Hail the King 631

Chapter 631: Shrines from the Diablo World (Part One)

The Golden Leo Mountain was one of the 12 Golden Saint Mountains that Fei chose, and it looked gigantic and majestic.

It was situated four kilometers behind Chambord, and it was about 1,500 meters tall.

Although it was similar to other 11 Golden Saint Mountains in that they were all shaped like swords, extremely steep, and had no path on them, it was unique in a sense that it had a balanced and broad presence.

Also, there were several smaller mountains that were about 300 to 400 meters tall around it, looking like lion cubs around the Golden Leo Mountain.

As soon as Fei landed on the peak of the mountain, Lampard sensed it and dashed out of his stone palace.

The 12 Golden Saint Mountains were named by Fei, and there were no buildings on them.

Except for the beautiful view and great scenery, the living condition was simple and a little rough. However, the good thing was that the more powerful masters liked living in seclusion with nature, and it wasn't strange for some of them to sleep in the wild.

Lampard had a calm personality and didn't like noise. Therefore, he liked living on a mountain like this in seclusion, and he got used to it really quick.

In the last three days, Lampard already created a simple, small stone palace on the peak of the mountain using his powerful warrior energy and his level 8 combat weapon, [Black Lightning].

This stone palace was three meters tall and had a square shape, and there was an unfinished lion statue in front of it. Although this statue only had its rough outer shape, it was already shocking to the eye and had a unique aura.

It looked like this was Lampard's progress for the last few days.

The entire peak didn't look luxurious, but it had a unique mysteriousness and ancient feeling to it.

Fei could tell that in the last three days, Lampard already stabilized his Moon-Cla.s.s Realm, which had completely transformed after nature's challenge, and even increased his strength a little. He was already a level 7 mid-tier New Moon Elite.

This speed of increase was insane!

"Huh? This power..... Could it be....." As the chilly night breeze blew by, Fei's eyes suddenly shone. At that moment, he sensed a very vague but mystic sensation.

It seemed like this entire mountain was enveloped by this mystic power.

"Yeah, I also discovered that. It feels like this entire Golden Leo Mountain could communicate with the stars in the sky." Lampard looked up at the bright stars in the dark sky and said, "When I'm on this mountain, my warrior energy could get some boost. It feels like a mysterious array....."

Fei closed his eyes and sensed for a bit before looking up at the sky.

Looking up from the peak of the Golden Leo Mountain, the many stars that formed the Leo Constellation were the brightest. It made people feel like the light of the stars was directly s.h.i. +ning down on this mountain like a waterfall, communicating with this sword mountain that was more than a kilometer tall.

"Eh, you are right. It does seem like that."

Fei suddenly thought back to when Lampard was first appointed as the guardian of the Golden Leo Mountain. During the process, a phenomenon occurred, and a lot of starlights fell onto this mountain, merging with the surroundings. He realized that it was all connected to his miraculous skill – [Give], and he felt like his half-joking idea of developing saints according to the anime on Earth might actually work.

Chapter 631: Shrines from the Diablo World (Part Two)

As he thought about that, Fei's eyes suddenly landed on a stone pillar in front of the simple stone palace.

"This is..... [Combat Shrine]? It..... those two mad scientists made it happen?"

Fei quickly walked up and caressed the three-meter tall, ordinary-looking stone pillar. The only thing that was unique about it was the six mystic magic runes on the top, and a vague cross magic symbol made from a sword and an ax could be seen.

Fei was very excited.

"Your Majesty, you also know about the magical properties of this stone pillar? Priestess Akara and Professor Cain came here yesterday and put down three stone pillars. Each of them has powerful properties....." Lampard was used to Fei knowing everything. Therefore, he briefly told the king about what happened yesterday when the two mad scientists came over.

"Hahaha! Of course! This is [Combat Shrine], and it could increase the combat abilities of the user by a lot for a short time. Haha, two more? Where are they? Oh, I see them. They are...... [Skill Shrine] and [Experience Shrine]. Huh? They seem a bit different......"

Fei laughed as he looked around, and he quickly spotted the two other stone pillars that had different mysterious magic runes engraved on them.

Players who are familiar with Diablo 2 know that there are shrines in the dangerous wilderness. Even though these shrines were from the ancient times and were dilapidated, they still had various G.o.dly powers.

For example, the [Combat Shrine] could increase the damage of the player by 200% for 98 seconds, and the [Skill Shrine] could improve the skills of the player by two levels for a short time.

Also, there were all kinds of shrines such as [Experience Shrine], [Stamina Shrine], and [Armor Shrine] that gave different powers to the player. There were more than 20 of them, and they were scattered around in the wilderness.

Fei saw these shrines in Normal Mode, but his level was too low back then, so he couldn't understand the magic principles behind these shrines. Also, Akara and Cain weren't able to break down the power of the shrines and decrypt their secrets.

However, the situation took a turn after Fei completed Normal Mode and entered Nightmare Mode.

For some reason, Fei would suddenly have an epiphany after completing a quest in Nightmare Mode, and he would understand the magic principles behind one type of shrine. After he comprehended the theories, he was able to explain everything to the two mad scientists. Then, Akara and Cain were able to break down the magic powers of the shrines and create items that could hold similar powers in the real world.

Fei told Akara and Cain about his understanding of six types of shrines after he completed the quests a while back, but he didn't expect them to decrypt the magic runes and create new ones in only a little more than a dozen days. He thought this process was going to be slow, but the two mad scientists gave him a big surprise!

Fei was delighted and knew that the Chambord Kingdom underwent a drastic improvement. These shrines were crucial to Chambord. After more of them were produced in the real world, the explosive combat ability of the Chambord Kingdom could increase by three to four times for a short time!

To Chambord, the appearance of these various shrines was a revolutionary change!

Chapter 632: Greeted by All (Part One)

In the future, the military of Chambord could be equipped with a lot of [Combat Shrines]. If each small formation of 50 soldiers had a [Combat Shrine] with them, they could suddenly unleash 200% of their strength! How destructive and surprising that scene would be?! Just imagine!

That was only the beginning.

Except for the [Combat Shrine], the soldiers could use the [Stamina Shrine] to gain unlimited stamina, use the [Armor Shrine] to get double the defense, use [Mana Recharge Shrine] to restore their magic energy or warrior energy, and use all kinds of [Resistance Shrines] to be immune to lightning, fire, ice, and poison magic spells......

Furthermore, if these mysterious runes could be simplified and engraved onto smaller objects other than big stone pillars, they would be more mobile and could be used as strategic a.s.sets! During wars, the value of these shrines would be irreplaceable!

Even if it were just individual battles between masters, they could still provide a huge boost and potentially change the outcome.

This was the power of the shrines from Diablo World; they could turn a hurdle of powerless sheep into a crowd of hungry wolves.

To be honest, Fei thought Akara and Cain would take a long time to completely decrypt the mysterious powers of the shrines and recreate the powerful shrines, but they sure gave him a huge surprise.

For a moment, Fei almost wanted to hug those two mad scientists and kiss them on the cheek.

However, Fei could tell that these shrines were only prototypes. They were quite heavy, and they could only be used at specific locations. They were still far from the mobility that Fei was hoping to see. They had to be more refined and improved, and it was going to be a ma.s.sive and tough project.

However, it had to start somewhere, and the foundation was now built.

There were three shrines on the Golden Leo Mountain so far – [Combat Shrine], [Skill Shrine], and [Experience Shrine].

Out of these three shrines, the first two didn't provide permanent increases. Different from the time restrictions in the actual game, these two shrines could actually empower the user for ten minutes, but their effectiveness couldn't be stacked together. The [Combat Shrine] could increase Lampard's combat abilities by 200%, and the [Skill Shrine] could double the damage of Lampard's combat techniques.

After use, these two shrines would need a full day to recharge before they could be used again.

However, the [Experience Shrine] surprised Fei a little.

For some reason, this shrine's power got modified. Fei could tell that its actual effect differed from the game; it wasn't for one-time use. Instead, it constantly released a mysterious power, and

Lampard's cultivation speed was increased when he was around this shrine. Even though it was clear that the increase in experience wasn't as fast as it was in the game, it was still a great addition.

Fei didn't stay on the summit of Golden Leo Mountain for too long. After he gave a G.o.dly herb from the core region in the Mythical Palace to Lampard and helped him to increase his strength, the king left this place.

In the next second, Fei appeared in the [G.o.dly King Palace] that was situated on the mountain in the middle of the Sky Castle.

In the next moment, his spirit energy spread out into the city and scanned the area within five kilometers of Fei.

Fei saw people like Cech cultivating diligently in the side palaces, and he was very pleased with their hard work.

Even though the Sky Castle that was now inside the stealth energy sphere on the Azeroth Continent didn't have as much nature elements as the core region in the Mythical Palace, it was a rare place where cultivation speed was greatly enhanced. After three days of cultivation, everyone who stayed in the Sky Castle made progress.

However, under the time pressure, the progress wasn't enough.

Sitting in front of the mystic lotus on [The Throne of Chaos] in the [G.o.dly King Palace], Fei thought about it and took out more than a dozen G.o.dly herbs which corresponded with the elemental attribute of the warriors of Chambord.

These G.o.dly herbs were all from the core region of the Mythical Palace, and they have been growing in there for many years. With abundant nature elements, these herbs were able to prosper and stack their medicinal effects. They were rare to see on the Azeroth Continent, highly spiritual, and extremely valuable.

Chapter 632: Greeted by All (Part Two)

To warriors and mages who cultivated warrior energies or magic energies, getting a G.o.dly herb that fitted their energy attribute was very beneficial. Since the G.o.dly herbs were comprised of a lot

of pure energy, they could stimulate the energy inside the cultivators' bodies and be converted into pure warrior energy or magic energy.

Fei learned herbology from Priestess Akara, and he had a good hang of all the G.o.dly herbs that he collected. Therefore, he didn't need to worry about making mistakes in selecting herbs for different people, and he quickly got the proper supplements for each of the warriors of Chambord.

As long as the warriors of Chambord listened to him and consumed these G.o.dly herbs according to his instructions, their bodies would be greatly stimulated with no side-effects, and they could reach Moon-Class a lot sooner.

Fei's wedding was in 12 days, and he was afraid that it wouldn't go as smooth as he planned. Therefore, he had to prepare ahead of time to deal with all situations.

For the next few days, Fei primarily stayed at the Sky Castle.

Except for using the methods doc.u.mented in the mysterious purple scroll to strengthen his spirit energy, he entered Diablo World to kill monsters with Valkyrie Elena. He wanted to increase his strength and reach Sun-Cla.s.s as soon as possible.

The region within 500,000 kilometers of Zenit was experiencing some chaos.

Many wise people could already tell that the situation was about to get worse, and continental wars might break out. Therefore, Fei had to improve his strength if he wanted to keep himself as well as the Chambord Kingdom safe.

Of course, since there was still the daily time limit in terms of how long he could stay in Diablo World, Fei would sneak back into the Chambord Kingdom regularly to see what was happening on the ground level during his break time.

In the last few days, the number of people inside the city grew drastically.

The story about how the King of Chambord appeared in St. Petersburg alone and stunned everyone was being spread around the region by traveling poets, and more and more people learned about what happened that night. They all knew that the name, 'King of Chambord', was far beyond the prestige of the king of a level 1 affiliated kingdom of Zenit.

As soon as this information got around, various empires, n.o.ble forces, and powerful groups had to view Chambord in a new light. They re-evaluated the power of this kingdom, and they all wanted to figure out how they should communicate and live around this powerful king.

In many people's eyes, the King of Chambord's wedding was a rare and great opportunity to observe everything.

Perhaps, they would be able to inspect the Chambord Kingdom as well as the king to judge the potential of both, and they could express their friendliness if they wished to.

In the next couple of days, Chambord's ministers and six departments were extremely busy. They had meetings with the various envoys from all kinds of forces within and outside the Zenit Empire every day.

The Ma.r.s.e Empire, the St. Germain Empire, the Maze Empire, the Soros' Merchant Group, the Wind Horse Mercenary Group, Fire Blood Mercenary Group, the Imperial Mage Union...

These powerful forces that were far out of Chambord's reach a year ago all lowered themselves and sent envoys to the kingdom, notifying Chambord that more prestigious representatives would come to the kingdom on the king's wedding day to present gifts, and they wanted to keep a very friendly relations.h.i.+p.

Soon, the hotels at Chambord were packed to the maximum.

Therefore, the envoys who came late had to find other places or camp outside the city; some even offered a lot of money to the residents of Chambord to live in their homes! Even though this was the case, none of them dared to complain.

Many people in the city earned a lot of money from this, and they got a sweet taste of how tourism would benefit their lives.

Chambordians had never been this proud before!

As they sensed outsiders' envy and counted the gold coins they earned in the last few days, many of the citizens of Chambord would wake up in the middle of the night while laughing. Greedier people even hoped that the king could get married every day!

When it was about six days until the wedding, the Revenue Department conducted a survey and found that the number people inside Chambord City had increased by three times.

Chapter 633: 'Friends' from Afar (Part One)

In this period of time, the Chambord City could be described as a bit messy and disorderly.

After Fei's implementation of the reconstruction and renovation project, Chambord City already got its own unique living style and pace. A lot of outsiders weren't used to it, so frictions would sometimes arise.

There were a lot of warriors who weren't used to Chambord's rules such as walking on the right side of the road, pausing at the red light, and stopping the water tap after use, and they had some unpleasant experiences with the bylaw enforcement officers. The good thing was that the name, 'King of Chambord,' was already infamous out there. These foreigner warriors had to hold back their short-tempers and didn't dare to mess around with the military of Chambord. They were afraid that they would trigger the King of Chambord who was rumored to be ruthless and merciless and get killed.

In the last while, every person who first visited Chambord City was stunned by this mystic city that was in a remote location.

At first, these people all came to see the King of Chambord, and they didn't expect too much from this remote little city. They thought that this little city was similar to other small cities where it was dirty, messy, and chaotic. In their minds, the residents here were poor like beggars, and the soldiers couldn't even get a full set of armors and had to share one metal weapon......

However, they were shocked when they saw this city.

The beauty, cleanness, and degree of development of the magic civilization far surpa.s.sed the giant cities in the super powerful empires. Also, the soldiers of Chambord were mighty as well. There were quite a few of One-Star and Two-Star Warriors among them, and even the ordinary ones had a ton of physical strength.

In addition, the rules of the city were really strange to the outsiders at first. However, after closer inspection, they had to admire the creativity of the Chambordians. A lot of issues and problems that existed in the way of life of ordinary people were easily solved by these rules.

These discoveries all made the arrogant foreigners experience ma.s.sive cognitive dissonance.

They had to put their tails between their legs and act carefully. Even though the Chambordians always explained everything to them patiently when they were confused by certain things, they still felt like they were hillbillies, and it was ridiculous.

Even though most of the outsiders were behaving properly, some of the troublemakers targeted the small magic items in the city.

In the last few days, there had been several incidents where magic traffic lights, magic water fountain, and magic toilet were stolen. Therefore, the officials at the Justice Department and the War Department had to send people to investigate and solve these crimes while they thought that these thieves were pitiful.

Chambord's prison, [Little Black Room], was filled with various offenders, and they were charged based on the crimes they committed. Most of them were detained for ten days, and some were only fined. It was fortunate that nothing major happened. While the most powerful warriors such as Cech and Drogba were cultivating in the Sky Castle, few masters were available to deal with big issues.

Therefore, after a while, the first-time visitors were informed by others that the first thing they should do was to make sure that they knew what was allowed and what was not allowed. Otherwise, they might break the laws and get punished.

The Chambordians who were smart and business-focused saw the opportunities in this. They created various pamphlets and booklets such as [Chambord's Essential Law], [How to Live at Chambord], [Survival at Chambord]. They were able to sell these publications for good prices, and they earned a lot of money.

It was almost noon, and the weather was nice.

Chambord City's main street, [Golden Road], had a lot of traffic, and people who were wearing various styles of clothing were walking around with either curious or shocked expressions as they looked around.

Chapter 633: 'Friends' from Afar (Part Two)

Outside of the defense wall, the people who were waiting to use the magic teleportation array to enter the city formed long lines, and Chambord's only Reverse Whale Wars.h.i.+p, [King Alexander], was traveling through Zuli River and transporting as many people as it could.

Only the Wars.h.i.+p Transportation Fee and Entrance Teleportation Fee brought a lot of money into Chambord in less than ten days. As the most high-ranking temporary finance consultant, [Fallen Princess] Victoria who was wearing a black, tight-fit magic armor and knee-high battle boots stood at the toll gate with four saint seiyas with her. As she saw the money coming in, she laughed like a girl who was fantasizing about a guy she liked.

"Haha! I just love Alexander! How did he come up with this idea? A toll gate? Haha! This is like plucking a feather off a goose every time it pa.s.ses by! Haha! We are rich!"

This girl didn't even think about how she was presenting herself when she was laughing. Her body swayed back and forth, and her chest jumped up and down. She instantly attracted the attention of many males. Their burning gaze scanned her s.e.xy figure and angel-like face.

At the moment, this excited girl only had money in her eyes.

She didn't realize how alluring her outfit was, and she didn't understand how beautiful her figure was. If the King of Chambord wasn't infamous out there, these savage male warriors would try to do bad things to her when fewer people were around.

"What? Getting past this river cost ten silver coins? This is so expensive!"

"Shush..... lower your voice. No one is forcing you to cross the river. Do you see that hot chick over there? The four men behind her already broke the legs of more than 40 warriors who tried not to pay....."

"Really? This chick looks cute, and her slim waist..... d.a.m.n, she is that vicious?"

Similar conversations happened between many warriors and people who were waiting in the line, but no one dared to challenge the rules that were set up by the King of Chambord.

Time pa.s.sed quickly, and it was about noon.

Suddenly, a team of fully armored cavaliers appeared on the horizon. There were about 400 of them, and they were very disciplined. Under the sun, their silver armors shone brightly, making them look like a dash of silver flood.

As the clip-clop noises sounded, they rushed toward Chambord.

At their appearance, a few powerful auras showed themselves as well. It was clear that powerful masters were within this group.

"Who are they?"

"A team of elite cavaliers? They aren't soldiers of Zenit....."

"Why are they here? Are they here for revenge? They are so aggressive!"

Almost immediately, the people who were waiting to get across the river and to get into the city all saw this, and they started to murmur amongst themselves. After all, it was rare to see a troop that didn't belong to Zenit to appear in the northern region of the Zenit Empire.

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At this moment, a sharp roar resonated in the sky, and a sudden change occurred.

A dash of lightning suddenly appeared in the back mountains of Chambord that was peaceful and beautiful like a painting, and this lightning flashed across the sky and froze above Zuli River. As the lightning energy lightly dispersed into the area, a red-haired figure showed himself in the center of the cloud of lightning-elemental warrior energy, and his aura was pressing, making him look like a demon deity.

"A master of Chambord!!"

"He is Lampard, the Gold Saint of the Leo Constellation! He is rumored to be the most powerful warrior of Chambord right under the king! It is heard that he is now a Moon-Cla.s.s Elite. Why did he appear? What is going on?" the people in the area grew curious and excited.

Chapter 634: Active Guests (Part One)

The figure in the sky, as well as the potential upcoming battle, instantly attracted the attention of many people.

To most of the warriors outside Chambord City who were only One-Star or Two-Star, being able to witness a battle between Moon-Cla.s.s Elites was something that was rare for them; most people wouldn't get that chance in a lifetime.

Therefore, as soon as Lampard, one of the most powerful warriors of Chambord, appeared, these foreign warriors became really excited.

The unique and powerful aura of a Moon-Cla.s.s Elite surged in the sky of Chambord like tsunami waves, and blazing lightning energy stole the spotlight from the sun. All of this was shocking the numerous ordinary warriors in the area as they looked up.

As they stared at that burly figure who was standing in the sky, they couldn't hide away their jealousy, envy, and hate.

Everyone was waiting for a battle between the powerful warriors.

The Moon-Cla.s.s Realm which was high up and unreachable was an unattainable dream to a lot of low-leveled warriors.

As the lightning-elemental warrior energy crackling around Lampard, the streaks of energies that were on the edges of his warrior energy flames extended outward like white tentacles. It felt like the lightning energy was about to tear the sky apart, and the crackling noises it made felt like the anger of the G.o.d of Lightning.

The invincible and powerful aura appeared with him, and it easily robbed the glamor from the team of cavaliers that appeared on the horizon. Also, there were a few powerful auras in that team before, but it felt like they were insignificant after Lampard appeared.

On this continent, the levels in the cultivation world were far tighter than the hierarchy of royals and n.o.bles. When a warrior wasn't on the Moon-Cla.s.s Realm, he or she wouldn't be able to stand against Moon-Cla.s.s Elites.

Therefore, those few provocative auras instantly dimmed down under Lampard's suppression. As if they were coyotes that met a lion, they didn't dare to mess around.

"Is it King Alexander of Chambord? Please don't misunderstand. We are the envoy group from the Bordeaux Empire. With the command from Emperor Blank, we are here to congratulate Your Majesty on your wedding day, and we hold no hostile intent. Please don't be angry." As if they sensed the aggressiveness in Lampard's aura, the team of cavaliers slowed and formed a defensive formation.

At the same time, a clear and dignified voice sounded, and this person quickly explained everything respectfully, afraid of causing a misunderstanding.

After hearing this, Lampard snorted lightly and didn't even reply. Then, he instantly disappeared in the sky.

All the silver lightning-elemental warrior energy turned into a lightning bolt and disappeared into the Golden Leo Mountain at the back of Chambord.

At the same time, that suffocating suppression also disappeared completely. The blue sky went back to normal, and the ordinary warriors who had a hard time moving were able to move again. With pale faces, the low-leveled warriors felt like they were in a dream.

-On the horizon-

"Hey, that King of Chambord sure is arrogant. We already declared our ident.i.ties, but he is still reckless. Does he really think that our level 4 Bordeaux Empire is scared of the little Chambord?" In the team of cavaliers, there was a young man who was wearing a red fire-elemental magic armor and riding on a level 4 Golden Cloud Hou; he looked furious as he took off his mask.

(TL Note: Hou is a Chinese legendary creature.)

He was younger than 30 years old, but he was already a peak Five-Star Warrior. He could be counted as a talented young man; no wonder he looked very proud.

"Hahahaha! Humph! When we get to the city, I will challenge the King of Chambord for sure! I will defeat him in front of thousands of people, and I will see if he can still hold up his haughtiness! I don't think he is as powerful as the traveling poets said to be!"

Chapter 634: Active Guests (Part Two)

"Hahaha! Those traveling poets have honey on their lips, and they could only overly exaggerate. Did you use to believe them? I think the King of Chambord is no more than a weak warrior who is fooling everyone!"

"I heard that the King of Chambord is marrying two beauties, and they could be considered as the top two beauties at the Zenit Empire...... This is unfortunate. If they met us, the Four Greats of Bordeaux, earlier, the King of Chambord wouldn't get a chance!"

"Oh, don't say that so soon. Hehehe, the four of us..... may still have opportunities....."

Behind the first young man, three more cavaliers who were wearing the same style of magic armors and riding on the same kind of mounts added with similar proud expressions on their faces.

"Shut up! You four dumb*ss!" a clear and stern scold sounded from the front of the team.

It was a cavalier who was wearing an ordinary iron armor. He was muscular, and he wasn't wearing a helmet at the moment. His skin was dark, and his eyes were big. His short curly hair added to his handsome facial features such as the tall nose and dark brows, and he looked dignified and had the charisma of a real man. When looking at him, most men would feel a little inferior. Even though he was wearing an ordinary armor and riding on a standard warhorse, his aura was far superior to these four cavaliers who were wearing fancy armors and riding on high-level demon beasts.

After being scolded by him, those four cavaliers who were arrogant didn't dare to talk back, and they quickly lowered their heads.

"That Moon-Cla.s.s Elite is only one of the powerful masters under the King of Chambord's command. Even if the four of you fight him together, he could destroy you all in one strike. How dare you guys talk about challenging the King of Chambord? If you do that, you wouldn't even know how you are killed! I will warn you again! The King of Chambord is the No.1 Killing G.o.d of Zenit, and he is ruthless, merciless, and afraid of nothing! If the four of you want to die, go ahead! Just don't drag the Bordeaux Empire into this!" that burly cavalier looked at them angrily and said, "When we get into Chambord City, behave yourselves! If you offend the King of Chambord, even our emperor couldn't save you!"

"Yes, Gurkov Your Highness." The four young cavaliers didn't dare to say anything other than that, and they all lowered their heads on the surface.

However, only themselves knew what they were thinking about.

Prince Gurkov of Bordeaux lightly shook his head and ignored those four people. As he turned around to check out Chambord City that was situated around mountains, he thought as bright lights appeared in his eyes, "King of Chambord, I hope that you won't disappoint me!"

The arrival of the envoy group from the Bordeaux Empire shocked everyone!

When talking about the power of the empires, the Bordeaux Empire was even stronger than the Zenit Empire. Even if a prince of Zenit was getting married, Bordeaux might not even send over an envoy group. However, when the King of Chambord was getting married, they sent an envoy group with Prince Gurkov, who was the most influential prince in the empire, as the leader. This was truly shocking.

This move broke the traditions between empires.

In comparison, Chambord that was receiving this honor was very calm. Out of more than 400 cavaliers of Bordeaux, most of them were asked to camp on the plain that was on the other side of Zuli River. Only a few masters including Prince Gurkov were allowed to live in a hotel in the city, and King Alexander who was really mysterious didn't show up to greet them.

As many people speculated over this, what happened in the next few days numbed them.

Chapter 635: Surge (Part One)

In that afternoon near the sunset, the No.1 Mercenary Group in a region within 500,000 kilometers of Chambord, [Wind Horse Mercenary Group], appeared. The Group Leader Mellberg, along with six of the ten battle generals, appeared outside of the Chambord City with precious gifts to congratulate the King of Chambord.

Their appearance was not antic.i.p.ated by many.

Even though [Wind Horse Mercenary Group] wasn't an empire, their power was equivalent to one.

They were the most powerful mercenary group in the region!

Their Group Leader Mellberg was very powerful. Dozens of years ago, he was already a famous Moon-Cla.s.s Elite. He defeated many enemies, and he was one of the top-tier masters in the area. The [Wind Horse Mercenary Group] had a large number of powerful masters, and their strength was even mightier than ordinary empires!

Different from other mercenary groups, [Wind Horse Mercenary Group] even had their own territory and their own citizens! Also, they had their own elite main battle legion. Even though they only one, it was comprised of soldiers who all had warrior energy. The combat strength of this legion was terrifying.

Ever since its inception, the [Wind Horse Mercenary Group] rarely took on requests made by small n.o.ble families. Their clients were mostly royal families of various empires, and they partic.i.p.ated in battles between empires. They made their money in wars, and their combat abilities far surpa.s.sed regular troops.

The group leader, Mellberg, was nicknamed [War Pirate]. He had a strange personality and was extremely protective over his people. He was also very murderous; he was famous for only recognizing money and not people. Even the emperors of some empires were ignored by him.

However, such an arrogant person appeared here today. Even though the King of Chambord was technically several generations behind him, Mellberg still came here with masters from his mercenary group to congratulate the king. It was surprising and meaningful.

What surprised people again was that the King of Chambord still didn't even show himself.

The person who greeted the [Wind Horse Mercenary Group] was the head minister of Chambord, Bast, who didn't have warrior energy or magic energy. Just like the Bordeaux Empire, this elite group from [Wind Horse Mercenary Group] was asked to camp on the other side of Zuli River. Except for their group leader and six battle generals, all other people weren't allowed to enter.

To many people, the treatment the Chambord Kingdom gave was disrespectful and rude.

After all, people like Gurkov and Mellberg were of prestigious status, and coming here to congratulate the King of Chambord was already giving him face. However, the King of Chambord acted extremely cold, and it was almost shameful for the two honorable guests to be treated like this. Many people felt like the King of Chambord was too young and got too arrogant.

On the next day, the Crown Prince Girano of the St. Germain Empire arrived at the Chambord Castle on a nice morning. He was here with his four beautiful maids who were known as [Death Maids] as well as 400 elite soldiers of his empire.

Unexpectedly, King Alexander of Chambord appeared and greeted him warmly.

The King of Chambord got out of the city and greeted Girano and his people kilometers away, and he was friendly as he led them into the castle.

Even though a lot of warriors tried to see who this famous king was, they didn't get what they wanted. They felt like there was a thin veil around the king's face that was blocking their sight. Even if Six-Star Warriors and Seven-Star Warriors tried to use their full strength to see through that layer of mystery, they couldn't do it.

Many outsiders especially warriors who came from outside the Zenit Empire sensed how powerful the King of Chambord was for the first time.

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Although they failed to see his face, the aura that the king was giving off was giving them a suffocating sensation. All the warriors who were within 100 meters from the king felt like there was a huge invisible mountain above their heads, and all the bones in their bodies were getting crushed.

"[Sky Covering Fist]! He deserves his nickname! He is a genius warrior and powerful king!" many people thought.

The King of Chambord's quick appearance this time shocked many people. The ones who got impatient and tried to do stuff were stunned, and they were forced to remain still for a bit longer.

That same afternoon, clouds covered the sun, and it was very windy. Prince Simon of the Ma.r.s.e Empire arrived at the Chambord City with 500 elite soldiers and several royal masters of the empire.

Later that night, Prince Sark of the Maze Empire also arrived with an envoy group.....

On the third day, the No.2 Mercenary Group in the region, [Fire Blood Mercenary Group], arrived. Their group leader, Johansson, came to the Chambord City with masters from the group.....

The third day..... The fourth day.....

As time pa.s.sed by, more and more people who were rarely seen by the public such as princes of the empires all showed up, and the soldiers who were camping on the other side of Zuli River were close to 10,000 people, and they were all elites from various empires.

Under the bright sun, all kinds of flags were fluttering; even the sound of bugles and smell of iron blood could be smelled.

When standing on the defense wall of Chambord, one could only see the colorful flags, s.h.i.+ny weapons, and the campsites that covered the plain. The green gra.s.ses almost couldn't be seen on the other side of the river.

The soldiers and masters outside the Chambord City reached a terrifying number.

With a combined force, it wouldn't be hard for them to wipe out a level 1 empire.

At this point, even an idiot could smell the strangeness in the air. Something definitely was going on.

This level of celebration was far beyond the limit of a king of an affiliated kingdom. In fact, even if an emperor were getting married, there wouldn't be these many powerful people going to his ceremony to congratulate him.

Even though the King of Chambord was talented, and his glamor outs.h.i.+ned all other people in the empire, he was still young and wasn't that influential.

He could be counted as a powerful figure at Zenit at best, and he couldn't affect other empire and their strength. However, why were there so many forces here to congratulate him?

In addition, the fact that the Zenit Empire allowed the elite soldiers from the Ma.r.s.e Empire, the Bordeaux Empire, and the St. Germain Empire as well as the elite members from the two biggest mercenary groups in the area to enter its territory was very strange as well.

The situation in the region was very intense, and chaotic wars could break out at any moment. Allowing so many elite soldiers and powerful masters into its territory was a risky matter. If wars broke out, these people could be really troublesome to deal with since they were powerful and were inside the heart of Zenit.

Even though that was the case, the royal family of Zenit didn't show any objections, and they also didn't send over any troops and masters to protect Chambord; they were literally asking a little level 1 affiliated kingdom to deal with all this alone!

"Are they this confident in the King of Chambord? Or is the Zenit Empire ditching Chambord like a chess piece? Or is the empire just going to stand on the sideline and watch, only hoping for the best?"

All these questions enveloped Chambord just like the dark clouds in the sky.

The King of Chambord's wedding was like the key chess piece in a game that was being played by many different forces. This little chest piece was keeping an unimaginable balance, and many people's endurance and will were being tested.

Once the chest piece was moved, the situation in the region would suddenly change, and undercurrents were going to surge!

The beginning of the chaotic and dark age that was filled with wars between empires arrived at the most northern city of the known continent. As wind and clouds moved around, a storm was brewing.

Chapter 636: Skyrocketing in Strength (Part One)

-Five Sword Sky Mountain, Sky Castle-

Fei sat on [The Throne of Chaos]. After a long while, he opened his eyes and exhaled deeply. He nodded in satisfaction and was pleased with the progress with his spirit energy.

Since his wedding was approaching, there were a ton of elite soldiers and masters residing outside of Chambord. Although they said that they were here to congratulate the King of Chambord on the wedding, no one knew what their real intentions were. Therefore, Fei had to increase his strength as well as his subordinates'. They had to be prepared for what was to come.

Therefore, for the last while, he was busy getting his strength up.

At the moment, his spirit energy finally reached level 900, and he was able to scan an area of six kilometers around him. Also, his spirit energy was strong enough to be condensed. According to the methods on the mysterious purple scroll, he could already start practicing the secret techniques. He was able to solidify his spirit energy into weapons and pierce others' minds. It was quite lethal.

At the same time, Fei's actual strength increased a lot as well since he battled monsters in Diablo World every day.

He already completed all the quests on the fourth map, [Pandemonium Fortress], and he killed the final boss on the map, Lord of Destruction – Diablo. In addition, he completed the first four quests, [Siege on Harrogath], [Rescue on Mount Arreat], [Prison of Ice], and [Betrayal of Harrogath], on the fifth map, [Harrogath].

Right now, the strength of Fei's barbarian character was Nightmare Mode level 98, and he was only one level away from the peak level 99.

While completing the last quest, [Terror's End], on the fourth map, Fei and Elena opened the five seals inside the [Chaos Sanctuary]. They killed the Lord of Destruction, Diablo, and its demons, and they earned a lot of rewards. Fei got insanely lucky this time, and he got two green set items.

One of them was the gauntlets in the [Immortal King] set called [Immortal King's Forge – War Gauntlets], and the other one was the armor in the [M'avina's Battle Hymn] set called [M'avina's Embrace – Kraken Sh.e.l.l].

These two items were both very important to Fei and Elena right now.

Currently, Fei already had two items in the [Immortal King] set which were [Immortal King's Soul Cage] as well as [Immortal King's Stone Crusher]. Every component he could get would push it more toward completion, and the combined power would get even greater. The difference between having two items and three items in the set was huge!

In fact, just the properties of this [Immortal King's Forge] was surprising on its own.

[Defense: 430, Durability: 50, 12% chance to cast level 4 Charged Bolt when struck, +65 to Defense, +20 to Dexterity, +20 to Strength, + 10% life steal, +10% mana steal, +25% attack speed, +6 freeze targets......]

All these properties almost blinded the king! This set of gauntlets was at least five times more powerful than all the magic gauntlets that Fei used before!

Now, Fei had three items out of the six in the set, and he was only missing the belt, the helmet, and the boots. The magical power of this item set was already showing its fangs! When the three items appeared on Fei at the same time, a silver, holy light would s.h.i.+ne, and it would give pressure to all Fei's opponents, affecting their minds and judgment.

[M'avina's Embrace – Kraken Sh.e.l.l] was significant to the Valkyrie as well.

Since Elena already got [M'avina's Caster], which was the bow in the item set, she was now able to use partial powers of this top-tier item set for Amazon Characters with the addition of the second item.

Just the armor alone offered more than 1,000 defense points, and the additional magic damage reduction, the increase to skill levels, and more powerful properties made it one of the best magic armors in Diablo World.

Therefore, after killing Diablo in Nightmare Mode, both Fei and Elena experienced a huge jump in strength. Because of this, they were able to easily complete the first four quests on the fifth map and level up incredibly fast in such a short time.

Chapter 636: Skyrocketing in Strength (Part Two)

When Fei's barbarian character reached Nightmare Mode level 98, Elena reached Nightmare Mode level 78. She was equivalent to a level 8 low-tier Full Moon Warrior in the real world, and even Lampard couldn't be matched to her. In terms of elevation speed, she was only after Fei, and it was truly insane.

The rewards Fei got from completing the first four quests on the fifth map weren't poor.

In the second quest [Rescue on Mount Arreat], the 15 barbarian warriors Fei got from Normal Mode experienced increases to their strength. They were all equivalent to Seven-Star Warriors, and they had basic intelligence as well as combat instincts. Also, the summon limit increased to three times a day. Of course, if they died in battle, Fei would need to wait for 24 hours before he could summon them again.

In the third quest [Prison of Ice], Fei got a magic scroll that could permanently increase all his resistances by 10%. He didn't use it right away, and he stored it with the same scroll that he got after completing this quest in Normal Mode. These two trump cards were key in battle! If Fei could use them properly, they could turn a losing situation around quickly.

As he sat on [The Throne of Chaos], he went through everything that he got in the last 12 days systematically. Then, he looked outside the [G.o.dly King Palace], glanced at the green mountains behind Chambord, and started to plan out his wedding.

Suddenly, Fei discovered something. He raised his eyebrows, stretched his finger, and shot out one silver sword energy.

"Eh? So reckless! How dare you come here?" That silver sword energy shone in the sky and quickly disappeared like a firework.

At the same time, a vague figure who suddenly appeared in the sky above the 12 Golden Saint Mountains after a series of transparent ripples was thinking about something. He was about six kilometers away from Fei, and he suddenly sensed a terrifying murderous spirit. His skin and soul were hurting, and his expression changed.

"No! King of Chambord, please show mercy. I'm......"

Bam!

Before this person could finish, that silver sword energy pa.s.sed through this person's body quickly without mercy like a bolt of lightning, and this person's body instantly expanded outward before exploding like a balloon. Along with broken armor pieces and cloth, there were blood drops and chipped bones falling from the sky!

He was a Moon-Cla.s.s Elite, but he got instantly destroyed!

It was an instant kill over six kilometers away!

With Fei's current strength, he could easily kill Moon-Cla.s.s Elites.

"This is so annoying! He is the fourth one in the last ten days! They are really fearless! Since they are here to congratulate me on my wedding day, they should stay at their campsites. Why do they have to do sketchy things around here? Do they really think that Chambord is easy to bully? Since you guys dare to enter the restricted area, then I shall kill you!"

Fei was really angry as he stayed in the [G.o.dly King Palace], and frustration that he had been holding back for many days was shown.

Out of the guests who resided either inside or outside Chambord City, some of them weren't behaving. They tried to mess around, and Fei already warned them in secrecy and punished the more aggressive ones. By doing that, he deterred many more people from doing similar things.

However, the Moon-Cla.s.s Elites who were arrogant completely ignored the king's warning, and they still went to places that weren't opened to them. As a result, Fei was enraged, and he sat on his throne in Sky Castle and killed the ones who crossed the line.

"Squeak! Squeak!" Chubby Little Racc.o.o.n suddenly appeared in the palace.

As if this little guy sensed that its master wasn't in a good mood, it rolled its eyes and picked a white flower from somewhere. Then, it jumped onto Fei's shoulder and pushed the flower under Fei's nose, winking at Fei and trying to comfort him.

"Your little joker!" Fei laughed, lifted Little Racc.o.o.n into the air, and lightly patted Little Racc.o.o.n's b.u.t.t.

The little white flower released a light fragrance, and it was clear that it was a rare herb. Fei felt very relaxed just smelling it.

It seemed like Little Racc.o.o.n, which was a Treasure-Seeking Beast, didn't get its nickname for nothing. It would ignore regular treasures, and only rare, G.o.d-tier treasures could attract its attention.

After rubbing Little Racc.o.o.n's chubby cheeks, Fei spread out his spirit energy and scanned the area around him. He clearly monitored the cultivation progress of the warriors of Chambord.

Fei nodded and thought with a smile on his face, "These men are practicing diligently. The G.o.dly herbs already refined their bodies, and their strength increased by a lot. People like Cech are already pretty powerful, and they are very close to Moon-Cla.s.s."

Fei's wedding day was close. Once the warriors of Chambord showed everyone their strength, people would be shocked!

"Huh? Inzagi...... He is really talented, and he shouldn't be like this...... Why is he not progressing at all? Could it be....." Fei suddenly sensed Inzagi's aura and discovered something strange.

"Go get Inzagi." Fei patted Little Racc.o.o.n's head.

This little guy was brilliant. He instantly understood what Fei meant and dashed out of the palace after it squeaked.

Chapter 637: Black Knights (Part One)

Inzagi soon appeared in the [G.o.dly King Palace] with an ashamed expression on his face.

Four days ago, he suddenly stopped making cultivation progress. Even though there were abundant nature elements in the Sky Castle, and he received a G.o.dly herb that could stimulate his potential from Fei, there was still no effect. As if an invisible barrier suddenly appeared on his path of progression, didn't matter how hard he worked, practiced, and cultivated, he couldn't break through it. In fact, he was getting more and more anxious, and it was negatively impacting him.

Fei glanced at Inzagi with his bright eyes, and it felt like he could see through this young man's heart.

"I remember that I met you and Old York half a year ago when I was pa.s.sing by the poor neighborhood at Hot Spring Gate. I still remember cute little Tina's face...... I didn't expect that arrogant and evil young man at the Hot Spring Gate would try to bring doom to you guys, and I still feel guilty thinking back to it," Fie suddenly opened his mouth and brought up the past.

"Master, it wasn't your fault. That Kulun is just too cruel and vicious; he isn't humane....." Inzagi said as he clenched his fists.

"Eh, you have studied with me for a little over half a year now, and you are already a Seven-Star Warrior. With your unique innate stealth ability, you could go anywhere in the Zenit Empire as long as you are careful. Therefore, I'm comfortable with you going to the Hot Spring Gate, taking revenge, and putting an end to the past," Fei said as he nodded.

While Fei talked, he felt a little emotional and very proud.

When he first met Inzagi, this dark-skinned and thin young man was only a little mercenary who didn't even have warrior energy. Only about half a year pa.s.sed by, and Inzagi was now handsome, fit, and composed. He was a better version of himself, and Fei was glad that he didn't lead his disciple down the wrong path.

"Ah? Master, you mean..... I can....." Inzagi was excited after he heard what Fei said.

"Eh, you are not making progress these days because you couldn't escape from your past. Since you still hold grudges, you couldn't elevate your mindset and level up. In addition, since you want to become a master a.s.sa.s.sin, you need more practical experience. You could only become a truly powerful a.s.sa.s.sin once you go through battles and blood. Therefore, go and avenge for people like Uncle York and little Tina!" Fei paused for a second before continuing, "Go ahead and do what you need to do! Remember, you are my disciple! You don't need to be afraid of anyone!"

Inzagi felt an indescribable feeling in his mind, and he was very thankful toward Fei.

He didn't say much. He single-kneeled respectfully and turned around, leaving the [G.o.dly King Palace].

-Hot Spring Gate-

This magnificent battle fortress was the Capital of the Ernst Region, and it was one of the top ten cities in the Zenit Empire.

Like a pair of huge black pliers, it tightly gripped the path that Chambord had to take to get to southern regions of the empire. Anyone who wanted to travel through this place had to be registered on file, and a lot of merchant caravans had to get their supplies here and were taxed.

It was the morning, and mist could still be seen.

The eastern sky finally turned a little bright, and the Hot Spring Gate was still like a sleeping beauty since its gates weren't open yet. The flags that were hung above the watchtowers fluttered in the morning breeze weakly, and no patrolling soldiers could be seen on the defense wall. The entire city felt very peaceful and quiet in this early morning in the spring.

A series of clear clip-clop noises sounded from a distance.

Soon, five agile black knights who were riding on black horses appeared before the city; they were so fast and quiet that it felt like they floated over on clouds. After stopping before the gate and observing the area, the handsome young man in the lead waved his hand, and all five of them jumped off their horses and waited for the city gate to be opened.

Chapter 637: Black Knights (Part Two)

The five of them along with their horses didn't let out any noise; it was terrifyingly quiet.

As time pa.s.sed by, more and more people appeared before the city gate. There were people such as residents who rushed back to the city from their farms, merchants who were planning to sell fresh

vegetables, pa.s.sing-by merchant caravans, mercenaries who completed their missions, and traveling poets who were wandering between cities......

All of them formed a huge crowd before the city gate and waited for it to open as they calculated the time.

The five black knights looked very strange and unique amongst the crowd, and the chilly sensation around them made people who were within ten meters of them feel cold and s.h.i.+ver.

Therefore, the people in the area avoided them, but they couldn't help but stare at these five young people who looked mysterious.

As they pointed at these five handsome young men, the people in the crowd murmured to themselves, "They sure look different. There are a lot of foreign warriors and envoy groups from other empires in the area recently, but why are the five of them here?"

When the first dash of golden sunlight shone through, the city gate of the Hot Spring Gate finally opened.

The soldiers who were slow and yawning walked out of the city after pus.h.i.+ng open the gate, and they stood to the side of the gate, taking in the entry fee from the people. The people who were waiting were used to it, and they formed long lines and waited to pay the fee.

The five black knights who had been silent instantly jumped onto their horses, and they dashed into the city.

The soldiers who were guarding the gate wanted to stop them and ask them to pay the free, but they all froze after that leading young man looked at them in their eyes. They felt like wild beasts targeted them, and they didn't dare to move and breath heavily. Only after those five black knights dashed away, the people in the crowd finally reacted to it and murmured, "Who are they? Why are they here? They are terrifying! I got looked at, and it felt like the Grim Reaper was looking at me!"

"Yeah, his stare was terrifying!"

"Would terrible things take place since they are in the city now?"

The soldiers who were guarding the gate looked at each other in surprise, and they all sweated. The people who were looked at by that cold black knight felt like a knife was placed on each of their necks, and all the hair on their bodies stood up.

"I hope nothing bad will take place!"

-Mayor's Mansion-

Young Master Kulun, who was most hated by the people in Hot Spring Gate, left his place early in the morning. With more than a dozen henchmen around him, he walked toward the direction of the poor neighborhood with an excited expression on his face.

"Are you guys sure? That chick is back?" Kulun asked with obscene lights in his eyes.

"Hehe, Young Master, don't worry; a few of us clearly saw that chick rus.h.i.+ng into the city right after the gate opened, and she must have returned to the ghettos to take care of those homeless b.a.s.t.a.r.ds! If we go right now, we would be able to capture her. After we tie her up, you could play with her all you want!" A thin and monkey-like man answered flatteringly.

"Hahaha! She is definitely hard to tame. However, she peaked my interest. Hahaha! I want to see how she will react after I undress her! Hahaha! I will see if she is as vicious as usual! Hahahaha!" Kulun thought about the images and started laughing obscenely.

This team of people quickly pushed away the pedestrians on the streets, and they rushed toward the poor neighborhood.

At the same time, the black knight who was leading the way suddenly opened his mouth and said, "Let's go to the poor neighborhood first. It has been half a year, and let's see if it has changed."

It felt like the five of them were extremely familiar with this city, and they got around easily.

The five of them quickly got through the crowd and entered the outer edge of the poor neighborhood.

"Familiar place; we are back!" this was the thought that appeared in all five black knights' minds.

Half a year ago, they were weak orphans who couldn't even support themselves and control their fates. They had to fight for survival every day, and they lived in this place that was filled with violence and crime; it was a living h.e.l.l.

They were back!

They were now mighty warriors, and they were supported by that new n.o.ble of Zenit who shook the entire empire.

Chapter 638: Return to the Poor Neighborhood (Part One)

Danielle was only a weak mercenary inside a little insignificant mercenary group. Her life was like faint candlelight; it could go out at any minute.

However, due to a unique experience she had a little while ago, her strength increased dramatically, and she became a One-Star Warrior.

This sudden change affected her life path. As a One-Star Warrior who was younger than 18 years of age, her strength was mid-tier amongst all mercenaries in the region, and she was finally qualified to join a mid-tier mercenary group at Hot Spring Gate.

Although she still had to complete quests and live with dangers around her, she could acc.u.mulate some money and didn't have to worry about having no money for food and clothing.

Different from most mercenaries who danced on the edge of life and death, she was a girl, a girl who was good-looking.

Beauty was the pursuit of all girls, but it wasn't a good thing to have as a mercenary.

Her looks brought her a lot of unnecessary troubles.

What was strange was that she looked ordinary and dull before she became a One-Star Warrior. At that time, she was dark and thin, and she was a bit dirty and had to fight for survival with weapons in her hands just like men. The cruel pressure of survival forced her to focus on what was necessary,

and she didn't have time to worry about her appearance. In fact, she sometimes forgot that she was a girl.

However, after that special experience, she became a One-Star Warrior and transformed. Under the nurturing of her warrior energy, she turned from an ugly duckling into a beautiful swan. That thin and fierce tomboy turned into a beautiful girl who had a great figure.

This beauty that came with her power-up brought her a lot of trouble.

For example, she was stared at by the people around her, and her teammates teased her and tried to get their way with her.

In the end, she had to wear an ugly black iron mask to cover up her face every day.

Even though her situation got better, Danielle still chose to stay in the poor neighborhood at Hot Spring Gate.

Many heart-warming things happened here, and they brought warmth to her grey and emotionless life. Every time she thought back about those times, she would smile subconsciously.

However..... Those cold-blooded and merciless killings and that terrifying flames devoured all those beautiful memories, destroyed everything, and even took away that person a little over half a year ago.

Danielle chose to stay in the poor neighborhood and live where she used to live. Just like what that person did about half a year ago, she protected more than 20 poor infants and became these kids' only spiritual pillar in this cold world.

"Haha, stand still! Straighten your back, stare at the front, and punch fast!" Danielle said as she smiled and nodded.

The beautiful morning sunlight s.h.i.+ned through the garbage piles and brightened this little courtyard that could be considered clean and organized. More than a dozen little boys who were between the age of six and eight were practicing their fist techniques earnestly in the sun. Even though they still looked childish, their att.i.tudes were serious. As they shouted and practiced, big sweat drops slid down their foreheads.

Not too far away, a few girls were picking out usable items out of the garbage piles, including leftovers that weren't rotten and still edible.

In this poor neighborhood that was filled with violence, murders, robberies, and bad odor, this little courtyard was like a pure and safe paradise. In the golden sunlight, the children's laughter got rid of the chilliness of the early morning in the spring, and this dirty and cold world became lively and energetic.

Danielle who was wearing a light red leather armor that was full of tears looked like a perfect sculpture. Right now, all her guards were down.

Chapter 638: Return to the Poor Neighborhood (Part Two)

She didn't have that ugly black iron mask on, and there was a big smile on her beautiful face. As she looked at these kids, her memories flashed back to eight years. At that time, there were a bunch of kids as well. He was one of them, and she was the oldest girl there.....

Suddenly, Danielle discovered something and frowned.

She lightly clapped, and the children quickly ran back to the stone house at the corner of the courtyard like scared moles. That clap was probably a signal, and the kids were looking out through the window as well as the slit in the door with startled expressions on their faces.

A series of rapid footsteps sounded.

A team of soldiers from the [Rapid Wind Legion] suddenly appeared after turning at a garbage pile, and they walked in as they surrounded a few young men who were dressed fancily. As they dashed toward this direction, they shouted ferociously, looking hostile.

Danielle frowned, thought about something, and put her black iron mask back on.

On the faces of the soldiers and the young men, she saw a kind of expression that she was very familiar with, and she felt like throwing up.

"Although more than half a year pa.s.sed by, it seems like this place didn't change." Inzagi slowly rode forward on his well-trained black horse alongside his other four peers, and they felt a little nostalgic.

All that they could see were rotten garbage, and the little pits on the road were full of black, stinky liquid. There weren't many pedestrians, and the ones who were here looked cold and numb. There were a few prost.i.tutes who had little clothes on and tried to get customers as they s.h.i.+vered in the cold wind, and wild dogs and cats fought over half rotten corpses in the garbage piles with a bunch of mice running around.

Nothing changed.

"Under the terrible management of the Tolemy Family, the officials already forgot about this poor neighborhood. When the n.o.blemen and influential figures have their parties around heated fireplaces, how could they remember this place where they never set foot on in their lives." The youngest one among the five of them, who looked 15 years old, Michael Owen, said angrily, "Compared to the Chambord City, this is a living h.e.l.!! If King Alexander ruled this city, it would be much better."

As he said that, his blond hair shone under the sunlight.

The other three young men behind him were silent.

What happened here about half a year ago made them hate the rulers of this city dearly, and murderous spirits appeared. They had been waiting for this day for 217 days now.

Once they could see the place where Uncle York and their other friends had once lived, they were going to let those b.l.o.o.d.y murderers pay the price!

They were very close!

They were approaching the place where they lived before.

As an indescribable sadness and solemnness enveloped them, they suddenly heard a burst of arrogant and ear-piercing laughter in front of them, coming from their old home.

"Hahahaha! You are a rebellious chick. What do you think? Do you really think that your One-Star strength could save you? Hahaha, hit me? Aren't you captured by me right now? Block her warrior energy and tie her up! Hehehe, I'm going to get a good taste of this rebellious chick right here in the poor neighborhood before the eyes of those little kids! Hahaha! I will ride this One-Star female mercenary! Hahaha!"

Inzagi and his four peers instantly looked at each other immediately, and their hands that were holding onto the reins s.h.i.+vered.

This voice was too familiar to them; they memorized it in their souls.

For the last 217 days, what kept them motivated at every second was this voice! Their hatred toward this man made them cultivate and train even though they were too exhausted at times.

They didn't expect to meet their biggest enemy at this place that was very special to them. This was the place where they grew up and had great memories, and it was also the place where Uncle York and many of their friends were killed.

Inzagi lightly patted his black horse.

At this moment, he was the calmest.

Without a sound, he signaled his peers and went toward the direction of that voice.

Chapter 639: But Do You Know Who I Am? (Part One)

After traveling through several crooked and narrow pathways, the five of them got through the garbage piles and saw what was happening at the courtyard that wasn't too far away.

More than 20 children who were younger than ten years old and wearing ragged clothes were being kept away by the soldiers of the [Rapid Wind Legion] with weapons. Fear could be seen on their little faces, and they tightly stood together and s.h.i.+vered. Also, they were looking at the center of the courtyard with anger and powerlessness in their big eyes.

Over there, several fancily-dressed young men who looked extremely pale laughed proudly.

In front of them, there was a female warrior who was being held down by two powerful military officials. This girl was in an old, used red leather armor, and she looked pretty and a little s.e.xy. Even though she had an angry expression on her face, the two officials who were holding her down used their warrior energies, and she couldn't even move by a bit.

"Hehehe, d.a.m.n, this is a feisty chick! Hahaha! Keep on struggling! Hahaha! I like girls who are similar to you! Hahahaha! You are special and flavorful! Hahaha!" The person who said that was Kulun, a young n.o.bleman who was hated and feared by almost all regular residents at Hot Spring Gate.

As a vicious light appeared in his tiny, squinted eyes, he reached out and squeezed Danielle's white cheeks before smelling that hand with his nose.

"Yuck! B*stard!" This female warrior stared at Kulun ferociously and spat onto his face.

Pia! Pia!

Kulun instantly raised his hand and slapped her face several times, leaving big red handprints on both sides of her face.

"Don't hit Sister Danielle! You are a bad person! A big bad person!" A little girl who was only six years old ran out and hit Kulun's leg with her dirty little fists.

"F*ck off, you little b*stard!" Kulun was mad.

Even though he had no warrior energy and was very weak due to his alcohol and s.e.xual consumption, he was an adult after all. He kicked that little girl on the chest, sending her flying in the air by four meters. That poor little girl instantly paled and fainted.

"Ah! Mille! Stop it! B*stard! Are you still a human? She is only a kid......" That female warrior shouted with anger, and she tried her best to break free so that she could go hold onto the fainted little girl. However, the two military officials who held her down were far more powerful than her. With their hands on her shoulders, she couldn't do anything.

After seeing this, Kulun got excited as more viciousness appeared on his face. He laughed and said, "Haha, it looks like you care about these little b*stards a lot! Hahaha, great! Feisty chick, stand out and strip for me! If you let me have a good time, I will let go of these little b*stards! If you resist...... Hehe, I will chop off their limbs, and you can see them die in great pain yourself......"

After he said that, he signaled to the soldiers who were guarding the orphans. These soldiers placed their blades on the necks of these kids, and the sharp and chilly blades terrified them. However, they forced themselves not to cry,

"You....." Danielle was stunned.

"How could a human be this vicious? This b*stard is a devil! He should burn in h.e.l.l for an eternity!" she thought.

"What? Are you still hesitating? Chop off a few limbs for me!" Kulun's chilly and disgusting voice sounded again.

Hearing the command, the soldiers slowly raised their iron blades, and cold and b.l.o.o.d.y lights were reflecting off them.

"No! Don't! Don't hurt them!" Danielle screamed out in fear.

She had no choice. To her, these kids were the most important part of her life, and they were like her family. Faced with the threat from this devil, she had no choice but to surrender.

Under the burning and vicious gaze of this young n.o.bleman who looked pale and weak, Danielle slowly placed her hands on the first b.u.t.ton of her red leather armor. Under the greedy and l.u.s.tful stares of the men around her, her face paled, and she suddenly thought of that young man who was always in her heart. "If he is here right now, then....."

Chapter 639: But Do You Know Who I Am? (Part Two)

"Humph! My patience is limited!" Kulun snorted impatiently as he stared at the key locations on Danielle's body, and the devils who were guarding the children raised their weapons again.

A proud and scornful smile appeared on Danielle's face, and she was no longer scared, even though her fingers were still shaking. As she put more force onto her hand and was about to pull down her armor lightly, she suddenly realized that the men around her who had excitement in their eyes suddenly changed the mood. Even Kulun who was l.u.s.ting over her had a terrified expression on his face......

She didn't notice the shocking scene that was taking place behind her.

The two military officials who were powerful and holding her down suddenly had their heads separated from their bodies quietly. The cut was so clean that it felt like someone chopped their heads off with G.o.d-tier combat weapons. However, no one could be seen around them! All of this happened in silence, and the red blood gushed out of the wounds.

This scene was strangely horrifying.

The killings were undetectable, and no one could guard against it. It felt like the Grim Reaper was smiling and having its harvest.

Kulun's expression started to freeze, and his useless friends around him were traumatized as well. They didn't see any enemies, but two military officials who were powerful were decapitated instantly. This scene was similar to the horror stories told by the traveling poets, and they felt like their knees were weak after seeing so much blood......

At this moment, Danielle finally noticed the strangeness behind her.

When she slowly turned around, she saw an even more terrifying scene.

The horror fell upon more than 50 soldiers of the [Rapid Wind Legion] who were guarding the kids. As if it were an infectious disease, blood started leaking out of their necks.

It seemed like they didn't discover it themselves. When they saw the terrified expression on their peers' faces, they noticed that something was wrong and held onto their own necks as well. Even though they tried to scream, they couldn't do it, and they fell like crops under the sickles of farmers powerlessly.....

More than 50 soldiers were downed in less than ten seconds.

How did they die? No one could tell. Who killed them? No one knew what was going on. From the beginning until now, no one saw any a.s.sa.s.sins. With her eyes wide open, Danielle was shocked and confused. When she came back to her senses and turned around, her body s.h.i.+vered. Not sure when, but five black knights were standing about ten meters away. Their eyes were s.h.i.+ny, but they were as cold as ice. Under the morning suns.h.i.+ne, they emitted death-like auras that could make their opponents feel desperate. For some reason, Danielle's eyes locked onto the handsome young black knight in the middle. An overly excited expression appeared on her face because she recognized him. "You..... You..... Who are you? Did you kill my subordinates? Do you know who I am? Do you know who you killed? d.a.m.n it! Do you all want to die?" After getting scared, Kulun's confidence came back since he saw that there were only five of them, and they were so young. After all, this was Hot Spring Gate. It was the territory of the Tolemy Family, so it was pretty much his territory. The response to these 'sharp' questions was a disdainful laugh. The handsome black knight in the middle looked up and said in a murderous tone, "I know who you are, but do you know who I am?" Chapter 640: Go? Where? (Part One) "You..... Who are you? You....."

Kulun and his friends were already terrified by the horrifying scenes happening right in front of them. As they looked at this extremely handsome black knight who was staring at them with murderous spirit, they couldn't remember when they offended a tough character like him for a moment.

"Half a year ago, you killed around 40 children and a mercenary named York, and you pierced their heads on the tips of spears. If it weren't for King Alexander His Majesty who saved the five of us, no one would have come back to you to seek revenge." Inzagi slowly approached Kulun as he said everything calmly, but his voice sounded as cold as ice in the ears of Kulun and his friends. They s.h.i.+vered and sensed a chill in their spines; even the warm sunlight felt cold to them.

"King Alexander of Chambord..... So..... It is you...... You are that b*stard who got saved by King Alexander...... You......" Kulun's face instantly paled; not a single bit of redness could be seen on his face. Even though he was useless and arrogant, he knew what the t.i.tle, King of Chambord, meant at the Zenit Empire right now. The nightmare that had been bothering the entire Tolemy Family finally arrived.

"I told you that I would be back one day!"

A thrilling smile appeared on Inzagi's face as he said that. His pearl-white teeth looked like sharp knives in Kulun's eyes.

Inzagi's body lightly flashed and looked like it didn't move, but the five fancily dressed young n.o.blemen behind Kulun held onto their necks and fell powerlessly as scared expressions appeared on their faces.

Danielle opened her big, beautiful eyes wide. Even though she was only a One-Star Warrior, she still didn't see how Inzagi did it. It felt like if Inzagi wanted to, he could slit others' throats with his glance alone.

Such terrifying a.s.sa.s.sination skills! These five young n.o.blemen died just like those soldiers of the [Rapid Wind Legion].

"No..... Don't kill me! Please don't kill me! I made a mistake! I know I'm wrong....." The only survivor, Kulun, was so scared that he defecated uncontrollably.

As a stinky smell dispersed into the air, he kneeled, crawled over, and begged with tears in his eyes.

Inzagi frowned and backed off one step.

"You can go now. I don't want to kill you right now." This black knight thought about it and said suddenly.

"Ah? Really..... Really?" With tears and snot on his face, Kulun couldn't believe his ears. He didn't expect this merciless and murderous black knight to let him go like this.

"Get out of here!" Inzagi shouted impatiently.

"Ah, ok, ok, ok..... Thank you....." Kulun put his hands on his head and ran. At this moment, he wanted a few more pair of legs to increase his speed.

"Don't let him go!" Danielle quickly tried to warn Inzagi. "Philip, he is the youngest son of Legion Commander Tolemy who is in charge of [Rapid Wind Legion], and his older brother is the No.1 Master of Hot Spring Gate, Dillies. He will come back for sure for the revenge! Kill him, and you guys need to leave this city right now!"

What she said instantly terrified Kulun who was running away.

"Wait!" Inzagi suddenly shouted at Kulun; it seemed like he listened to Danielle's advice.

Kulun's knees felt weak, and his legs s.h.i.+vered, making him almost fall to the ground. He wrapped his arms around his head as he begged for mercy; he was afraid that this black knight would glance at him ferociously and slit his throat.

However, that didn't happen.

"Go back and tell your father who thinks that he is supreme and your brother who thinks that he is the most powerful young man in the world; tell them that Philip Inzagi will go and visit them soon."

Inzagi didn't kill Kulun. Instead, he said that to the latter as he looked in the direction of the magnificent Mayor's Mansion which was located in the center of Hot Spring Gate.

Kulun s.h.i.+vered, but he didn't dare to say anything else. He quickly ran away and disappeared from the poor neighborhood.

"You....." Danielle looked at Inzagi and didn't know what to say. In her mind, letting Kulun go would create endless trouble in the future.

Inzagi simply looked at the female warrior and smiled gently. This smile was similar to the smile that he gave Kulun, but Danielle felt an unprecedented warmth instead of that cold and unapproachable chilliness.

At the moment, Inzagi looked like the boy next door, and he seemed so friendly that people wanted to get close and intimate with him.

Chapter 640: Go? Where? (Part Two)

"Danielle! You are still alive! This is great!" Inzagi reached out and tightly hugged this female warrior who looked a little messy.

At the same time, Owen put that little girl who got kicked by Kulun and fainted in his arms, and he walked over to Inzagi. All of them had mystic potions given to them by Fei, and they easily rescued this little girl without leaving any scars on her.

"Danelle, it is really you! How did you escape that ma.s.sacre that early morning?"

"This is great; this is a miracle! You are still alive! G.o.d bless! We all thought that you already....."

All five black knights were extremely excited as they surrounded Danielle. As a.s.sa.s.sins, Fei trained them well to have the sharpest vision and most accurate judgment. Also, since this girl was one of their friends who survived that incident about half a year ago, they quickly recognized her despite her transformation.

Even though this beautiful female warrior's eyes were red, she was still smiling.

At the night of the ma.s.sacre, she was starving. Since she gave her few pieces of black bread to little Tina during the day, she sneaked out to find something to eat at the garbage piles. However, she slipped and fell from a pile, and she hit a piece of rock with her head and fainted.

When she woke up on the second day, she found her home burned down with a lot of blood stains around. Her friends were all missing, and she got that ominous feeling and felt like all of them were dead.

At that moment, Danielle felt like the entire world was collapsing down.

The people who were like a family to her suddenly disappeared, and her home was burned down. She was all alone in this world, and she felt like she was abandoned again. She tried to get information from the neighbors and got a piece of desperate news – some people saw that all the people in her home got killed.

However, some of the people who she thought have dead appeared in front of her miraculously, and one of them was a person whom she could never forget. This sudden joy took her by surprise, and she felt like she was dreaming. That dizziness made her head spin, and she couldn't believe what was happening.

She tried to force herself not to cry, but the tears of joy still slid down her face.

She reached out and lightly knocked the five black knights' chests, and the real sensory feedbacks told her that she wasn't in a dream. That suddenly joy almost suffocated her.

The children who were further away ran over and hugged onto Danielle's legs, and that little girl named Millie tried to comfort her in a cute voice. "Sister Danielle, don't cry. Millie will sing for you, ok? Please don't cry....."

Danielle burst out laughing and wiped the tear off her face. She rubbed Millie's little head and said, "Guys, look, this is Brother Philip whom I told you about. Isn't he powerful? He beat all those bad guys....."

"Powerful!" The kids all looked up at Inzagi in admiration as they said together.

All five of the black knights laughed.

This scene reminded them of eight years ago. At that time, everyone was still alive, and their time together was just this lovely and intimate. However, those b.l.o.o.d.y criminals destroyed everything with their butcher knives, and they had to take revenge!

Suddenly, Danielle thought of something and said in a panic, "Philip, guys, you shouldn't have let that b*stard go! He is coming back with more soldiers for sure! Although you guys are powerful now, he has the entire [Rapid Wind Legion] behind him. In a time like this, individual power couldn't fight against the military and the empire."

At this moment, Danielle was really afraid. As she hurried the children to pack up, she told the five black knights to leave before Kulun's reinforcement got here.

Inzagi smiled and waved his hand. He said, "Don't worry, the entire [Rapid Wind Legion] doesn't dare to fight with us. Even the Tolemy Family is probably terrified now. That Kulun should probably hope for more luck. If the Tolemy Family isn't smart, we don't mind making them disappear. For all these years, have they not done enough? Their hands are all b.l.o.o.d.y!"

Before they left, Fei told them not to worry about anything. Therefore, they didn't see the Tolemy Family as a potential threat at all.

When Inzagi let Kulun go, he already planned to go to the Mayor's Mansion to clear the past. After all, only killing Kulun was going too easy on this guilty family.

"You..... you are too confident. Kulun's older brother, Dillies, is the No.1 Master at Hot Spring Gate, and he was already a Six-Star Warrior half a year ago. Even though you guys are good, can you fight with a Six-Star Warrior? Listen to me and get away while you can. Otherwise, it might be too late....."

Danielle was very worried.

At this moment, an arrogant voice sounded, "Go? Where? Do you think you guys can get away?"

In the same time, a series of uniform footsteps and metal-gliding noises sounded.

Soldiers surrounded this little courtyard from all directions.