we didn’t bring them here.”

“Indeed. It would have been quite troublesome. See? Sherry? They are looking at you too.”

“Kyau?”

“Haha. She doesn’t care if people stare at her.”

“Really... It’s better to care, as there are some places that are not safe. Though, I suppose it makes her reliable as well.”

Claire and I talked while watching the villagers.

“Wuf, wuff?”

“Hmm? Ah, just wait a little. After everyone is finished greeting each other. You too, Liza.”

“Wuff.”

“Uh... I hope that the children do not do anything...”

“It will be fine, Ms. Delia. Leo is used to being around children.”

“Wuff!”

Ms. Delia was very worried that the children might do something rude to Leo. But while Ms. Delia seemed like an expert at handling children, Leo was even better. So there was no problem.

And so I reassured her, and Leo barked in agreement.

“Lady Claire, it is an honor to make your acquaintance. I am the chief here, Yanesafka. Welcome to Bleiyu Village.”

“Chief Yanesafka. Thank you for having us.”

As we approached the entrance, the chief came out while being supported by Mr. Kanat.

It seems that his back had gotten better, but he was still a little unstable.

“Takumi...Mr. Takumi, I hear that you are a good friend of the duke. I knew you were hiding something...”

“Well, that’s how it is. I’m sorry for not telling you. But you really don’t have to treat me any differently now. Haha...”

Chapter 920

Sebastian explained things to the chief

After a simple greeting, we made our way into the village.

Upon seeing Claire and Leo, many of the people bowed their heads and looked surprised.

Regardless, we then went to the chief's house in order to talk.

Leo stayed behind with Liza and the other children...as Leo could not fit in the house.

Ms. Delia stayed with them, and would help to explain to the villagers that Leo and the fenrirs were safe.

In the house, after greeting the chief's son and his wife, we went about explaining our reason for coming here.

While the original reason was that I wanted to see how ordinary life here was...there was also the whole business of growing herbs fields in Range village. So we just said that it was to inspect surrounding villages.

Well, Sebastian and Claire did most of the talking.

Tilura and I mostly just sat there quietly and listened...

Once we were finished talking to the chief, Tilura joined Leo and Liza and played with the others. And after everyone ate dinner at their respective places, we gathered at the house that I was staying at.

"I'm sorry. You must be tired, Mr. Takumi..."

"No, you are the one who has been traveling. I am fine. It was a little surprising at first. But I was able to relax a lot here."

"I see... And it seems like Phillip has been having a lot of fun here as well?"

"I"

Sebastian would have heard the report from Nicholas. Even Ms. Lyra was staring at him seriously.

Phillip quickly averted his eyes.

“Well...while we were able to talk a little earlier...”

“Yes. While I haven’t been able to say everything either... Uh, I heard from Ms. Johanna. About Tilura coming with Rahle and how you are testing the fenrirs?”

“Indeed. First... I will talk about what happened after you left the mansion.”

“Yes, thank you.”

They had received a letter from Mr. Ekenhart.

And it contained permission in regards to the plans for post horses and the paving of new roads etcetera.

“And so two days later, things started moving...”

They started discussion about using the eastwestern road from Ractos. And it would then be made to connect to the other villages.

By improving the roads, it will be easier for horses and carriages to pass through, and help with bringing in more people and goods.

Furthermore, people had been sent to the various villagers in order to investigate and make sure that connecting them would be fine. They talked about me as if I was one of those people, and had been sent to Bleiyu for that reason.

In fact, Claire had first gone to Ractos in order to learn more about improving roads. And it was from there that they decided to test out various other ideas.