

## Death Guns 611

### Chapter 611 - 587: Vampire Hunt 3

While Alex was dealing with his first vampire, Celestine and Eri finally their first vampire, a group of five vampires. Unlike Alex, who was lucky only to face one vampire at time, the girls weren't that lucky; however, they both showed no panic; on the contrary, they were smiling; instead of panicking, they wore a huge grin like a hunter about to play with her prey.

The five lower vampires shivered, they immediately thought about retreating; however, two things stopped them from doing this, the first being their pride, they think they are superior to humans, so chosen race, there is no way a chosen would flee in the presence of a lower race. As for the second reason, there was no way those two would let them go easily judging by how they were smiling, so they would fight for their honor or die trying.

"Fuck! Let's screw them!"

Shouted one of the vampires; this one was shorter than the others. Immediately upon hearing the short vampire's words, the others got fired up and launched attacks on the two girls.

However, before their attacks could reach, a wall made of flame appeared and stopped their attacks.

"What?"

The five exclaimed, not expecting something like this.

Meanwhile, Celestine, who judged Alex and Eri to be strong, was pleasantly surprised to see Eri easily deal with the attacks from five lower vampires (around Level 105). Despite her surprise, she curbed her desire to know the full extent of Eri's strength. Currently, she had better things to do. Also, as a senior, she must not lose face, so Celestine moved; she took out her weapon, surprisingly it was a red whip.

Celestine swung her whip; it made a whooshing sound as it cut through the flame and arrived at one of the vampires.

The latter eyes became wide open; however, it was already too late; unlike the vampire Alex faced, this group couldn't turn into mist as they were still lower vampires; they had not met the quota for ranking into a higher form.

Pa!

When the whip touched the vampire's head, it sounded like he had received a huge slap; however, it was far worse than that, something penetrated the vampire head upon getting in contact with the whip, it swelled before bursting apart like a balloon, it was what made that sounds.

The recoil from this explosion threw the other vampires into the air; Celestine's whip followed, not wanting to miss the opportunity to rip apart some skin. Unfortunately, the other vampires had already learned their lesson; they summoned their weapons and dodged the whip cutting through the air like a hungry snake.

However, while they momentarily dodged Celestine's whip, they also forgot about Eri; the latter sped toward the nearest vampire; this vampire was surprised but soon snickered and threw her sharp nails forward.

Eri chuckled; she didn't use her Gift; for this kind of low monster, there was no need to use her weapon. She clenched her fist before throwing it toward the incoming, and just as the two were about to collide, a golden flame appeared around Eri's hand.

Upon seeing this golden flame, the vampire had a bad feeling, she tried to withdraw her nails, but it was already too late.

Bang!

"!!!!!!!"

The vampire's hand was immediately incinerated, and before it could even scream, she received a heavy kick in the stomach, she was sent flying with her body curving in an impossible shape.

"Golden Arrow!"

Whoosh!

From Eri's finger, a small golden arrow flew and collided against the flying vampire body; what followed was beautiful fireworks.

Boom!

The vampire body exploded into golden light.

"I guess we are even then, but I would be the final winner."

Celestine's competitive side ignited, seeing how easily Eri dealt with that vampire. She immediately swung her whip, which was divided into two.

Sii! Sii!

Like a snake, they cut through the air and arrived before two vampires; they didn't have the time to dodge before they wrapped around them before like the previous one; their bodies swelled and exploded.

BOOM!

As for the last vampire, Eri had killed it.

"I guess it is my win," Celestine said with a smile.

"Don't celebrate too fast," Eri announced before pointing her finger in her left, from which a small golden fireball was shot out.

Boom!

An explosion occurred, followed by an anguished cry; a vampire hiding there was instantly burnt.

"Now, we are even," Eri said after turning in Celestine's direction; the latter shrugged her shoulders as if to say, you are right.

"Let go. Alex headed outside of the city; he is going in that direction." Eri said while pointing at the west.

Celestine nodded; after giving instructions to her shadow guard, she followed Eri; they went outside of the city, passed through a small forest to arrive before an abandoned castle.

Just as they arrived, they heard a terrible explosion.

Kabooooom!

The abandoned castle disappeared after the terrible explosion that shook the surrounding stopped, and in the sky, two persons could be seen fighting.

Bang! Bang!

Every time they clashed, it would result in a huge explosion.

"Interesting! Alex is really strong. Going toe to toe with a duke. This one is almost level 150." Celestine said while crossing her arms; she had no intention about stepping in this fight; she decided to watch and not get involved.

"This fight he has already won it." Eri declared after a moment of observation.

Celestine chuckled, not believing her words at all.

"What makes you think that?" She asked.

"Just watch." It was all Eri said before finding somewhere to sit and watch the fight.

Finally, the fight had reached its climax, Alex who decided to experience the difference between this Duke and Priscilla, who he fought against a few months ago, was disappointed because this vampire duchess was weaker than Priscilla; he had thought that because Exodus was an exceptional place, this vampire would also be exceptionally strong; unfortunately, it was not the case.

"Time Stop"

The vampire duchess in front of Alex froze.

Bang!

[Chaos Bullet]

The gray bullet tore through the vampire body and completely erased her existence from this world.. Celestine was surprised but decided to postpone any question she had for later.

Chapter 612 - 588: Sigurd And Information Gathering

After successfully killing the vampires that attacked tonight, at the same time they took care of the duchess who governs this region, Alex and Eri received a higher evaluation. Alex politely declined Celestine's invitation to attend a banquet; he didn't have the time for this kind of thing; naturally, Eri

refused as well; unlike Alex, she knew the motive behind this banquet, what goal Celestine wished to accomplish.

After Alex and Eri subjugated the vampires, the attitude of the natives changed; they became more friendly; however, neither Alex nor Eri cared about this.

Night ended. The sun opened its eyes and shined on the horizon.

Alex and Eri walked with Celestine; they had finished eating their breakfast and immediately asked to leave. Naturally, Celestine was against it at first but soon saw that she could do nothing to stop them from leaving.

"Ah! I wish you could stay for a few days to enjoy our hospitality." Celestine said as if it was indeed a shame.

"Just say you wished for us to stay for a few days in the hope of using us to take care of any eventual problem." Alex directly said Celestine's goal.

"I-I don't know what you are talking about."

Having been busted, Celestine was flustered; she even started stuttering when speaking.

"Forget it. Just help us leave. It's all that matters." Alex said, not wanting to waste his time any more than this. They must go to the next floor, going to the next floor where they might be able to see their friends.

Finally, the three stopped before a huge door, pushing it open; Celestine was the first to walk in, followed by Alex and Eri.

There was nothing in the room they entered except a golden formation in the middle of the room. Alex believed that this must be one of the teleportation formations used to travel to the next floor. There must exist one formation in every city on this floor or continent, as Celestine used to say.

"Please step inside the formation while holding the golden leaves I gave you," Celestine instructed. Alex and Eri did as they were ordered. They stepped inside the golden formation and held out respectively a golden leaf that Celestine gave them beforehand.

The moment they took out those golden leaves, the golden formation vibrated before shining, immediately, as the key Celestine chanted some obscure chant. Immediately following this change, the two felt a sensation they had experienced too often; the golden light enveloped them shone brighter, and they disappeared from the room after the light disappeared, and the golden formation became silent again.

Celestine appeared as though she had performed a heavy task; her forehead was drenched while she felt like more than half of her mana was gone; because their destination was different from the normal one, she had to pay a heavy price.

"Forget it. It's a shame but it couldn't be helped." Celestine muttered before leaving the room.

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In another location, another floor, Alex and Eri were teleported to another floor, inside a building almost identical to the one they had just left.

Immediately upon their arrival, someone noticed them and rushed toward them.

"Welcome outsiders, I'm Wilfrid, the head guards here. Welcome to Sigurd, this way, please." Wilfrid made a polite bow while pointing at the exit.

Alex and Eri were pleasantly surprised by the warm welcome they received from the residents of this city; it was different from Restart town where they came from.

"Sure," Alex said after exchanging glances with Eri. They followed Wilfrid and other guards outside of the room. On the way, they got a summary of Sigurd; it was named after a famous figure; ironically, it was like the legend of Earth. Alex, the legend of Sigurd.

The moment Alex and Eri saw the city, they were shocked by how big it was and, more importantly, by the flying beasts in the sky. Gryphon, wyverns.

Wilfrid smiled, pleased with their reaction, and once again, he bowed while handing two golden plates with their names inscribed on them.

"Once again, welcome to Sigurd."

"Well, take care," Alex said, weaving at Wilfrid and the other guards while dragging Eri with him; she was acting like a country bumpkin, constantly staring at the flying beasts in the sky.

"You can also fly, so what is the point of staring at those beasts so much?" Alex, who didn't understand, asked Eri why she was so fixated on the beasts in the sky.

"What do you know. Superman can fly but still take planes. Naturally, I want to ride these beasts to fly in the sky, just sitting on their back, enjoying the scenery. How good it would be." Eri said passionately, which made Alex feel uncomfortable; he quickly admitted defeat.

"I see you win. Do as you wish but only after we book rooms. I'm not your servant, so you need to come with me. Let's go."

"Tch!" Eri clicked her tongue, annoyed; although she could not go immediately, it was still great that she got Alex's permission to go after booking a room; she was genuinely impatient to experience the great life in the sky. Eri had one hobby like most of the rich kids; she likes the sky, taking planes, bungee jump, parachutes. She loved them all, so seeing the beasts in the sky, she immediately wished to try various things and couldn't wait to try them out.

After walking around, Alex and Eri finally found the best Inn and immediately booked two suits; they got a discount because of their high evaluation (received on the previous floor after completing the task given to them).

Immediately after entering her room, not one hour passed before she exited it. Coincidentally Alex happened to be going at that time, so naturally, they met.

"Ugh! Why are you out?" Eric frowned; she thought that maybe Alex had changed his mind at the last minute and would try to stop her from going.

Alex, who understood the misunderstood, felt compelled to massage his forehead, and he did. After calming down, he said.

"Cut it. You can go whenever you want. I'm not here to stop you. I have my plan."

He didn't wait for her before passing her and immediately headed outside. Eri was left alone; she pouted and mumbled.

"What a mood killer."

"Sigh! Let's go; the sky is waiting for me."

Meanwhile, Alex, who left the Inn starting searching around; he had a goal in mind. It took him three hours to finally find what he was after.

In the northern part of the city lies an inconspicuous shop; people rarely stop in front of this shop even though the street is bustling. However, it was only its external appearance; once you entered the shop, a whole world was waiting for you. A luxurious bar filled with customers while at the same a gambling house was being held inside.

Looking at those poor souls who would never succeed in quitting gambling as it was one of the worst curses in existence, you can't quit maybe after losing everything and dying. There was a time Alex almost fell for this curse; he almost became a gambling addict after getting betrayed by his best friend and losing his money; it was thanks to her grandmother he was able to get back, stronger than he used to be. How much he wished to see her again, but that would be postponed for later. He must complete tonight's task, which was to get some information.

Sitting around the counter, Alex ordered a drink; he finished his first glass, then ordered another one, finished as soon the glass was filled. The bartender frowned and approached Alex wanting to remind him to go easy; it was not his place nagging customers, but he must do something, or else once drunk, Alex may start causing trouble, they have been many cases like that.

Just as the bartender approached Alex, he suddenly stopped because he noticed that Alex, who should be drunk, lifted his head and smiled at him before flipping a black coin in his direction. Immediately, the bartender understood, he had been baited. He could only sigh and approach Alex. He had already accepted the black coin.

"What do you want?"

Upon hearing the bartender's question, Alex's smile broadened; looking directly into the bartender's eyes, he declared.

"I wanted to meet the Broker."

There was a silence before the bartender finally responded.

"I see. Please follow."

Immediately Alex stood up and followed the bartender; they went behind the counter where a secret compartment was, pushing it stairs leading down appeared. The bartender was the first to descend, followed by Alex; the moment they took the stairs, the wall behind them was closed.

Outside, the other customers who had seen Alex following the bartender behind the counter knew where they were going, someone among them said.

"Another one wanting to see the Broker. The man is sure rich to afford a black coin."

"Hahaha, you're right." Another one said.

"I wish to know the Broker's identity." Someone said the whole room turned silent, startling the young man (Player).

"What?" He asked, curious. However, he received a look of contempt; just as he was about to blow up, someone touched his shoulder and advised.

"If you wish to live longer, better stop thinking about the Broker's identity."

"What?" The young man was still confused about why everyone had such an exaggerated reaction because of what he said.. The man who advised him was gone to drown his frustration; the young man began to drink while secretly thinking about learning about the Broker's identity.

Chapter 613 - 589: The Broker

Alex silently followed the bartender as they walked down the stairs. As they walked, Silveria unexpectedly appeared, making Alex shout.

"What you are trying to pull here?" He asked her telepathically.

"Relax, nobody can see beside you, and the reason I'm out is to confirm something. Please don't mind me." Silveria responded and kept floating in the air beside Alex.

'Of course, I do, but I guess you wouldn't listen once you become wistful.' Alex sighed.

"Costumer, is there a problem?" The bartender asked because Alex had stopped walking and stared into the empty air.

"Ah! Nothing, I'm thinking about something. I'm fine; let's keep going."

"I see, it's good we are almost there." the bartender said and continued to advance.

Two minutes later, they arrived before a simple-looking door. The bartender approached and knocked on the door six times before the door made a click sound and vanished. What lies beyond the door is darkness.

"Interesting!" Silveria muttered as though she had seen something. Alex didn't bother asking what it was as he believed he would get the answer soon.

Suddenly, there was a voice that awoke Alex from his reverie.

"My job end here. The rest you will continue on your own. Just walk forward." The bartender left those words behind before disappearing.

Alex said nothing and immediately entered the dark world; he walked for a while before seeing a small light in the distance.

"Sigh! So troublesome." Alex complained but still walked toward the light.

Finally, he arrived and what he saw upon arriving was a single with two chairs, one of them was occupied by someone dressed entirely in black. This person had a mask on, so naturally, Alex could not judge this person's gender. Just as he was about to use the Eye of Truth on this person to know its gender and some other information, Silveria strongly advised him not to.

"I won't do that if I were you."

Alex immediately stopped and took a seat. The other party looked at him for a moment before looking at his right where Silveria was. Despite the surprise, Alex acted naturally.

"So what do you want to know?"

Before Alex could open his mouth, the other party acted faster and asked.

"I want to know why it's so hard to meet the mayor. Isn't he was supposed to give us tasks to complete to go to the next level."

"150 Fame points." the broker answered.

'So expensive.' Alex's heart bled, but he still paid the price for the information.

"Payment received." The broker said in a genderless tone.

"The reason it's hard to see the mayor is that his daughter got sick recently, it's serious, she is in the coma. As a bonus for the immediate payment, I'll give you a bonus. To have a chance to see him go search for the sunflower, it's one of the ingredients to cure his daughter." the broker explained.

Alex mused over the information he had just heard. He knew that the broker had deliberately omitted where to find this sunflower, and he was sure that he would be the only one to go after this flower. To know more, he must pay a heavy price.

"Ah! You're sure vicious." Alex said before asking for more information, and the broker happily responded.

"200 fame points."

Alex automatically paid, even though those fame points had been extorted from the unlucky thugs after thinking he was easy prey (A/N: He deliberately lured them to attack him by showing his wealth. The greed bound thugs immediately went after him. Not only did he rob them of their fame points, but he also got a black coin which he used to see the Broker.)

"Thank you for your patronage. As I was saying, the mayor's daughter is sick and requires several ingredients to be cured; among those ingredients is the sunflower, an essential ingredient often seen in the desolate forest where strong monsters roam; as you might have guessed, you are not the only one taking this quest. The sunflower is located in the depth of the desolate forest, precisely on top of the snow mountain said to be extremely difficult to climb. You must hurry up because many players had taken up this quest, and there's only one Sunflower. Whoever gets this flower will have the chance to see the mayor, and who knows, maybe this person might be able to ascend if lucky enough."

"I see, so if I wish to participate, I should head to the desolate forest? Huh! I guess I should head over there." Alex said before taking out five portraits; they were the portraits of Alexandra, Luna, Maria, Sakuya, and Alice.

"Have you seen or heard about any of them?" Alex asked while showing the five portraits.

"100 fame points." The broker responded, and Alex paid without hesitation. Any information about those five is worth all the gold in the world. He wouldn't hesitate to spend money or Fame points to get any information he could on them.

"What a generous client." the Broker complimented, but Alex said nothing but showed a bitter expression on his face.

After receiving the payment, the broker answered.

"I have nothing about the four, but about the last one, I have something. Recently, there is a white-haired devil destroying everything on her path."

Alex's interest was caught, he said.

"Elaborate."

The broker wished to ask for another payment but, in the end, dared not to ask for another.

The broker did not want to be on Alex's bad side, especially with that unknown entity beside him. All these things made the broker hesitate but soon decided to tell Alex what he wanted to know.

"Rumor has it that recently a white-haired devil girl appeared and destroyed everything on her path. She was so dangerous that nobody wanted to mess with her. The strangest thing is that nobody managed to see her true appearance; the only thing that managed to see was that she had white hair and extremely beautiful."

"I see. White-haired and extremely vague. Although it's extremely vague, it helps me a lot. I want to know where this white-haired girl is?"

The Broker stayed silent for a moment before answering.

"She seemed to be participating in the ongoing mission, meaning she is also going into the Desolate forest searching for the Sunflower. You better hurry."

Upon hearing the Broker's advice, Alex nodded and tried to live; it was then Silveria, who stayed since the moment entered, finally opened her mouth and said.

"As I thought, she is different."

Silveria's declaration was like a huge clap of thunder on Alex's face; from these words, he learned the gender of the Broker; apparently, she was a female, but there was something else bothering him.

"What do you mean, she's different?" He asked, however, as he feared Silveria didn't answer, choosing silence which pissed Alex a lot. Just as he was about to lose his temper and scold her, someone he was not expecting butt in.

"This girl, you have to make her yours."

Unexpectedly it was Nyx who talked.

"What?" Unconsciously Alex raised his voice which startled the Broker.

"Why are you shouting?" The Broker said.

"No, it's nothing," Alex said he didn't say it was because of the ridiculous request stated by Nyx.

"What do you mean? Please explain it." Alex asked. He didn't really expect to get an answer as he used to receive silence as an answer, unexpectedly he received one this time.

〔I don't mean to sleep with her, nor I'm saying to make her your woman. Just tame her.〕 Nyx explained before going silent.

'What tame her? Is she some kind of monster to be tamed?' Alex asked but got no answer.

"Sigh! If you were going to explain, please do it till the end instead of stopping halfway." Alex complained; however, nobody said anything, he got no answer, even Silveria chose to stay silent

"Ah! I will think of something later." Alex was forced to make this decision.

After exchanging a few words with the broker, Alex left the underground room and went back to his Inn, where he sat on the chair and summoned his status.

[Alex Grim]

Class: Magic Gunslinger

Age: 18

Male

Race: High Human ????

Level 127

Experience Value (XP): 0/201500

HP: 4800/4800

MP: 8170/8170

STA: 3300/3800

Magic: None

ATK: 2630

DEF: 2230

AGI: 2220 (+200)

INT: 2260

LUK: 1860

BP: 90

SP: 0

Fame: 3400

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 5] [Gun Art Level Level 10] [High Regeneration Level 9] [Mana Synchronisation Level 10 Max] [Crimson's Bullet] [Shadow Shift Level 5] [Blade Dance Level 4] [Aurora Bullet Level 1] [Drifter L

Level 3] [Meteor Bullet Level 5] [Steel body Level 3]

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

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

Chapter 614 - 590: The Unlucky Holy Daughter

It happened when Alex was fiddling with his status window.

The bright, full moon enveloping half the night sky splashed on the pitch-black ground with its illumination. The outlines of the leaves in the forest were visible, but suddenly, a series of animal howls broke out throughout the tranquil forest. Countless, startled birds woke up from their slumber, flapped their wings, and soared into the sky fearfully to escape the close-approaching death, as well as the holder of the death aura. Running ahead was a woman with white hair tied in a ponytail, her clothes were torn here and there, showing her skin underneath. This person was none other than Cecilia, running for her life.

Initially, the situation wasn't this bad; she was lucky to be in the same group as Luna even after they entered the tower; it could be said that luck was really on her side as it was just the two of them. Cecilia recalled what orders she received; if the soft approach didn't work, she was authorized to use the hard one, simply put, she would kidnap Luna after knocking her down.

From the pieces of information gathered, they knew that Alex's fiancée, Luna was stronger; the path she took was different from a normal healer, a combat Saintess and a scary one as that. Still, the Holy Crux empire mustn't be underestimated as they came up with a solution in the form of Cecilia. It was a shame to admit it, but Cecilia was better than Damien, stronger than him, and less impulsive; she had the bigger picture in mind and followed orders. With all of these things prepared, she was sent on a mission, her arrival just before the excursion into Exodus; everything was perfectly calculated. They knew she would be accepted, so they gave her an item to help her once Luna was secured.

Cecilia didn't act on the first day because she knew that the others were suspicious of her intentions of joining them after initially refusing to join them; although they tried not to show it, she could still see

the distrust inside their eyes as they tried to cover it up with a smile. Still, she was not disappointed, it was a good thing since she had anticipated this, it was just a question of timing, more importantly, who is good than the other, and Cecilia believed that she was good than them as she was better prepared.

Finally, after spending a few peaceful days with Luna, not trying anything except for trying to befriend her, Cecilia had decided that today was the day, as they stepped into this forest for a quest; Cecilia waited until she was sure that both had exhausted their mana and stamina, (Well, she was pretending), she chose to strike at that moment. Unfortunately, she was not the only one who was prepared; Luna was also prepared; she killed her before she could do anything, she didn't even know how she died, before vanishing, she saw Luna leaving.

Cecilia opened her eyes again and found herself in the same dungeon she and Luna entered a few hours ago. It was unknown why this happened, but it happened; Cecilia's luck worsened from there onward, an unidentified monster attacked her, the result she was almost killed she could only run for her life.

"Ha! Ha! Huff! Huff!"

Finally, Cecilia, who had decided to catch her breath, leaned against a tree while panting; she was exhausted, most of the Mana recovery potion and Stamina potion had been used. Because she was putting an act of wanting to gain Luna's trust, she gave her most of her potions, and now that Luna had disappeared after killing her, she was at her wit end; the thing that kept repeatedly attacking was still after her.

"Damn it. What was that thing?" Cecilia swore as she tried to catch her breath while vigilantly looking around; she was constantly using the wind in the surroundings to detect any presence; the thing was that even though she saw the monster coming, she was not fast enough to dodge nor plan anything.

Cecilia decided to check her status quickly.

[Cecilia Adelia Crux]

Class: Holy Paladin

Age: 19

Female

Race: Human

Level 105

Experience Value: 50000/199200

HP: 1500/3900

MP: 8100/8100

STA: 150/2700

Magic: Light/Wind

Attack: 1525

Defense: 925

Agility: 1325

Intelligence: 1525

Luck: 1425

BP: 50

SP: 0

Gift: Holy Sword Crucifix

Skills: [Swordsmanship Level Max] [Wind Slash Level 3] [Wind tornado Level 4] [Gale Slash Level 2] [Flying Slash Level 1] [Presence Detection Level 9] [Dark Vision Level 7] [Wind Vortex Level 4] [Holy Barrier Level 8]

Special Abilities: [Blessing Level 5] [AOE]

Titles: [Saintess] [Slayer] [Swordmaster][Executioner]

"Why? Why? I'm this unlucky. Ah! Damn it." Cecilia lamented but knew that now wasn't time for idling; she must keep going even being exhausted.

Suddenly, Cecilia, who was about to resume run froze in place; she had a bad feeling. She felt a chill as if the hair on her back stood on end. She immediately raised a triangular wind shield around with the tip pointing forward.

**BOOM!**

A huge fireball came crashing against her Wind shield from the other side of the forest; Cecilia saw her stamina going down and bit her lips; she couldn't do anything; erecting this shield was the best she could do in this situation, and she knew it was not the end, more attacks were about to come.

A raging cold dominated after the bursting flames trampled down the surrounding trees; the area was densely covered with frost making Cecilia shudder. She summoned her Gift, a beautiful blue sword with golden patterns on it; she immediately thrust it behind her where she felt the danger coming from; unfortunately, she hit empty air.

Because she had anticipated this, Cecilia was not surprised she had already begun her next move; there was a breath light blinding the area. At the same time, Wind burst under her feet to propel her into the sky; she planned to make her escape through the sky, she hoped, but soon this hope got crushed when she froze in the air and saw the world shifting, she saw her headless body, and she knew that her head had been removed. She died yet again.

"Fufufu! What a cute rabbit!"

Chapter 615 - 591: Time Reversal

Inside Alex's room, he sat on his bed while staring at her status window after summoning it. He wanted to try something, but first, he needed to check his status.

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After spending his BP on his MP stat and attack's stat, he looked at his Mana's body which says it was temporarily sealed due to his current level; he caressed his right eye, the blue eye shone under the

room's light; it was truly beautiful yet deadly at the same, the contrast between these two made Alex's eye more breathtaking.

"Master, don't tell you to want to use that ability?" Silveria, who appeared, immediately questioned Alex about what he was trying to do. She had an idea of what he was trying to achieve, but it was risky; she would love him not to try anything dangerous now and slowly take his time to unlock his abilities. However, knowing her master and, more importantly, the reason behind his eagerness to test his abilities. It was because of the white-haired devil since he heard from the broker about this girl, Alex became alert and decided to prepare countermeasures; the possibility that this white-haired devil was Alice could not be ruled out, but it was unknown why Alex believed that this white-haired girl was not his subordinate, he was sure this person is Incursio, he couldn't only curse his bad luck. To increase his chance of survival, he could only prepare countermeasures.

"Well, I want to try something," Alex responded. Immediately activated his ability.

"Mana's body."

The surrounding mana rushed toward Alex's room and entered his body; he felt refreshed, full, brimming with strength. A quick check if his mana capacity showed him that it had increased to 11000, compared to last time it increased more, this must be because of the abundance of mana on this floor.

"Strike me!" Alex ordered, and Silveria, who was waiting for such order from the moment she guessed what Alex was about to do, launched a punch.

Crack!

The punch was so strong that it cracked space; Alex's eyes widened, he felt his spine chilling; he almost canceled his previous order but didn't do it in the end.

Finally, the deadly punch arrived; Silveria, who noticed the look on Alex's face, and his resolution, smiled; just before the punch could reach Alex, she reduced its strength.

Bam!

Still, Alex felt like a hammer had hit him; he was sent flying, his chest caved in, and he vomited blood; he felt his conscious getting blurry, biting his lower lip, he regained consciousness while he immediately activated one of his time ability, his strongest one.

"Time Reversal."

Swoosh! Tik Tak!

A small golden clock appeared inside Alex's right eye and moved clockwise, immediately time got reversed to one second, just before the punch connected.

Alex, who had experienced the punch, knew how deadly it was, and Silveria, who normally shouldn't know that time got reversed, smiled. Alex dodged to the side; however, Silveria switched to her leg, it moved fast, Alex had no time dodging, from his right hand, a silver gun appeared.

BANG!

The bullet couldn't penetrate Silveria's body; it vanished upon coming into contact with a silver shield.

"Let's end it there," Silveria said while withdrawing her leg, putting back on the ground.

"Sure!" Alex responded but suddenly began to fall toward the ground.

"Master!!"

Silveria moved faster and caught her before slowly placing him on the bed.

"Sigh! I thought I could stand after using Time Reversal, but I'm still lacking." Alex sighed, but it was not that bad as it appeared; the reason for his fall was because he ran out of stamina on top of almost running out of mana; the problem could be resolved through the use of recovery potions.

Alex sat with difficulty and immediately drank a recovery potion; he recovered. Looking at Silveria, who seemed to have something to say, Alex calmed her down.

"Don't worry, I know what I'm doing. I can't perfectly use this ability right now. To use Time Reversal, I need first to use Mana's body which put a toll on my body; however, thank to my regenerative ability, I can sustain it somehow. I can only use this ability as a last resort, so don't worry, I'm planning not to use it recklessly."

Silveria was not convinced; she was about to convince Alex to postpone using Time Reversal; there are other solutions such as letting her take over his body to fight temporarily; however, she had the feeling that if she were to suggest that Alex would not forgive her, he had already forbidden her from bringing this matter again.

Just as Silveria was about to propose another solution, unexpectedly, someone butt in their conversation.

[[Silveria stop it. He is not a child; he knows what he is doing; you must believe in him and support him; it's only like this you can help him.]]

Nyx's unexpected words warmed Alex's heart, and he thanked her.

"Thank you!"

As expected, Nyx didn't say anything and stayed silent; after convincing Silveria, Alex went to sleep; that night, Silveria slept beside him.

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Sunlight shone through the curtains and fell on the young's man eyelids, stirring him from sleep. Alex woke to find someone using his arm as a pillow.

"No wonder it felt so heavy," Alex said while trying to extricate his arm; however, she held it firmly; she even started rubbing her face against Alex's arm like a kitten.

"Mm... Nn..."

"Stop pretending. I know you are awake already." Alex said while flicking Silveria's forehead.

"Ouch! It hurts. I feel like crying." Silveria woke up and exaggeratedly held her head, and because she lowered her head, Alex caught a glimpse of her cleavage, her white breasts, although small, were beautiful.

Although Alex didn't understand why Silveria seemed so passionate as she spoke, he understood that it was a serious matter that shouldn't be brushed aside like a joke.

'She got a great figure. Luc-'

Suddenly, Alex woke up from his reverie and quickly stopped the dangerous thought that was about to form in his mind.

'Shit, that was dangerous; I almost got fouled; maybe she did it intentionally.' Alex mumbled.

Silveria, who had no idea what he was thinking about, tilted her head to the side, wondering why Alex was making that kind of face; unconsciously, this gesture made her more charming; her cleavage was showing just a bit, and Alex could see her nipples.

Finally, aware that Silveria wasn't doing this intentionally, Alex sighed while pointing toward her chest.

"What?" Silveria asked, confused but still lowered her head, and it was then she saw her breasts almost on full display.

"Kyaaa!"

Silveria shouted while covering her chest. Alex almost laughed, making fun of her; he wanted to say that there was nothing there to see anyway but dared not because he remembered a scene from the past. Silveria had previously warned him not to comment negatively on a woman's chest, especially when the latter had small breasts. Because he had no desire to experience another terrible headache, Alex closed his mouth.

"Pervert!"

Naturally, Silveria wouldn't miss out on any opportunity to tease her Master; she made an exaggerated cry; if there were someone here, they would have mistaken the situation, thinking that Alex was bullying her.

Alex felt compelled to massage his forehead.

"Stop playing around and tell where you didn't go back. Please be quick; I'm running out of patience." Alex said, from his face, you could see that he was not joking.

Silveria, who was playing to push the joke too far, immediately stopped and swallowed hard.

"Sigh! Master, you are no fun at all."

"I hear it often," Alex said while glaring at Silveria, whose expression changed all of a sudden becoming serious; she stopped joking and began to explain the reason why she stayed behind.

"Do you remember that girl?"

"Which girl?" Alex asked confused, Silveria needed to be specific if she wished for him to know whom she was talking about quickly.

"Sigh! I'm talking about that broker. Have you forgotten what my sister said last night?" Silveria made Alex remember Nyx's words, she had suggested that he must make the broker his, not as his woman, but he must make her work for him like Alice and Pandora, Alex guessed.

"Yes, I remember. Why are you bringing this up again, or are you perhaps suggesting that I do the same thing as your sister." Alex asked while heading to the bathroom; he must clean his body as he sweated a lot after doing his morning exercise.

"Yes, I'm saying the same thing as her. You can't understand it right now, but that girl can help you a lot in the future, not only after you go back to Mysthia but even after you go to the other world. She is a special existence. Perfectly fit for collecting information, she must have wished to change her fate by transforming into human form and blinding into the human world, but she can't be truly free. You have to make her yours no matter what it takes, understood?"

"Ah! I understand. Let go." Alex said before heading toward the door.

Silveria immediately disappeared into Alex's body. Alex went to the first floor, where a pouting Eri was waiting for him.

"I thought you'd never come down. What were you doing all that time?" Eri asked, dissatisfied.

Alex chuckled, not saying anything; this irritated Eri to the bones.

"Forget it. Tell me why you asked me to wait for you here, saying you have something to tell me?" Eri said after seeing that Alex had no intention of explaining why he was this late.

"I want to tell you about the mission we are about to take this morning," Alex said while observing Eri's reaction, and as expected, he didn't disappoint him; she knew when to stop.

"Tell me more," Eri asked with her head in her hands.

"I did a bit of research and learned that it was impossible to see the mayor because he was busy. Apparently, his daughter is seriously injured. He needs to find a cure for her; if not, she will die soon. So to have a chance to see the mayor, we must participate in a quest to get one of the ingredients, the most important, the sunflower. I already have all information. This type of flower is found in the depth of the Desolate forest located outside of the city. Be aware that we will not be the only one participating in this quest; there will be others as well and among them is a formidable enemy. I won't force you to participate, you are free to do whatever you want, but you must know I will not wait for you; you will be on your own. You're an adult; you decide what you want to do." Alex immediately stood up; he had already finished his breakfast; he was not hungry. Maybe it was because of the tension; he felt nervous just by thinking about encountering Incursio, he lost his appetite.

"Wait." Eri stopped Alex, who was about to go out. She lowered her head and apologized.

"I'm sorry, I had been selfish, letting you do everything; I'm truly sorry. I will accompany without complaint. Let me accompany you."

In the end, Alex gives in.

"Okay, let's go." He said before turning his back and left of the Inn.

Naturally, Eri followed him.

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Alex and Eri left their Inn and headed towards the Desolate Forest. On the road to encountered many players wanting to participate in the quest. There was only one sunflower; Alex wondered many bloodbaths would happen with so many players vying for the same thing. It was sure that many players and NPCs would die during this quest, but he didn't care about that. His goal was to succeed in this quest to have the chance to encounter the mayor; maybe he would be able to get a clue on how to ascend to the next floor, this is the second floor, he must continue to climb, it was unknown on which floor the unusual realm was, but he must go there as there was something he must acquire there at all cost.

"What a nice couple."

"They look good together."

Those kind of words could be heard everywhere Alex and Eri passed; however, the two ignored those gossips and headed deeper into the forest. As the name suggested, the Desolate Forest was a ghost forest; the trees were tall but possessed no leaves on them; the forest gave an ominous feeling as if you could never relax; the moment you did it, something terrible would happen to you.

Even Eri, who could be considered strong enough, felt disgusted; she wanted to leave the forest because she was feeling uncomfortable immediately; however, she knew that she couldn't do that.

"Fuck! I wouldn't say I like this forest; seriously, I want to go back already. How far is still the location of the sunflower?" Eri asked; she was impatient and wished to finish this quest to leave this creepy forest quickly.

Alex ignored her and focused his attention forward; like the other time where he was unable to use his Divine Sense, he could only use Sleipnir's ability to generate wind; using this wind, Alex was capable of scouting his immediate surrounding, this ability only works twenty meters around him.

Suddenly, Alex frowned because he detected an ambush fifteen meters ahead; he turned his head in Eri's direction, wanting to inform her about his discovery because he was unsure if she possessed another means to scout like him.

"Don't worry, I'm aware of the ambush ahead. There are seven people ahead, three on the right, two in the middle, and two on the left. Am I wrong?"

Alex was shocked by how accurate Eri's information was. He had underestimated her a bit; it was normal that she had other methods besides her presence detection; she must have used this second method to detect the enemy lying in ambush ahead.

"Let's massacre them," Eri said with a vicious smile on her face. Her expression at the moment was truly savage, but Alex had nothing against it.

The two kept walking ahead, acting as though they didn't notice the group lying in ambush.

'Hehehe! Another prey is coming; it's two this time..' Hanz, the leader of this group mumbled, he licked his lips; his eyes were filled with lust as he looked at Eri; he could not wait to taste her, just a little more.

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Alex and Eri calmly walked forward, pretending to have not noticed the group laying in ambush ahead, and finally, once they entered the ambushers' range, they made a move.

Two went towards Alex, one slashed at his head while the other went for his lower body. If there was one thing that could be praised about the ambushers, it should be that they were perfectly synchronized; if it had been any other target, a normal one he would have been done for, unfortunately, Alex didn't fall in this category.

Despite those two strengths being slightly higher than him and their perfect coordination, they still fall short when it comes to reacting quickly.

Clangs !

"What?"

Alex blocked the sword going toward his head, shocking the ambusher who had not anticipated this; the thing that shocked the ambusher was the thing used to stop his sword. It was unusual he had never seen; it was silver.

It was unknown why after the initial feeling of shock, the man was assaulted by an intense chill; he knew it was going to do by how he didn't know; therefore, he was too slow to react when a bullet blasted his head apart.

And before the second attacker could understand what was going on, Alex borrowed the first ambusher sword and cut his arms as they fell on the ground making a plop sound.

"Gyaaaa!! My arms!!!!!!!" The man began to shout hysterically; Alex immediately sent his knee crashing into the man's belly.

"Oh! My, I'm quite hated it appears." Incursio said while putting on an expression that indicated that Alex's behavior significantly hurt her.

Finally, the man who Incursio's unexpected arrival had rescued wanted to thank her because he thought that she was part of her team, the other teams that came to rescue him.

"Guh!"

Everything happened too fast, the man's mouth fell open, and he vomited gastric juice. Alex, who was planning to finish his off, sensed something; he rolled over the man's body, and just his foot touched the ground; he flipped the man into the man letting him get struck by the incoming attack.

Boom! Puchi!!

The lance thrown by one of the survivors tore through the man's stomach, his vomited blood before passing out; however, his misfortune didn't end there, as he was falling, he fell on his neck, breaking it, it was instant.

"What the hell are those two?" The remaining three people tried to rationalize what had just happened, but they didn't get the opportunity because Alex and Eri moved simultaneously.

Alex appeared in the front of one of them, having witnessed how scary Alex was, the man, despite his panic, attacked with his glaives, unexpectedly Alex dodged by lowering his body dangerously close to the ground while at the same time summoning Silveria and aimed it at the man's throat. Alex smirked and used a catchphrase he had not used since Nyx became sealed again.

"The End!"

Bang!

A single bullet flew out of the silver's gun muzzle, it was extremely slow, yet the man couldn't dodge, or was as his body was fixed in time, unable to move only spectate as death came closer. The man was ashamed to admit it, but it was truly the end for him, strangely; as he knew this, he embraced death with open arms, yet death never came because someone appeared right before the bullet reached his head.

"Long time no see!" A sweet voice reached Alex's ears; however, knowing how dreadful this person was, Alex was not anticipated; on the contrary, he became more vigilant; he jumped far back, there's no shame in acting cautiously around this petite woman because she was the embodiment of the word dangerous.

"Really, thank you for your help. I'm-"

The man's words were cut short until there because his head fell from his head make a few turns in the air before rolling on the ground.

"What?"

The poor man had not seen his death coming; he didn't even know how he died nor who was the one responsible until he closed his eyes and died for the second time. He was not the only one shocked by what happened, Eri who had just taken care of the other two, froze in place in Incursio's presence; she labeled herself as strongest within her generation but was unable to see Incursio's movement; she didn't see anything which frightened her.

Eri's body kept trembling nonstop; her instinct was telling her to never go against this girl no matter what; it was like Incursio's presence had overwritten her DNA sequences to engrave the feeling of fear deep within.

"Hehehehe! Now, the nuisances are gone; let's us celebrate our meeting in this foreign world, Alexander." Incursio said and began walking toward Alex, who unconsciously takes a step back every time she takes one.

Suddenly, Incursio stopped and tilted her head as she had finally remembered something; she moved her head in Eri's direction almost as if there was no bone inside her neck; it was extremely creepy.

"Eeek!" Eri freaked out; she jumped back because of extreme fear; she had never felt like this before; it was her first time, not even her teacher could give this dangerous feeling.

"Oh my! There is a red rabbit here. This one is different as she is contracted to the legendary fire phoenix; how interesting!" Incursio said with her arm around her chin; It was funny how she was pretending to be an adult with her small body. It was quite hilarious, but nobody was in the mood to laugh.

Eri froze in place, her biggest secret got revealed just like that, normally it was impossible to tell that her Gift enabled her to contract with a mystical beast like Ignia or Maria because, like Alex's right ear earring, Eri wore a bracelet around her ankle which makes any probing useless if she didn't authorize it. Yet, despite never authorizing Incursio, she could still bypass her protection to get her classified information. It was what made the white-haired Loli scary, scary enough for Eri not to want anything to do with her.

"What do you want?"

Finally, Alex, who stayed passive, raised this question.

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"What do you want?"

Alex said nothing since Incursio's arrival finally and raised this question.

"Hahahaha!"

Incursio laughed first, not saying anything else. Once she was satisfied, she looked at Alex; she had lost all interest in Eri, although she was strong; having lost her will because of a little pressure made Incursio not consider her as a worthy opponent, unlike Alex, Sakuya and Lilith.

After laughing for some time, Incursio stopped and stopped.

"I thought you'd never speak to me; I guess I'm wrong. I know that you like it after all, hehehe! I'm happy."

'Hell, no!' Alex shouted inside his head, but outwardly his expression did not change. He asked the same question again.

"What do you want?"

Seeing Alex so full of hostility, Incursio appeared hurt, but she stopped playing; this is not the time for playing, the situation was more serious than she had thought, those foxes were about to accomplish their plans, she must, no they must stop them or else they would all die here, she was not an exception.

"Let join force." Incursio declared; her words were like a huge clap of thunder in Alex's ears.

"What? Are you joking?" Alex asked.

Even Eri, who had just encountered Incursio for the first time, was left speechless; she wondered what could make such a strong person ask for assistance? From her enemy nonetheless? She was curious, but she knew it was not her place to ask why; she was an outsider, she could only wait for Incursio to unveil the reason for this cooperation.

Finally, Incursio stopped smiling and, with a serious expression, explained why she appeared before Alex; it was a coincidence but a good one.

"Listen well. The huge sunflower plan is a terrible conspiracy. We all have been duped."

"What?"

"Can you explain it more?"

Eri and Alex were shocked by Incursio's words, with the latter asking her to explain what she meant.

"Ah! I have appeared in this forest since the beginning; I hunted players and this world's natives alike until I heard of the rumors; I decided to participate not because of the possibility of seeing the mayor because somehow I had the feeling that I would be able to encounter you here. However, the more I progressed, the more I felt like something wasn't right; I knew you would be coming. I waited for you, and fate allowed us to meet. As I have said earlier, let's join and deal with the enemy. The mayor's and the people in the city are preparing something terrifying. Normally, I would not care about this but not this time because it's related to our safety. I don't know what they are trying to awake but, the mayor's daughter is part of the plan. There's something ominous about this forest; we have been lured into coming here, we are like sacrificial lambs waiting to be slaughtered." Incursio told them what she learned and what she thought about the whole situation.

Although Incursio's words sound right, Alex had a hard completely believing her; he didn't want to put his life in her hands and get backstabbed.

Just as Alex was considering what to do, Eri, who had not said anything until now, finally opened her mouth and said something.

"I suggest that we must listen to her. I have also felt something ominous about this forest, and I want to know what it's."

Alex stayed; it was not like he never considered Incursio's proposal; he also began to feel that something was not right about this forest; the whole quest in the search for the sunflower seemed fishy; why wouldn't the mayor come out and issue such important quest? But used these methods to gather a lot of natives and players? They must be something going on.

Finally, as Alex decided to listen to Incursio's words, it happened, a black mist suddenly appeared around them and blocked their senses.

"What is this?" Eri exclaimed; she could feel all her senses getting blocked, she couldn't sense anything, worse she started feeling dizzy, which was unusual. Alex's situation was slightly better; he also lost his senses but wasn't feeling any dizziness. Suddenly, Incursio's voice echoed inside his mind before disappearing.

"Don't die; it has begun. More than half of the players must have been killed. Be aware of your surrounding, or else you will fall into the abyss." Those were Incursio's words before her presence completely disappeared; Alex could not sense her.

Immediately Alex decided to leave with Eri, and he tried to hold her hand, normally she should be near him, but unfortunately, Alex could not find her no matter what he did.

During this time, the black mist became thicker and thicker; it was difficult to one own hand, the ominous feeling Alex felt after Incursio's revelation kicked in.

Ba-dump! Ba-dump!!

His heart started to beat faster.

〔Master, dodge.〕 Silveria warned, and Alex followed his warning and dodged to his left.

Twerk! Bang! Crack!

The ground cracked as a giant black snake tail hit the ground.

"Shhh!!"

The giant snake who appeared suddenly immediately pounced on Alex; unlike its gigantic body, the snake possessed a terrific speed.

The black snake that launched its body on Alex already readied its tail just in case; however, just as the snake was about to sink its fangs in Alex's head, it becomes frozen. Alex had used this opportunity to finish the twelve meters long black snake.

Kaboom!

The crimson bullet tore through the air and blasted into smithereens the snake's head.

Immediately after killing the black snake, Alex used one of his strongest abilities because he felt lot of snakes rushing towards him.

"Asura Form!"

Boom!

There was a terrible rumbling sound which followed Alex's mumbling, an illusionary Alex thrice his size appeared behind him holding a silver gun big as him, this illusionary Alex pointed his gun forward, in the direction of the incoming snakes and fired.

"Crimson bullet!"

Using his avatar, Alex fired a crimson bullet in front of him; a big crimson bullet escaped from the big gun and tore space apart.

Boom! Boom! Kabooooom!

Small explosions occurred whenever the crimson bullet passed until it exploded like a nuke, creating a big explosion that swallowed all the incoming snakes, erasing them; the thick black fog was momentarily cleared, Alex was able to catch a glimpse of something sinister in the sky, in the depth of the forest.

"Let's go." Alex declared and started to run in the direction of what he had seen; he had the feeling that Eri and Incursio would be there.. Once there, he would learn what the mayor's planning and stopped; by doing such a thing, he might be able to ascend.

Chapter 619 - 595: The Truth Behind The Quest 2

Once upon a time, there was a man so talented that everybody thought that he would succeed where his predecessors had fallen. Because he came from an extraordinary family, many expectations were placed on him, but despite all these heavy burdens, the man never once complained as he knew that everything happening was for the greater cause; everything was done for the ascension.

There is a truth most players didn't know, which is that not only players could climb the tower, even floor could climb it. Let's put it this way; floor number 1 can ascend and switch place with tower number 2 or 3, the purpose would be to climb until they reached the highest level where an extremely awesome gift awaits, some say it was freedom, the floor that would succeed would be granted freedom, would be free from the cage known as Exodus.

Even though it was just a rumor, it was enough to entice all floor; till this day, the highest level was still free, waiting for the rightful owner to come to take it.

Eliard, the mayor of Sigurd city, looked at the black mass forming in front of him with emotionless eyes as if the thing inside it wasn't his daughter, the rumored ill princess.

"How are the preparations?" Eliard asked; it was as if he was talking to empty air; however, soon, it changed because a shadow materialized and answered the city's lord question.

"Yes! My Lord, all the preparations are complete. We are waiting for you to begin."

"It's that so?" Eliard said with a deadpan face before saying.

"Let begin then. The revolution."

Eliard lifted his arms and began chanting.

"I CALL THEE RULER OF NIGHT, DESCEND UPON YOUR VESSEL AND GUIDE YOUR FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS, NIGHTINGALE!!!"

Immediately following this chant, the entire forest rumbled, and the dark fog receded. At the same time, deep underground, a formation covering the whole forest shone crimson and began collecting every drop of blood that ever fell onto the ground.

Tuk! Tuk! Slurp!

Like a greedy baby, it keeps sucking, those fighting stopping because they noticed something was wrong, blood was dripping excessively from their wounds.

"What is this?"

"What the hell is this?"

"I can't heal my injuries. Healing spells aren't working?"

"What the fuck? Shit! I smell something bad; let get the hell out of here."

Here and there, you could hear players and NPCs shouting hysterically; finally, they became aware that something wasn't right. So they immediately decided to escape, but how will this be easy?

Suddenly, the sky above them darkened like something huge was flying above them.

Countless descended from the sky like grim reapers.

"What the fu-"

The man who was about to swear this got the chance to finish before his head was removed from his neck and blood flowed from the neck like a fountain; this blood was immediately sucked into the ground, and before the slain man's body could vanish, it became a dried-up corpse because all the blood had been sucked out of it.

The others players' faces turned pale, their instincts kicked in, and they launched attacks on the ground.

Boom!

Immediately a huge explosion occurred that obstructed the men in black vision; the players tried to use this opportunity to escape; unfortunately, they were soon caught and what followed was a massacre. The men in black were really strong; none of their attacks worked on them. The men in black easily dodged before they massacred the twenty survivors; the ground was died red with blood, blood which was sucked underground to fuel the giant crimson formation.

After killing the twenty-one players and NPCs in this area, the men in black looked in a certain direction; in that direction, they felt the presence of players, strong players, which means high quality offered. High-quality offerings are a lot worth than normal ones, those twenty-one players and NPCs eliminated were part of the normal group.

Suddenly, the ten men in black stopped because they could feel another presence extremely strong than the one they felt earlier. However, instead of rushing toward this presence, they waited because they could feel something ominous coming from this presence, something extremely dangerous which they must not approach; however, they didn't really have the choice and just as they were struggling with what to do, they felt another strong presence, unlike the second one this one was dangerous. Still, they felt like it had bloomed yet; this was the perfect chance.

Immediately upon feeling this third presence, the men in black decided, two went to the first location while five went towards the second strongest presence, as for the remaining three, they headed to the third location where the third was.

In another location, Alex, who had just blasted a huge hole in the nearby mountain, continued to advance toward the black mass in the sky; he felt a chill down his spine because of the ominous feeling he had, in the beginning, increased to an alarming degree.

"What going on?" Alex, whose divine sense could not be used, not even Sleipnir's special ability, he was helpless in this situation; he could only turn toward the siblings to get an answer.

"Sil, do you know what is going on?"

Silence!

"Sil, Silveria, do you know what is going?" Alex hoped to get an answer, but like the first time, he received nothing.

"SILVERIA!" Alex shouted inside his head, and finally, there was a reaction.

[[Geez! Master, can you be a little bit patient?]] Silveria asked with a playful smirk; if Alex had seen it, he would have spanked her ass once more.

"Please tell me what I want to know. I'm not in the mood to joke." Alex said, his voice was a bit cold, as he said he was not in the mood to joke, the situation was dangerous, it increased with each step he took. He had the feeling that a beast was somewhere watching him and was about to wake; it would spell a terrible catastrophe if this were to happen.

[[Sigh! There is a huge formation underground; this formation enveloped the entire forest. You have been lured here like that brat had said, the purpose is?]]

"The purpose is?" Alex asked while gulping; he felt like he was about to uncover a huge secret.

[[The purpose is to draw your blood to fuel this formation whose goal should be the awakening of a terrible monster. You have two solutions.]]

"Listen, please," Alex said after hearing Silveria's explanation.

Silveria did not immediately answer but came out instead; she stood in front of Alex with two of fingers raised.

"Your first solution is to destroy this formation which is impossible for the current you," Silveria said while lowering one of her fingers.

"I know, just tell me the second solution. I have the feeling that only the second solution could work for me." Alex said after a sigh.

"Good! I like your answer. As you have guessed, the second option would be to kill the caster or destroy the vessel that is about to carry the monster they are trying to awake." Silveria explained while lowering her remaining finger.

"This is more dangerous and almost impossible like the first one, but this time, I'm not alone," Alex said while recalling the small white-haired girl's proposition.

"Bingo! You can use them." Silveria had no shame as she proposed to Alex to use both Eri and Incursio; she didn't like them to begin with.

"I see. I will cooperate with her; with this trio, we might create a miracle; after all, that monster is part of my team; I will temporarily put our feud aside and cooperate to eliminate this dangerous enemy. What do you think, Sil? Huh! Silveria?"

Alex exclaimed because Silveria standing beside him stood up with a blank expression on her face; Alex wondered what was going on.

"What are you-" Alex couldn't finish his words because Silveria gripped him by the collar and jumped into the sky; immediately after she jumped from the ground, three dark red tentacles with disgusting mucus on their tips emerged from the ground wanting to swallow Alex.

"Ugh!"

Immediately upon seeing the three dark red tentacles, Alex groaned, he felt like vomiting, and he quickly swallowed back his breakfast, threatening to come out.

"Dirty worms!" Silveria shouted angrily before tapping in the air as if she was on the ground.

Boom! Boom! Kaboom!

Two sonic waves were launched toward the ground and exploded into a beautiful silver explosion.

The giant crimson underground trembled for a second, and the city's lord Eliard sensed it from where he was.

During this time, Alex, who had caught sight of three shadows, immediately ordered.

"Let me go!"

"As you wish," Silveria said with a smile before throwing Alex toward the ground, and the strangest thing was that he made no sound because an invisible silver shield was wrapped around him.

The three men sent to deal with Alex had no idea that a missile was coming when suddenly he arrived.

Boom!

Swoosh! Bang!

Alex immediately punched the nearest man while he summoned two silver guns and aimed them to his left and right.

BANG! BANG!

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BANG! BANG!

The gunshots were loud to be heard by the two people; they were shocked by how fast the projectiles were. Still, they were not pushovers either they immediately leaned their bodies to the side, dodging the bullets.

Meanwhile, Alex arrived before the same man he had punched earlier; he rammed his knee in his face, breaking his nose.

"Guh!" The man groaned as his body was flung backward.

[Phantom Bullet!]

Alex did not hesitate to finish the man with a phantom bullet; the invisible bullet cut through the air like a knife slicing through butter; however, just as the man was about to be blasted apart by the invisible bullet, something appeared and dragged him away.

When Alex focused his eyes on the thing that just dragged the man away, he was shocked to find out that it was a black tentacle, as from where this tentacle was coming from, it wasn't hard to guess, it was shot from one of the other two bodies. They brought the third man and put him in the middle.

Immediately upon seeing this, Alex had a bad feeling; he activated his foresight ability, Envisage; this ability lets him glimpse in the future; it was not really a foresight per se as it only works when he is fighting. Still, in the current situation, it was more than enough.

Alex's right eye shone in dark blue luster, and envisage was activated; then, Alex saw a brief scene before envisage was cut off. However, this was more than enough to teach him to know that he must not let them succeed.

When Alex used envisage he saw a giant that beat the crap out of him, he couldn't do anything, and judging by the three reactions, it was not too hard to guess how that giant happened to be; they must have combined, and Alex's assumption was proven to be right when the next moment the three became covered by a dark sphere.

[Erase]

Alex did not hesitate to use Silveria's unique ability. The three inside the dark sphere smirked, but soon they smirk turned into shock as they witnessed the dark sphere getting erased, their mana vanishing alongside the dark sphere.

[Crimson Bullet!]

The crimson bullet arrived before them; they couldn't even pull up any resistance; they died instantly, erased not living ashes behind.

"Ah! Let's go. I still have a bad feeling about the whole thing." Alex said as he hurried over to the location where the black mass floating in the sky was. As for the others, he knew they were strong enough to make it there on their own; he would see them on the other side, probably before going confronting the mastermind behind this huge conspiracy.

In another location inside the Desolate Forest, a girl could be seen walking silently while whispering unknown lyrics.

Suddenly, five men dressed in black appeared and surrounded the girl. However, instead of showing a flustered expression, the girl was laughing.

The five men looked at each other, and inside their heads, the same question was running.

"Has she gone nuts?"

However, in the next moment, their expressions changed from confusion to fear because of the words the small white-haired girl said and what happened shortly after.

"Hehehe! I was becoming bored, thank you five my boredom will disappear."

Immediately following Incursio's words, she summoned a white sword and attacked with it. However, the five could not see the sword movement at all as two heads rolled on the ground.

Incursio was not down with them, she passed between the other three, and their heads were removed from their necks as if it was easy.

Immediately, like in the previous situation, the five who just got killed, their blood was sucked dry.

Incursio was not really surprised because she had seen something like this happening before.

"Sigh! I should have imprisoned them inside an ice coffin instead of feeding this greedy formation. I wonder what would come once it has enough blood? A giant beast or a person?" Incursio mumbled, curious, but she quickly shook her head; now wasn't the time to be distracted.

She immediately headed towards the black mass floating in the sky in the deepest part of the Desolate Forest.

Like this, the three appeared simultaneously, they were shocked by this coincidence, but they couldn't dwell on this surprise because the culprit of the whole mess was standing before them with his arms crossed behind his back.

Eliard didn't even need to turn back to know that three extremely strong people appeared behind him.

"Sigh! So they failed. Well, it's normal considering that you three are different from the other bunches; you have my admiration." Eliard said while staring at the black mass in the sky that was getting bigger and bigger.

Alex, Eri, and even Incursio felt goosebumps rise all over their bodies; for the formers, it was because of fear, while for Incursio, it was because of disgust. She felt extreme disgust toward the man standing ten meters away from her; she wished to attack him. She would cut off his head like that he would be unable to talk, but unfortunately, she couldn't do that because the moment she attacked, she would be okay playing his game which she was not sure if she could win, therefore she decided to act cautiously for now.

Suddenly, the mayor shocked the three by raising a question; it was unexpected.

"Tell me, how would you feel if your whole life was planned since you're born?"

Silence!

Alex and the two girls said nothing; it was not like they didn't want to talk, but it was because they knew that Eliard had not finished talking, they must stay silent until he revealed the reason behind what he was currently doing, they could learn more like this, so without exchanging glances they came to a mutual understating.

It was unknown if Eliard had understood the reason for the three to stay silent, but he didn't say anything, almost as if he did not mind.

"Everything is for the sake of ascending, to let this floor go to the upper level. I have even sacrificed my daughter; everything has been decided from the start; I'm a mere puppet with no freedom."

The last words struck Incursio like a curse, a sealed memory resurfaced.