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Chapter 21: Goblin Slayer Part 2

Alex mumbled status in his head and a blue panel containing his status appears in front of his eyes.

『[Status]

[Alexander Touch]

Class: Magic Gunman

Age: 17

Male

「 Rank 1」

Level 6

Experience Value (XP): 30/700

Magic Power: 1090 ➡ 1110 (+20 BP)

Magic: None

Attack: 130 ➡ 140

Defense: 115 ➡ 125

Agility: 150 ➡ 160

Intelligence: 150 ➡ 160

Luck: 100 ➡ 110

BP: 0

Gift: Two Guns * Semi-sealed*

Skills: [Normal Appraisal Level 1] [Language Comprehension] [Item box Level 1] [Swift Fingers Max]
[Presence Detection Level 1] [Throwing knife Level 3]

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one who can't use Magic] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash] 』

Alex looked at his status astonishingly, no, to be more accurate at his MP stat, normally he should have 590 MP left plus the 10 points gained per Level up, it should be 600 MP, however now his MP has been restored.

『Master, there's nothing to be astonished about, your MP recovered simply because you have leveled up. It's one advantage of Leveling up in a battle.』 Silveria explained clearing away Alex's confusion.

"So, that's why. That's a good thing, I won't need to waste my Mana potion now." Alex mumbled. He stood up and continued moving deeper into the forest while asking Silveria to help him.

"I'm counting on you to tell me where I should go to see a lot of goblins, my dear Sil,"

『Peh! What a shameless Master you are. I will not help you. It's tiring to use my divine sense because you're not powerful enough. Also, you must not depend too much on me for this kind of thing.』
Silveria replied.

When Alex wanted to ask her to help him this once, she stopped him and said

『I have a Gift for you. Close your eyes, it may hurt a little.』

What? Alex wanted to ask her what she means by saying that, however before he could, he felt a terrible headache assaulting him, it almost makes his head explode from inside. Alex dropped Silveria and started rolling on the ground.

A few minutes later that seemed like an eternity, the headache stopped. Alex lay splayed on the ground sweating, what a terrible headache that was.

"What have you done? Were you planning to kill your master?" Alex asked furiously.

『How rude, Master. Don't drop a maiden on the ground like that.』 Silveria replied teasingly.

"Shut up. Just answer my question." Alex shouted clearly not in the mood to joke.

『You are no fun at all. Sigh! Just check your status and you will understand. No need to thank me.』
She says.

Alex decided to do as he was told.

『[Status]

[Alexander Kael Touch]

Class: Magic Gunman

Age: 17

Male

「Rank 1」

Level 6

Experience Value (XP): 30/700

Magic Power: 1120

Magic: None

Attack: 140

Defense: 125

Agility: 160

Intelligence: 160

Luck: 110

BP: 0

Gift: Two Guns * Semi-sealed*

Skills: [Normal Appraisal Level 1] [Language Comprehension] [Item box Level 1] [Swift Fingers Max]
[Divine Sense Level 1] (New Skill) [Throwing knife Level 3]

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one who can't use Magic] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash] 』

Alex Presence detection skill disappeared and got replaced by a new skill: Divine Sense.

When he checked his new skill with his Appraisal skill, what Alex saw left him speechless.

『Divine Sense: A divine ability superior to the Presence detection skill, at Level 1 you can detect anything in thirty meters around you with good precision.

Condition of use: Consume 100 MP per minute.

Passive Ability: Automatically activate itself and alert you when someone is targeting your life.

Range of activation: 2 meters』

"Good skill. Thank you, Sil. I want to ask you a question." Alex says happy to have acquired this skill, but there was something he wanted to know.

『If I'm not wrong, you want to ask if you activate your divine sense for few seconds, how much MP it will consume?』 Silveria says she had exactly guessed what Alex had in mind.

『If you activate for a few seconds, it will consume 50 MP. So, the best solution for you it to activate for 1 minutes, not to waste the little bit of MP you have.』 She suggested.

Thinking about it, what she had said was not wrong. Alex should follow her suggestion. He continued moving deeper into the forest when suddenly, Alex had the feeling that something was in front of him, not too far from where he was, it seemed that his intuition had become sharper. This sudden increase of his intuition was probably due to the new skill, Silveria gifted him. And because his Appraisal skill was not high, he couldn't see a lot of information on his new skill.

Finally, it was the time to test his newly gained skill, Alex mumbled Divine Sense in his head and automatically a 3D dimensional map appears in his head, this map looks like the one you often see in-game, Alex continued to check the map and he saw that twenty-five meters North from where he stood, were ten red dots, there was a label over their heads indicating that they were [Goblins].

When Alex wanted to know more about the ten goblins, the map became a little clearer and he was able to see that indeed there were Ten goblins, however, they were divided into two squads of five goblins each, separated by few meters.

Alex quickly stopped using his divine sense after 55 seconds and checked his remaining MP, he saw that he was left with 1000 MP. Which means he would run out of MP after firing sixteen bullets.

Alex continued moving and when he saw that he was not too far from the first squad constituted of Five goblins, he crouched down and he started moving silently.

'if it's possible I want to quickly eliminate this squad without using my gun.' Alex decided.

When he was five meters away from the five goblins that stood in the middle of the forest speaking an unknown language that even his language comprehension's skill couldn't translate, Alex observed them for a while before throwing a stone in another direction to divert their attention.

The five goblins became startled as they tried to see who was attacking them. Having seen that they had taken the bait, Alex sprung forward, throwing five Black Bettie's.

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

Four of the five knives that he had thrown pierced four goblins in the chest, they fell on the ground, twitching for a few seconds before breathing their last breaths.

Without retiring his knives, Alex lunged forward while holding his knife Razor intending to silence the remaining goblin who had miraculously survived because he was wearing a damaged armor underneath its crude robe.

Unfortunately, he blocked his blade.

Gyin~!

A sharp sound was made as Razor came in contact with the goblin's long sword.

Then, he shouted,

Gugiyah!!

Alerting the other squad who was not too far from where they were, Alex heard the sound of numerous footsteps running towards us, he let out a small sigh before summoning Silveria and shot a bullet into the goblin chest where his heart was.

Bang!

His eyes opened wide in unwillingness, he thought that after alerting the other he may be able to live, unfortunately, he was killed. Alex quickly disappeared before the alerted goblins came.

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After killing the last goblin, Alex quickly retrieved his throwing knives before retreating and hide behind a big tree.

Shortly after, five goblins came and when they saw their fallen brethren, they started talking in an unknown language that even he couldn't understand.

Gyi~! Gyi~!

Gyi~! Gigyi~!

They were clearly restless, the five looked around, trying to see if they could locate the culprit.

Krak!!

Because Alex was too nervous, he had unconsciously stepped on a dead tree branch.

Gyi~?

The five turned their attention towards where Alex was.

Alex took a deep breath and said: "Sil, be ready, I hope you can perfectly synchronize with me."

『I can, do not worry, Master.』 Silveria replied.

After listening to Silveria's reply, Alex dashed out from he was hiding startling the goblins who were coming toward his direction.

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

Alex successfully threw four knives toward the goblin on his left and right side respectively. Clearly not expecting a surprise attack, the two could not defend themselves properly, they were injured stopping them in their tracks.

Alex, on the other hand, continued without stopping, Alex swung Razor toward the goblin in the middle, aiming at its ribcage.

Even though everything happened in flash, the goblin still managed to block his attack with its rusted sword.

Gakiin!

A loud sound could be heard when the two blades collided, due to the difference in height and physical strength, the goblin was pushed back.

As though she had read his mind, Silveria perfectly synchronizes with him, she appeared in his left freehand, with her help Alex fired two bullets towards his left where another goblin was coming from.

Bang! Bang!

Without looking if whether he had successfully killed the goblin or not, Alex automatically switched his weapons, Razor went into his left hand while Silveria appeared in his right hand. He then fired another two bullets towards his right.

Bang! Bang!

Everything happened in a matter of seconds,

Thud! Thud!

The sound indicating that something had fallen onto the ground could be heard. The goblin in front of Alex stiffened because he had not anticipated this series of actions. Alex was too quick, the goblin knew without even looking back that the two that had fallen won't be waking up anymore.

A sudden fear gripped its heart, this frail-looking human at the moment looked like a monster to him.

No, to be more accurate he was afraid of the thing in Alex's right hand, He was afraid of Silveria, he was so afraid that he turned tail, and started running.

But how could Alex let him go so easily, missing this chance? He looked at the running goblin and then, he threw Razor with strength behind it.

Puh-

The sharp knife pierced the goblin's neck, nailing him against a nearby tree, the goblin struggled for a while before stopping moving, he was dead.

Alex decided to take a few breaths to regulate his breathing.

It happened at that moment, Alex heard Silveria warning.

〔Watch Out〕

Without asking anything, Alex ducked down, barely managing to avoid the fate of being beheaded, a sword passed above his head, a few strands of his hair was cut off in the process.

Alex felt a chill down his spine when he saw the sword embedded in the tree not far from where he was. If he was late by a millisecond, he was sure he would be dead by now. He almost died because he was careless, it's true that carelessness is one greatest enemy. He had forgotten about the other two injured goblins.

While still being on the ground, Alex aimed Silveria toward the startled goblin who was not expecting him to be able to avoid that sword, the other remaining goblin was also startled. Alex used that chance to finish them.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Four bullets were fired in quick succession piercing the chest of the two goblins, they fell onto the ground and there was no longer any life in their eyes.

"Ah! That's close, thank you Sil. I won't be careless from now on." Alex promised.

〔It's good that you know, please do not die killed by the like of goblin. This is not a game, there is no restart. If you die, you die for good. Never let your guard down before the end of a fight, not even after being sure you have eliminated every threat. I hope you will not forget. You're destined to soar, be above everyone else. That's your destiny after being chosen by us.〕 Silveria explained.

Destiny or whatnot, Alex must not be careless anymore. He was not planning to die young. He will live his life to the fullest.

"I promise, I'll be careful from now on."

After promising to be careful from now on, Alex decided to check his status. It seemed he had leveled up before he killed the last three goblins.

"Status" Alex murmured and immediately a blue panel containing his status appears in front of his eyes.

『[Status]

[Alexander Kael Touch]

Class: Magic Gunman

Age: 17

Male

「 Rank 1」

Level 7

Experience Value (XP): 330/800

Magic Power: 950

Magic: None

Attack: 140 ➡ 150

Defense: 125 ➡ 135

Agility: 160 ➡ 170

Intelligence: 160 ➡ 170

Luck: 110 ➡ 120

BP: 0

Gift: Two Guns * Semi-sealed*

Skills: [Normal Appraisal Level 1] [Language Comprehension] [Item box Level 1] [Swift Fingers Max]
[Presence Detection Level 1] [Throwing knife Level 3]

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one who can't use Magic] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash] 』

Alex became Level 7. And because he had fired four bullets he was now left with 950 MP after added the 20 BP gained per Level up.

"Sigh"

Alex let out a small as he continued to dismantle the corpses of the goblins. If it is possible he would like to advance to the next Rank before going back. And to do that he would need to level up eight times.

After a quick calculation, he would need 6100XP to do that. To go to Level 13 from his current Level 7, it was that amount of XP he needed, he would need to kill 61 goblins to be able to gain that amount of XP. If only he could change to another hunting ground, but he will not do that, he will continue to kill the goblin in this area for now for the simple reason that he didn't have an Armor or any defensive gear on me.

Suddenly, Alex had an idea so he asked "Sil, I need your help. Will you help me?"

『 Sigh! It can't be helped. Say it. What do you need me to do?』 Silveria replied.

"Nothing serious, I just need you to use your Divine Sense to scan the forest, to see if there is somewhere where there are lots goblins grouped together," Alex explained what he wants Silveria to do. The latter was not pleased with it.

「What? You're asking me to scan the forest entirely and you are saying it's nothing serious?」

Alex stayed silent before saying, "I know it's tiring to do that because I am weak at the moment, but you must have understood why I asked you to do that. Please help me, you won't lose anything if you do, on the contrary, if I become powerful it will be helpful for you. So, what is your answer, Sil?"

「Okay, Master. I'll help you.」

Finally, Silveria accepted. She scanned the forest, after one minute, she stopped her scan and say.

「5 km west from here there are 20 goblins, it is likely a small goblin settlement. I'm a little tired, let me rest for a while. You can continue walking. However, you must wait for me before doing anything, do not rush to go there.」

"West? Okay. I understand. I'll go there. After killing these 20 goblins I will go back. After killing these 20 goblins, I'll be able to level up at least twice." Alex mumbled before starting walking towards the goblin's settlement location.

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It was a little past noon, the sun was high in the sky. A lone figure could be seen walking inside a dense forest.

Naturally, it was Alex, he was heading West, toward the twenty goblin's location.

Silveria woke up about 15 minutes ago.

"Sil, I would like to use magic, even though my title says otherwise. Is there any way?" Alex raised a question.

「Oh? Why do want to use Magic so much?」

Instead of answering Alex's question, Silveria asked him a question.

"Why you ask?"

"It's simple, when you talk about Fantasy world, being able to use magic is a must," Alex replied with a smile.

「Fufufu, You seem to have read too many novels. Not everyone can use magic, you know. Or perhaps are you thinking that you are some kind of protagonist?」

Silveria asked teasingly. Alex rolled his eyes before answering "I'm without a doubt a protagonist."

「Oh? The protagonist of what?」 Silveria asked amused.

The corner of Alex's mouth lifted upward as he replied "Of course, I'm the protagonist of my own life."

There was a silence before Silveria burst out of laughter.

『Fufufu! Nicely said. To answer your question, all I can say, it's no. So, to use magic like others it's impossible. You can't because of me and Big sister. We are Nemesis of magician』

"I see. So, it's impossible after all." Alex mumbled under his breath. When he was thinking that it was clearly impossible to use magic. Silveria said something that raised his hopes to one day be able to use magic.

『Do not worry, Master. Your case is not totally hopeless as you think. Well, I won't go in the details. You'll know in the future. 』

"Wonderful, but could you at least tell how? please a few hints will do." Alex pleaded because he truly wanted to know how he would be able to use magic, Alex was truly excited, his heart started pounding hard just by thinking about it.

『Sorry, Master, I can't. Just be patient and besides you're too weak to understand some things because of your low-level .』 Silveria explained refusing to go into the details.

However, as he was expecting something like that, Alex was not too disappointed because he had the feeling that he would know soon, He just needs to strengthen himself, to rise in levels.

The two continued to chat, exchanging few jokes as he continued walking silently toward the goblin's location. Alex suddenly thought about Maria and others.

Alex shook his head, driving away any unnecessary thoughts that could hinder him in the incoming battle.

Half an hour later he arrived at the destination. Alex immediately hide behind a tree and observed what was in front of him.

There was something that looks like a cave, at the entrance of the cave stood two goblins guarding it. The one on the left had a club in its hand while to the one on the right held a crudely-made bow and a quiver containing arrows.

"Sil, I thought that you had said there were twenty goblins together in the same location? But I seem that there are two goblins outside while the remaining goblins are inside that cave." Alex asked.

『Yes Master. It is as you've guessed. Hehehe! Let's go massacre them.』 Silveria says while laughing. She appeared in Alex's right hand without behind summoned. Her laughter sends a chill down his spine.

Alex chuckled and says "Okay, let's take care of those two first. However, I can't use you because it will draw the other goblin's attention in case they heard the gunshots. It's not like you have a silencer to stifle the sound of the bullets fired."

『Did I say that?』

"What?"

『Just watch, Master.』

When Alex was still puzzled by what she meant, Silveria who was in his hand shined in silvery light for one second and after the silvery was gone, he looked dumbfoundedly at the now transformed Silveria.

Appearance-wise, she was still the same (Desert Eagle 50EA, RAE-713 IMI Desert Eagle Mark XIX Speedloader), however now she was equipped with a Silencer. Like the one you often saw in movies. However, this Silencer was silver in color instead of black.

Alex stood frozen in a place for a while before letting out a small chuckle as he rubbed his forehead, before muttering,

"Seriously, if you have the ability to transform please inform me beforehand. My heart almost stopped beating because of how surprised I was. So, how many types of transformation you can do?"

「Master, do you think I'm some kind of a transformer?」 asked Silveria, she was clearly pouting. She seemed dissatisfied with his question.

"Are you not? I thought that you could transform in various forms, for example, you could transform into a sniper rifle or a shotgun. That's would be so cool." Alex says with his eyes shining like a child who just got his first toy.

「Master, sorry to shatters that delusion of yours, but I can't transform like you are hoping. Creating something like this is my limit. So, do not hope for something impossible. Let's start the massacre.」 Silveria explained completely shattering his wild delusion.

"What a shame. Let's me vent my frustration on these goblins then." Alex declared before aiming Silveria at the goblin on the right who had no idea about its incoming death.

Pui!

Without waiting Alex fired another bullet toward the goblin on the left whose attention was focused elsewhere.

Pui!

The two goblins fell onto the ground dying, their eyes were filled with unwillingness. They did not know how they had died.

After dismantling the corpses, Alex stood at the entrance cave, he took a deep breath before activating his skill Divine Sense. Like the last time, a tridimensional map appeared in his head. Alex was able to see inside the cave, there was a lot of little dots on the map, they were red in color. If he hasn't guessed wrong:

Red ➔ Enemy

There was no Green dot on the map, only eighteen red dots. Three red dots were not too far from the entrance, while the remaining stood in the same location, Alex did not know what there were doing, but It helps him, he will quickly eliminate these three goblins before proceeding towards the remaining goblins.

After switching off the Divine Sense skill, he silently entered the cave. Darkness welcomed him, the inside of the cave was dark. Alex could not even see what was in front of him. He had miscalculated, to think he would forget to take the cave being dark into account.

"What to do?" he mumbled, he seemed to be at his wit's end.

「Sigh! I guess it my turn to help then.」 Silveria announced.

"What?" Alex asked, she did not answer him directly, she just said 'it going to hurt a little.'

"Don't tell me. Please wait for a second will you?" Alex pleaded.

However, a terrible headache answered his pleas. He almost dropped Silveria and started rolling on the ground. Alex gritted his teeth, so hard that it almost bleeds. It still hurts even though, he went through something like this not too long ago when he was acquiring his Divine Sense skill.

〔New skill acquired: Night Vision Level 1〕

A message appeared in front of his eyes, announcing that he had acquired a new skill, however, Alex was not in the mood to care about that for now. He was still feeling a little dizzy after experiencing that terrible headache once again.

"Silveria, tell me in advance in case you are planning to gift me a skill. I do not like this terrible headache that assaults me each time you are about to gift a skill. Seriously, do warn me in advance. Is that clear?" Alex said, displeased.

「Sorry Master, I will warn you in the future. I thought that you will get accustomed to that headache because you had already experienced it once. It seems that I wrong. I'm truly sorry.」 Silveria says, she was truly sorry. So, Alex decided not to complain too much.

"Nobody can get accustomed to that headache so quickly. I do not enjoy pain, I'm not masochistic. Still, I must thank you for gifting me another wonderful skill. What a timely gift. It's truly helpful. Thank you."

「Stop it, Master. You're making me blush. There is no need to thank me. After all, you're my dear Master that I like so much, hence it normal to help you.」 Silveria say acting bashful, however, Alex knew that she was teasing him. So, he stayed silent not replying.

Finally, Silveria talked after noticing that Alex did not reply to her teasing.

「Why are you not talking? Do not tell me it was because you've fallen deeply in love with me. What a sinner am I? To think that I will make my master fall deeply in love with me. As expected of this Lady charm.」 Silveria boasted shamelessly.

Alex held his head in his arms and say in resignation "Stop it, Sil. I'll die of shame if you don't. You win. Let's proceed."

She left out a small chuckle. Alex decided to not bother himself with her any longer, he decided to check his newly acquired skill.

〔Night Vision Level 1: It's a skill that lets you see easily in the darkness.〕

At Level 1 you can only see Five meters around you.

Consume 20 MP per minute]

What a nice skill, it doesn't consume too much MP.

'Night Vision' Alex muttered, immediately his vision became clear, he was able to clearly see what are in front of him. It was not perfect but he was sure that when the level of the skill will become high, he would be able to perfectly see in darkness.

With the Night Vision activated, Alex proceeded deeper into the cave. He tried to silently walk, not to alert the three goblins ahead.

Like a cheetah, he walked, and soon he was able to see three goblins chatting around a table.

Alex stopped walking and studied the three goblins, even though they sat around a crudely made table and chairs, they were still vigilant, as their weapons were not far from them. Still, it seemed they had not noticed his presence which was a good thing.

"Let's rock baby," Alex mumbled trying to sound cool.

〔What's that?〕 Silveria asked.

However, Alex refused to answer, still hiding, he aimed Silveria at the goblin in the middle and fired.

Pui!

It was instant death, a bullet in the head.

Gyi?

Gyi?

The other goblins were startled after seeing their brethren with whom they were talking a few seconds earlier fall headfirst onto the table.

Without giving them time to search for the intruder, Alex fired two bullets in quick succession. he managed to quickly eliminate them. The other two also died with their heads crashing onto the table. The poor table was broken into pieces.

There was a little noise, hopefully, it did not alert the other goblins.

Alex quickly started to dismantle the dead goblin's corpses.

Suddenly, Alex stopped because he saw a small pouch, when he opened it, he saw a few coins inside it. Roughly counting it, there were at least thirty Silver coins inside the pouch.

Alex's hands became heavy, his breathing quickened.

"I have a bad feeling about this," he muttered feeling something ominous. As though there was something on the other side he would not like.

〔Me too, Master. However, you can not stop here now. So, Let's go.〕 Silveria says.

"Sigh! You're right. Let's go even though something it telling that I won't like what I going to see if I proceed." Alex replied.

With a heavy step, he continued, going where the remaining goblins were located, in the depth of the cave.

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As Alex continued to advance, the ominous he had earlier was growing deeper, each step he took. He was sure of one thing which was that whatever awaiting him on the other side, he wouldn't like it.

Alex shook his head and continued walking, now that he thought about it, It seemed he had leveled up after killing the last three goblins.

As soon as Alex thought about checking his status, a blue panel appeared before his eyes.

『[Status]

[Alexander Kael Touch]

Class: Magic Gunman

Age: 17

Male

「 Rank 1」

Level 8

Experience Value (XP): 30/900

Magic Power: 1130 ➡ 1140 +20 BP (1160)

Magic: None

Attack: 150 ➡ 160

Defense: 135 ➡ 145

Agility: 170 ➡ 180

Intelligence: 170 ➡ 180

Luck: 120 ➡ 130

BP: 0

Gift: Two Guns * Semi-sealed*

Skills: [Normal Appraisal Level 1] [Language Comprehension] [Item box Level 1] [Swift Fingers Max]
[Divine Sense Level 1] [Throwing knife Level 3] [Night Vision Level 1] (New Skill)

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one who can't use Magic] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash] 』

It was without saying that Alex distributed his 20 BP gained per Level up to his Magic Power stat. With the amount of MP he had now he could at least shoot twenty-three bullets before running out of MP.

Satisfied with his stats, Alex continued to walk and soon he came to an intersection, there were two tunnels in front of him, one goes left, while the other goes right.

When Alex was contemplating which tunnels he should take, he heard Silveria's suggestion.

『Master, you should take the one on your left, the one on the right is the shortest however it is filled with traps .』 Silveria cautioned.

"Thank you, Sil. It saves me some MP."

Alex entered the left tunnel, after walking for about fifteen minutes, he saw the end of the tunnel, from the other side a light could be seen. After he switched off his Night Vision skill, Alex drowned one of the Mana potions he had purchased.

[+500 MP]

Even though it tasted a bit bitter, he recovered the MP he had used. Alex had used more than 300MP.

After he checked that everything was ready, Alex decided to see what was on the other side, he advanced cautiously and looked through the entrance.

What he saw send a shiver down his spine, his inside started churning, he had a sudden urge to puke, so he quickly retreated back to the tunnel.

Immediately after retreated back to a safe distance, Alex could not control himself any longer, So, he started puking, throwing everything he ate since the morning.

『Take it easy, Master.』 Silveria said while consoling him.

Alex felt like she was patting his back, stroking his head with care, but he knew it was impossible, maybe it was an illusion, Silveria did not possess a physical body nor he saw her in soul form either.

Still, he managed to calm down and now he was filled with a wave of extreme anger

"Unforgivable."

Alex mumbled with a cold voice that astonished even himself.

『You are right, however, do not let anger cloud your thinking.』 Silveria warned.

Those damn ugly green-skinned monsters, Alex's heart turned colder when he recalls what he had seen.

A human male nailed against the cave by numerous swords, the Armor he wore was in tatters, with lots of injuries visible to the naked eyes, some were so deep that you could see a white bone, his limbs were twisted unnaturally, his eyes wide open, he was already dead and from his opened eyes you could an immense hatred mixed with guilt.

『Master, he must have taken the right tunnel to enter the center of the cave, hence he encountered a lot of traps along the way, he became injured even before stepping out. As for the girl, she must have taken the left tunnel.』 Silveria explained.

Alex's eyes were filled with anger, as she had said, there was a girl as well, even though he looked briefly, what he saw, was hard to describe, most of the clothes she was previously wearing were torn apart, a goblin was playing with her lower body, while another one was playing with her mouth, the remaining goblins were watching on the side, some were even cheering. Judging by the lack of sound coming from the girl, she was probably died since a while ago and those damned green-skinned monsters were still playing with her body.

Alex felt sick in the stomach just by remembering it, even though he had often read these kinds of things in a novel back on Earth, now that he saw one with his own eyes, the reality was different, he was feeling extreme anger and hatred toward those green-skinned monsters.

"Let's go massacre them," Alex says with a cold voice, unconsciously his mouth curled up forming a grin.

『Fufu! Certainly, My Master.』 Silveria replied, seeming happy somehow.

Well, it's a good thing, she's happy. Alex thought.

Slowly, he walked back, going where those monsters were.

Normally, any normal human facing this kind of situation will have two kinds of emotions:

The first one would be: fear. Seeing fifteen monsters together playing with a woman's dead body while there was another human corpse not too far from there. Fear will overtake your mind and you would want to quickly flee back and ask for reinforcement.

The second emotion would be: Rage, seeing this situation, you will be filled with extreme rage, so much rage that you would recklessly charge toward the goblins to eliminate them, thus avenging these two victims.

Strangely, Alex's case was different, he was not filled with fear, if he must describe it, He was burning with extreme anger, yet at the same time, his thinking was still clear, Anger did not cloud his judgment, nor he was recklessly charging towards them, his mind was clear, so clear that even himself he was astonished by it.

Why so? He did not know, nor he had the time to think about it. With a clear mind, calmly Alex walked with Silveria pointed forward, while in his right hand were three throwing knives, naturally, it was his lovely Black Bettie's.

Soon, Alex comes out from the tunnel.

Because the goblins were still enjoying themselves, none of them took notice of his arrival.

"Perfect," Alex muttered.

Without wasting this chance, he threw the three Black Bettie's in his right toward three goblins on the right, while at the same time Silveria was aimed at the goblins that were enjoying themselves with the girl dead body.

Pui! Pui!

Two bullets were fired, the first one went through the head of the goblin that was playing with the girl lower body, while the second went through the other goblin's chest (the one was the one using the girl's mouth.)

In a matter of seconds, five goblins were killed and their bodies fell onto the ground, astonishment filled their eyes, they did not know how they had died nor who attacked them.

Finally, after seeing five goblins suddenly fall onto the ground in succession that the remaining came to know that there was an intruder.

Gyi~!

Gyi~!

They started looking around, trying to see where the intruder was.

After successfully killing five goblins, Alex hides behind a boulder he saw by chance and observes the panicked goblins. Still, being behind the boulder, Alex aimed at another goblin and fired.

Pui!

Thud!

Another goblin had fallen onto the ground, nine goblins remained.

The goblins became more panicky, they started to frantically search who was attacking them, none of them came to look at where he was, and because Silveria was still equipped with a Silencer who helped to reduce the bullet's sound, every time Alex shoot they only saw one of them fall, nothing seemed to work, not even their shield.

Like that, Alex killed three more goblins reducing their numbers to six. One more to go and he will level up and they will be no need to hide any longer.

It happened when Alex was aiming at one the remaining six goblins, one of the goblins spotted him, he didn't know how but he was spotted.

Gyii!

That goblin pointed its finger toward his direction and charged at him with its club, the other followed him.

"Sigh! And I thought that I could calm level up without taking any risk. I guess not everything works as you wish." Alex muttered in dejection.

『Fufu! Don't complain too much, Master. Since a while ago, you're having it easy. So, it's now the time to face them head-on and quickly eliminate them. What a lazy Master you are.』 Silveria says, not forgetting to tease him.

"I guess, you're not wrong," Alex replied.

Immediately, Alex stood up and aimed Silveria toward the incoming goblin and fired.

Pui!

Another one died with a bullet in the head. Alex becoming more proficient in handling his gun.

The remaining five goblins came to an abrupt stop and became cautious, fear could be seen in their eyes when Alex sensed that they were about to turn tail and run. He aimed my gun toward them and fired.

None of them managed to flee far away before being killed by Silveria, after a few minutes they were all dead.

After Alex finished closing the two corpses' eyes and covering their corpses. He sat on the ground against the previous boulder (the one he had used as cover to kill some goblins) and decided to take a little rest before proceeding to dismantle the corpses of the goblins.

Suddenly, Alex saw a blue panel window appeared before his eyes.

『A New title acquired: Goblin Slayer』

Without checking what the title means, Alex closed the information window and closed his eyes to rest for a few minutes, he was mentally exhausted after seeing all these things earlier.

Chapter 26 - 25: A Rare Specie Appears

A half an hour later Alex opened his eyes after resting for a while. Even though he was resting, he didn't let his guard down.

Alex stood up after letting out a long yawn and did a light stretch.

"Let check my status and title,"

As though responding to his thought, a blue panel appeared before his eyes.

『[Status]

[Alexander Kael Touch]

Class: Magic Gunman

Age: 17

Male

「 Rank 1」

Level 9

Experience Value (XP): 630/1000

Magic Power: 870 (+20 BP)

Magic: None

Attack: 160 ➡ 170

Defense: 145 ➡ 155

Agility: 180 ➡ 190

Intelligence: 180 ➡ 190

Luck: 130 ➡ 140

BP: 0

Gift: Two Guns * Semi-sealed*

Skills: [Normal Appraisal Level 1] [Language Comprehension] [Item box Level 1] [Swift Fingers Max]
[Divine Sense Level 1] [Throwing knife Level 3] [Night Vision Level 1]

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one who can't use Magic] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash]
[Goblin Slayer] (New Title) 』

"It seems because I had fired six times after leveling up. My total amount of MP has decreased by 300 points and after adding the 20 BP, it becomes 890 MP. Let's see what the title I acquired means."

Alex mumbled before tapping on his newly acquired title.

〈Goblin Slayer: A title acquired after slaying numerous goblins. You are their nemesis. Facing any normal goblin, your presence alone will scare them, making it easy for you to slay them.〉

"I see. This title sounds cool even though it doesn't offer too many things. Then, let's start doing the bothersome works." Alex says while rubbing his forehead.

Then, he turned around and began collecting the proof that the subjugation was completed.

By the way, in the case of goblins, not many shops in the guild purchased their materials because most of them are worthless, hence he only stripped the right ears and magic stones.

"Sil, please keep watch on the surrounding, we do not know when a boss will show up."

『Okay, Master.』 Silveria replied.

Alex was astonished by her a quick reply, he thought she would at least complain for a while before accepting, however, she accepted so easily that it left him speechless. 'Maybe her rebellious period had ended? he asked himself.

『How rude of your Master to think like that.』 Silveria chided him.

"Sigh! Sometimes, I forgot that you are inside my consciousness."

『Well, it's not like I can read your thoughts, I just deducted that's all.』 Silveria said.

'I see.'

Alex says before proceeding to work, taking out a black medium length knife (made by Smith for dismantling) he started to chop off the goblin's ears one by one, not forgetting to dig their magic stone located in the heart.

One hour later, Alex had finished and stored away all the materials he harvested inside his item box.

After finishing the dismantling of the fifteen goblins that he killed here. Alex turned his eyes towards the goblin's weapons for a moment.

However, the long swords, the broken shield, and the axe were rusted and useless.

Though it might be possible to ask a blacksmith or weapon's shop to repair it, the repair cost would probably make it a deficit, hence it was not worth the trouble.

There was another kind of weapon here, clubs. Although these clubs were also scattered around, Alex left them as they were.

Though he called it a club, they were just branches used as club substitutes. Judging by how crudely they have been made, one could make it immediately just by taking branches from trees outside.

As he crouched down to pick up the knife, Alex used to dismantle the goblin, he felt a gaze. It seemed that something was entered the cave and was quietly observing him.

『Master, we have an unexpected visitor. Better quickly retrieve and store away it away.』 Silveria advised.

When Alex was planning to store away the knife after retrieving it, he felt a sense of crisis, so without thinking he jumped to his left.

Boom!

The next moment, something red hit where Alex previously stood, and fire spread out, dust filled the cave.

"What's that?" Alex asked filling dread.

『Calm down, Master. It was just low-level Flame Magic: Fireball.』 Silveria explained.

Suddenly, without knowing why, Alex activated his Divine Sense skill, and immediately he saw a glowing red dot moving at an extremely fast speed toward him. Instinctively by reflex, he brought Razor, his custom made knife in front of his face, taking a defensive stance.

Gakin~!

A sharp sound was made as Razor came in contact with a long sword above his head.

"Guh!" Alex grunted because his right hand which was holding Razor became numb. He was astonished by his enemy's physical strength, so was his enemy, the other party did not think that Alex could parry its blow.

Not wanting to miss out on this opportunity, Alex immediately counterattacked by launching two Black Bettie's at the enemy's, who seemed to have not recovered from the shock of him blocking its sneak attack.

However, to Alex dismay, his attacks were blocked, the thing Alex attacked pushed out a shield to block his two knives. The enemy's who sneak attacked him quickly fall back after blocking the two throwing knives Alex had thrown.

Finally, Alex was able to see the other party before him. It was a goblin.

It had a long Silver sword and a small round shield that had two black knives embedded in them.

However, different from a normal goblin was its skin color. While a normal goblin had green skin, the goblin in front of him had red skin. In addition, it was larger and a head taller than a normal goblin.

"I see a rare species. I never thought that I'll encounter one. It seems that you're the boss of the goblin I've killed." Alex says stabilizing his breathing.

Then, for the first time, Alex decided to use his Appraisal skill on a monster.

『 Elite Goblin

Rare Species

Level: 12

Magic: 300

Attack: 200

Defense: 100

Agility: 120

Intelligence: 50

Luck: 60』

Alex sucked a mouthful of air, A Half-Step Rank 2 Monster. Finally, he understood why his arm felt numb after their previous exchange. Simply, it was because the goblin rare species attack points were above his.

Suddenly, the rare species gave a cry as if mumbling something.

Gyii Gyii!

Right after it gave a cry, a ball of fire appeared in front of its eyes. It was small, seeing this fireball, Alex remembered the previous attack, so he jumped in the opposite direction after the goblin shot the fireball.

Alex rolled on the ground before standing up. Without giving him the time to cast another fireball. Alex threw two throwing knives towards him. He knew he would block it, hence at the same time with his other hand he fired two bullets.

Bang! Bang!

Even though Alex had fired the bullets slightly after he threw the two knives, the bullets caught up with the knives.

On the other side, the rare species goblin reaction was not slow, first, he sacrificed the small shield by throwing it towards the incoming knives, while himself shifted his right shoulder slightly back to avoid

the bullets, unfortunately, he was not fast enough, one of the bullets pierced his shoulder making grunt in pain.

He glared at Alex before hurling his sword towards his head, it happened so fast that Alex was almost caught off guard. Still, he quickly brought Razor to of his left to deflect the sword, Alex managed to deflect it but he received a small injury as consequence, there was a little cut on his left cheek, pain assaulted but he gritted his teeth and endured. Alex touched his bleeding cheek and murmured. 'It was the first time I'm injured since I started doing quests.'

Alex looked at the culprit of his injury, one of his arm was limping, yet he was already preparing his next attack, another fireball.

However, Alex had the feeling that this one was a little different from the previous two fireballs.

"As if I would let you cast it," Alex shouted before kicking the ground, as he sprinted toward the rare species.

Swish! Swish!

The remaining two throwing knives he had, were hurled towards the rare species, he jumped on the left to avoid the knives.

A cruel smile floated onto Alex's face when he saw that the rare species had moved exactly as he wanted.

Like they had a tacit agreement, Silveria appeared in his left hand, the silver muzzle was pointed at the goblin followed by the sound of gunshots.

Bang! Bang! Bang!...

Alex emptied his charger on him (his remaining MP), he could not avoid all these fast bullets, hence he died after one of the bullets pierced its heart.

Thud!

[Level up]

The body of the rare species fell on the ground after the sound of the shots disappeared.

The corpse of the red-skinned goblin lay in front of Alex's eyes. It was a rare species of a goblin. Because it was killed with a gun, there were only a few holes on its chest, apart from these holes you could hardly see any other injuries on it.

Fortunately, if Alex stores it in his item box, time doesn't flow and it won't rot, so Alex decided to store it in there for now.

Alex heaved a sigh before taking care of his injured check. After finishing, he approached the rare species and stored his body inside his item box, he did the same thing with the two-body and the sword used by the rare species.

After storing all these things inside his item box, it had become full.

Alex left the cave to go back to the Adventurer guild.

"I'll check my status once I went back," Alex decided while dragging his tired body back to Eria's town.

Chapter 27 Chat With Silveria

After leaving the Goblin's cave (It is how Alex named the cave where he killed the twenty-one goblins), Alex heads toward the northern gate. En route, he decided to have a chat with Silveria.

"Sil, Now that I'm not too far from attaining Rank 2, what kind of ability will you be able to unseal?" Alex inquired.

「Let's see, you need to be at least Level 15 to be able to use a new type of bullet.」 She replies.

"What type of bullet?" Alex immediately asked back, his eyes glittered like a child's in a toy store.

「Homing bullet. The normal type of homing bullet. A normal homing bullet will cost you 300 MP and it will become ineffective after twenty meters. You can only use a normal homing bullet at Rank 2, for the other type of homing bullet you can use only at Rank 3.」 Silveria explained.

"Sigh! With my current Magic power, I can only create three bullets before running out of MP. It's quite sad though. If only it cost 100 MP per bullet I may be able to shoot eleven times." Alex replies dejectedly.

Hearing what Alex said, Silveria gave no reply, probably if she had a physical body Alex thought that she will be rolling her eyes at him.

Alex decided to change the subject, switching it to something more urgent.

"Sil, I think we went a little bit overboard today."

「You are talking about the thirty-one goblins we killed today, isn't it? Especially the rare species.」 Silveria declared as though she had read Alex's mind.

"Yeah, it's especially about the rare species. Even though I have killed more goblins than the quest has requested, it's not a big problem. However, I could not say the same thing about the rare species. I may be able to advance in rank if they saw that I have killed thirty goblins today even though I'm F-rank. However, it will become another matter entirely if I say that I killed a rare species. Even though it's goblin rare species, it doesn't change the fact that it's not something a mere F-rank Adventurer could kill, not even an E-rank Adventurer could do it. This rare species is considered at least D rank monster."

Alex rubbed his forehead before continuing, asking for her opinion. "Hence, I'm planning to conceal the fact that I killed a rare species for a while. What do you think?"

Silveria stayed silent for a while as though she was mulling over Alex's question before answering.

「Master, I understand your concern but let me ask you a question first before continuing.」

"Ask," Alex replies.

「How are planning to answer them if they asked you where is the leader of the goblins you have killed?」

After Alex heard her question, he stayed silent. Truth be told, it slipped his mind, he didn't think about it. How should he answer if they asked? Should he say that he was out? They will not buy it. It seems he was thinking they would not ask him something like that.

For starter, it was impossible for them not to ask me that kind of question. Thirty goblins were not a small amount of goblin. Even though Alex had killed Ten goblins (Two squads of five goblins) firstly before killing twenty later when he discovered the cave, it was because they had a settlement close by (the Goblin cave). If not it was impossible to kill so many goblins if Alex were to search for them and kill them one by one.

So, let say that Alex went back and deliver 30 goblins ears. The receptionist will immediately know that he stumbled upon a goblin settlement to be able to kill so many goblins. And when there is a goblin settlement somewhere it what without saying that, there is a leader. This leader will be different from others, which would mean that its ear would be different from a normal goblin. The thirty goblins ears he has are from a normal goblin. Only the rare species ears were different from the other. So, if they ask, Alex would be forced to present it because nobody will believe him if he says that the leader was not there. Also, there are two human corpses in his Item box, their death was caused by the leader (especially the male). Upon seeing the corpses it will prove their assumption that there was a leader. The male Adventurer killed was an E rank Adventurer, as for the girl she was an F rank Adventurer. In conclusion, Alex will be forced to show the rare species corpse.

"Ah," Alex spat out a sigh and say "I guess that in the end, I'm going to present the rare species corpse. Sure, it's will cause an uproar but I'll still do it. Besides, the higher my Rank is, the better quest I could take. It's not too bad."

「That good then, Master. Too much attention is not good, also acting cowardly and too cautiously is not good either.」 said Silveria.

Alex smiled after hearing what she said. She was not wrong. Because he didn't want to draw too much attention on himself, he was planning not to show the corpse of the rare species. However, now he changed his mind.

Alex and Silveria continued to chat, exchanging jokes when suddenly Alex raised a question that he should have asked previously.

"Sil, why there was no dead goblin on our way to the center of the cave?"

「If you want to ask if the other two that was died, have not killed any goblin. My answer is that they entered the cave from another entrance, they may or may not have encountered goblin on their way, but I can assure that they have faced the rare species upon entering. It was because they were fleeing from him that they got separated, one went left, while the other went right. The leader killed the male and played with the girl before leaving her to his subordinates and take care of something (I was why we did not see him immediately after entering) before coming back.」 Silveria explained after thinking for some time.

What she said may not be totally true, however, Alex guessed she was not too far from the truth.

"I see. Thanks to his absence it has been easy for me to eliminate his subordinates. Everything went smoothly because of my Gift. If I was using Sword instead of you, things may not have turned this good. I

will be more injured than am I. Worst case I may die like the other two. Thank you, Silveria. With you, I'm a long-range attacker, for close combat I have my Razor. I need to train using my knife more."

Alex came to the decision that he must train.

『 You're right Master. It's not too good to rely on me too much now that the amount of MP you have is little. You should train more, using your knife and throwing knives.』 Silveria suggested.

"Okay, I will. Let's keep moving. I'm rather tired." Alex says as he continued moving forward and soon the northern gate came into view. Upon seeing it, he smiled and his steps became quicker.

Chapter 28 - 27: Back To The Adventurer Guild

Alex walked toward the northern gate and as usual, there were numerous guards at the entrance checking everybody that going in and coming out from the town.

"Welcome back, Alex boy." said one of the guards with a smile. It was the Captain of the northern gate guards.

A robust man that looked like he was in his middle forties, brown hair, and green eyes like mine. He had a large scar on his left cheek. He could have healed it by using a high-grade potion or asking for a priest, but he chose not to. When Alex asked why he left it like that, he simply responded by saying "Scars are man pride. There are there to recount a story. Hence, I'll never erase them. Alex boy, a man with scars is a true man. Don't worry you'll understand one day."

Alex just laughed shrugging his shoulders in response.

Back to the present.

"Hello, old Gus. How is Marly and the twins?" Alex responded after greeting the other guards.

The captain northern guard was called Gustav, Alex shortened it to Old Gus in retaliation against him for calling him Alex boy. Old Gus has a wife named Marly and two children. Twins to be exact, Lisa and Elsa, they are seven years old.

"Everyone's fine, but these little devils are too mischievous. Lately, they have been saying that once they became adults they would become Adventurers. Hell no, the Gods above know that I will not allow it. How can I allow my lovely babies to become a brute who run after riches and fame? Never."

Say a former A-rank Adventurer. By the way, to be considered adult you must be fifteen.

Alex just laughed when he heard what Old Gus said, he did not offer any comments because if he did it, Alex knew that he would not leave soon.

Suddenly, Old Gus looked at Alex fixedly, his eyes were burning. Alex felt goosebumps so unconsciously he stepped back.

Old Gus disappeared and reappears in front of him in the blink of an eye, as expected of a former A-rank Adventurer nicknamed 'Fierce Gale'. He held Alex's face, looked at his left cheek. More precisely at the scar which was there. Alex wound was not fully healed.

"Good, extremely good. Your first scar is not bad, Keep it, don't try to heal it. It-"

Without waiting for him to continue, Alex cut him and said "I'm not you, there is no way I'll follow your advice. I do not want to be a scarred man."

Old Gus was flabbergasted by Alex's sudden refusal, he looks like he has been betrayed. Using this chance Alex quickly entered the town disappearing with the speed that astounded even himself. He could not let him come back to himself and start nagging him after he refused him and he even called him a scarred man. Alex's back was drenched in sweat just by imagining all the preaching he would suffer if he caught him.

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Soon after Alex left, Old Gus sighed and said with lamentation.

"Nowadays, the young un's doesn't know what is good, they refuse to listen to their elders. Don't worry Alex, I'll show you the way."

The other guards were suppressing their laughter because they knew that Old Gus was a little furious when Alex refused his offer. As expected Old Gus couldn't maintain his image of a dignified elder who wanted to teach his junior any longer as he started cursing "Fuck, that little punk he fled after calling me scarred man. Little punk, you better not let me catch or else humph."

The other guards could not contain their laughter any longer, therefore they started laughing, they laughed hard, it has been a long time since they saw him eat a loss like this. They immediately stopped after Old Gus glared at them. They felt a chill running down their spines being stared at by the famous 'Fierce Gale', their former leader. This little squad of guards and Old Gus was in the same Adventurer group back when they were still active.

Now they are simply guards. Guarding this town and its inhabitants they loved so much.

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After fleeing and leaving the stupefied Old Gus behind, Alex sprinted toward the Adventurer guild.

On the way, he stopped because he saw a familiar face. It was Smith's daughter.

"Good evening Sera. How have you been?"

Sera who was not expecting to encounter Alex was surprised at first before responding to his question.

"Oh, it's you, Alex. I was surprised. I'm fine. However, it seems that you got an injury today."

Alex smiled and explained that it was not a big deal. Sera was out shopping. After exchanging a few words with her, Alex left.

Soon, he saw the Adventurer guild. Pushing the door open he entered and like usual, in an evening like this, the first floor is full of Adventurers. Some came back from missions and delivered the proof of subjugation before sitting at the bar to have a drink. Some were already there for a long time drinking, while a few others were simply chatting. And when they saw somebody enter, they all turned their attention toward the newcomer.

However, after seeing that it was Alex, the newcomer they resumed their activities. There were few among them that invited him to join them, however, Alex politely declined before moving toward the receptionist counter, toward Leena's counter. She was like Alex's personal receptionist. Alex rarely went towards another receptionist since he started taking a quest here.

Suddenly, Alex spotted a group of five men sitting in a corner drinking and chatting happily, however when they saw him, the atmosphere changed and now they are glaring at him.

'Seriously, what with those eyes that looked at me as if I had slept with their mothers?' Alex thought.

Alex know this group a little, it's a group of novice adventurers, their leader is an E rank Adventurer while the remaining three men are only F rank Adventurer like him. Well, that will change soon. Alex inwardly thought.

Alex had never interacted with them, nor he offended them before, yet they are glaring at him as though he was their nemesis.

'Well, I do not like trouble, however, if trouble comes looking for me, wanting to trample on me? Then, I'll not take a beating without fighting back.' Alex muttered before ignoring the five looks.

Being ignored being by this cocky bastard newcomer. Diaz and his men vowed to teach him a lesson later.

Not knowing that Diaz and his men have planned to teach him a lesson because they were displeased with him, Alex went toward Leena's counter. She was explaining something to some adventurers, all of them were male, they ogling at her mature body not hiding their desire, yet she didn't lose her smile and continued to perfectly explain things to them.

"Sigh! As expected of a professional. I bet if I were in her shoes being stared lecherously like that, no matter how much I'll try to maintain my smile, I'm sure that I couldn't do it so perfectly." Alex murmured his arms behind his head.

『You are right, Master. However, you can not feel anything if you are being stared by an ant. No matter how lecherously he looked at you, you'll not care.』 Silveria spat out.

"Oi, don't you think that analogy is a bit too much? There are humans, not an ant." Alex admonished her.

『 Say the man who is smiling as though you had won a gamble. Do not lecture me when you are grinning. You're clearly enjoying it.』 Silveria retorts.

Indeed, as she said, Alex was happy when she compared them to an ant. Alex did not have any romantic feelings towards Leena, however when he saw some mobs staring at her like that, somehow he felt uncomfortable.

Leena is the most popular receptionist here, the most sought after. Numerous adventurers had courted her, yet she turned down all of them.

Leena was a former Adventurer, nobody knows her true rank except for few individuals in the guild. When Alex asked her she put one of the fingers on his mouth and muttered 'It's a secret.' before leaving.

Alex chose not to ask any further because he was sure that she will not tell me, on the contrary, she would tease me.

It seemed that when Alex was lost in his thoughts, those adventurers had left. He heard Leena let out a small sigh. She smiled at Alex, Alex did the same before speaking.

"It's hard isn't it?"

Leena tilted her head to one side before responding "Not really, it's fun to watch them tried to dream about something they could never possess. Fufufu it's really fun."

Seeing Leena laugh like that Alex couldn't help but felt pity for those poor souls.

Suddenly, Leena who was on the other side of the counter appeared in front of me, she directs one her fingers toward his injured cheek and a green light comes out from it.

When the green light touched his cheek, it felt warm, soon his wound was fully healed. Not leaving any scar behind.

As expected of Leena, she is talented to be able to use magic without saying anything.

Alex had a sudden impulse to check on her status. However, when he recalled that he had tried something similar in the past and didn't work Alex decided not to.

"Thank you, Leena."

"You welcome. How was your harvest today?" Leena asked him.

Alex did not reply right away, he stayed silent for a few seconds before asking with a serious expression.

"Leena can I talk to you in private?"

Having seen Alex's serious expression, Leena was startled first before gesturing him to follow her to the second floor. There is a private room there, used to discuss something you don't want others to know.

Diaz and his men's eyes were red from jealousy, if gazes alone could kill, Alex was sure that by now he would be dead. Alex paid no head to them as they went upstairs, entering the second floor.

After they entered the room on the second floor. Alex and Leena sat across each other. This room was simple, without any decoration, it's plain apart from a table and chairs. There was a barrier protecting the room from being spied on.

Leena gestures, indicating that Alex could talk.

Alex let out a small sigh before taking out the thirty goblins ears and magic stones.

"Eh?"

Leena mumbled, she was surprised seeing so many goblins ears and magic stones.

There was a temporary silence before she opened her mouth and inquired.

"Care to explain?"

Chapter 29: The Young Girl

After recounting what happened, there was a heavy silence inside the private room.

Leena rubbed her forehead before finally speaking.

"Alex, do you know that you have been too reckless?" She asked.

Hearing her question, Alex did not offer any reply, he just nodded his head acknowledging that she was right. It was because of his gift, it's a long-range attack gift, if not, there is no way he would be this reckless.

Seeing that Alex was aware of his mistake, she did not pursue the matter any longer. She switched to another subject. She asked where are the bodies of the two fallen adventurers.

Alex retrieved the bodies from his item box. Because Alex wore a silver ring on his finger, one would think that he had retrieved the corpses from his space ring (a fake one).

"Sometimes I'm really curious about your origin. Will you tell this Big sister?" Leena asked with puppy eyes.

Unconsciously Alex's body stiffened, however, he did not fall for scheme, he refused to answer her question.

"Forget it," Leena says before observing the two corpses.

She let out a small sigh before speaking.

"How unfortunate. To think that it was those two. They just reunited recently."

Leena looked quite sad. Alex asked the story of those two.

To summarize, the two were childhood sweetheart, Max, and Ava. Wanting to live a big life filled with adventure, they decided to become Adventurers after becoming adults.

However, when they became adults, the two could not depart towards Eria's town together because Ava's mother got sick, hence she could not let her mother alone. So, Max departed ahead to make money to help his girlfriend mother.

One year later, Ava finally came to join her lover, who had become E rank Adventurer by then. Adventurer's life was not easy. The two former a party and started doing mission.

Today would mark one month that they have reunited if they were alive, however now they have become corpses, dying in the hands of monsters, his lover played with. It is quite sad indeed. However, it's how Adventurer life is, you can die at any moment if you are careless.

"Let's me see the corpse of the leader of the goblin," Leena asked after storing away Max and Ava's corpses.

Alex gulped before taking the rare species corpse out.

"What ?"

Leena almost jumped from her seat, she looked at Alex and the rare species corpse alternatively for a while before starting her sermons. She was furious.

"Ah! You never say that it was a rare species they leader. What are you thinking when you fought it? Were you tired of living? You could have reported back. Yet you fight it. You're too reckless Alex."

"As you can see I'm fine. Don't worry I will be more prudent from now on." Alex says trying to calm down the furious Leena.

"It's good that you understood. What kind of Gift do you have that was able to inflict this kind of wound?"

Leena asked, her eyes were shining.

However, Alex refused to tell, he only says "It's secret."

"You little rascal. You dare to tease this Big sister. Well, I'm not in hurry, soon I'll know." She replied.

When Alex asked what she means by saying that, she smiled and said soon he will know.

"Alex, come back tomorrow. Until then I will already inform the guild master about today matters. Be sure that he will ask to see you. Because this matter is not a joke. Sigh! Monsters seem to have become active recently."

Leena informed him, after exchanging a few words with her Alex left.

After Alex left leaving Leena alone, a voice said

"What are a reckless boy."

"Indeed, he is a bit reckless, however at the same time he's interesting," Leena replied with a smile.

The voice chuckled before silence returned to the room.

Alex had no idea that there was someone else in the room, beside Leena and him. Silveria knew, however, she chose not to inform Alex about it because the third person had no malicious intent toward her master.

When Alex left the Adventurer guild under the Diaz and his men jealous stares.

The final ray of sunlight vanished underneath the horizon.

Alex went to a previous store where he bought that meat stew that looks like a kebab. He left the store while eating it.

But right when Alex left the store and looked around, he ended up seeing something unexpected.

"Haah. Ugh."

"Yer stay still, you damn bitch!"

"We finally caught you."

"Fuck, she almost causes us trouble. If the guards saw us, we will be screwed"

A young girl was being dragged into a back alley by three guys who looked like delinquents. They seemed to have chased her down.

"Hold it right there," Alex shouted.

Alex reached out toward his leg strap, wanting to retrieve one of his Black Bettie's before stepping forward when someone suddenly stopped him. It was naturally Silveria who stopped him.

[[Master, what are you planning to do? Don't tell me you want to rescue her? Is she your acquaintance? You know her somewhere?]]

Silveria asked Alex a bunch of questions, he could not answer, he only stuttered.

"No but.."

The girl desperately resisted her capturers but she was gradually cornered deeper inside the alley. When their eyes met. Her pleading gaze struck him.

[[If so, then it's not your business. Leave it be. Do not stick your nose in something troublesome, Master.]]

Silveria warned. Alex became furious so he shouted back.

"You..., How can you say that?" Alex asked furiously.

[[Master, that kind of thing happens all the time, in every era, I bet it happens even your world. Don't tell me you're going to stick your neck in every time you encounter this sort of situation? It won't be enough, no matter how many lives you have. Those who can't even protect themselves are just prey. It's life. Even if you help her out now, she'll just end up getting into the same sort of trouble later. Or are you planning to take care of her your whole life?]]

Silveria asked. Alex could not offer any reply. What she said was not wrong. He was neither a god nor some kind of superhero. He was just a geek who had a little money in his previous life. And now he is a weak Adventurer without any power.

[[You aren't some protagonist of a heroic saga. You're just one guy who got a little lucky.]] Silveria added.

When Silveria was lecturing Alex, the girl was finally completely subdued and disappeared inside the alley on one of the thugs' shoulders.

Until the end, her gaze was still directed at Alex and her hands kept reaching out to plead for help. But those outstretched hands were simply unable to reach him. She disappeared into the dark alley.

"Yeah, Sil all you've said is true. However, I can not watch them take away the girl like that. I have the feeling that I'll regret it later. Don't worry, I'm not planning to become a hero, just that I couldn't close

my eyes and act as though I did not see anything. I'm not that heartless, just let me be this selfish once and who knows maybe this girl may repay me in the future once she becomes a successful person." Alex spat out.

What Silveria's saying has some truth to it. But Alex could stay still, acting like he did not see anything. He was not that heartless, besides like he had said, he had the feeling that the girl was special somehow.

Alex can't just allow it. If he abandoned this girl now, he won't be able to get any proper sleep from the guilt. Every time he would remember that girl's helpless expression, he was sure he would have trouble sleeping, He will be filled with remorse and it's something he doesn't want to ever experience again.

Silveria sighed and says 『I knew you'll say that. Just do whatever you want, Master. I'm here for you.』

Immediately, Alex summoned Silveria who was already equipped with a Silencer. As expected of his partner.

"Just give up already bitch and obediently follow us back. it's what good for you." said one of the thugs. Immediately another added.

"Don't struggle or else I'll beat the shit out of you."

"Nooo! Noooo! Please let me go." The young girl cried desperately.

"Guess I need to hit you good so you'd stay still—" Say the second thug, the third thug was acting as their leader.

When Alex saw the second thug raised fist. He aimed the muzzle of the silver gun at his arm and pulled the trigger.

The bullet disappeared in flash, creating a blueish light in process of piercing the thug fist, a moment after, the thug cried out in a pained voice.

"Gah! it hurt"

"Wha—!?"

The other two were startled by the sudden assault.

Before they could turn back Alex aimed his gun at them and pulled the trigger. He pulled it twice.

Each time a blueish flash ran through the alley, the men miserably screamed and dropped onto the ground.

"That hurts Who hell are you. Did ya know what yer doing? We are The Babato's Brother"

Shouted the leader trying to intimidate him.

"Never heard of, and I don't care, your name sounds too lame anyway. You are probably some third rate bandits." Alex replied.

Alex smiled like a devil before aiming the gun at them and fired three times. This time he aimed at their legs. The three screamed like butchered pigs. After threatening them for a while, Alex screamed at the

thugs asking them to fuck off or he would shoot at them again, however this time it will aim at their third leg. Also, he will inform the guards about this matter.

They turned pale in fright, they knew that if they are caught, their fate would be worse than death.

So, the thugs hurriedly disappeared deeper inside the alley limping while looking terrified as though they had seen a devil.

Alex spat out a sigh, he did not feel any guilt after shooting human beings, it's quite strange. What is happening to me? Alex asked himself before shaking his head, now was not the time to think about it, besides he has not killed them, he only injured them.

Now that Alex thought about it, the only ones who remained in the area were him and the young girl who was leaning against the wall with disheveled clothes and was staring intently at him.

Alex checked how the girl was doing while still pointing his gun towards the back of the alleyway at the same time he activates his Divine Sense skill. This would end up as a lame joke if, by any chance, this girl was actually an accomplice of those thugs and stabs him in the back or something. These kinds of things often happen in a novel. So, better to be vigilant.

Thankfully, nothing like that happened. Alex sighed in relief.

Finally, now that Alex got a good look at her, she was actually a really pretty girl, although she a little dirty and her clothes were disheveled. Her height was on the smaller side, around 1,61 m if he was not wrong. She seemed to be in her fourteen.

Her eyes and hair were of the same hue, red;. Her skin was white like porcelain, she looks like a porcelain doll, extremely beautiful. The clothes she was wearing were a bit dirty and damaged in some places. You could spot a few holes in them.

The young girl bowed her head to thank Alex.

"Thank you Big brother for saving me."

Her voice was pleasing to the ear.

"You welcome. Let's me take you toward a nearby guard station. You'll be sent back young miss." Alex suggested.

However, the young girl started crying and pleading.

"Big brother, I. I have nowhere to go. Please don't abandon me."

This was completely out of his expectations.

Alex felt troubled hearing the girl, looking at her he knew that she was not lying. Alex didn't know what to do. When he was planning to ask Silveria's opinion, the young girl suddenly starts falling towards the ground.

Alex quickly moves and caught her body before her head hit the ground. She seemed to have fallen unconscious. Her body was too light, her lips were a little cracked, she looks a little famished. Alex held her in his arms with a troubled face.

Finally, Silveria who had stayed silent until now talked.

『Why not take her with you to the Inn and let her sleep there. Tomorrow you can come up with a solution.』 She suggested.

After contemplating for a while, Alex decided to follow her advice. He moved the young girl toward his back before starting to move in the direction of the Inn.

What Alex did not know, was that Silveria saw something when she appraised the girl, reason why she suggested taking the girl with them.

Chapter 30: Gracier

With the young girl on his back, Alex entered the Moonlight Inn.

There were a lot of customers dining inside the first floor and when they saw him with a young girl on his back, they looked at Alex strangely, some smirked.

However, Alex ignored them and continued, he stopped when he saw Lea, Ms. Lana's daughter. She greeted him but when saw that Alex had a beautiful young girl on back her expression turned cold.

Alex was expecting something like so, he asked.

"Lea please call your mother out. I need to talk to her. Also, I would need your help."

Lea looked at Alex for a while before disappearing into the kitchen. Soon, Lea reappears with her mother, when Ms. Lana saw Alex and the young girl on his back, she smiled and decided to tease him.

"Oh my, Alex came back tonight with a young girl. How bold. She seems too young, don't you think?"

Alex sighed before explaining to her what happened, her smiling face disappeared and her expression turned serious. After listening to Alex she asked Lea to take care of the young girl.

Alex excused and went upstairs in his room to clean himself, change into new clothes before coming back.

When Alex descended he saw the young girl dressed in new clothes, probably Lea's clothes. Lea and her sat around a table. Alex went toward the two and sat. Lea smiled while the young girl bowed her head and say.

"Thank you Big brother for rescuing Gracier. I'm grateful for your help."

"Oh, so Gracier was your name. What a good name." Alex complimented. Gracier smiled, happy to have her name praised.

"You welcome Gracier. How are you feeling now?" Alex asked while looking at her in the eyes.

Gracier averted her eyes before answering.

"I'm fine Big brother. It just that I'm a little hungry."

"Oh! Don't worry. The dish will be served soon."

It was Lea who replied, as for me Alex, he only smiled before asking Gracier to correct the way she addressed him.

"You can call me Alexander, Alex if it's too long to call."

"No Big brother, is Big brother."

An instant rejection, Alex was flabbergasted by her reaction. Lea smiled while looking at them.

Now that Alex took a closer look at Gracier, she was different from humans. Her ears were a little longer than human ear, while it was shorter than elves ear. She is a Half-elf.

In book, you could often read that Half-elf is hated by the Elves. Alex wondered if it is true in this world as well.

"Big brother, Big brother Alex."

Gracier shouted Alex's name, he was lost in his thoughts so he didn't hear her. It seemed that she had been called him since a while ago.

"Sorry, I was thinking about something. So, what were you asking me earlier?" Alex asked.

"No, Big sister Lea said that she's coming. She went into the kitchen to help her mother. She will be back soon with our dish. She asked me to tell you that." Gracier explained.

"I see," Alex replied when he wanted to start a discussion and some questions, Lea and Ms. Lana came with their meals.

Ms. Lana sat with them, when Alex asked her if she didn't have work to do, she replied saying that it was okay. The four ate, Gracier ate voraciously, it seems that she did not have a proper meal for a while. She was a little famished and now that she saw a lot of dishes in front of her, she could not control herself anymore, hence she ate to her heart content.

Finally, it was time for discussion. Therefore, Alex asked.

"Gracier, where are your parents?"

The moment she heard the word 'parents', tears started to fall from Gracier's eyes.

"Oh c'mon. Now you made her cry." Lea criticized Alex for making Gracier cry.

"Lea, shut up will you?"

Ms. Lana admonished her daughter, the latter pouted while glaring at me. Alex ignored her.

Gracier started telling them about her story as she cried. It was a typical tragedy.

Gracier grew up happily in a normal household composed only of her and her mother. They lived in a small village located fifty kilometers south of Eria town. She never saw her father. Her father was said to be Adventurer, after learning that Gracier's mother was pregnant, he disappeared leaving Five gold coins behind. With this money her mother raised her, their lives were simple, yet they were happy.

Gracier grew up and made many friends with whom she liked to play around the village. Life in the village was simple, everyone was friendly toward her even when she was a Half-elf. She lived happily with her mother and the other villagers.

She thought that things would continue like this until one day, their village was assaulted by a group of monsters, more than fifty goblins attacked the village. If only there were only goblins it would have been good, however, mixed with the goblin was orcs and goblins shaman.

The hundred and plus villagers were massacred, few women were captured. Her mother was raped until she died in front of her, the village chief and her friends sacrificed their lives for her to escape to inform the guild about the monster invasion.

She flees, running madly toward Eria town without stopping even once, nor she ate as the day went by and soon she saw a caravan. She became happy thinking that the person inside the caravan would help her. Sadly, the reality was cruel, she was caught instead of receiving help, nobody listened to her even when she shouted. Those men planned to sell once they enter Eria town to slave traders.

She managed to escape after entering the town, however, she was soon caught and it was at that time Alex rescued her.

By the end of her story, Lea was already crying holding Gracier's hand. Ms. Lana's expression was heavy. Even Alex felt sad for her.

"You have endured a lot, Gracier. Now, it's okay you can cry to your heart content."

Ms. Lana said while rubbing Gracier on the head. The latter cried a lot. After a few minutes, she stopped crying.

"What are you planning to do now Alex." Ms. Lana asked Alex.

Alex was a little troubled, Alex must report this information to the guild. He bet they would be informed by now. As for Gracier, Alex was planning to let her stay in an orphanage or she could stay here and work in the kitchen with Ms. Lana and Lea.

When Alex explained his thoughts to Ms. Lana and the other, Ms. Lana did not say anything, same for Lea, she was looking at Alex strangely.

However, there was someone whose reaction was totally different. Gracier expression turned pale, she started crying when she heard that Alex was planning to let her stay in an orphanage or stay and work here.

"Um, please... I'll do anything, don't abandon me, Big brother. I want to be Adventurer like you big brother, to kill monsters and repay you my debt. I want to go on an adventure with you Big brother. So, please," Gracier desperately pleaded while bowing her head.

"So she says." Ms. Lana and Lea say, not trying to dissuade Gracier, they knew that they could not change her mind after looking at her eyes. It was the eyes of someone determined, someone who is sure of what she wants and what to do.

Alex contemplated, it's good that she wanted to become an adventure to kill monsters and help him but Alex did not need a burden. She may or may not be useful to him. When Alex was lost in his thoughts, Silveria who had stayed silent since the incident finally spoke, and what she said astonished him.

『Master, accept her. You'll not regret it, I can assure you that. Later you will understand.』

"Alright, I understand. Tomorrow we will go to the Adventurer guild together to register you and after we will see."

"Yes... Thank you, Big brother, I promise I'll work hard to not burden you."

Gracier says, looking happy, Ms. Lana and Lea smiled as well.

Perhaps she finally felt reassured due to Alex's words. She soon fell asleep and before falling asleep she said that left us bewildered.

"I'll with Big brother. Don't worry I know that Big brother will not do anything to me." Gracier announced suddenly.

Ms. Lana chuckled while Lea glared at Alex as though he was guilty.

Spare me from trouble will you? Alex mumbled feeling a headache coming.

Finally, it was decided that she will sleep with Alex because no matter what Lea did, Gracier refused to sleep elsewhere other than in Alex's room. So, Alex was forced to switch to a double bedroom.

After letting Gracier sleep in the right bed, Alex went to sleep in the right bed.

Looking at Gracier's sleeping face Alex's eyelids became heavier little by little until he also fell asleep.