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Alex was captivated by her once again. His lover was really gorgeous, cute, pretty, etc. He can't describe them all.

"Alicia" He calls her name gently.

"mmm?" Alicia's face was still full of smile.

"Are you really going to the dungeon with Firia?" Alex said worriedly.

Soon Alicia's face that was full of smile turned to solemn and determined face. "Yes"

"...." Alex look at her for a moment "I won't stop you"

"Alex?" She surprised by Alex's response, she feared Alex will stop her from doing this.

"I won't say anything about this. I am respecting you, even if you want to destroy another kingdom I will also approve and back you up."

"No no no, I don't want to destroy another kingdom" Alicia hurriedly said.

Alex gently smiled "I know, I just want to say this. Don't worry about what you want to do, I will always support you with your decision. This is what I learned from my hometown, A relationship was formed between two people who respect, trust, love and believe in each other. So I'm not going to say anything."

Alicia was surprised, tears start formed in her eyes. Alex learned about this when Sandra betrayed him, He knows understood what it means a relationship formed with two people, not one.

"I'm going to wait for you here, waiting for you to come back here, and when the time you come back. Let me say "Welcome Back" for you" Alex slowly said.

Alicia's tears started streaming down, but this was not sad tears but rather truly happy tears. In this period, A woman or a wife in a noble's house often suppressed by their man or husband. They need to follow their command as a woman, because in this world still held a principle that woman was not equal with man.

But Alex was different, he trust her, he let her do what she wants, he respects her as an equal. Alex really loved her.

"Yes, Alex".

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In the morning, Alex and grand duke accompany Alicia and Mia. Alex also saw Firia.

"Be careful" Alex said.

"Yes" Firia smiled.

Alex then turned to Alicia but he didn't say anything, he just smiled at her.

Alicia who understood also smiled at Alex.

They soon set off, Alex and grand duke watching the carriage until it was gone and went back.

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Alex was rest for a whole week. In this whole week, he summarizes all of his experiences. He has a few fire magic, they are Flame sword wave, Fire Arrow, Flame Armor, Boost Step, and Fire Claw. He only focused on learning about spear and sword. He has basic art for them each and Sanguin sword art for sword and Spear Throwing Art for his spear.

He can condense sword intent for his sword but seem can't condense any spear intent for his spear, at first he thought of abandoning his spear and focused on his sword but he planned to wait and see first.

After a week his injuries were healed. He continues training with his Sanguin Sword Art. He really wants to do the fifth slash successfully. During two weeks he never succeeded in doing the fifth slash, but he felt closer to passing that stage.

"Alex" someone called.

Alex turned to look who called him. "Uncle"

These few weeks, Alex already used to call grand duke with 'Uncle'.

The duke nodded, "I got some news for you"

"What is it?" Alex asked.

"It seems Hero's party will come to the academy as a student. they want to look at our academy"

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Alex frowned with this news.

"They will come after first-grade student's holiday so it was next month" The duke said.

Alex pondering for a moment. Looking at Alex, the duke also said,

"Don't worry about it, Actually the one who informed me was my brother. They have a hero but we have you and we also didn't fear them, If they want war we can let them see why our Acacia kingdom was the strongest between the three kingdoms."

Alex was moved, He smiled "Thank you"

"Well they say the hero and his party already reach rank 3 with just a year and the hero himself can fight with rank 4, so he might want to show off his power in front of us. But we have you since you are the same age. The hero was nothing in front of you"

Grand duke smiled and waved his hand as he left.

Alex looked at the sky, "John and the others huh... come, I will get my revenge this time. I'm not the same as the weak-looking boy back then"

Alex now considering to take his Qi Gathering Pill which he saves back then to increase his power.

He came back to his room, there are ten Qi Gathering Pills in front of him.

Alex took one of the pills in front of him. The pill burst melt in his mouth. He felt a surging of mana coming inside his body. He immediately sat on lotus pose and start cultivating

He immersed in this feeling, unconsciously 2 hours have passed. He opened his eyes, "With these pills, I can break through to the next level."

He picks up the second pill and continues to his cultivation.

The night passed by, Alex already finished 5 pills tonight. He wants to finish the other five but he needs to go out of his room.

Alex can Breakthrough tonight with the pills. In the day, Alex practices his Sanguin Sword Art. Alex pondering, he always something off in his fifth slash but he didn't know what it is.

"I thought I already focused on my speed for the slash... that was the problem right?"

"Alex"

Alex turned to look at the voice, "Uncle"

"How is your progress?"

Alex shook his head, "I still failed"

"Well...Just practice more, you will eventually succeed"

Alex nodded, "Uncle, How do you use your wind strike?"

Alex asking about this because, whenever Alex failed in his fifth slash, the sword wave always becomes a wind.

"Hmm... When I use my wind strike, I use my mana just like your...What it is...Flame Sword wave.."

"Mana huh..." Alex sighed, but suddenly his eyes brightened.

"Mana! That's right"

Alex readied his stance once again.

"First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth...."

Alex used all his slash possible, but this time with more care. He observed the mana fluctuation in each slash.

This time he noticed. When he used the fourth slash the mana seems to be disrupted. His eyes brightened, this was the reason he can't do the fifth slash. The problem wasn't in the fifth slash but the fourth slash.

"In the First, second, and third Slash. The mana seems to be stable. But when I do the fourth, the mana become unstable so when I use the fifth, it failed" Alex's eyes brightened

Alex do the movement again,

"First, Second, Third Slash" but this time when he did the fourth, He imbued his mana "Fourth Slash"

He stopped at the fourth. After he did the fourth Slash, a crescent sword wave flew. This time, the sword wave felt more stable than before. Alex was happy with this development.

"The energy becomes more stable now" Grand duke said.

Alex nodded, he wants to do another one but this time to the fifth slash.

"First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Slash"

A crescent sword wave was formed. Grand duke was surprised by its power. the power was equal to that of a rank 5. But then his face suddenly darkened. Why? Because Alex's sword wave destroyed the house wall.

"Boom!" The sword wave was contacted with the stone fence and destroyed it. Luckily, the sword wave exploded, if not it might hurt someone in its path.

"I...I..." Alex's face becomes pale. He looked at the duke apologetically.

The duke sighed, "Fortunately the sword wave exploded. If it continues, it might kill someone on its way."

Alex's face becomes paler. "I will compensate the wall"

The duke shook his head "Don't worry about the wall, Look you have succeeded in the fifth slash. You already practice this move again and again in these few weeks"

Alex wants to leap at joy with his success this time, but he seems to not have any energy to do it.

"Dear, What happen?" The madam came to the garden because of this incident.

"Nothing, Alex only practice his sword art and that happened" Grand duke explained.

"Oh... Don't worry about it" Madam assured him.

"Seeing the sword art to do this much damage, how about you practice in the basement?" Grand duke said.

"Basement?" Alex confused

The duke nodded, "We have a practice ground in the basement of our mansion. The purpose was to practice some skills or arts that have too much damage so it won't be dangerous. look at that chimney on the ground there." The duke pointed out a chimney that stuck on the ground. The chimney was not a regular one because it was planted in the ground.

Alex looks at the big stone hole, he was speechless "... That wasn't well?" he always thinks that hole was a well. That was because he never knew there is a basement like that in this mansion

"..." This time was the turn for grand duke and madam to be speechless.

"It's not, it was a chimney. The purpose was to ventilate the training ground in the basement"

The atmosphere becomes awkward.

"How about we go there? I will show you around" Grand duke said.

Alex nodded, if he wants to practice this sword art, he might break another wall again.

After bidding goodbye with the madam, The duke led Alex to the basement. The door was in the Library room, with some weird mechanism to open the door, they got in.

They got down with stairs, it seems the basement was around ten to fifteen meters below the ground. When they reached the place, Alex was astonished. The room made from compact stone, though there are some cuts, explosions, or some marks on the wall, the wall seems still sturdy.

Alex feels even the wall got slashed by him, it still won't destroy the wall.

"This wall has sturdier material than our city wall. It can defend from a rank 7 attack. We want to make this stone to build city wall but there are several problems like wall supply, money, and many others" He sighed

Alex nodded, this place might have a big cost to build, he felt.