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Chapter 441: Four New Recruits

"So, the reason you saved them is to use them afterward; you aren't different from us." Selene spat, knowing there was no way she would make it alive; she decided to create sow discord between Alex and the hostages; she wanted to incite them to voice their dissatisfaction, saying they wanted to leave, by doing so, Alex would lose. She couldn't be happier seeing him lose something.

Lilith's eyes turned cold while Sakuya tried to use the sheath of her katana to slap Selene flying; however, she was stopped by Alex, who was still smiling; he noticed the change in the captive's eyes when Selene talked, it's human nature, some might want to talk back saying normally Alex should have saved them, hell, even the most shameless would say, after saving them he must still accompany them until they safely reach the next village or city. Now that he was going to entertain them.

"Do you think I'm doing charity work?" Alex asked; his voice was col; thee captives, and Selene gulped, especially those shameless ones who were planning to fall for Selene's incitation.

"Nobody does something with a goal in mind.. Be it is charity work, even in this case, you acted on your desire to help others; it's to satisfy this desire that you act. For you, I need to save them and go away? What a joke; I acted with a goal in mind. I will not force anybody, as I said only those free, who have nowhere to go are free to come at me, as for others I have already notified the guild you have to wait, and someone will take you back." Alex said, the captives nodded.

"Free them and let them vent their frustrations on this woman and when they are done, those who wish to follow my suggestion, please come outside," Alex ordered Lilith and left with Sakuya.

Selene bit her lips in frustration; her plan had failed; those who were about to be swayed regained their sanity after Alex's speech; their eyes shone in ecstasy at the prospect of beating their once captor.

"Die you scum."

"Give me back my daughter."

"Die, die."

Like enraged beasts, they jumped over the tied-up Selene and beat her into a pulp; they didn't even stop; even they squashed her brain, and she died.

Outside, Alex stared at the blazing sky; as they got closer to the dark forest, the temperature drastically changed into a hotter one.

"Since when you started planning this?" Sakuya couldn't help but ask.

"Since I learned that bandits occupied this road, tell the truth even if this road was not a shortcut I would have still suggested that we pass through it because I was sure the bandits would keep the captives to be sold as slaves, among them some would not want to go back because they have been soiled or lost their homes. Even if it's one I want to recruit, some who has once saw the despair can be sharpened into the most deadly weapon under a master and given a cause." Alex explained. As he said, since the villager chief warning, he had already planned everything, he didn't believe in recruiting

everyone, not that he wanted this in the first place, he needed to recruit few people, two or five maximum. He already had few people he wished to recruit after appraising them; he needed to wait.

Sakuya chuckled and said.

"You know you have changed."

"It's that so? Well, I guess you are right. People will change after experiencing a setback; I'm the same. I need my personal force, ready for everything, always counting on others is not the solution." Alex shrugged his shoulders; he could understand where Sakuya was going; indeed, he changed after his sister's kidnapping.

"Fufufu! Gathering force, it's almost as you are planning to take over the world." Sakuya says with humor; however, Alex following next words left her speechless.

"I don't mind if taking over the world will help me accomplish my goal and protect my loved ones," Alex said, and he was serious about this.

"Fufufu! It's now that I see that you have changed and I like it. I will be there for you, for others, together we will make things work, survive, and one day return on Earth. If our parents have died, we will at least pay our respect to their tombstone, tell them that we survived and safely came back to our hometown."

"That's some nice suggestion, let's do that." Alex nodded at Sakuya's suggestion, and she laughed and tried to hold his hand when suddenly, they were interrupted by someone coughing.

"We are done; these four wish to join you."

Lilith interrupted Sakuya's sweet time, she glared at her, but unexpectedly Lilith chuckled; she had an amused smile on her face.

"Oh!"

Alex was surprised, it was more than he had expected when he saw the four he was pleased, although one among the ones he wanted the most was missing, seeing the green-haired girl among the four, Alex couldn't ask for more. This girl had the talent for assassination as her class was an assassin.

"Good, I'll be your employer from now on; I'm Alexander; someone will fetch you and take you to Avalon." Alex introduced himself with his real name but kept on the disguise.

"I'm Elektra."

"Arthic."

"Selena."

"Chris."

"Good," Alex said as he observed the four, two women and two men, the oldest was Arthic, 25, while the youngest was Elektra (18) with the most potential.

Taking out a communication stone, Alex injected mana into it, and it immediately lighted, and a voice came from the other side.

"Yes, Alexander. I have already sent Drei and another two; they will join you soon."

"Hi! Sera, I hope you are doing fine." Sakuya said after hearing Sera's voice.

"Oh! Sakuya, I'm fine. Please look after him as he tends to act too recklessly, he-"

Alex didn't give Sera the time to finish before cutting off the communication. He coughed to hid his embarrassment.

"So, it's as you heard it. Wait here-"

Alex stopped and looked at Lilith.

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Suddenly, Alex stopped talking and stared at Lilith, frowning.

"What is up?"

"No, it's just that the mark I left on the woman is now activated," Lilith responded.

"I see, but isn't it that a good thing?" Alex said as he could not understand why Lilith kept frowning unless there was more than what she said, and as he expected, it was indeed the case.

"The mark is divided into two as if one person became two and each chooses a separate direction," Lilith explained.

"What?" Alex was surprised, he immediately ordered.

"Give me the direction of the nearest one as for the other you two will go after it. We must let them escape."

Lilith had expected such instruction, so she immediately dragged Sakuya with her and took the sky after sending the information about where the second woman went.. The four widened their eyes, they may be weak, but they know what people flying in the sky mean; no wonder the Blackwater Bandits were annihilated, their eyes shone as they believed that their decision to work for Alex was the right one.

Tossing a small plate with wolf claw on it at Elektra, Alex ordered.

"You four wait here for your senior. Once you show them that plate, they will know it's mine. I will see you once I'm back, until then please train hard, one day you'll be strong as I am."

Fwoosh!

The four looked at each other and nodded their heads, they wished to be strong as Alex, and he had just allowed them to do so.

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The sun hanging in the sky beats down relentlessly on the earth. A lone silhouette could be seen running on the road; no, calling running would be a lie he was teleporting.

Alex moved fast, following the direction one of the women Lilith marked was heading to.

『There is a village ahead.』 Silveria warned, and Alex nodded before Accel-ing.

Two kilometers later, Alex frowned; there was a faint scent of blood mixed into the air.

'Over there, huh.'

It was drifting over from a small village a little ways away from the highway. Probably the same village Silveria had just mentioned.

There was a board attached to a pole pierced into the ground.

It's probably the name of the village. On it was written "Saleem."

Alex chuckled as the name reminded him of something; he took one step into the village, noticed something unusual, and stopped in his tracks.

Even though it wasn't noon yet, there weren't any villagers in sight, which is strange.

There were about fifteen log houses erected around a well in the center.

There was a noticeably large building to Alex's right with smoke coming out from a chimney. He speculated it was some sort of work cabin.

'I wonder if something happened.' Alex couldn't help but wonder.

As he walked forward, he saw there were baskets with fruits (Apple, berries) carelessly scattered about and what seemed like farm tools that had fallen onto the ground.

The signs suggested that the people here ran away from something in a hurry.

Something caught Alex's attention as he was walking, so he stopped and narrowed his eyes.

He saw bloodstains on the ground.

'Bandits?' It was the first conclusion Alex came to; however, he soon shakes his head.

'No, that doesn't seem right.'

There's too little blood for a bandit attack.

Based on the scale of the village, there should be at least forty people living here.

'And it looks too undisturbed.' Alex thought. Silveria talked.

『A bandit's main goal is to pillage. They force themselves into houses to steal food and valuables; however, there wasn't a single house destroyed. There's the chance that it was a kidnapping, but if the villagers resisted and caused a commotion and everything shouldn't be looking so undisturbed.』

'I thought too.' Alex responded while adding.

'There has to be another reason for this.'

Alex lifted his face, and he saw a sturdy-looking mansion built atop a foundation of rocks ahead.

He felt a strong presence of people coming from there. As he started heading there, the mansion door swung open, and a man came rushing out looking fraught.

"Hey, boy! It's dangerous there! Hurry and get over here!"

As Alex looked suspiciously at the man who seemed to be a villager, a large shadow soon fell from above.

A giant bird had appeared overhead. A pair of ominous eyes were glaring down on Alex as if to swallow him.

The giant bird wings sent a rush of wind to the earth, causing clouds of dust to rise. Its grim talons shimmered in the light of the sun, locked onto Alex like a predator to its prey.

"What are you doing?! You're going to die if you freeze up! Hurry and run for it!"

The villager's face turned pale, perhaps because he thought Alex's legs had frozen in fear.

The man would have known this if he were closer to him, but Alex's face was calm.

He smiled and looked at the beast as if to ask.

"You want a piece of me?"

"Then take it."

'GURAAAH!!'

The monster let out an ear-splitting roar, and its talons swooped down on Alex.

However, the sharp claws pierced into the ground. Alex had leaped above the giant bird's head. He landed on the other side, in his hand, was Silveria, pointing it at the bird's head and fired.

BANG!

The giant bird swirled down as its blood and brain's matter splattered the sky.

'Something's off.' Alex looked at the fallen Rank 8 with skeptical eyes.

Even though he was strong, a normal bullet shouldn't be able to kill a Rank 8 monster with such thick skin easily.

As Alex looked on quizzically at the giant bird's dead body, the villager from earlier had run over to him.

"Hey! Are you okay?!"

"I'm okay. More importantly, there's something I'd like to ask you—"

As he turned around, there was a sight that concerned him more so than the man.

The mansion that was visible beyond the man's shoulders— from its door, out of the door came about ten people all at once, without any sign of life in their faces.

After "seeing" that, Alex felt like throwing up, and at the same time, a sharp pain traveled up to his left eye. His Eye of Truth activated itself.

"Ugh!"

He pressed his left hand above his eye to lessen the pain.

『Master this is-』 Silveria's voice was cut off.

"H-Hey, boy. What's wrong all of a sudden?"

The villager reached out to touch Alex's shoulder, who was now kneeling on the ground. Goosebumps rose all over his body; his Six senses started ringing, then he saw that those people were.

Bang!

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BANG!

A bullet flew, and the brain's matter splattered the air. Alex's eyes were merciless as he kept pulling the trigger.

BANG! BANG!!!!

He eliminated the villagers before him; if someone had seen the current scene, they would have thought that Alex had gone crazy; however, it was the case, shortly something astonishing happened, those villagers who had their brains burst got up again.

"Zombies, huh?!"

Alex muttered, and he used his Eye of Truth to search for the core of the zombies; it was located inside their hearts; no wonder they could still attack Alex after their heads were gone.

BANG!

It only took one High-level Homing bullet to finish all the zombies.

Suddenly, Alex felt a chill down his spine; he jumped back when suddenly a bone spike landed where he was.

Boom!

In the direction the spike came from, Alex saw a giant Zombie standing five meters tall, green in color.

"GRR! GRRR!"

『This one must have been formed after countless villagers was sacrificed.』 Silveria speculated.

Appraising the giant Zombie with Eye of Truth, he couldn't help but frown in disgust.

"Ugh!"

[Wraith Zombie]

「 Rank 10」

Level 92

Magic Power: 2700/3000

Magic: Dark

Attack: 1600

Defense: 1800

Agility: 1400

Intelligence: 200

Luck: 710

Skills: [Bones Spear Level 4] [Dark Mist Level 4] [Zombie Touch Level 4]

Titles: [Wraith Zombie]

"Aurora Bullet!"

BANG!

A white bullet tore through the air creating the illusion of space being twisted; the white bullet arrived before the giant Zombie and struck.

There was a flash of white light that enveloped the zombie before it vanished, then the giant Zombie was reduced to a puddle of blood unexpectedly by the Aurora Bullet.

Immediately after killing the Wraith Zombie, Alex used his SP and BP.

『[Alexander Kael Touch]

Class: Magic Gunslinger

Age: 17

Male

Race: High Human ????

「 Rank 12]

Level 113

Experience Value (XP): 170000/199900

Magic Power: 6800/7000

Magic: None

Attack: 2360 (+140) ► 2500

Defense: 1930

Agility: 2070 (+200)

Intelligence: 2090 (+40) ➤ 2130

Luck: 1710

BP: 0

SP: 0

Gift: Death Guns [??????]

Skills: [Item box Level 4] [Swift Fingers Max] [Divine Sense Level 5] [Throwing knife Level 5] [Dark Vision Level 2] [Dual Wielding Level 2] [Accel Level 5] [Knife Art Level 4] [Link Level 4] [Gun Art Level Level 10] [High Regeneration Level 7] [Mana Synchronisation Level 10 Max] [Crimson's Bullet] [Shadow Shift Level 5] [Blade Dance Level 4] [Aurora Bullet Level 1]

Special Abilities: [Language Comprehension][Danger Sense] [Overdrive] [Death's Eye] [Envisage] {Erase} {Magic Bullet} {Snatch} [Hellsing] [Xerox] {Death Bullet (???)} [Time Stop] [Time Acceleration] [Eye of Truth Level 1 ➤ Level 5] [Asura Form] [Mana's Body] (Sealed due to current Level)

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash] [Goblin Slayer] [The Reborn] [Shadow Nemesis] [The Slaughterer] [The Destroyer] [Death Master] [The Irregular] [Child of Mana] (New)]

Because he maxed out his Mana Synchronisation skill, he got an additional 1000 MP. He got some additional ability and title, but he couldn't check them right as he could feel someone gaze on him, especially after his Eye of Truth's level increased.

"Won't you show now that all pawns have been destroyed?" Alex shouted.

"Fufufu! As expected of the Eighth, we have been waiting for your arrival."

An extremely charming voice reached Alex's ears; however, instead of appreciating it, Alex felt goosebumps all over his body.

Then what could only be described as a devilish woman appeared; Alex did not care about the woman with unusual pupils, pink in color; she wore something like a see-through robe.

From her words, they knew about his arrival, meaning this woman had been stationed over here waiting for him.

'Tch! And when we thought we were smarter and was one step ahead.' Alex inwardly clicked his tongue.

"I'm Lenoir !" The woman with a devilish body bowed before chuckling.

"And how said that I'm out of lovely slaves?"

Flick!

With the flick of her fingers, more than ten Wraith Zombies lined up.

[Crimson Bullet]

Alex didn't hesitate to fire a Crimson Bullet at the woman; the latter could see how dangerous this bullet was, so she sacrificed the Wraith Zombies to escape but not completely unscathed.

"Fufufu! As I expected of the Eighth, without my sister here, I'm not indeed your match." Lenoir declared as she stared vigilantly at Alex.

[Eye Of Truth]

[Lenoir Darks]

Class: Necromancer

Age: 160

Female

Race: Undead

[Rank 10]

Level 93

Experience Value: 20300/38600

Magic Power: 2700/3700

Magic: Dark

Attack: 1600

Defense: 1200

Agility: 1400

Intelligence: 1100

Luck: 1350

BP: 0

SP: 0

Gift: Dark Specter

Skills: [Create Puppet Level 8] [Swordsmanship Level 4] [Dark Corrosion Level 3] [Dark Bullet Level 4] [Undead Army Level 8] [Presence Detection Level 5]

Special Abilities: [Possession] [Dark Mind]

Titles: [Psychopath] [Master Necromancer]

'No wonder she could create zombies out of the villagers. She was a necromancer; I hate this class more than anything.' Alex mumbled.

"So you said you were waiting for our arrival?" Alex decided to go for information hunting.

"Fufufu! Yes, but I'm going to fail for your little game; you won't get any information from me." Lenoir said, immediately stopping Alex from gaining any useful information.

"I see, then die," Alex said before using Time Stop on Lenoir; he then aimed Silveria at her head after appearing in front of her.

'Phantom Bullet.'

BANG!

Lenoir's head burst open; her body dropped to the ground. However, shortly after, it vanished, startling Alex.

"Sil, what just happened?" Alex decided to ask the only person he thought to have the answer.

「It think she is a twin with the other woman Sakuya and Lilith went after, they must have a special ability to merge. After the death of one of them, some part would return to the remaining twin. It's all I can say.」 Silveria explained what she thought to be the possible explanation for what just happened.

"I see. What a nice ability. I believe that once the twins merged, they will be strong, maybe Saint Realm expert after merging."

「I think so, but that is not the most pressing matter right now; you must join the other and quickly slip away. Now that the enemy know of your arrival, many traps must have been placed all around to catch you-」

"Or stall us until Lucifer gets whatever he was after." Alex finished what Silveria wanted to say.

"I need to hurry."

Alex started flying in the sky; he headed into the Dark Forest where Sakuya and Lilith chased Lenoir's twin.

In a dark forest so dark that one would have mistaken it as if night had fallen, a fight was taking place.

Clangs! Clangs!

Sakuya has killed monsters nonstop, since the moment they entered the Dark Forest, she got no rest; she fought monster after monster, unlike outside where goblin could be easily killed, here they are strong, clever, and hard to deal with. Sakuya had just killed her fiftieth Dark goblin; astonishingly, it was Rank 6 Goblin something you'd never seen outside.

"Huff! Huff! I wonder how Lilith is doing?" Sakuya said as she crouched down to catch her breath; she was exhausted. Finally, she understood why people never want to set foot in this dangerous forest; it was because the moment you do better be prepared to fight constantly, and none possessed endless stamina, not even a Demigod level existence does, so you will end up running out of juice and the result could only be death.

"If the outer edge is this hard, then I wonder how the core region would be?"

Sakuya thought before shaking her head and checked her status; thanks to the fifty Dark goblins killed (1500 XP per kill), she leveled up twice.

[Sakuya Hishimiya]

Class: Magic Samurai

Age: 17

Female

Race: High Human

[Rank 10]

Level 95

Experience Value: 21900/38800

Magic Power: 3220/3220

Magic: Wind, Dark

Attack: 1620 (+40 BP) ➤ 1660

Defense: 1020 ➤ 1040

Agility: 1500 ➤ 1500

Intelligence: 1280 ➤ 1300

Luck: 1190 ➤ 1210

BP: 0

SP: 0

Gift: Katana Kaze no Yoroichi

Skills: [Advanced Appraisal Level 8] [Language Comprehension] [Item box Level 6] [Kendo Level Max] [Swordsmanship Level Max] [Wind Slash] [Iaido Level 8] [Wind tornado Level 5] [Gale Slash Level 8] [Flying Slash Level 5] [Presence Detection Level 4] [Dark Vision Level 2] (New)

Special Abilities: [Dimensional Slash] [Shukuchi Level 5] [Sword Intent Level 5]

Titles: [Otherworlder] [Kendo Master] [Yamato Nadeshiko] [Kendo Fanatic] [S Queen] [Slayer] [Swordmaster] [Goblin Slayer](New)

"Goblin Slayer? What a funny title." Sakuya muttered before frowning.

"Seriously, give me a break." Before turning to face the new monster that made an entrance, it was an Orc but not your usual one and Gray Orc, a Rank 7 Orc. Both roared and charged at each other after a short staring contest.

[Yami Maho Jigen Giri]

Sakuya unleashed her ultimate ability not only for this monster but at the monsters hidden in the dark.

Plop! Plop!

Several monsters fell to the ground after Sakuya executed her Dark Magic Dimensional Slash.

"It's getting fun. Let's kill some more." Sakuya said with a crazed expression; the S queen was about to start a slaughter party.

Few kilometers away, Lilith faced Lenoir's twin.

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Standing before Lilith was Lenoir's twin, Elaine, and unlike her sister, who dressed rather provokingly, Elaine was reserved, but this doesn't mean she was an angel; far from that, she was the most ruthless of the two.

"Princess kindly follow me back his highness wished greatly to see you," Elaine said; she tried to sound sincere but judging from her smile, it was ridicule instead of trying to make Lilith voluntarily go back, the truth was that she didn't care, her mission was to stop Lilith until someone comes.

Lilith didn't say a word; she undid her disguise, and immediately her real appearance was shown, her beauty couldn't be concealed; for a moment, the dark forest seemed to have gained life; it wasn't monochrome anymore. However, while this was happening, a chill crawled into Elaine's spine, those purple eyes, no hint of emotions could be seen in them, the temperature around plummeted, and unconsciously Elaine took a step back; she doubted she would ever be able to last longer until reinforcement arrive.

At that moment, a light coming from Lenoir's direction struck Elaine in the chest, and she grunted.

"Guh! Damn it; I will kill you all." Elaine roared, her strength skyrocketed, from initial Rank 10 to early Rank 12; all of this was thanks to her sister's last gift. Elaine had gotten stronger, but at the cost of losing her only remaining family member, her dear sister, the pain was so intense that she instantly forgot her goal.

"Die!! Thousand bugs!" Elaine bellowed, and from her body, a thousand bugs shot out.

Buzz! Buzz!

The weakest was Rank 2, while the strongest Rank 7, those bugs tried to swarm on Lilith from all sides.

However, Lilith calmly moved; she unsheathed her sword and pointed it at the sky, then white lightning split apart the air. All species with insect properties were weak to 'fire.' Lightning, with its destructiveness, was like a fire, so instantly the bugs stopped in their track; Elaine was shocked; she hadn't expected Lilith to be able to unleash this type of lightning, people might have mistaken White lightning to be the gentle type, but it was the case, among the different types of lightning, White lightning rank is pretty high.

Zi~ Zi~

Like an enraged beast, white lightning danced in the sky and moved at breakneck speed, passing through the swarm of bugs, and the result, they were annihilated, burnt to a cinder.

Lilith blinked to reappear before Elaine; she raised the sword and swung down; the speed of the sword was extremely fast, almost unstoppable, and yet Elaine calmly stopped it; her fingernails and forearms were tinged with a dark light.

Using her long and poisoned fingernails, Elaine blocked Lilith's sword. However, that didn't mean she could prevent all damage.

"Kuh!"

Sparks flew, and Elaine's body was pushed back a few steps. It would be strange if this didn't happen as Lilith was stronger than her.

Suddenly, from Elaine's fingernails, poison was shot, everything happened too fast, normally Lilith should have been caught off guard, but before the poison could touch her, white lightning appeared and burnt some, when what was left of the poison touched the ground it melted.

"Sigh! As expected of the princess, you didn't even sweat, but this is not the end; I shall make you pay." Elaine declared before her body shrunk; she blurred to reappear twenty meters away from Lilith; seeing this, Lilith frowned; she knew she must let this woman accomplish what she was trying to do; therefore, lightning manifested under Lilith's feet, and she mumbled.

[Ghost Steps]

Almost as if she had teleported, she appeared behind Elaine with her black scythe; she tried to cut the latter in two; however, something astonishing happened instead of cutting through Elaine's figure, Lilith's scythe struck empty air, and Elaine appeared twenty meters away again. What happened what not complicated before the scythe descended. Elaine transformed thousands of bugs that flew away.

"Fufufu! You are a dead princess. Calamity Queen."

Elaine announced, and immediately the sound of thousands of bugs flying toward them could be heard; even bugs swarmed the ground coming toward Elaine as if she was their queen, the scene of thousands of bugs swarming the forest scared most of the most while the area where the two stood started shaking, leaves disappeared from the trees, some died, the sky turned darker.

Even Lilith, whose expression didn't change since the beginning, couldn't help but frown in disgust; women naturally dislike bugs; it was no wonder after seeing so many bugs, she feels repulsed.

Bugs crawled on Elaine's body increased her height; she transformed into a bug lady. It was a body with beautiful curves and solid

muscles. She had dragonfly-like wings and a tail that resembled a scorpion. She was covered in an

Insect's shell apart from the face, but she looked more like a bipedal creature than an insect.

Swoosh!

With a speed not even Lilith could achieve using the lightning element, the now transformed Elaine, the Calamity Queen, appeared behind Lilith and slashed at her with her deadly claw.

Kiin!

At the last moment, Lilith managed to position her black scythe behind her back to block the claw; she was sent flying. Somehow, Elaine's strength was increased yet again; it must be after ingesting thousands of bugs.

Lilith nimbly maneuvered her body before crashing against a tree; however, before she could rest Elaine as the Calamity Queen was already behind her, Lilith couldn't even feel her presence.

"Die"

Boom!

Elaine thought she had managed to hammer Lilith to the ground, but to her astonishment, one of her arms was missing; it was this arm which fell on the ground producing such a sound as it was too heavy.

The figure of Lilith could be seen standing not too far from the still surprised Elaine, dark mist surrounded Lilith's body, it was giving an extremely eerie feeling, just by staring at this mist Elaine was assaulted by intense fear, her eyes started bleeding, she had forgotten about the feeling of pain after her arm was sliced off, there was only one thing inside her mind which was to flee from here immediately.

"D-Don't come any clos-ser!"

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"D-Don't come any clos-ser!!" Elaine shouted before mustering all her strength and escaping as far she could, to hell avenging her sister by killing Lilith, to hell the mission, all that matters right now was to survive. However, she had forgotten two things; first, Lilith couldn't let her go, and secondly, her life wasn't her own any longer, so the seed planted inside her body by her master was about to activate.

Swoosh!

"Where do you think you are going?" Like a ghost, Lilith's voice echoed in Elaine's ears, followed by a strong impact.

Bam!

A huge crater appeared on the ground, and Elaine's body lay inside it; twitching, lightning, and dark mist covered her body; numerous cracks ran across Elaine's sturdy carapace-like armor.

"Cough! Cough!"

Elaine kept coughing blood nonstop until suddenly her body stopped moving before it suddenly rose from the ground, her eyes turned purple, and something astonishing happened.

"Little sister, as expected, you have come."

From Elaine's mouth, a male voice echoed, and the moment Lilith heard this voice, her face turned ghastly white, and her body started trembling; from her body, a terrible amount of killing intent was released, it was so thick that it manifested outside blowing everything fifteen meters behind her.

"Luciferrrrr!" Lilith roared, and lightning and dark mist congealed together to strike Elaine possessed by Lucifer.

Everything within the path of this dark scythe was obliterated; however, strangely, Elaine (Lucifer) caught the black scythe with one hand before breaking it as if it was a fragile piece of glass.

"Sister you-"

Lucifer abruptly stopped speaking because Lilith did something he was not expecting.

"Silent World."

Lilith declared immediately the whole area turned monochrome, no the world around the two turned monochrome, as though one was looking at a monochrome television from the Middle Ages, the only color was black and white; however, it wasn't what forced Lucifer to stop talking, it was because he knew about this skill, the first Fallen Angel, is to say their ancestor possessed this skill, Lucifer became jealous, however, before he could do anything Lilith moved.

"Into Nothingness !" She declared as she swung her scythe, not even Lucifer was able to see the trajectory of the blade; it might have been because of the host body, maybe it was because Elaine's body couldn't handle all Lucifer power, but one thing was sure, this was a deadly ability, Lucifer wished to acquire it.

It was only a single scythe strike; however, Elaine's body was cut into thousands of pieces, and fragments of Elaine's body drifted in the air before disappearing into nothingness like melted snowflakes.

However, the snowflakes were purely black. It was extremely beautiful yet deadly at the same time.

"Lucifer, I'm coming."

Those were Lilith's last words before falling unconscious; her body hit the ground, blood ruptured from her body, dying her dress red however soon it vanished, her regenerative ability kicked in.

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At the same time, Demon's continent empire, in the throne hall, Lucifer threw away the glass in his hands, it shattered into thousand pieces upon reaching the ground, red wine dying the beautiful carpet red; however, Lucifer ignored it, he was alone in the throne hall.

"Why? Why? Why I'm not the one to awaken that ability? I'm the ruler; it should be me that had that ability. I must have it, Lilith; you're not worthy of this ability."

Lucifer didn't hide his jealousy; space twisted around him to his emotions getting out of control, just a little bit, and the throne hall would be gone. It's how powerful Demigod existences are.

[Calm down; everything will be yours soon anyway. Just make sure to acquire that thing in that dungeon and follow Thanos's instructions. Understood?]

A sudden voice echoed inside Lucifer's head, calming him down.

"I understand, Supreme Lord."

[As for your sister and her friends sent some men. I shall ask Thanos to provide some assistance focus on your mission.] The mysterious voice instructed, and Lucifer smiled and promised to succeed at all cost; if

it weren't because of the unusual dungeon, his men would have already acquired that stone; however, soon he will succeed, until then, nothing was allowed to disturb his plans.

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Two hours later, Lilith woke up feeling refreshed, normally she should be lying on the ground, but she was sleeping inside a tent; it must have been Alex's and Sakuya doing, even without checking, she could feel two presence outside.

After putting on something comfortable, Lilith went outside; the first thing to greet her was Alex and Sakuya sitting around a campfire.

Normally, in a dangerous forest such as the Dark Forest, a campfire would draw too much attention. Still, because of Alex and Sakuya overwhelming presence, no monster dared to come closer, especially not after seeing what Sakuya did; her slaughter party frightened many monsters they labeled her as extremely dangerous monster not to be messed with.

Lilith joined the two, Alex gave her a self-made sandwich, and when she tasted it, she could say that it wasn't bad, but there was still room for improvement.

"I fought my brother; he possessed the woman I was fighting."

Lilith said after a moment of silence.

"I see, it's good to speculate that men under your brother have a curse placed on them for either silence them or possesses them as he did. Ah! It's becoming tricky. I thought we'd sneak in unnoticed and accomplish our goal, at least not until it was too late; however, they were waiting for us." Alex complained as he massaged his temple.

"Well, it doesn't change anything; we need to change our disguise and quickly live this forest. Also, we should act separately for a moment because they might try to intercept any group of two women and one man, disguise or not they know we are three." Sakuya suggested although they would be in a foreign land, thank a unique method, they would be able to keep in touch until they reunite again.

"I suggest we follow Sakuya's suggestion," Lilith said.

"I see, it's a good plan. Lilith follows me. I want to talk to you." Alex said and left; Lilith followed after him after glancing at Sakuya; the latter smiled and waved at her to say to go.

Alex and Lilith talked, and the next day, the group quickly left; they were getting closer to the Demon's continent at the same time a group was dispatched by the Chaos's Eye, their destination the demon's continent.

Chapter 446 - 434: Demon's Continent, First City

Five Days later, on the outskirts of the Dark Forest existed a city called Z'torr; it is under one of the Eight Dukes, the Vampire duchess Priscilla.

Alex was currently disguised as a low-ranked demon, pale white skin with slightly long ears, his eyes red as his hair. Dressed in all black, he walked toward the city while chatting with Silveria.

'Sil, how is your sister?'

『She is fine; she is still recuperating. Don't worry; she will be back soon. We must focus on the current situation. I dare say it is not going to be easy, especially if you follow that crazy plan.』

Alex couldn't help but chuckle when he recalled the plan proposed by Lilith, indeed. As Silveria said, it's a crazy plan, but it held the highest chance of succeeding. Do something your enemy was not expecting to catch him off guard.

"Let's the play begin," Alex mumbled and walked toward the tavern in the slum area.

The moment Alex entered Z'torr, someone stared at him for a moment before vanishing. The demon's continent cities were not different from that of humanity as they have stalls, shops but no adventurers guild or mercenary guild, they have bounty hunter guild, as the name suggests it for bounty hunter; however, a bounty hunter can also hunt monster depending on the reward posted, overall it could be said the bounty hunter guild represents what Adventurer guild represent in the other continents.

All sorts of demons filled the street of Z'torr, hornless demons such as Alex, imp-like demons, demons with all sorts of horns, goat horns, and so on. If Alex could give an honest opinion, he would say days are another group of beastmen.

Nobody seemed to care about the other as they were busy minding their own business. Alex roamed the street of Z'torr before arriving in the slum area; he searched for that thing that exists everywhere you go, and soon he found it.

From the outside, it looks cozy, homey, and pleasant. Plastered walls and carved pillars make up most of the building's outer structure.

It's hard to see through the closed windows, but the music and songs from within could be felt outside.

Alex chuckled and walked forward; as he entered the tavern through the old, metal door, he was welcomed by clapping hands and amazing but unknown scents.

The bartender was buried in orders but still managed to welcome him with a short wave. Alex paid no heed to the momentary silence, and all eyes gathered on him; the weak-willed could have kneeled feeling all these stares on his body; however, Alex nonchalantly walked until he sat on the counter and stared at the bartender and ordered.

"One Devil's Whisper, please."

The bartender stopped cleaning the glass in his hands to make sure he had heard right; Alex chuckled and reiterated his order.

"One Devil's Whisper, please."

It was then the bartender, a Demon with one knew that the man before him must have gone crazy; this was not your typical bar, it's a bar owned by a High ranked demon, a succubus, all customers here are demons with one, rarely a hornless demon would show up, and if they did they know their place, the drink Alex just asked was the highest one could ask for. Still, only High-rank demon has the right to ask for it.

"Do you heard it?" One of the customers suddenly said he deliberately raised his voice to let everyone hear it. A demon with three horns represents his status as High intermediate Demon's Rank, a bull Demon known for their incredible physical strength and substantial physical. Indeed, the man was a giant, three meters tall, with muscles threatening to explode from the armor he wore.

"Hahaha! A demon who still wet behind the ear dare to ask for a devil's whisper? You must have heard your head hard before coming here. Hornless demon should scram."

Another demon with curved horns shouted; his words incited others to shout as well. Alex ignored them and placed a crimson coin on the counter; it was a coin with half of dragon head on it; the moment the bartender saw this coin, his eyes widened and immediately became respectful.

"Welcome, dear guest, a devil's whisper will be served shortly; please patiently wait for it." The bartender said after bowing, his behavior did not go unnoticed by other customers. They were surprised because they knew how crazy this man in a butler suit was, so for him to act like this so suddenly o mean that the red-haired young man isn't a nobody, some chose not to make things difficult for Alex while some refused to reality.

Everywhere you go they exist people who think with their pride; because Alex gained something they lacked, they decided to make things difficult for him. The bull demon stood and started to walk toward Alex when suddenly, everything turned silent, so silent that the bull demon turned to look behind him; he shouldn't have done that because he saw the most beautiful woman he had ever seen.

Long red hair, captivating light purple eyes that seemed to suck you in, her body, oh! It was a men's dream, perfect form, legendary breasts, and tail that wrapped around her waist; the tip would twitch from time to time as if beckoning your soul to escape from its corporal envelope.

The succubus queen, Riley O'Meera, had appeared; the weak-willed men had already experienced ecstasy and fainted while the slightly stronger one wished for one thing, which was to let their desire run wild, to let their most primitive side to take over and jump on this succubus and ravish her until the only thing that she could utter would be 'I'm forever yours.'

The bartender smiled at those foolish thoughts; he had one day thought like those men until he experienced the true heaven, so he decided to work for this woman forever; he would gladly sacrifice his life for her.

Alex ignored the commotion raised by the woman that just entered and patiently waited for her to come, indeed; as Lilith had told him, this woman loved dramatic entrance.

Chapter 447 - 435: Riley O'Meera The Guide

Alex calmly took a sip of the Devil's Whisper; it tasted like a mix between Vodka and Spirit alcohol; it burnt Alex's tongue; he almost stopped drinking, but he didn't; he slowly enjoyed his drink while waiting for Riley to approach.

Since the start, Alex never moved his head; unlike other men, he had already seen what true beauty was, Maria, Luna, Sakuya, Lilith, Kuina, Freya, Elseria, Silveria, the crimson-haired lady. Alex believes that he has already seen the most beautiful creations God ever created. So, Riley might be beautiful, but he didn't think she could compete or be more beautiful than the names mentioned above. Besides, a

succubus is known for using Seduction (Charm) magic, and Riley seemed to possess high-level seduction magic because most men have turned into dogs in heat the moment she appeared.

The bartender was impressed by Alex's strong will; not everyone could escape from his master's seduction magic.

Riley sauntered; her high heels clicked rhythmically until she sat beside Alex and glanced at Alex; every gesture she made was imbued with magic to draw males' inner demons.

"Hello."

Even her voice was sultry; it was imbued with magic. Finally, Alex made eye contact with one of the Z'torr underground kings; he needed only this woman's strength to safely pass from the outer zone in the inner zone of the Asura empire. Most people would think that Riley was only a succubus that tried to suck the male's essence to survive. Still, it was not the case; she possessed another title besides her Eternal sucker title; it's the guide; only highly few people know about this; Lilith was one of them; it was why Alex came here.

"Welcome, let's go straight to the point. I want to pass."

Without breaking the eye's contact with Riley, Alex declared, he solely focused his gaze on her eyes; everything else was irrelevant. Alex did this not because he was afraid of succumbing to Riley's charm because he knew he couldn't be charmed thanks to his high intelligence and MP, most notably due to his Eye of Truth.

Riley's eyes widened, and she became upset; it was her first time facing such a situation; never a hornless demon had to succeed not getting charmed under her magic, so she was intrigued.

"I wonder what you're talking about." Riley decided to play with this red-haired young demon, there was a certain air of mysteriousness surrounding this man, and she wanted to unveil it.

"Cut the crap. I want to pass through the underground river Styrix." Alex declared without breaking eye contact with Riley, he added another two Imperial crimson dragon coins, and Riley gulped. Not often did you see so many Imperial crimson dragon coins; it was the highest form of currency in the demon's continent, only extremely higher-ranked demon-possessed one.

Rumor has it that possessing five of these coins would enable you to rank up, rank up your demon's lineage, so no wonder Riley would gulp seeing two of these coins.

Alex's confidence and manners brought back an unwanted memory; it was a lovely girl who was injured and proposed to pay her with two Imperial crimson dragon coins to escape her pursuers, and Riley accepted, she knew the girl's identity but chose to act as if she didn't know, customers are all the same the moment they pay sufficiently, she would do business with them, it is her motto.

However, the demon's continent wasn't what it used to be; most importantly, it became dangerous recently with the emperor acting all paranoid, blocking most of the entries toward the inner zone.

"Who are you?" Riley asked and used all her strength; mana filled her body to awaken her ultimate charm men's demise fully.

Pink light coming from Riley's body covered Alex's body, trying to infiltrate Alex's mind; unfortunately, it failed.

"Never try what you just did, or else it won't end well for you," Alex warned and released a terrific amount of killing intent that no ordinary hornless demon should possess; Riley gulped. Still, her pride as one of the Z'torr underground kings wouldn't allow her to take a loss, so she did what every king who had her authority questioned would do.

"Mindless Puppets!"

Riley declared before vanishing, the poor men who had lost all rationality and stayed after Riley's appearance were affected by her ultimate charm magic. As the name suggested, they turned into mindless puppets whose sole purpose was to serve their master.

"Grrrrrr!"

"Grrrrrr!"

Like zombies who had lost their humanity, the remaining men in the bar attacked Alex from all sides.

Alex chuckled; he knew that Riley and the bartender were somewhere watching everything that happened.

The first to attack was the same man that ridiculed Alex earlier, the bull demon. His body height increased, his muscles bulged before transforming into metallic-like shine; it was the characteristic of royal bloodline Bull demon, Metallic bull demon charge.

"Houf! Houf!"

The five meters tall bull demon inhaled before running toward Alex like a bull that saw a red flag.

Astonishingly Alex stopped the mad metal bull charge with one hand before raising his second hand and strike; dark mist covered Alex's hand before his hand descended and unleashed the last judgment.

Bang! Crack! Boom!

As Alex's first smacked the bull demon on the head, a cracking sound was heard, followed by the metallic bull demon bursting into a bloody mist.

Alex, covered in crimson blood, smiled before moving; he arrived before another male demon; this one had a snake-like tail. He caught him by the neck and lifted him before cracking his neck into the opposite side; a sickening sound was heard; Alex tossed the cold corpse aside and moved on to another one.

Soon, the bar was littered with corpses; most had their necks snapped into odd glances, their eyes showed ecstasy instead of pain until the end they never regained their consciousness, and Alex didn't regret killing twenty men so ruthlessly, the demon's continent was like this, you kill or either be killed, it's most ruthless than the other continents.

After killing the last men, the last puppet, Alex turned his gaze into a certain direction and coldly announced.

"Are you convinced now, or do you wish for another confirmation?"

Chapter 448 - 436: The Stryx River

"Are you convinced now, or do you wish for another confirmation?" Alex's voice echoed through the bar; it was so strong that a few glasses fell above and shattered into the ground.

Riley, who was hiding chuckled, she didn't respond to Alex's question, almost as if she still wished to continue to test him; no, it was really what she wanted; she licked her lips and tried to turn in the bartender's direction as if to give an instruction.

It happened at that moment, Alex who should be at the other end of the room Accel-ed to reappear before her; however, it was not Alex's speed that shocked Riley, what shocked was the fact Alex exactly knew where she hid, which should have been normally impossible, she might not be strong as a Saint, but she was not far from that level. Most importantly, she possessed a skill that made her stand, a concealment skill that not even normal Saint could detect after she used it; it was thanks to this skill she was able to survive for so long; however, now this skill was proven to be useless before this strange-looking hornless demon.

Alex's right fist glowed crimson, the air cracked, and without hesitation, he threw a punch in Riley's direction; everything happened too fast; for the first time, the succubus queen showed fear, it was then bartender moved. As he had said, he would gladly give his life for Riley; however, he doubted this young hornless demon could go against him; this absolute confidence came from the fact that he was a Saint.

Full of confidence, Gregor, the bartender, also threw a punch forward, two fists collided, time seemed to have momentarily stopped and then.

Boom!

Gregor was blasted back; his body punched the bar's wall to appear outside; he lay powerlessly on the ground coughing blood; that arm he used to defend against Alex's punch was bent in an odd angle. Gregor's figure at the moment was extremely sorry; he couldn't believe that he had lost in the contest of strength; this could only mean one thing, this man was stronger than him.

The passing demons only glanced at Gregor and ran away after knowing who he was and which faction he belonged. There are three factions in this city: The succubus queen faction, the Mad King faction, and the Lone Wolf faction. No matter which faction, it was better not to mess up with their members if you wish to live longer.

"Wait, wait, I accept your offer," Riley shouted after seeing Alex calmly walk toward the fallen Gregor; his intention could not be more obvious; if he were left alone, he would try to finish her most loyal man, and this was something she couldn't allow, losing Gregor would mean losing her standing in this town. If she didn't immediately arrange things, the other Kings would try to take advantage of the current situation and get rid of her, something she could never let happen.

Alex's lips curved into a smile, and he tossed two Imperial crimson dragon coins at Riley, who caught it and sighed.

"How is the princess?" Riley couldn't help but ask this as she guided Alex underground.

Alex snorted, "Do not ask an unnecessary question and do what you have been paid to do."

"Grr! You-"

"Shut up, Gregor!" Riley admonished Gregor when she saw him want to stand for him. Both knew that neither was Alex's match, so better not provoke this man. Sometimes, Riley had the feeling that Alex deliberately provoked them to see their reactions.

"You know the Stryrix River would be under surveillance, even so, you wished to pass through it?" Riley asked; it was not like she was trying to provoke Alex, but she was trying to build a connection with him; having such a talented demon as a friend can be beneficial in the future, Alex possessed strength, for such a person showing good faith by letting some information slip was a good thing, even though he knew beforehand about this information, it would show that you want to build a good relationship with him so the other if wise would not let go of such opportunity.

Not many know about the mysterious river that traverses the whole demon's realm (another name of the demon's continent); it went without saying that the royal family knew about it, so they must have ordered for blockages to be placed all around the Stryrix River not to let the intruder pass through.

"I already know that, but thanks for the information; you just have to make him pass as for the remaining things, I will deal with them myself," Alex said and looked forward to the appearance of the Stryrix River, he wondered if it was the same as the underworld river, the one governed by Hades but he doubts it was the case.

Riley nodded her head and continued to walk deeper into the underground of Z'torr city, and soon, the group stopped by an ancient-looking door; behind this door was the Stryrix River.

Riley placed something against the door, then a rumbling sound could be heard, and the giant door was opened.

The group walked forward, passing through the giant door; what greeted them was endless mist; thanks to Alex's sight, he could see a dark river covered in endless mist; this must be the Stryrix River, Alex speculated, and indeed it was right.

Riley whistled, and from the other side, a ferryman appeared on an old-looking boat; this ferryman had a cap covering its head.

"To the end!"

If it was some kind of code Alex didn't know, he calmly watched Riley give one imperial crimson coin and a pouch to the ferryman, then the ferryman announced.

"Let's go."

Immediately, Alex jumped on the ferry; he only glanced at Riley before shifting his gaze forward. Riley and Gregor waited until the ferryman and Alex disappeared from their sights before Gregor raised a question.

"Mistress, why do you follow that man's wish? You should have refused if you want." Gregor couldn't understand.

"Sigh! A revolution is about to happen. I must be on the winner side you will understand in the future." Riley answered while thinking about the storm that was about to fall on the Asura empire with Lilith's

appearance; she had already gambled on her survival once, so she saw no need not to gamble on her again, thought Riley.

Chapter 449 - 437: Lilith's Capture

Alex and the ferryman calmly traversed the dark river filled with mist; neither did Alex ask a question nor did the ferryman say anything. It was mutual understanding as each one of them focused on his task; the ferryman focused on rowing the ferry while Alex calmly waited for the following scenario (following their plan) as he was sure that something interesting awaited him ahead.

Nothing could be seen except endless mist and an eerie silence that enveloped the Stryx River; the duo traversed twenty kilometers before suddenly, the dark river became illuminated by torches; those torches seemed to approach Alex and the ferryman rapidly, the latter stopped rowing the ferry.

From the other side, numerous boards with soldiers dressed in purple uniforms appeared.

"Stop, on the order of the emperor, no ferry is allowed to pass through here, immediately state your identity."

Five boards surrounding Alex's ferry, he didn't show any signs of panic, neither did the ferryman, they calmly asserted their situation.

"State your identity!" Ordered one of the men in purple guards rove; if Alex's speculation wasn't wrong, these men must be the imperial guards.

Alex didn't answer the guard's order making them frown, the ferryman aside, a normal passenger should be able to tell their identity, and yet this young hornless demon was ignored them; this infuriated the guards, and one of them tried to say something, however, before he could say sometimes he received a notification from the land stating that there was commotion not too far from them and all imperial guards have been requested.

The ferryman showed no emotion, but Alex smiled, knowing the message they received meant Lilith must have acted.

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In another location, inside an Inn, a violent scene was happening.

Lilith, disguised as a cowgirl demon, moved quicker.

The female mage confronting her witnessed a red flash in front of her. At the next moment, the magical torrent within her control erupted. Lilith flitted across in a white burst of lightning, aiming straight at the five bulgears (Dark Elves like a demon, gray skin, and sharp ears) behind the female mage. A dazzling, eye-catching brilliance erupted. In the blink of an eye, blood splattered from the bodies of the five bulgears like fountains spraying into midair. Their streams of blood coalesced into the shape of lightning blades that swooped down and slashed at them. Along with deep, thunderous rumbles, the five heavily-armored bulgears followed in the other's footsteps. Before they let out a shriek, they were pierced in the chest by the bloody lightning swords and flew out of the inn.

The abrupt change in situation baffled the female three-horned mage. She felt the magical powers coalescing in her hand completely losing control as they flowed in reverse inside her body. Her vision

swayed and turned indistinct as though the world were spinning. The moment she gasped for air and shuddered, she realized that she was already screaming.

"Listen up, you ugly and lowly demon."

Lilith stood by the inn entrance, grabbed the female mage's neck with her right hand, and dragged her outside the inn. Her purple eyes glinted in a mysterious yet mesmerizing flash.

"You rats who are only capable of digging holes in the underground river have no right to stand before me. Before a mighty royal family member, your shameless and worthless race isn't even worthy of a mention! If you think you can act mighty me with your wisdom that is worse than pigs, I will give you a taste of my wrath. I will make sure you sink into the fear of blood and death, never able to free yourself! This is your deserved lesson! Now, feel my wrath!"

Lilith spoke, her eyes glinting brightly in a purple brilliance. She didn't conceal her identity anymore; immediately following her words, Lilith's actual appearance appeared, then she clenched her right hand abruptly.

Crack.

The severed female mage's head fell and rolled. Fresh blood spurted from her neck, staining the pitch-black ground. Lilith swept an ice-cold glance at her surroundings. She threw her hand up abruptly, and at the next second, the headless corpse flew into the air and exploded in a loud bang.

The surroundings fell into complete silence.

Shortly after, loud, high-pitched screams broke out.

Lilith clapped her hands and returned to normal. Then, she revealed an unusual smile, turned around to size up the crowd, and made a hand gesture.

She then snarled, raising and swinging her right fist abruptly.

"——!"

A glaring, white light lightning beam exploded from her fist, blasting straight at the army of bulgears surrounding the Inn. Facing this sudden, oncoming brilliance, the bluegars were completely devoured before they could even react. In an instant, a brilliance occupied the entire space, enveloping the dark, underground city in whiteness as bright as daylight.

The blinding light wreaked havoc on the bulgears' formation. Their weakness was bright lights and lightning, and the bluegars shuddered under Lilith's terrible lightning; they were turned into a cinder in a flash.

"Run!!"

The demons who had come to watch an interesting show scattered in different directions after witnessing Lilith's terrible lightning might.

Lilith ignored them and calmly waited, and she didn't have to wait for too long before the one called the Asura guards among the imperial guards appeared, twelve men appeared dressed in crimson guards

robe, every one of them was really strong with the weakest being Rank 10, four Saints surrounded Lilith.

The leader of the Asura guards stepped forward; he bowed, and calmly stated.

"Princess, please calmly follow us."

Lilith smiled and offered no resistance and followed the Asura's guards; the fleeing demons stopped after seeing the Asura's guards depart with the princess.

Asura's empire throne hall, Lucifer stared at his kneeling sister and smiled.

"Welcome back, dear sister. I never thought you would let yourself so easily get caught. Tell me, what is your goal?"

"Your death!" Lilith declared with a cold smile, somehow Lilith's behavior enraged Lucifer; it was like she was making fun of him as if she believed that everything was still under her control after getting caught; how ridiculous, he would teach her how wrong this thought was.

"Lock her into the deepest part of the Underworld Hell prison," Lucifer ordered and walked forward before personally putting the highest grade of mana sealing bracelet on Lilith's wrist, and yet she was still smiling.

"Asura guards immediately catch the other intruders."

Somehow, Lucifer had a bad feeling, so he ordered, and his guards disappeared.

'It's begun..' Lilith, who was being directed to the underground hell prison mumbled, she was still smiling; everything was still according to the plan.

Chapter 450 - 438: Eternal Nightmare 1

While Lilith was accompanied into the Underground Hell prison by some guards, Alex, who got almost caught, resumed his adventure on the Stryx River; the ferryman continued to row the boat forward.

Alex sat in silence; the plan was simple; after the three chose a separate direction, to let the other safely pass, Lilith would let herself get caught, she knew where she would be sent, and it was exactly where she wanted to be for the next part of the plan.

'Lucifer would have never thought that imprisoning her sister in the deepest part of the Underground Hell prison, the same place where she stayed for some time, would be the dumbest mistake he ever made.' Alex inwardly mumbled, and as if to read his thoughts, Silveria commented.

「He must have thought that if Lilith were to be imprisoned in the Eternal Nightmare cell, she would lose her mind making it possible to control her. If he only knew, his sister wouldn't be affected anymore because she gained a counter.」

'Well, we must focus on our goal. I think we are getting closer to where Lilith said.' Alex said and looked at the thick fog before them; unlike the last time where you could still see even if the fog, Alex was sure that after entering the fog ahead, it would be hard to control the board, but he was wrong.

"Passenger, we have already at the first interception, also known at the center of the Stryrix River, please sit tight."

For the first time, Alex heard the ferryman's voice; it was an extremely old and throaty voice. Alex nodded and followed the ferryman's order because he learned from Lilith that passing through the first interception wasn't easy; it was like you pass through a terrible storm.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The moment Alex's group entered the thick fog, the terrible sound of water crashing against rocks could be heard, and the board started to tremble almost as if it could break at any moment; however, the ferryman showed no sign of panic; he continued to maneuver the board amidst the terrible storms skillfully, it was as if he had perfect control over the board as if it was an extension of his body, it was interesting, Alex watched the ferryman escape every danger zone, he was like a professional skateboarder.

What seemed like an eternity passed, yet in reality, only another hour passed; the river had become calm, there was still thick fog surrounding the river, but it wasn't hard as it was a while ago.

Suddenly, the ferryman frowned, and for the second time, he spoke.

"Passenger, I think it would be hard to continue."

Alex frowned; he immediately used his Divine Sense. He couldn't help but whistle because ahead was an unexpected visitor, an extremely strong presence, so strong that everything around her seemed to bow down in reverence, or was how strong this presence was, it was no wonder that the ferryman would say what he said. Alex gulped as they slowly approached that terrible presence.

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Let rewind time to one hour. Lilith was sent to the underground hell prison-like the name suggested it was hell, it was unknown who came up with this system, maybe it was the first founder but, the Underground Hell prison was a terrible place, it was divided into eighteen layers with the first layer being the most dangerous, the first layer was called the Eternal Nightmare, Lilith was sent there but only at the outer edge, however, this time she would be placed at the center of the first layer, the most terrible place but she was not afraid.

After Alex knew the composition of this prison, he would have said it looks exactly like the eighteen layers of hell in fantasy.

The guards showed no respect for their princess as they pushed her deeper into the first layer of Hell; the boldest even kicked Lilith in the back, sending her rolling down the first floor; she fell face first.

"Cough! Cough!"

Lilith coughed before standing up on her feet; before she could scan her surrounding, an intense headache assaulted her, and it started.

Lilith's consciousness was teleported to somewhere; she found herself before her younger self; the Eternal Nightmare amplified one deepest fear and Lilith's fear what none other than the tragedy she experienced when she was a child.

She saw a peaceful, loving family, her gentle yet respected and powerful emperor, her sister, her younger brother, and mostly her strong yet most competent big brother; everything should have been perfect, but cracks started to appear, her gentle brother began to smile less and less, they should have known, but most of them thought it was because of the expectations placed upon his shoulders; however, it wasn't the case, Lucifer surnamed the Morningstar as there was a Morningstar the day he was born had changed.

He became jealous, jealousy is an ugly thing because it could turn the most perfect man, the most gentle man, into a demon, it was what happened to Lucifer, one day he stood up. He killed his family with overwhelming strength; his parents and siblings couldn't believe it, but Lucifer was smiling as he slaughtered them; he left his youngest sister as if to tell her that everything was her fault; it was because of her that such a tragedy happened. Imagine the ten years old Lilith was forced to bear a sin she had never thought she would bear; she never desired anything other than family peace, she never thought of competing with her brother or sister over the throne, and yet she became the sole survivor beside her brother after the latter slaughtered everyone.

The Eternal Nightmare had started working, Lilith kneeled, she was filled with nothing other than regret, but she knew she could never herself fall prey to demons from the past; if she were to do that, then it would mean that she had not learned anymore during the past years, something Lilith could never do as she had prepared for today's scenario, time to show what she had learned and completed her goal.

"Roarrrr!"