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Lux stood in front of a large Mall with a smile on his face.

A day had passed since he had found himself on Earth, and with Luna's help, he visited the places where he had spent most of his time back in his past life.

After Lux told her everything he could about Solais and Elysium, including the details involving Aina's life, Luna took a one-week leave from work and holed herself up inside her room.

Lux didn't want to disturb her too much and only asked her to give him some pocket money in exchange for gold and other precious gems in his possession.

After the transaction was completed, he left Luna's apartment and headed to the mall after visiting a few places.

He bought ten cell phones, sim cards, and ten power banks, making the owner and the rest of the customers give him some weird looks.

Fortunately, he was good-looking, so their weird gazes gradually turned into looks of appreciation.

Of course, their gazes would often land on his slightly long ears, but they simply thought that he was a cosplayer.

There were plenty of people who were into that trend nowadays, so seeing things like this wasn't enough to alarm anyone.

Also, during the past two years, there had been some visitors from the world called Hestia, who brought a lot of surprises for the people on Earth.

The most popular of them all was none other than a Rainbow-Colored Anteater named Kazogonaga, who had become a worldwide sensation with his hit single, "I Am Rolling!", that sold billions of copies around the world.

"Next, I'll buy Solar Panels..." Lux muttered.

Elysium didn't have the technology to charge the cellphones, so he decided to install Solar Panels in his Guild Headquarters, allowing his lovers to have a place to charge their phones.

Of course, he didn't need the phones to communicate with his lovers because he had the Guild Chat.

However, he was certain that once they understood how they worked, they would definitely put them to good use.

Although he didn't know how he would be able to return to Solais and Elysium, he believed that if there was a way to send him to Earth, there would also be a way to return to where he came from.

After getting the Solar Panels, Lux stored them inside the Spatial Closet that Hana had created for him.

This way, he would be able to store Monster Corpses or anything else that he wanted to without having to use his storage rings.

An hour later, the Half-Elf stood in front of a house.

This was the place where he had spent many years of his life, and he looked at it with nostalgia.

"Hello there, handsome," a pretty lady with long black hair, walked up to him with a smile. "Are you lost? Or perhaps you're a friend of one of my sisters?"

"I'm not lost," Lux replied as he looked at his sister, whom he hadn't seen for many years. "I'm just thinking that this house looks good."

"Does it?" the pretty lady looked at her house in curiosity.

She had never paid any attention to what her house looked like because it was nothing special. Compared to the mansions of the rich and famous, their house looked normal, like the other houses in their neighborhood.

"Do you want to come inside?" the pretty lady asked. "This is actually my house. At this time, no one is at home."

The pretty lady then moved close to Lux and held onto his arm. "Come. I'll give you a tour of the house."

"Do you casually invite strangers you've just met inside your home?" Lux asked, raising an eyebrow.

"I don't," the pretty lady replied. "But somehow, I don't think that you are a bad person. How about it? Would you like to take a look inside?"

"Why not?" Lux shrugged.

He didn't have any plans on entering his old home and simply wanted to look at it from a distance. But now that he had the opportunity to enter it, he decided to accept his sister's invitation.

The pretty lady who was inviting him inside the house was actually his youngest sister, Jennifer.

When he died, Jennifer was only fourteen years old. Among his siblings, she was the one who didn't interact much with him.

Based on his memory, Jennifer didn't particularly like or hate him. Their relationship was good, and she didn't disdain calling him her brother in public.

'She's twenty years old by now,' Lux thought. 'This still feels surreal to me.'

Lux never thought that he would get the opportunity to visit his family in his current lifetime.

Truth be told, he was very curious to see how they were faring now that six years had passed.

The house looked almost the same in his memory, with the exception of new furniture that made the place look brighter.

"Please, sit down," Jennifer said. "I'll go get some snacks."

Lux nodded and watched his sister open the fridge to see whether there was something that she could serve her guest.

A minute later, she brought out a bottle of lemonade and took some fish crackers from the shelf, which made the Half-Elf almost chuckle.

'Lemonade and fish crackers?' Lux looked at the food offered to him with a calm expression on his face. 'Seriously?'

Jennifer was paying close attention to Lux's reaction. Truth be told, she was a little embarrassed but there was no other food in the house.

She had placed a slice of cake in the fridge yesterday, but seeing that it wasn't there anymore, there was a high chance that one of her sisters had eaten it without her permission.

The Half-Elf took a bite of the fish cracker, creating a crisp sound that spread inside the living room.

"Delicious," Lux said. "It has been nearly eighteen years since I ate fish crackers. Thank you for letting me remember how good it is."

"Oh, please," Jennifer rolled her eyes. "How can you possibly not eat fish crackers in that span of time? You look very young. How old are you?"

"Almost eighteen."

"Pfft! And you say you haven't eaten fish crackers for that period of time? Nice try!"

Lux could only smile bitterly as he continued to eat the fish crackers that were served to him by his sister.

A few minutes later, the door of the house opened, and three people entered the house.

Lux's gaze landed on a lady who was in her early fifties. Standing beside her was a young man, who was in his mid-twenties, and a young lady in her late twenties.

They were none other than his younger brother and sister, who had grown a lot in the six years since he saw them last.

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"You lied to me," Jennifer said with a pout as he looked at the handsome young man in front of her with a face filled with injustice. "Why didn't you tell me that you are Lucien's friend?"

"I'm sorry," Lux replied. "I just thought that it wasn't a good time to tell you that I was one of his friends when we met earlier."

Now that his family, with the exception of his father, was at home, he decided to experiment a bit to see their reaction after introducing himself as Lucien's friend.

To his surprise, none of them said anything bad about him. They even looked sad after his name was mentioned.

This surprised Lux because his mother, young brother, and younger sister, with the exception of Jennifer, always treated him like he was the greatest shame of their family when he was alive.

His mother had been especially harsh on him, often telling him that his birth was a mistake when he was still alive.

Seeing her saddened look made the Half-Elf sneer inside his heart because he had a feeling that his mother was just putting up an act like she always did in the past.

"I always believed that he would change for the better," his mother, Sarah, said. "But he never changed despite my efforts to redirect him to the right path. I'm a failure of a mother."

'You certainly are,' Lux thought.

"My brother was my idol," Benjamin stated. "He always helped me with my studies, especially Calculus."

'Bullsh*t. Anything above MDAS is beyond me.' Lux was doing his best not to roll his eyes at his brother's shamelessness.

Between the two of them, the latter was a Math Genius, so he didn't need any help—especially not from him.

"Brother always gave me money to buy everything I needed, including trendy clothes and bags," Jessica said. "In fact, this bag I'm wearing is something I bought with his money."

'Damn right, you b*tch! You stole my credit card and maxed it out in a day!' Lux did his best to keep himself from slapping the liar in front of him.

"Um, my brother gave me gifts on my birthdays," Jennifer stated. "He was a good person."

'Well, you pass, I guess,' Lux smiled.

He gazed at everyone in the family before an idea struck him.

"If possible, can I see his room?" Lux asked.

"His room?" Sarah frowned. "I'm sorry. After he died, we turned his room into a storage room. There's nothing to see there."

"I see." Lux nodded in understanding.

He stayed half an hour longer before leaving the house. Jennifer accompanied him outside because she was the one who invited him to their home.

"You said that your brother had given you a gift on your birthdays, right?" Lux asked.

Jennifer nodded, "Yes."

"So, since he died, he hasn't given you a gift for six years, am I right?" Lux inquired.

"Yes," Jennifer tilted her head in confusion. "Is there a problem with that, Lux?"

Lux shook his head. "No. Actually, since I'm already here, why don't I give you a gift in his stead?"

The Half-Elf pretended to take something from his pocket. However, he actually used his Spatial Storage to take out a handful of gems and placed them in Jennifer's hand.

"Consider this your brother's gifts for the birthdays that he missed," Lux said. "Thank you for inviting me to your home, and next time, be sure not to invite strangers inside your house again, okay? You're lucky I'm not a bad person."

After saying those words, Lux walked away without looking back.

He didn't even respond when Jennifer called out to him. Instead, he ran away, leaving her behind.

When he was certain that he had managed to shake her off, he heaved a sigh and looked up at the sky.

'I guess I expected too much from them,' Lux thought.

It was at that moment when the images of his Grandma Vera appeared inside his head.

She was a person who treated him like a real member of her family and raised him with love and care.

Then, he saw the images of Iris, Alexander, Alicia, and the people from Wildgarde Stronghold.

They had been with him the longest, and all of them cared for him in their own way.

Before long, the images of his lovers appeared before him. This made his heart ache, especially when he thought of the possibility of never being able to see them again.

'I need to go back,' Lux thought. 'They are waiting for me.'

Lux clenched his fists together before pulling back his hood to cover his head. He then walked into an empty alley before shooting up into the sky in a blur.

His Draconic Wings flapped behind his back at a very fast rate, making him turn into a black speck in the sky.

As he hovered high above the clouds, he extended his senses, hoping to find any sort of reaction that would lead him back to the place where he rightfully belonged. He didn't know what happened after he faced Daniel, but before he lost consciousness, he heard Eriol's assuring voice, telling him that he would not allow Daniel to have his way.

Lux believed that the God of Games wouldn't lie to him, so he focused his attention on finding a way back home.

But even after expanding his senses, he was unable to sense anything that might help him in his quest.

Suddenly, the skies above his head turned dark, and he found himself frozen in place.

A moment later, countless glowing golden orbs floated around him.

Lux felt all the hairs on his body stand on end when he saw that these glowing orbs actually had an eye on them.

They all looked at the Half-Elf at the same time, and for some reason, he felt as if these golden eyes were looking at him with varying degrees of emotions.

Some of the eyes looked at him with pity, curiosity, anger, sadness, disdain, happiness, excitement, and a myriad of other emotions that he couldn't describe.

However, one thing was certain.

He felt as if he was in the presence of a being that was akin to a God.

And that being spoke in his head and asked him a single question.

"If your life was a novel, what would the title be, and how would your story end?"

Chapter 1111: How Did Your First Night With Luna Go?

"If your life was a Novel, what would the title be, and how would your story end?"

Faced with countless eyeballs staring at him, Lux felt a pressure that he had only felt for the second time in his life.

The first time he felt it was when he was facing off against Daniel, and the illusionary image of a being that was even bigger than a planet.

Clearly, whoever was asking him this question was an existence that was just as powerful as the one that he had faced back in the Abyss.

Perhaps, getting a bit impatient that its question wasn't answered, the pressure Lux felt doubled, making him almost fall from the sky.

However, as if expecting something like that to happen, the air under his feet solidified, serving as a foothold for him to stand on.

The Half-Elf knew that if he didn't give an answer soon, the being pressuring him might just accidentally crush him, and end his life for the second time.

"T-Ten," Lux said through gritted teeth. "Ten Girlfriends Who Really, Really,

An awkward silence permeated the surroundings before all the eyeballs that were looking at him suddenly grew mouths and started giggling.

Their creepy giggles grated the Half-Elf's ears, as if he was hearing someone clawing a blackboard, only this time, this sound was multiplied countless times.

After enduring for a few minutes, the giggling of the eyeball stopped. Clearly, they were amused by Lux's answer, prompting them to ask another question.

"Do you want to go back to Solais?"

"I do!" Lux answered in a heartbeat.

He wanted to go back so badly because he was worried about his family, lovers, friends, and acquaintances.

His Guild Chat wasn't working, and he also couldn't summon any of his Named Creatures to his side.

He was also unable to teleport directly to his Guild Headquarters, reminding him of the time that he was in the Abyss.

"There is a Fairy Tale in this world called Cinderella. I want you to show me something that has a strong connection to this story. Until you do, you will not be able to escape this place.

"You don't need to find me, for if you meet this condition, I will personally send you back to your world. Fail, and you can live your life in this world. This is my mercy."

Suddenly, Lux blanked out, and fell unconscious.

The countless golden eyes disappeared one by one, as if they never existed in the first place.

Lux felt something wet touching his skin, making him feel something akin to dejavu.

When he opened his eyes, he found the French Bulldog, Peanut, licking his cheek, in an attempt to wake him up.

He slowly propped himself up to a sitting position, holding Peanut at bay, before looking at his surroundings.

A few seconds later he recognized the room as the interior of Luna's apartment.

Peanut, who was hell-bent to continue licking Lux's face like a candy, was struggling to break free from his hold.

His Master, Luna, hadn't come out of her room, so he was feeling lonely.

This was why when their guest suddenly appeared sprawled on the ground, and unconscious, Peanut immediately went to work and licked him like a madman—errr mad dog.

Feeling helpless, Lux summoned a Skeleton Gangbanger, and ordered it to play with Peanut.

The Skeleton Gangbanger removed its gauntlet, and petted the dog. However, instead of enjoying the attention he was getting, Peanut bit on the Skeleton Gangbanger's hand, and started gnawing.

The Skeleton Gangbanger found this funny, and even picked up the Bulldog before sitting on the couch and placing Peanut on its lap.

Just as Lux was thinking of what to do next, he heard a knock on the door, making him automatically move towards it.

"Coming," Lux said before opening the door.

The first thing he saw was a beautiful woman wearing stylish clothes, who seemed to be in her early thirties.

The beautiful woman eyed Lux from head to foot before nodding her head in understanding.

"I see, I understand now," the beautiful woman said with a smile. "So, Luna finally has a boyfriend. Nice to meet you Mr..."

"Lux," Lux replied. "But, I think you're making a misunderstanding. I'm not Luna's boyfriend."

"Don't worry, I understand," the beautiful woman winked. "Luna is a celebrity, and as her manager, I need to protect my talent. I'll keep your relationship with her a secret. Here is my calling card."

Lux took the calling card from the beautiful woman's hand and read it.

"Hollie Molly," Lux said softly. "Rising Stars Unlimited."

"Yes, that's me." Hollie nodded. "Well then, Mr. Boyfriend. How did your first night with Luna go? She's still inexperienced, and didn't have the opportunity to have a boyfriend during her idol years.

"Although many influential people and celebrities have tried to get under her skirt, she's protected herself well and risen through the showbiz industry as a popular idol. Of course, her contract states that she is not allowed to have a boyfriend.

"But, since all the handsome men are taken, I'll turn a blind eye and allow her to hook up with you. Take care of her, okay?"

Lux, who was forced to hear Hollie's one sided dialogue, didn't know how to reply. Fortunately, someone else did, which made the beautiful woman's smile widen.

"He's not my boyfriend," Luna lightly pushed Lux to the side as she looked at her manager.

Her eyes were red, and there were still tear stains on the side of her face.

Hollie gave Luna a knowing glance before giving Lux a thumbs up.

"Although I don't mind you being rough with her on your first night together, make sure to do it in moderation," Hollie stated. "Luna is still my talent, and she has just started her career as an actress. I hope you don't get her pregnant, so I won't have to deal with any scand—mmph!"

Hollie was unable to say the rest of her words because Luna used both of her hands to cover her mouth.

While this was happening, Lux unsummoned the Skeleton Gangbanger on the couch, making Peanut look around the apartment, in search of his new-found friend.

Chapter 1112: Consider This As My Gift

"He's not my boyfriend."

"Don't worry, Luna. My lips are sealed."

"No. You don't understand, Hollie. He. Is. Not. My. Boyfriend."

"I don't care if you call him Daddy, Papa, Darling, or Husband, when it's just the two of you. I'm on your side Luna. I won't let the paparazzi get wind of this."

"Y-You!"

Luna angrily stomped her foot, making Lux and Hollie hurriedly take out their phones to take a picture of her, saving the adorable moment forever.

"Is she always like this?" Lux whispered, feeling a little giddy seeing his idol act so childish.

"Only when it's just the two of us," Hollie replied. "I have over a hundred videos of her cute moments. Want to see?"

"Send me all of them," Lux said in a heartbeat.

"It will cost you an arm and leg." Hollie smirked. "Just one of these videos is enough for her fans to go wild."

Lux flashed a devilish smile on his face as he took a handful of gems from his pocket and gave them all to Hollie.

A surprised expression briefly appeared on Hollie's face before it was replaced by a business smile that would make a certain old bandit of Lont nod his head in approval.

"Pleasure doing business with you," Hollie shamelessly took the gems and stuffed it inside her bag before shaking Lux's hands. "I'll even send you her baby pictures as a freebie."

"Fufufu. You're good, Hollie."

"Fufufu. I know, right?"

Luna's face was already beet red due to anger and embarrassment after seeing the two shameless people use her embarrassing videos and photos as merchandise for their transaction.

"I hate both of you!" Luna walked up the stairs to go to her bedroom, leaving Lux and Hollie behind.

When she was certain that the young lady was really gone, Hollie heaved a deep sigh before sitting on the couch.

Peanut immediately jumped off the couch and hid under the table. Clearly, the French Bulldog was afraid of Hollie, making Lux arch an eyebrow.

"Let's talk, Lux," Hollie changed her temperament to her business tone, making Lux understand that playtime was now over.

The Half-Elf sat on a chair beside her, and looked at Luna's manager with a solemn expression on his face.

"How did you meet Luna?" Hollie asked. "Also, you're not from this world, right?"

"You don't think I'm a cosplayer?" Lux smiled.

"No," Hollie replied. "Your temperament is different from normal humans. I've met a few Hestians due to my line of works., and you're giving me the same vibe as them. This only means one thing, you are one of those Otherworlders, right?"

"Otherworlders," Lux muttered. "Sounds about right."

"Are you from Hestia?"

"No. I came from a different world, and I'm trying to find my way back home."

Hollie stared at Lux for a few seconds before nodding her head. "You're telling the truth. I am an elite in the world of showbiz and I can easily tell if someone is lying or not. So, I'm guessing that you found yourself in this world, and for some reason, the person who found you is Luna, correct?"

Lux nodded. "You're right."

"You didn't touch my Luna, right?" Hollie asked. "I don't want her to get hurt. It took her a few years to get over her sister's death, but I know that she is just keeping that memory in the deepest corner of her heart. If you hurt her in any way, I'll use all my connections to make you pay."

Lux could tell that the beautiful woman was genuinely concerned about Luna's well being, so his impression of her went up by a notch.

"Worry not, I have no intention of hurting her," Lux stated. "After I find a way to get back home, I'll leave right away. I can even leave this apartment to give you some peace of mind."

"No." Hollie shook her head. "Don't leave. I don't know what happened, but for the first time in her career, she asked for a week long leave. Even when she was suffering, she didn't take a break from work, and did her job as professionally as possible.

"Since she asked for leave without giving me any specifics, it means that she isn't in the right state of mind to do her work. I can tell that she trusts you, so stay with her and make sure that she doesn't do anything reckless, okay?

"Don't worry, if there comes a time when the two of you are unable to hold back and do the deed, I'll turn a blind eye to it. Just make sure you don't get

her pregnant. There is a saying in the showbiz world that goes along the lines of.

"A career in showbiz is like a distance run. You have to have patience and pace yourself."

Hollie smiled bitterly, as she looked down on her hands, which were resting on her lap.

"Luna has been running a full sprint after her sister, Aina, died. Perhaps, it is her way of trying to forget the sad things in her life, by immersing herself with work. She has been working hard for so many years, and her effort has now borne fruit.

"But, just as she was about to reap her just rewards, she came to a full stop. The role that she has always wanted has landed on her head, but due to her current state of mind, I'm afraid I will have to cancel the project."

Hollie then took out her phone, and was about to call the producer of the show when Lux held her wrist, stopping her from making the call.

"Don't do it," Lux stated. "Give me until tomorrow. I will convince her to go ahead with the project."

"... Luna can be stubborn, you know?" Hollie said. "I'm afraid that a day is not enough for her to bounce out of her current mood."

"A day might not be enough," Lux agreed. "But, as long as she doesn't reject the project, she will recover eventually."

Hollie closed her eyes and pondered a bit. "I understand. The Producer of this project is from Hestia, and she has very high and strict standards. She also doesn't like to wait, and I can only delay the proposal until tomorrow.

"If you fail to convince Luna to sign the contract by tomorrow, I will be forced to look for someone else to take her place. At the end of the day, this is business, Lux. Stars need to stay up in the sky, so that people can look up to them.

"Those who give up or lose their way become falling stars. I hope that you can prevent that from happening. I'm not a Fairy Godmother, you know? I can't wave a wand and make all endings happy endings."

Lux's body stiffened after hearing Hollie's words. But, he managed to regain his composure after a few seconds and nodded his head.

"Don't worry, Hollie," Lux said with a determined look on his face. "Although I can't guarantee it, I'll work hard to at least get a good ending."

Hollie looked at the Half-Elf and smiled. She then took something from her bag and placed it in Lux's hand.

After doing so, she stood up and whispered something in his ears.

"Do it in moderation, Mr. Prince Charming," Hollie whispered. "Consider this as my gift."

After saying those words, she left the door without turning back.

The corner of Lux's lips twitched as he looked at the "gift" that Hollie had given him before leaving.

It was a pack of condoms, and they were the transparent and extra thin version too.

Lux was so lost in thought that he didn't notice that Luna had descended the stairs again.

The young lady then snuck up behind the Half-Elf and took a peek at what he was holding in his hand.

Her face immediately reddened after realizing what it was.

As if waiting for that moment, the Half-Elf broke out of his daze and finally noticed the young lady standing behind him.

"... Hollie gave this to me," Lux said with a sincere look on his face. "She said that I should do it in moderation."

Luna looked at Lux, and the pack of condoms in his hand before she reached out to grab it.

She then walked towards the stairs and went back to her room, leaving the Half-Elf behind, whose jeans were now being pulled on by the French Bulldog, who wanted to play with him.

Chapter 1113.1: The Little Ones' Courage [Part 1]

The sound of explosions reverberated in the surroundings as a battle between Calamity-Ranked Monsters raged across the territories that were under the protection of the Stronghold of Norria.

Lilian, who had come to protect Leaf Town, had joined the fray and made sure to push her opponents as far away from the town as possible.

However, due to the sheer number of enemies, some were able to get past her defenses and attacked the Beginner Town that held a special place in Lux's heart.

Two Empyrean-Ranked Monsters and a dozen Dreadnaughts sneakily slipped past Lilian, taking a detour while she was busy dealing with three Calamity-Ranked Monsters at the same time.

There were hundreds of Deimos-Ranked Monsters that had done the same, spreading to the nearby villages.

The two Empyrean Ranked Monsters, alongside their cronies, headed to Leaf Town.

Four Dreadnaughts and over sixty Deimos-Ranked Monsters accompanied their leaders.

There were also countless Low-Ranked Abyssal Monsters who followed them as well.

This force was enough to easily destroy a city in the Kingdom of Gweliven that wasn't protected by a Saint.

The only saving grace was that Leaf Town was protected by a barrier. But even with this extra layer of defense, the Town would still be hard-pressed to protect itself.

The Calamity-Ranked Monsters that Lux had stationed there were also fighting with other Calamity-Ranked Monsters.

Similar to Lilian, they had brought their opponents away from the Town to ensure that it wouldn't be affected by a battle that could easily change the topography of the land.

"Hah! Fresh meat!" One of the Empyrean Ranked Monsters, which was a Red Ogre with tusks on its lower jaw, laughed. "Destroy the barrier!"

Its subordinates bombarded the barrier with their attacks, making the residents of Leaf Town cower inside their homes.

Grandma Annie was tightly hugging Laura and Livia, who were shaking in fear of the explosions that were happening around them.

Their two Baby Slimes, Cora and Nora, were already teary-eyed, yet despite being scared as well, the two girls were doing their best to calm their slimes down.

'At this rate, the barrier will not hold,' Grandma Annie thought. 'The moment it breaks, all of us will be doomed.'

She wasn't the only one who was having this thought.

Cedwyn, Randolph, and the Elders of Leaf Town were thinking of the same thing.

However, there was nothing they could do about it.

They were simply too weak to face off against the monsters that were dead set on breaking the barrier that served as their last line of defense.

Heidi and her mother, Lilia, were looking at the barrier through their window.

Small cracks were starting to appear on its surface, the sight of which made them very worried.

Bedivere was currently not in Leaf Town and was fighting alongside Lilian and the rest of the Calamity-Ranked Monsters around their territory.

If they were not able to defeat their foes on time and reinforce Leaf Town, the place that they were doing their best to protect would cease to exist.

Cedie, who was Heidi's Slime, looked at his Master with a determined look on his face.

A moment later, he jumped out of the window and headed towards the plaza in haste.

The baby slime crawled up on top of the Guardian Statue and sat on Lux's shoulders.

He then shouted, calling out to the other Baby Slimes in Leaf Village with everything he had.

"Eyaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaah!"

Cora and Nora, who were being hugged by Laura and Livia, immediately heard Cedie's voice.

He was their playmate, so they instantly recognized his voice.

A moment later, the two Slimes looked at each other and broke free from their Master's embrace.

The two hurriedly left the house and headed towards the plaza, where the Guardian Statue was located.

"Cora, Nora, where are you going?!" Laura and Livia cried out in alarm as they both ran after the two Baby Slimes who left the house in a hurry.

Grandma Annie followed behind the two girls. She knew that it didn't matter whether they were inside or outside of the house. The moment the barrier broke, there would be no safe place to hide, and their fate would be sealed.

The moment the three of them left the house, they saw countless Baby Slimes of different colors headed toward the plaza in haste.

Their owners, who were worried about them, had also left their houses and were just as surprised when they saw that there were hundreds of Baby Slimes jumping down the streets with resolute expressions on their faces.

As the cracks on the barrier slowly spread, all the Baby Slimes of Leaf Village looked at Cedie, who was seated on the shoulder of the statue of the town's hero, Lux.

"Eyaaaaah!" Cedie shouted. "Eyah! Eyah! Eyah!"

All the Baby Slimes looked at each other. Fear could be seen in their eyes, and some were even crying on the spot due to how scared they were.

Slimes were the weakest Monsters in the world, and even if they were well taken care of in Leaf Village, that didn't change the fact that they were still young. The oppression from the more powerful Monsters who were attacking the village naturally made them feel very fearful.

Cedie understood what they were feeling because he was feeling the same. His eyes were also moist, but he was doing his best to encourage everyone to do the only thing they could do for the place that they now called home.

"Eyaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!" Cedie shouted before summoning a Blast Bomb.

He then threw the Blast Bomb toward one of the low-ranked Monsters that were attacking the barrier above his head.

The Blast Bomb went through the barrier and hit the Rank-5 Monster in the face.

The Rank 5 Monster roared in anger and glared at the Baby Slime that had attacked it.

Cedie roared back and threw another Blast Bomb, hitting the monster again in the face, making the latter cry out in pain.

Seeing this scene, all the baby slimes started to summon their own Blast Bombs as well.

They then began throwing the bombs towards the monsters, with some of them not even aiming at anything.

Some of the baby slimes were crying tears as they threw their Blast Bombs, while some were like Cedie, fighting their fear as they fought with everything they had.

Soon, thousands of Blast Bombs were exploding left and right, making the Lower-Ranked Abyssal Monsters back away due to the accumulating damage that they were receiving from the Baby Slimes who decided to fight back.

Seeing this scene, the people of Leaf Village felt ashamed of themselves.

Some of them treated the Baby Slimes as pets, others treated them as friends, while others treated them as family members.

But no matter what relationship they shared with them, all of them felt bitter because the weakest members of their community were actually the ones who were fighting on their behalf.

"Fire Ball!" Grandma Annie shouted as she hurled a fireball toward one of the Low-Ranked Monsters, obliterating it completely.

Soon, more people joined, until almost everyone who could fight in Leaf Town joined the bombardment.

Since their Baby Slimes were fighting with everything they had, they would fight alongside them as well!

Suddenly, Eiko's statue, which was perched on top of her Papa's head, glowed brightly.

The Blast Bombs that the Baby Slimes were throwing left and right stopped mid-air and fused together.

At first, the Baby Slimes were confused about why this was happening. However, something was telling them to continue throwing bombs in the air.

After a brief pause, they resumed throwing their Blast Bombs, which all merged with the other Blast Bombs that were floating mid-air.

Half a minute later, a Blast Bomb that was as big as a basketball ball glowed in a dangerous light.

This was the compressed Blast Bombs of all the Baby Slimes in Leaf Town, and it flew towards the two Empyrean-Ranked Monsters at the back of the Abyssal Formation.

Looking at the Blast Bomb in disdain, the Red Ogre used his wooden club to strike it.

It would soon realize that it had made the biggest mistake in its life.

The moment his wooden club hit the concentrated Blast Bomb, a nuclear-level explosion erupted, obliterating all the Abyssal Monsters within a mile-long radius.

A beam of light shot out from the Guardian Statue, reinforcing the barrier that was protecting Leaf Town.

Even though everyone outside was burned to a crisp, the barrier held firm, protecting Leaf Town from the raging inferno and shockwave that had spread across the land.

This made some of the Defenders, as well as the Abyssal Monsters they were fighting, look in the direction of Leaf Town with surprised looks on their faces.

Chapter 1114.2: The Little Ones' Courage [Part 2]

Dark smoke rose up toward the sky, forming a gigantic mushroom shape that could be seen for miles on end.

From within that smoke, a blue barrier glowed faintly, making Lilian breathe a sigh of relief.

However, her relief didn't last long because the three Calamity-Ranked Monsters she was fighting against broke out of their daze and resumed their attack on her, pushing her back.

'Useless fools.' A Mantis-like Monster clicked his tongue as its gaze swept through the battlefield. 'I thought that I wouldn't need to lift a finger, but it seems that we have underestimated the denizens of this world.'

This Mantis-like Monster was actually a Demigod who had the ability to camouflage itself by melding with its surroundings.

Before the Purple Portal closed, it was able to arrive in Solais safely. Due to its passive ability of seamlessly melding with its surroundings so long as it wasn't active, Lilian failed to notice its presence.

But even if she did, it was a Monster far more powerful than her, making the match-up very disadvantageous for her.

She was already fighting against three Calamity-Ranked Monsters, and she was using everything in her arsenal to stand toe to toe with them.

Even the Wicked Queen Slime would be helpless if the Mantis attacked her as well.

Fortunately, the Mantis didn't join the other Abyssal Monsters in their battle. Instead, it headed toward Leaf Village, curious to know where the explosion had come from.

It was certain that even if it was met with the same attack, he would be able to tank it with the strong exoskeleton that was protecting its body.

After getting close to the Leaf Town, it heard the cheering of the people inside it, making it look at them in contempt.

'These weaklings really think that they won, huh?' the Mantis thought as it raised one of its razor-sharp claws to slice the barrier in half.

But just as his claw was about to hit its target, a golden blur flew in its direction, making it stop its attack mid-air to instead target the thing that caught its eye.

A metallic sound reverberated in the surroundings, as the Demigod Monster was pushed hundreds of meters away from where it stood.

The Demigod couldn't help but be surprised, not expecting that there was someone in the village who could match its might.

The Golden Anchor flew back to Leaf Town and hovered in front of its Master.

A small hand grabbed its handle with ease, making all the Baby Slimes, as well as the Dwarves of Leaf Village, look in her direction.

"... Eyah." Cedie looked at their Fairy Princess with teary eyes.

All the other Baby Slimes were feeling the same thing as him, but instead of crying, all of them jumped in happiness and called out her name.

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""Big Sis!""

""Eiko!""

""Big Sis!""

""Eiko!""
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A devilish smile appeared on Eiko's face as her little brothers and sisters called out her name.

The Baby Slime thought of every Baby Slime in Leaf Town, as well as the Baby Slimes in the Guild Headquarters, as her brothers and sisters.

Since her family members were being bullied, she couldn't possibly watch and let it happen.

She had just finished clearing all the Abyssal Monsters who had attacked the Fynn Kingdom.

With her mission completed, she immediately went to Leaf Town upon hearing the call of the Baby Slimes living there.

With a devilish smile on her face, Eiko flew toward the Mantis-like Demigod Monster, with her weapon firmly held in her grasp.

Right now, she was only at the Empyrean Stage, and her opponent was two levels above her.

But Eiko wasn't worried.

She was wielding a Pillar of Eternity, and even though her rank was lower than her opponent's, she was confident that she would be able to defend herself from its attacks.

"Foolish girl!" the Mantis roared as it opened its wing to fly toward Eiko with its claws ready to strike.

Eiko blocked the strike and was blown away by the impact. Even so, she was unharmed. She then summoned her clones to join her in battle.

These five clones summoned Five Empyrean-Ranked Thunder Slimes who immediately opened their mouths, releasing a rumbling sound of thunder.

The Mantis was confident with its defense, but it had underestimated the Thunder Slimes' attacks.

Their attacks could pass through any defense because they were using Sound Waves instead of magical or physical attacks.

Eiko then raised her Golden Anchor, summoning three Water Dragons that were dozens of meters long.

These Dragons flew towards the Mantis and tackled it with a vengeance.

The Demigod's body turned black, and its eyes turned crimson as it entered its battle mode.

With a single swipe of its claws, a Water Dragon was split in half. It exploded into a shower of water, drenching the Mantis' body.

It did the same to the other Water Dragons, destroying them without much effort on its part.

It was one of the deadliest Demigod Abyssal Nobles in the Abyss, so its power was stronger than other Abyssal Creatures of the same rank.

After killing the Water Dragons, the Black Mantis flapped its wings and turned into a blur.

Eiko used the Golden Anchor like a shield in front of her body, just in time to block the Black Mantis' attack.

The force was so strong that the Fairy Princess was pushed back for hundreds of meters.

Seeing this, the Empyrean Thunder Slimes once again unleashed their bombardment, making the Demigod roar in anger.

It was as if its body was being hit by invisible cannons, rattling its internal organs.

Understanding that the Thunder Slimes had the means to injure him, it once again turned to a blur and went for the kill.

Just as it was about to kill the nearest Thunder Slime, its target's body expanded like a balloon.

A moment later, it exploded as the Thunder Slime used its suicide attack, making the Mantis cry out in pain as it was pushed back for several meters.

The other Thunder Slimes propelled themselves like giant cannons toward the Black Mantis, using their power to travel at the speed of sound, resulting in shock waves.

Similar to what had happened earlier, they all detonated, making the Mantis stagger and kneel on the ground.

It was trying to calm down the tremors that were rampaging inside its body, making it unable to move.

While it was doing this, it scanned its surroundings and looked at the little girl whom it had sent flying earlier.

The Mantis' body shuddered after finding the person that it was looking for.

However, it didn't shudder after seeing Eiko.

Not yet.

It shuddered after seeing that its enemy was standing at the bow of a Gigantic Bone Ship, whose main cannon was already charged and ready to fire.

The Fairy Princess sneered at him before ordering Poseidon to unleash the power that instantly ended the battle in the Fynn Kingdom.

A destructive laser beam blasted from Poseidon's Cannon, making the Demigod scream in fear, desperation, and unwillingness.

Before the monstrous beam of light descended on its body, a word filled with ridicule reached its ears.

"F*cker."

That was the last thing that the Demigod heard before its entire body was vaporized, not even leaving its ashes behind.

Chapter 1115: Their Legacy Was Finally About To Begin

"Argh!" Flamma grunted in pain as he was sent flying by a Dreadnaught-Ranked Abyssal Monster.

The Blackrock Clan was doing their best to defend the Southern Gate of their Fortress in order to prevent the Abyssal Creatures from reaching the heart of the Wanid Kingdom, where the majority of the non-combatants were congregated.

All the Factions gathered to form a united front, and all sides were doing their best to repel the invaders.

The only saving grace was that there weren't any Demigods who had crossed over from the Abyssal Gates.

Still, the number of Calamity-Ranked Monsters was nothing to scoff at.

They were only able to resist thanks to the Transcendent Flames empowering their bodies, raising their rank by another level.

Barca and his wife, the Orc Chieftain, Lady Avyanna, had stepped into the Calamity Rank with the help of the Transcendent Flames.

With them holding the line, they were somewhat able to fight off their enemies, at least for the time being.

The enemy they were facing against were Abyssal Trolls, who were much larger and stronger than the Orcs.

Even so, the Orcs didn't back down and engaged them in close combat.

Just as the Dreadnaught-Ranked Troll was about to smash Flamma with its wooden club, a Domain descended upon its body, forcing it to kneel.

Black Gravitational Spears stabbed its Arms and legs, increasing the gravity that it had to endure, making it unable to even stand up, or swing its weapon.

The only thing that the Abyssal Troll could do was roar in anger and frustration.

"Die!" Cethus roared as he threw another gravity spear on the Troll's head, hitting its eye.

A moment later, its entire body was mushed into meat paste, unable to handle the burden of twenty times the gravity on its body.

"All of you, fall back!" Cethus roared. "They have breached the Western Side of the Fortress. I'll hold them back here!"

Barca glanced at Cethus, who had already deployed his Domain, protecting the area around him with his Gravity Field.

"Are you sure, Cethus?!" Barca asked. "Can you hold them back?"

"I'm sure," Cethus replied as he looked at Emma, who was busy assembling a portable Teleportation Gate several meters behind him. "I'll buy enough time until the others get here. For now, go and support the West Gate!"

Barca knew that if the West Gate was to fall, holding back their enemies here would be useless.

The Dryads, the Templars, the Drows, as well as the other Factions of the Wanid Kingdom, were doing their best to defend their Kingdom, but just them wouldn't be enough.

They had asked their Guildmates to send someone to help them.

Cethus and Emma were the first ones to arrive before the Gate that connected the Blackrock Clan and the Floating Island was destroyed.

Because of this, they had to build another portal from scratch.

Fortunately, Emma was carrying several portable portals that their guild could use, but it would take time to set them up.

"I'll stay with Cethus to defend this place, Father!" Flamma shouted. "Go and support the others!"

Seeing the determination of their son, Barca and Lady Avyanna nodded their heads and sounded the horn to retreat.

"To the West Gate!" Barca shouted. "Hurry!"

The Blackrock Clan all disengaged from their enemies and ran away.

Cethus gritted his teeth and expanded his Domain, preventing the Abyssal Monsters from moving forward.

"Kill that weakling!" the Troll King pointed at Cethus, who was leaning on his spear to keep himself standing.

"Weakling?" Cethus snorted. "If you can kill me, come!"

Once again, he increased the strength of his Gravity Domain, raising it to ten times the gravity of Elysium, halting the advance of the Abyssal Creatures that were caught inside it.

Left with no other options, the Abyssal Monsters unleashed ranged attacks towards Cethus.

But due to the increased gravity, the majority of these attacks didn't reach him.

However, some had come through, making the Dragon Born grit his teeth due to pain.

Flamma was doing his best to protect Emma from getting hit by the attacks of the Abyssal Trolls as she continued to assemble the portable Teleportation Gate.

As long as she succeeded, their Guild Members would be able to arrive at the scene and reinforce their allies.

Several minutes later, Cethus' body was already beaten and battered by the attacks that managed to hit him.

If not for the fact that he was wearing defensive artifacts given to him by his two grandmothers, he might have already died from the punishment that was descending on his body.

Emma was already in tears as she hastened the building of the portal. She knew that if she were a few minutes late, Cethus would probably not be able to resist any longer.

Suddenly, the Gravity Domain shattered, and Cethus fell to his knees.

The last blow that landed on his body had completely shattered his Armor.

With blood dripping from the corner of his lips, Cethus steeled himself and used his spear to stand up.

"I am... Cethus!" Cethus shouted as he once again activated his Gravity Domain, stopping the monsters who had once again started to advance in his direction. "The... Great Dragon Born... of Heaven's Gate! Those who want to die... come!"

Spreading his bloodied wings, Cethus braced himself for one last attack.

The Gravity Domain shattered a second time as a fireball landed on his body, pushing him back.

Cethus flapped his wings as he skidded on the ground.

Flamma helped him up, and the two of them faced the Horde of Trolls that were now running in their direction.

"You... protect Emma," Cethus said as he took a few steps forward, using his staff as a walking stick. "I'll... hold them back."

His wings were already bloodied, as well as the rest of his entire body. However, Cethus' eyes remained determined and fearless.

The Dragon Born's vision was already blurring a bit because his exhaustion was already catching up to him. However, a smile appeared on his face as he took a fighting stance, with his spear pointed at his foes.

'I didn't know that playing the Hero was this painful,' Cethus thought bitterly. 'It's quite unfortunate that I won't be able to have a rematch against that hateful, green-haired Half-Elf.'

Still, he didn't regret his decision to come to the Wanid Kingdom with Emma. Everywhere in the world, people were dying and fighting against the Abyssal Monsters.

He just couldn't turn a blind eye and escape from the reality that had befallen their world.

After resolving himself for one last suicide attack, Cethus spread his wings wide. He knew that the moment he took flight, he would probably faint and lose consciousness.

However, if he were going to die, he would die fighting.

At that exact moment, a beam of light descended beside him.

"What's this? You still haven't died?" Gerhart asked in a teasing tone. "And here I was, fully prepared to give a speech at your burial."

Cethus looked at the hateful Half-Elf, whom he wanted to beat up so badly. However, he still couldn't help but smile after seeing him appear by his side.

Gerhart had treated Cethus as his enemy in the beginning, but later on, they became rivals and good friends.

The Half-Elf didn't help to support the Dragon Born's body because he knew that the annoying bastard would hate him if he did that.

Cethus didn't like being pitied by others, and he always tackled things in a straightforward manner.

The Dragon Born was someone who bullied the weak and feared the strong. however, during the battles in the early stages of the Abyssal Invasion, he was always at the front lines, fighting alongside everyone.

Soon, more beams of light descended behind Cethus, numbering in the thousands.

Garret, Cadmus, Bedivere, Zagan, ALL-MIGHT, and the rest of the members of Heaven's Gate appeared behind him.

The Trolls, who saw countless warriors suddenly appear out of nowhere, faltered a bit due to the sheer power that they were emanating.

"We... are... Heaven's Gate!" Cethus roared as he flapped his wings to fly forward, leading his Guild Members to battle.

Everyone followed behind him and charged with their eyes and weapons, hungry for the kill.

Halfway through his charge, Cethus crashed down on the ground and rolled a few times before coming to a complete stop.

He had already lost consciousness due to the severity of his injuries, as well as the exhaustion of his mind, body, and spirit.

Even so, a smile could be seen on his face as his Guildmates ran past him to engage their enemies that had come from the Abyss.

The Dragon Born knew with utmost certainty that the legacy of his Guild was finally about to begin.

Chapter 1116: Battles All Over The World

A beautiful elf slowly walked across the battlefield, not caring about her dress being further stained by the blood of her enemies.

The Giant Skeleton Queen behind her had just finished killing a Demonic Demigod, whose body crashed several meters away from her Master.

Walking beside Hereswith was a beautiful blonde boy with blue eyes, carrying a staff.

He looked like an angel, but his heart was of the devil. This was one of his terrifying traits, and only those who knew of his true identity would be able to see through his innocent charms.

His gaze was enough to make the Abyssal Creatures in front of him feel sleepy and unable to fight properly.

Because of this, they were mercilessly killed by the Elven Defenders, who were protecting the High-Elven Kingdom of Espoir Frieden.

A Black Coffin materialized beside the fallen Demonic Demigod and devoured it. A moment later, it disappeared and reappeared somewhere else on the battlefield to devour another Demigod who had also died in Hereswith's hands.

The Blonde Boy chuckled when he saw Blackfire's antics. His laughter echoed across the battlefield, making the movement of the Abyssal Monsters sluggish, lowering their effectiveness in battle.

This angelic boy was none other than one of the Seven Stars of Calamity, Jasy Jatere.

He was a Peak-Calamity Ranked Monster. However, once he unsealed his Divinity, he would step into the Demigod Rank in a heartbeat.

Jasy Jatere was more of a support-type character, but this was what made him very scary.

Anyone below the Demigod Rank was helpless against him. His mere presence on the battlefield would already weaken his foes, making them unable to fight at their peak potential.

If he looked at them or even laughed, they would feel drowsy, with some of them instantly falling asleep due to his powerful ability.

Hereswith reaped the lives of her enemies as if she were merely cutting grass.

Her Skeleton Queen killed alongside her, quickly decimating the Abyssal Forces that appeared in their territory.

'The High-Elves of this world are much stronger compared to the last time we invaded,' one of the Demigods, who had decided to distance himself from Hereswith, thought. 'This is bad. I need to escape or else, I'll die alongside these fools.'

After realizing that there was no hope of winning, the Demigod retreated in haste, not even sparing a glance behind him.

Their target was the World Tree.

Once it was destroyed, the land around it would slowly wither and die.

Not only that, the entirety of the Elven Race in Elysium would also lose their longevity and die like ordinary humans. Their strength would also decrease.

In the long run, the death of the World Tree would also affect the rest of the world. This was why the Abyssal Creatures were targeting it specifically.

Unfortunately, the Elven Defenders now had Hereswith.

With her around, as well as her Skeleton Queen and Jasy Jetere, it would take a sizable force before they could break past their defenses.

'The battle is almost over,' Hereswith thought as she scanned her surroundings. 'Some Demigods escaped, but that's fine. We can just hunt them down later.'

She wasn't too worried about the Demigods who had left the rest of their brethren behind.

Although they were strong, she was confident that she would be able to track them eventually and hunt them down.

An hour later, the battle finally ended, and all the Elves cheered for they were victorious.

Hereswith didn't share their happiness because she was worried about her Grand Disciple, whose connection with her had been cut off.

She already knew what happened to Lux thanks to Blackfire, and she felt bitter about it.

The majority of the world didn't even know the sacrifice that Lux made in order to stop the Abyssal Invasion.

The worst part was that, with the exception of the Supremes, Demigods, and a few other people, almost everyone in both Solais and Elysium had forgotten him.

Hereswith heaved a deep and long sigh before scanning her surroundings.

Blackfire was still picking through the corpses of the Fallen Abyssal Monsters.

The Black Coffin was checking whether it had missed some useful pawns that it could store inside its body.

Somewhere in the Middle Regions of Elysium...

The Founder and the Sovereign of the Divine Army stood side by side, as they and their subordinates started a one-sided massacre.

Maeve was also there fighting alongside them, and her arrows of destruction rained down on her enemies, obliterating those who were unlucky enough to get hit by her attack.

Their Apostle Project was a resounding success, and all the four Demigods who had appeared in their territories had been killed by the Pseudo-Supremes that they had created.

At the moment, they were only cleaning up the Calamity-Ranked Monsters that were still alive on the battlefield.

Both knew that the Abyssal Invasion had been prematurely stopped by someone or something.

The number of Abyssal Creatures was far less than they had expected, allowing them to eliminate the invaders in a systematic manner.

The majority of the Abyssal Creatures didn't have a strategy. They just attacked their opponents in swarms and fought a battle of attrition.

Unfortunately for them, the Divine Army had created a perfect strategy to counter their swarm tactics.

A single Pseudo-Supreme was enough to wipe a countless number of Abyssal Monsters, rendering their swarm tactics useless.

The Divine Army had prepared long and hard for this invasion, and the number of Pseudo-Supremes under their command amounted to nearly two thousand.

Over two hundred of these Apostles died in this invasion by sacrificing their lives for the greater cause.

In the end, the Founder and the Sovereign both agreed that their losses were minimal, and their operation was a success.

However, they also understood that their battlefield was just one of the many battlefields that were happening over the entire world.

They couldn't celebrate just yet.

"We will lose almost all of our Apostles if we help the other Kingdoms and Empires, but we still have to do it," the Founder stated. "Maeve, return to the Headquarters and hasten the creation of the Apostles. We will need as many as we can in order to rid our world of this menace."

The Oracle nodded her head in understanding.

She then used a special artifact that would instantly teleport her to their underground Headquarters.

Although there were many who succeeded in winning their battles, there were other places that had lost entirely.

Several kingdoms and Empires had been razed to the ground, with their citizens either killed or eaten by the Abyssal Monsters that invaded their land.

These same people had pleaded to the Gods for salvation, and yet no one was able to hear their pleas.

The only two surviving Gods in Elysium and Solais were currently resting in order to recover the powers that they had lost in their fight against the Outer God.

But, even if they were awake, they simply didn't have the power to help them.

The only thing they could do was watch helplessly as the people of both Solais and Elysium fought the invaders who planned to kill and destroy everything in their sights.

Battles were happening all over the world, and no one knew when they would all end.

Chapter 1117: Perfect For Stardom

It took a lot of effort, but Lux succeeded in convincing Luna to not miss the opportunity that was presented to her.

After being an Idol for many years, Luna had decided to try her hand at becoming an actress, which her manager, Hollie, was very enthusiastic about.

Because of this, the latter used her connections to pull strings that would allow Luna to join the crew of a Big Project, which was deemed to be the next Box Office Hit.

On the day of the interview, Lux accompanied her to make sure that she wouldn't get cold feet and run away.

Fortunately, she didn't have any intention of doing that.

However, there was still a problem.

Even if she didn't run away, she still had to gain the approval of the Producer, who was funding the movie entitled, Cantarella.

When Lux saw the title, he wondered if this was a wordplay for a certain fairytale, but after doing a bit of research, he found out that "Cantarella" was apparently a poison used to kill a Pope in the past.

It was a poison that left no trace behind. However, whether this was real or not, no one really knew.

The only certain thing was that the name of the poison existed until today.

"You made us wait for a day, Miss Luna," a woman, who seemed to be in her late thirties, said in a calm manner. "Usually, it's me making people wait and not the other way around. This is a first, and I have to admit, it doesn't sit well with me."

"I'm sorry, Miss Claudia," Luna apologized. "It will not happen again."

"As it should," Claudia replied. "But that still doesn't make me feel any better. Tell me one good reason why I shouldn't replace you and have another lady take your role?"

"Because I believe that I am perfect for the role of Mary Beth," Luna replied in a heartbeat. Her face was calm, and yet, a fierce glint of determination could be seen in her eyes.

"Oh?" the corner of Claudia's lips curled up into a smirk. "You think you are perfect for the role? I wonder where this confidence of yours is coming from."

Claudia then glanced at the man who was standing near the door behind Luna.

The latter was wearing a hood that covered his head and a face mask that covered half of his face.

The only thing that Claudia could see was his eyes, and from them, the Producer felt as if a lightning bolt had struck her body.

"Who is this person?" Claudia asked with interest. "Your bodyguard?"

"Y-Yes," Luna replied. "Something like that."

Well, it was true that Lux was technically her bodyguard for today since the Half-Elf wanted to make sure that she wouldn't run away from the interview.

Claudia eyed Lux from head to foot. Now that she was focusing more on the other person inside the room, she could feel charisma oozing out of his body.

Despite the fact that she couldn't see his face, she felt almost certain that the person was good-looking. Based on her years of experience, this was how good-looking people carried themselves.

"Show me your face," Claudia ordered. "If I like what I see, I might consider letting Luna keep her role. If not... then she will need to find a new Project to join.

Hearing her statement made Lux frown. However, since he didn't want to be the reason why Luna lost her role in the movie, he agreed to show his face to Claudia.

The reason why he had covered his face from the start was because he was too handsome.

This was what Luna told him, which made him chuckle.

However, ever since Lux had confessed that Aina, who was Luna's sister and had been reincarnated in Solais, was his lover, she decided to prevent him from womanizing on Earth and ordered him to cover his face.

This was her way of protecting her sister's interest and ensuring that Aina's lover didn't cheat on her.

Although it was a bit silly, Lux agreed to her demand. Since he didn't come to Earth to chase the skirt of girls, he thought that it wouldn't be bad to listen to his sister-in-law, who was only thinking about Aina's well-being.

The moment Claudia saw Lux's face, she immediately stood from her seat and approached him.

She then circled around the red-headed teenager and viewed him from different angles.

"This will work," Claudia muttered. "This will definitely work."

A few minutes later, the Producer took out her phone and made a call.

"Francesca, you no longer need to look for the Male Lead," Claudia stated. "I found him. Tell the cast to prepare for filming. We will start in four days."

The Producer then patted Lux's shoulder with a smile.

"Congratulations, you not only saved Luna's role, but you also got yourself a job," Claudia smiled. "What's your name?"

Lux blinked once then twice, as he looked at the mature beauty in front of him.

He was only there to help Luna land her role, but in the end, he also got cast to be part of the movie.

And the surprising part was that he got the Male Lead!

"Lux," Lux replied after a minute had passed.

"Lux?" Claudia smiled. "A good name. Perfect for stardom. Are you one of Hollie's talents?"

"No," Lux answered.

"A free agent? Then you should sign yourself a contract with Hollie. Since you are good friends with Luna, I won't try to poach you. But you better do your best to act properly. Her career depended on it, okay?"

Lux didn't know that he was being swept by the flow. But, in the end, he had no choice but to nod his head for Luna's sake.

"Great!" Claudia clapped her hand once. "Now, meet me in the venue in four days. Hollie will fill you up with the details. I'm a busy person, so see you later, Lux."

The mature beauty even gave Lux a wink before leaving the room.

When he was certain that she was truly gone, he looked at Luna, who was looking back at him with a look of disbelief in her eyes.

"What just happened?" Lux asked.

"You happened," Luna replied before shaking her head helplessly. "I'm pretty sure that before this day is over, Hollie will be smiling ear to ear once she learns about this development.

Luna was right.

When Hollie heard that Lux would become the Male Lead, she not only smiled from ear to ear but also laughed as well.

Two hours later, she made the Half-Elf sign a contract, making him part of the Rising Stars Company.

Although there were many twists and turns along the way, Lux was now going to become a star, which he definitely didn't sign up for after finding himself back on Earth.

Chapter 1118.1: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 1]

The days turned into weeks, and weeks into months.

Before Lux knew it, half a year had passed since the filming started.

At first, he was very worried about the time difference between Earth, Solais, and Elysium.

He believed that after he spent a few months on Earth, several years would have already passed in Solais and Elysium.

Fortunately, on the day that he signed the contract, dozens of those glowing golden eyeballs appeared inside his room.

"As long as you entertain me, and I am satisfied with your performance, you don't have to worry about the difference in time dilation. So make sure to do your best or else..."

Although Lux was still in doubt, he had no choice but to believe the being's words.

Since he could not go back on his own anyway, he decided to stay and help Luna make her first movie a success. Lux wasn't an actor.

However, his dedication to help Luna realize her dream made him work very hard. In the end, after a few awkward shoots and a lot of guidance, he gradually improved until his acting became nearly perfect.

Claudia told him that he was born for the role he was portraying, and Lux had to agree that she was certainly right about it.

The role he was playing was a Necromancer.

The Movie Cantarella revolved around the Female Lead, who was played by Luna, being forced to kill the Male Lead due to the order of an Evil Witch, who took her Royal Family hostage.

Lux was a Prince of a Kingdom, who was actively hunting the Evil Witch. Wanting to protect herself, the Witch used the beautiful Princess to make the Prince fall for her and give her the poison that would end his life.

The Half-Elf was indeed perfect for the job. The Male Lead was a Necromancer just like him, and he was also supposed to be a Half-Elf.

According to the Director, they were trying to get a person named William to play the role. But he was too busy as of late, so they could only look for someone to be his replacement.

Francesca, who was the Director of the movie, told Lux that he wasn't acting ruthless enough for the role he was portraying.

A Necromancer should be cold, dark, handsome, and oozing with masculinity.

Because of this, Lux was forced to tap into the darkest experiences he had in Solais and Elysium, allowing the director and the cast to see his ruthless side.

What made Francesca extremely happy was that during the battle scenes, she didn't have to bother looking for extras because Lux was able to find talented people to play as Undead Monsters, whom she praised for looking and acting their part perfectly.

She even shook hands with a Doom Knight Gangbanger and praised him for his acting, making the latter scratch his head in embarrassment.

If only Francesca knew that she was actually talking to and praising a "real" Undead Monster, she might have fainted then and there.

After spending six months together as the Male and Female Lead, it was impossible for Luna to not get close to Lux.

At first, she stuck close to him in order to ensure that the Half-Elf wouldn't cheat on her sister. But the more he knew about him, the more she understood why Aina had fallen in love with him when she was still alive on Earth.

"Tomorrow will be the last day of filming," Francesca declared. "I saved the best scene for last. It will be a Royal Party, and Lux will come to dance with Luna before the clock strikes twelve."

"The moment the bell chimes, you will run away into the garden and disappear. That will be the last scene that we will shoot, and the movie will finally come to an end. Before anything else, I would like to thank the two of you for doing an exceptional job.

"Working with you guys has reignited my passion for directing movies. I am very lucky to have both of you in my cast."

"Thank you, director," Luna replied with a smile. "It is also an honor working with you. I've learned a lot of things, and I'll treasure these memories for the rest of my life."

Francesca nodded her head in satisfaction before shifting her gaze to Lux, whose face had suddenly become pale.

"What's wrong?" Francesca asked as she looked at the handsome Half-Elf, who seemed to have seen a ghost.

"N-Nothing," Lux replied. "I'm just a bit exhausted with today's shooting. I promise that I'll be fine when morning comes, Director."

"Well, if you say so," Francesca smiled and patted Lux's shoulder. "Rest well. I'm counting on you to shoot the final scene perfectly, Mr. Prince Charming."

After saying those words, Francesca went to talk to the other crew members and thanked them for doing a great job.

Lux excused himself from the set and headed back to his room. His face was still pale, and Luna, who noticed it, felt worried about him.

As soon as he arrived inside his room, the Half-Elf locked the door before sitting lifelessly on his bed.

He stared at the space in front of him for a while before sighing.

< Countdown to returning to Solais. >

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The moment Francesca said that tomorrow would be the last day of filming, the Half-Elf heard a notification inside his head, and rows of texts suddenly appeared in front of him.

It took him a moment to realize that the notification he got was actually a countdown timer.

If this were in the past, he would have been thrilled to see such a development, but now, he just felt empty inside.

Although he didn't want to admit it, he momentarily forgot about the bad things that were happening in Solais and Elysium because he was too engrossed in his role as the Male Lead of the movie.

The anxiety and worries that he had locked up inside his heart rose to the surface all at once, making him feel very guilty.

Guilty for actually enjoying his time acting with Luna, and guilty for forgetting his mission to save Solais.

When this reality hit him, Lux felt suffocated as if someone was strangling his neck.

He covered his face with both hands as he tried to stabilize his wildly beating heart.

Lux knew that he had no choice on the matter, and yet, he couldn't help but blame himself for having fun while everyone else was suffering back in Solais and Elysium.

Because of this, he didn't notice the door of his room was open.

He also didn't notice that someone had already approached and was only a step away from him.

"Lux."

A familiar voice called out to him, making him break out of his daze.

Lux lowered his hand and looked at the beautiful young lady, whom he had spent the past six months with.

"Luna," Lux replied. His tone was heavy, and his body shuddered from time to time as if he was holding something back.

Luna was surprised to see that Lux was crying. She could feel the pained expression on his face, making her feel an ache inside her chest.

Before she knew it, she had already wrapped her arms around the Half-Elf's head and pulled him to her chest.

"Everything is going to be fine," Luna replied. "You're going to be fine."

Seeing Lux's expression reminded her of the day when Aina was about to undertake her operation.

If it succeeded, then her sister would finally be able to recover and live her life the way she wanted to.

But the operation failed, and she was no longer able to see her sister's smile ever again.

Seeing Lux with the same expression on his face made Luna feel as if she was reliving the same scenario again.

She felt as if the Half-Elf was about to disappear from her life, just like what happened to her sister.

It scared her so much that she didn't notice that she had also started to cry while patting the Half-Elf's head in order to reassure him that it was going to be fine.

Lux and Luna both cried, but they had entirely different reasons.

They didn't know how long they cried, but when they finally stopped, Lux told her everything.

He could have lied and told Luna that everything was fine.

But he didn't do that.

Aina's greatest regret in her lifetime was that she wasn't able to say a proper goodbye to her sister and thank her for everything she had done for her.

For the sacrifices Luna made in order to gather the funds for her hospitalization and operation.

Aina regretted not being able to tell her sister how much she loved her because, on the last night they were together, she only cried while her sister held her, just like how Luna was holding Lux a few minutes ago.

When Lux finished talking, Luna felt as if her heart was breaking.

She had already lost her sister, and now, she was about to lose Lux as well.

Cupping his face, Luna looked at him with tears streaming down her eyes.

No words were spoken between them as she lowered her head to kiss him on the lips.

Due to their tears, their kiss was bitter and salty.

It wasn't sweet like it should have been.

Instead, it was bitter, salty, and sad.

When their kiss ended, they stared at each other before Lux wrapped his arms around her.

A moment later both of them laid down on the bed and held each other until they no longer had tears to shed.

(A/N: Merry Christmas everyone!)

Chapter 1119.2: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 2]

Lux looked at the beautiful lady, who was sleeping beside him, with a gentle look on his face.

He and Luna had slept together, in the literal meaning of the word.

Both of them were still wearing all of their clothes. Nothing was removed, and nothing happened between the two of them.

Well, that wasn't entirely correct. Something did happen between the two of them, but there were no sensual elements to it.

The two of them had kissed and hugged each other, falling asleep in each other's arms.

Lux was in full control of himself and didn't take advantage of Luna's state to make love to her.

He was her greatest fan, so being able to be with her was enough to make him very happy. Aside from his feelings for her, he also respected her very much.

Also, Aina was his fiancee, and with this fact in mind, he didn't make any move to bring his relationship with Luna to the next level.

There was also the issue of his limited time on Earth.

He didn't want to leave Luna with any burdens and wished for her to succeed in her dream of becoming a popular actress.

Although it was difficult, Lux knew that this was the right thing to do. He and Luna weren't meant to be together, at least, not at this moment in time.

As for the feelings that they developed for each other over the past six months, they could only keep them locked up in their hearts until the day they met again.

Half an hour later, Luna's eyes fluttered open.

She looked at the Half-Elf in a daze before the memories of what happened the night before appeared inside her mind.

Her face immediately turned beet red after realizing what she had done to him in a moment of passion. The one who had initiated the kiss was her.

It felt right at that time, and even now, she didn't regret it.

After overcoming the embarrassment that she was feeling, she looked at the handsome Half-Elf and greeted him.

"Good morning," Luna said while trying to keep her expression as calm as possible.

"Good morning," Lux replied. "What do you want for breakfast?"

During the past six months, the Half-Elf had been in charge of preparing Luna's meals whenever it was possible.

He already knew the foods she liked and the foods she didn't like.

"Just an omelet would do," Luna answered after pondering for a few seconds. "I don't have much of an appetite today."

Lux nodded. "Freshen up first. I'll go to the kitchen."

The Half-Elf was about to kiss her forehead but stopped mid-way after realizing what he was about to do.

In order to hide what he had originally planned to do, he stood up from the bed and patted Luna's head before leaving the room.

The young lady looked at him in a daze because of what just happened. A few seconds later, a sigh escaped her lips before she, too, got up from the bed and headed towards the bathroom.

Horror washed upon her when she saw that her hair, face, and dress were a mess.

The tear stains on her cheeks had smudged her makeup. Fortunately, this wasn't the first time that it happened, and she was already prepared to deal with it.

The next problem was her clothes. Her dress was a mess, and she couldn't possibly go out in her current state.

Also, some of the film crew were staying at the same hotel as them.

If they saw her right now, a scandal might blow up, which wasn't a good thing.

Fortunately, their next shoot would be held later in the evening.

She still had time to fix herself before leaving Lux's room to return to her own.

Half an hour later, she went to the kitchen and ate breakfast with the Half-Elf.

Lux almost dropped the plate in his hand when he saw Luna appear in front of him.

She was wearing shorts, a T-shirt, and a red cap.

All of these things belonged to him, which meant that the young lady had rummaged through his closet to find a new set of clothes to wear.

Although he didn't want to admit it, Luna looked good wearing his clothes.

Then again, all beautiful people looked good no matter what clothes they wore, even if they were rags, and Luna was not an exception to that rule.

The two ate in silence. Only the sound of their cutlery against their plates could be heard inside the dining room.

After the two of them finished eating, Lux decided to help Luna sneak back to her room without anyone noticing her.

The male and female members of the staff were located on different floors.

But with Lux's abilities, he was certain that he could accomplish this mission without things blowing up into a scandal.

"Are you ready?" Lux asked.

"Yes," Luna replied with a determined look on her face.

Holding her hand, Lux opened the door and looked at the hallways to check if there was anyone around.

Fortunately, the coast was clear, so he led Luna toward the Fire Exit. Their plan was to use the stairs to climb up to the next floor.

Their plan proceeded well. But when they reached the 16th Floor, where Luna and the other female artists were staying, they found a few people loitering in the hallway and chatting with each other.

Hollie was even discussing with Francesca about a few things about the movie with an excited look on her face.

This was still fine, but the problem was that they were walking toward Luna's room.

The Half-Elf had a feeling that they planned to see if she was already awake and wanted to discuss a few things with her.

Left with no choice, Lux wracked his brain to come up with a plan.

Suddenly, a thought appeared inside his head.

'This can work,' Lux mused as he eyed the lights surrounding the hallway.

With a snap of his finger, all the lights went off, and a dark tide swept across the hallway, making everyone unable to see anything around them.

Visibility had dropped to zero, which the Half-Elf used to his advantage.

"Trust me and just hold my hand," Lux whispered to Luna's ears.

A moment later, both of them ran through the hallway. Since Lux was able to see through the darkness that he had created, he was able to bypass the people who had lost sight of their surroundings.

Suddenly, a flash of light appeared in his vision as Hollie took out her phone and used its flashlight.

Fortunately, Lux had already anticipated this to happen, so he and Luna transformed into shadows and snuck past the Manager, arriving in front of her room.

With a quick tap of Luna's Room card, the door lock opened and they entered the room without a problem.

Breathing a sigh of relief, Lux then smiled at Luna, who was still breathing hard due to the exhilaration that she had felt.

She already knew that Lux was a Necromancer and was capable of using Magic.

Because of this, she wasn't too surprised by the things that he did in front of her.

"I'll be off now," Lux said.

"Wait, you can't go to the hallway," Luna stated. "Everyone will see you."

Lux smiled and poked Luna's nose with his finger. "Don't worry. I don't plan to go to the hallway."

The Half-Elf then walked towards the balcony of Luna's room. He then waved at her before a pair of Draconic Wings sprouted behind his back.

A moment later, the Half-Elf flew downward to land on the balcony of his own room, leaving the young lady to deal with the aftermath of the chaos that they created.

Chapter 1120.3: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 3]

"We're just talking, and then bam! All the lights went out," Francesca said in an animated fashion, moving her hands to emphasize how surprised she had been. "It was like one of those horror films I directed. I could have sworn that Zadaku was about to pounce at me from the darkness."

"That must have been scary," Luna said with a stiff smile on her face.

She had changed into her Pajamas to make it seem like she had just woken up from her sleep.

Lux's clothes were folded and hidden away inside her closet, preventing anyone from seeing them.

"I almost screamed when I felt something brush past my leg." Hollie shuddered. "I swear I felt goosebumps then and there."

Luna knew that the one that brushed past her was them, so she decided to keep mum and simply look at her manager with concern in her eyes.

"I'm just glad that nothing serious happened," Luna stated.

"True." Francesca nodded. "The lights went off for half a minute, I think, before the power returned. I was just so shocked because everything became dark all of a sudden."

Hollie nodded before reminding Francesca about the reason why they were intruding on Luna's room so early in the morning.

"I would like to ask for your opinion about this last scene that we are planning to shoot," Francesca stated. "We made a last-minute revision of the script and decided to follow the Cinderella route. You know, when the clock strikes twelve, she runs away and leaves her shoe behind.

"However, it will be different with Cantarella. When the clock strikes twelve, it will be Lux who will be running away. After that, you will run after him to the garden. We will place various cameras at every angle.

"The two of you will recite the lines from the revised script and hug each other. After that, we will let the Editing Team use some special effects to make Lux disappear. Since this is the last scene, I want to make it memorable. Feel free to improvise. I'll take responsibility!"

Luna nodded her head in understanding. Last-minute changes in the script were a very common thing, so she wasn't too bothered by it.

"Will you visit Lux later to talk to him about the changes in the script?" Luna asked.

"That's the plan." Francesca nodded. "I will also tell him that he can improvise. Even ad-libbing is fine. As long as it's fitting."

"Good." Luna smiled. "I'm sure that we will definitely make this last scene work out well."

"I'm looking forward to it," Francesca smirked. "This is going to be a big hit. I'm sure of it!"

After discussing things with Luna, Francesca and Hollie headed to Lux's room and told him about the changes in the script.

Although he had never taken any acting classes, the Half-Elf gradually but also quickly adapted, making Francesca think of him as one of those geniuses who were born to become an actor.

Several hours later, just past sunset, the Film Crew was ready to film the final scenes of the movie.

The setting was the Royal Ball, which was held to make the members of the various Royal Families meet each other.

Of course, some special individuals were also invited to join this banquet, including commoners who had managed to catch the attention of the High-Ranking Nobles and the Royalty.

This shoot took several hours because the Royal Banquet was the place where certain developments happened.

Although there were a few retakes, everything went well in the end.

Luna played her role perfectly, showing off her acting abilities.

Because of her performance, Claudia and Francesca planned to invite her to their next Project, which was still in the works.

Naturally, they also wanted Lux to be part of their next project as well.

There were several Producers who were looking for a "red-headed Half-Elf" to play a big role in the projects that they had in mind.

But Claudia and Francesca had no intention of sharing the diamond that they found with others, making the two of them feel giddy because of Lux's potential.

"Okay, everyone ready," Francesca announced. "Action!"

The soft, mellow music played in the background, and the cameras zoomed in on the beautiful lady with long blonde hair, sitting at the corner of the ballroom.

She was wearing a white dress that highlighted her beauty, making her look like a sweet innocent angel that had descended upon the world.

Several handsome men asked her to dance with them, but she turned all of them down politely.

However, when it was the Villain's turn to ask her for a dance, her rejection made him angry.

Because of this, he forcefully grabbed her hand and pulled her close to him.

"My Lady, there are some people whom you mustn't offend no matter what," the Villain used his finger to lightly caress the side of Luna's face, making the latter shudder. "Are you saying that you plan to turn down the Crown Prince of your own kingdom? Please choose your next words carefully..."

"I-I..." Luna was at a loss for what to say.

On one hand, rejecting the Crown Prince would make her life difficult.

On the other hand, accepting his invitation was also just as dangerous.

If she decided to dance with the Crown Prince, she would become the target of the Princesses from the neighboring kingdoms who had come to the ball to catch the Crown Prince's attention.

Left with no choice, she was about to nod her head and accept the Prince's proposal when, suddenly, someone grabbed hold of the Crown Prince's wrist, stopping him from pulling Luna to the dance floor.

"I'm sorry, but I already reserved her last dance," a powerful and charismatic voice reverberated inside the ballroom as Lux made his appearance. "Please, let go of My Lady's hand or else."

"Or else what?" the Villain sneered, making everyone in the ballroom look in their direction.

Clearly, they wanted to see the outcome of the battle between the two handsome Princes from the two most powerful Kingdoms on the continent.

Lux casually took off his right glove and threw it at the Crown Prince's chest.

"I heard that you're a genius swordsman," Lux said with a devilish smile on his face. "Care to prove it in front of everyone?"

The Villain snorted. "If you want everyone to watch your shameful performance, then I shall oblige and accept your duel."

"Good." Lux nodded. "Shall we?"

The dancers in the ballroom cleared out the scene and watched as the two Princes drew their swords at the same time.

Without warning, the two clashed with each other, their swords sending sparks flying in every direction.

Luna looked at the two young men with worry in her eyes. She was hoping that Lux would not be hurt by his opponent, the Crown Prince who was well known as a master swordsman.

Suddenly, the Crown Prince rotated his sword quickly, knocking the sword out of Lux's hand and causing it to fly high up in the air.

Just as the Villain thought that he already won, Lux unsheathed the second sword that hung on his waist.

He was a dual wielder and would always carry two swords with him.

This caught the Crown Prince by surprise, and soon, Lux's flurry of attacks pushed him back.

Just as everyone thought that the battle between the two would come to a stalemate, the red-headed Prince raised his hand and caught the falling sword that had been sent flying by the Villain.

Armed with a sword in both hands, he quickly neutralized the Crown Prince.

The battle ended after the Villain's sword fell from his grasp, and the tip of Lux's blade pressed over his neck.

"It's my win," Lux said with a smile.

The Crown Prince clicked his tongue. "This isn't over!"

After spouting the lines of a typical second-rate Villain, which he truly was, the Crown Prince walked away, leaving the victor standing in the center of the ballroom.

Lux returned his swords back to their scabbards and walked toward Luna.

When he was only a meter away from her, he knelt on the ground like a knight and reached out his hand to her.

"Would you honor me to have the last dance with you, Princess?" Lux asked, making the other ladies in the room look at Luna with envy and jealousy.

"It will be my honor, Your Highness," Luna replied as she placed her hand over the red-headed Prince's hand with a smile on her face.

Soon, the final song of the night played, and the two of them started to dance.

A dance that the two of them would remember for many years to come.

Chapter 1121.4: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 4]

Lux and Luna danced, staring into each other's eyes with smiles on their faces.

Their steps were elegant and graceful, seemingly experienced. Both of them had taken dancing lessons from the choreographer that Francesca hired a month ago just for this very scene.

Both of them wished for the song to be a little longer, but contrary to their wishes, the song soon came to an end.

Suddenly, the tolling of a bell resounded in the night, making Lux look sadly at his partner.

Without saying a word, he left the scene and rushed toward the palace garden in haste.

After a moment of hesitation, Luna followed, almost running in order to catch up to him, with a hint of anxiety on her face.

A few minutes later, she found the Prince, standing at the center of the garden, illuminated by the moonlight.

"It's time to say goodbye," Lux said as he turned around to look at the young lady. "It was fun while it lasted."

"Where are you going?" Luna asked while approaching him with hurried steps.

"Somewhere very far," Lux answered.

"Can I go with you?"

"No."

Lux sadly smiled before giving Luna a hug. She hugged him back, almost pressing her entire body against him as if wishing to become one with him then and there.

The two didn't say anything and simply held each other in a loving embrace.

A minute later, the Half-Elf reluctantly stepped back.

"Wherever I may be, know that I will always think of you," Lux said.

Just as he was about to walk away, Luna suddenly grabbed his hand, holding him in place.

She then closed the gap between them and wrapped her hands around Lux's neck before standing on tiptoe.

A second later, she pressed her lips against his, giving him a kiss.

"I'll wait for you," Luna said after she pulled back from the kiss. "No matter how long it takes."

"I may not be able to return," Lux replied. "Will you wait even then?"

"Yes. Even if I grow old and decrepit, I will wait for you," Luna said with determination. "So, you better return before that happens."

These weren't part of the script, and the two were ad-libbing, and yet, the emotions behind their words resonated with Francesca's heart.

She had given them the green light to improvise in order to make this particular scene more impactful.

The two stared at each other's eyes, firmly holding each other as if they didn't want to part.

Lux then lowered his head to kiss Luna's lips, to which the latter replied in kind.

The two kissed, and kissed, and kissed, making the men and women at the scene feel jealous.

Finally, after half a minute of kissing, Lux finally pulled back and gave Luna a confident smile.

"Goodbye, Mary," Lux said. "I will keep this memory in my heart."

The Half-Elf then turned before walking away.

Luna watched him go with tears streaming down her face. The staff was impressed by her acting skills, but they didn't know that she wasn't acting.

Her tears came from the heart because she knew that Lux would really disappear from her life before the night was over.

At that exact moment, Francesca's voice reverberated in the surroundings.

"Cut!" Francesca shouted. "Good take!"

Hollie immediately went to Luna's side and gave her a hug.

"That was amazing!" Hollie said. "Well done, Luna. Here, let me wipe those tears away."

The beautiful woman started to gently dab Luna's tears using a tissue paper so that it wouldn't ruin her makeup.

Everyone congratulated her, including Francesca, who was very happy with how the scene turned out.

Luna thanked them before her gaze wandered off to the corner of the set, where Lux stood with his arms crossed over his chest.

The Half-Elf waved in her direction, and she waved back at him despite the sadness she was feeling.

"Okay, everyone. Let's go and eat our fill at the buffet!" Francesca ordered. "I'm a bit hungry, especially after seeing that kissing scene."

The staff members laughed and looked at Lux and Luna, who had made an impressive shoot with only one take.

"Are you not coming?" Hollie asked Luna, who was still standing in place.

"No," Luna replied. "Manager, it's fine to leave now, right?"

Hollie looked at the young lady before shifting her gaze to the Half-Elf, who was leaning against the wall with his arms crossed over his chest.

A realization came to her mind before nodding her head.

"Here, take this," Hollie said as she handed something to Luna before whispering something in her ear. "Do things in moderation, okay?"

Without another word, the third wheel left the set, leaving Luna behind.

As soon as Hollie left, Luna ran in Lux's direction and almost jumped into his arms.

Naturally, her Prince caught her gently and pulled her into his embrace.

The two hugged each other in silence for a full minute before Luna raised her head to offer her lips to him.

Lux accepted her offering and kissed her lovingly. A few seconds later, he raised her right hand and also gave it a kiss.

"What is this that you are holding?" Lux asked in a teasing tone, while lightly waving the thing that Hollie had given her a while ago. "Are you feeling a little naughty?"

The young lady pouted and lightly pounded Lux's chest with her fist.

"You're so mean," Luna replied. "You already know that Hollie gave it to me, and you still tease me about it."

The Half-Elf chuckled before moving his hands to carry Luna in a princess carry.

A moment later, a pair of Draconic Wings appeared on his back.

"Hold on, Princess," Lux whispered seductively in Luna's ears. "I will show you the world."

With a flap of his wings, he took off to the skies, holding the young lady in his arms.

Luna looked up at him and asked the question that she had been meaning to ask.

"How long?" Luna asked. She didn't need to finish her sentence because there was no need to say anything more than that.

"Two hours and forty minutes," Lux replied.

The Half-Elf then flapped his wings to fly to a secret viewing platform that gave a scenic view of the town they were currently in.

This town had an old castle, which the crew had used to shoot the scene.

It was surrounded by lush forest, making it a very touristy area to visit.

Lux had scouted the place while everyone was asleep, wanting to find the best place to spend a memorable time with Luna.

Unfortunately, he didn't find any, so he decided to make one himself.

Using his magic, he created an elevated platform on the small mountain, near the forest.

This allowed them to have a full view of everything around them, creating a picturesque setting.

The view was indeed beautiful, and yet, instead of being happy, Luna only felt sadness.

She only had a little more than two hours to spend time with him, and after that, he would disappear and return to the worlds of Solais and Elysium.

Back to the worlds where her sister, Aina, was waiting for his return.

Chapter 1122.5: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 5]

"Lux... do you think you will be able to return to Earth again?" Luna asked.

"I don't know," Lux replied. "I'm sorry, Luna. I really don't have any idea."

The countless glowing golden balls with eyes was the one who had brought Lux back to Earth.

He didn't know what they were, and why they did something like this.

Perhaps, they only did it due to a whim, or maybe they had a reason for doing what they did.

Even so, Lux didn't know whether he would be able to return to Earth again and meet the beautiful lady in his arms.

A few minutes passed in silence as both of them looked at the castle where they shot their last scene just a few moments ago.

"Lux..." Luna muttered softly as she looked him straight in the eye. "Embrace me."

"... I can't," Lux replied. "I can't do this to you."

Lux didn't want to accept Luna's wish because he was afraid.

He feared that once he crossed that line, he would be unable to stop himself from falling in love with her completely.

Even at this moment, he was doing his best to hold himself back.

Kisses, cuddles, and hugs were still fine. But if they end up going all the way, not only would it leave a lasting impression on both of their hearts, but they would also reach the point of no return.

Of course, he liked her.

He liked her very much.

She was his greatest fantasy when he was still in his previous life on Earth.

He was certain that any man would kill for the opportunity to swap places with him. Fortunately, no matter how much he liked her, Lux could still remain rational and stop himself from doing anything impulsive, especially since he only had a little more than two hours remaining to spend with her.

Sure, he would probably be the happiest man in the world if he were to embrace his idol at this point in time.

But, he was certain that after the euphoria ended and after that exhilarating rush faded, only sadness and heartbreak would remain.

Luna bit her lip bitterly before lowering her head. Her vision turned blurry as she fought hard to stop the tears from falling from her eyes. The reason why she took the initiative to ask Lux to embrace her was to let him feel a stronger connection with her.

She wanted to have a lasting memory that would remain with her, even if he would never appear in her life ever again.

Suddenly, Luna thought of that fateful day when Aina was going to undergo her operation.

She was in the middle of one of her idol events, so she couldn't be with her in her final moments.

Only after the show ended did Hollie tell her about the result of her sister's operation. That time, Luna immediately left the venue and rushed straight to the hospital.

When she arrived and saw her sister's lifeless body, she felt as if her world had broken apart.

It was as if a black hole had appeared in her heart, devouring all life and happiness in her surroundings.

That day was the day that Luna entered a state of depression that lasted for many years.

She blamed herself for prioritizing her career over supporting her sister and encouraging her to do her best to live.

Aina's death was one of Luna's greatest regrets in life, and it was still haunting her to this day.

Suddenly, as if gaining a strength that came from the deepest corner of her heart, Luna stood up and pressed her hands over Lux's shoulder.

"Never again..." Luna muttered. "I don't want to regret ever again."

Despite being weaker than the Half-Elf, Luna succeeded in pushing him down, which surprised Lux.

"I know what you're thinking," Luna said as she straddled Lux's abdomen, with both her hands cupping his face. "You are afraid of leaving me behind. You don't want me to spend my life waiting for you. I know this very well, but there is something you don't understand."

Luna started pounding Lux's chest in anger as her tears started to drip onto his body.

"It's always harder to be the one who's left behind than to be the one who leaves!" Luna almost shouted. "Why?! Why do all those that I love leave me?! My sister, my grandparents, and now you! Why do all of you leave me?! Why?!"

Luna was no longer able to hold back her feelings and cried bitterly.

After her sister's death, her grandparents followed a few years later.

The people closest to her had left her completely alone to fend for herself. The only thing she could do was focus on her work in order to distract herself from the heartache and pain that she was suffering.

All these years, she had closed her heart from everyone else and focused everything on her career.

Working had been her coping mechanism.

It was the only thing that allowed her fragile heart to slowly recover.

They said that all things heal with time.

But, there were simply some things that even time couldn't heal.

Lux stared at the young lady, whose heart was close to breaking.

Her words pierced his heart, making him understand how much courage it took for her to take the initiative to ask him to embrace her.

It's always harder to be the one who's left behind, than the one who leaves.

He had heard this quote in the past, but he never really thought much about it.

It was only at this moment in time did he fully understand what it meant, but the price for his understanding was Luna's pain and suffering.

Lux reached out and pulled the young lady, whose heart was breaking, close to him and held her tight.

"I'm sorry," Lux apologized. "I was being insensitive. I thought I was doing you a favor, but in the end, I ended up hurting you."

Luna cried bitter tears as Lux held her tight. Only after a few minutes did she regain her composure, sobbing helplessly as the Half-Elf kissed her forehead and wiped the tears from her eyes.

"Luna, I cannot promise you anything," Lux said softly as he cupped her face. "But if there is a way to return to you, I will find it. So, please, can you give me ten years? If during that time, I still haven't found a way, then feel free to forget me."

"I won't forget," Luna replied. "Because I know that you will return to me. I just know it."

The two kissed once again, sealing the promise they vowed to each other.

Soon, the rustling of clothes spread faintly in the quiet night as the two of them decided to take that last step to consummate the love that they had been holding back in the deepest corners of their hearts.

Chapter 1123.6: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 6]

Luna expected her first time to be painful.

There was indeed pain, but more than anything, she felt loved.

Lux was very gentle, treating her as if she was something very precious, making her heart overflow with warmth and happiness.

Luna had already forgotten how it felt to be on the receiving end of a loving touch, which she only felt when she was being held by her family members.

It was at that moment when she realized how much she hungered for Human Touch.

Lux's touch, kisses, and whispers of love, were like small flames that ignited the longing, and the lust that she never knew existed inside of her body.

She had spent many years working, and focusing all of her attention on her idol career, so she didn't have time to think about these things.

Yes, there were many handsome men from influential families, and even celebrities who courted her.

But, she didn't have the time, or capacity, to open her heart to other people because she was still grieving for the loss of her parents, her sister, and her grandparents.

Simply put, her heart had become cold and numb.

Lux appearing in her life had thawed this ice, allowing her heart to beat once more.

The past six months that they had spent together, shooting the movie, were the happiest days of her life, ever since she lost all of her beloved family members.

The Half-Elf didn't know that simply by staying beside Luna, she had started to get a new lease of life, especially after knowing that somewhere out there, her sister, Aina, was living a happy life.

Lux told her that Aina was surrounded by a loving family, who would even lay down their lives to protect her.

For Luna, this was enough. She even started to hope that someday, Lux would bring Aina to Earth, so that the two of them could have a reunion, and hug each other again, like they used to do when they were younger.

Wanting to engrave his shape, his warmth, his everything, Luna raised her hips, offering herself to the man who made her feel what it was like to fall in love.

With each thrust, he went deeper inside her.

With each cry that escaped her lips, she felt that she was falling for him, more and more.

When both of them found sweet release together, it came like a raging tide, washing over Luna, sweeping her away, until she lay, gasping for breath, but still connected with him.

Even though no words were said between them, the Half-Elf understood that Luna wanted more.

Her flushed face that was looking at him in a daze was enough to reignite the desire in his heart.

Just as she wanted, Lux made her his woman, marking her from the inside out.

Only when she could no longer go on did the Half-Elf stop. He made her drink a rejuvenation potion, so that she would regain her strength.

As much as Lux wanted to leave the kiss marks on her alluring body untouched, he knew that he couldn't do that.

Luna was a celebrity, so any marks on her body might bring controversy. Although the rejuvenation potion had removed some of them, he used healing magic just to be sure.

The Half-Elf even inspected every part of her to make sure that he didn't leave any marks behind.

The young lady found this meticulous side of him quite amusing, and yet, it only made her feel blessed because he was looking after her.

She lovingly caressed her lower abdomen, feeling the pleasant heat inside her womb that was filled to the brim.

Lux used a spell that would prevent his essence from leaking.

This was his way of making Luna feel as if he was still with her, even though he would disappear in half an hour.

The two held each other close, feeling each other's warmth for the last time.

They also kissed, and kissed some more, until there were only fifteen minutes before Lux's departure from Earth.

"It's time," Lux said softly as he reluctantly stood up, and took out a one-piece nightdress to cover Luna's body.

He then pulled his clothes on before holding his princess in his arms.

Opening his Draconic Wings, he flew towards the hotel where they were staying, and landed on the balcony of Luna's room.

"If someone comes looking for me, tell them that I returned home," Lux cupped Luna's face and kissed her forehead. "Take care of yourself, Luna. I will do my best to find a way to return to you."

Luna nodded. "I'll be waiting. Make sure to bring Aina with you when you return. I miss her terribly."

"I will." Lux pressed his forehead over hers. "I promise."

The minutes passed slowly, as the two held each other.

When there was only two minutes left, Lux took out a ring out of his storage ring.

He then slid it to Luna's finger before raising her hand to his lips, giving it a kiss.

"Goodbye, Luna," Lux said softly. "See you soon."

Luna's eyes moistened as she nodded her head.

Lux didn't want to wait until the last second, and disappear in front of her.

No, he didn't want to do that. So, before the timer ended, he left the room and flew towards the sky.

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When the counter turned zero, Lux found himself standing at outer space, staring at the countless galaxies that made up the Universe.

A moment later, a swarm of golden eyeballs appeared in his vision, encircling him like a tornado.

"You did well. That was entertaining."

The voice said in a teasing tone.

"Although the lives of you mortals are fleeting, you still shine like a dazzling star before exploding in glorious death. Because you entertained me, I will grant you the privilege of asking me one question. So, is there something that you want to ask me?"

Lux nodded. "Who are you?"

This was truly the question that he wanted to know. As long as he got a name, he would be able to ask Eriol and Max about this whimsical being, who had brought him back to Earth.

Chapter 1124.7: The End Of A Fairy Tale [Part 7]

"Who are you?"

All the golden eye balls started to giggle, after hearing Lux's quest.

Their giggles were like countless peeling bells that resonated within the entirety of the universe, reaching far and wide.

"I know where the Old Ones broke through of Old, and where they shall break through again."

"I know where they trod the multiverse's fields, and where they tread them still, and why no one can behold them as they tread."

"I am the Key and the Guardian of the Gate. Past, present, future, all are one with me."

"I am Yog-Sothoth."

All the golden eyes then merged together, forming a gigantic golden gate with countless eyes that were looking at Lux with different emotions.

Happiness, sadness, anger, loneliness, pity, ridicule, disdain, and all the myriad emotions of the world, and beyond, focused on a single being, who was only as big as a grain of sand in front of the majestic gate.

Slowly, but surely, the gate slowly opened, and Lux found himself slowly being pulled inside it.

"I give you one last piece of advice, Lux Von Kaizer," Yog-Sothoth said. "No one alive in this Multiverse can defeat your foe. Your Fairy Tale has not ended, I am looking forward to its conclusion."

The Gigantic Golden Gate closed as Lux's body passed through it.

Soon, it disappeared from existence, not leaving even a single trace behind.

One year after Lux's battle against Daniel in the Abyss...

Cracks started to form over the giant block of crystal that stood at the location where the great battle between the Abyss, and the defenders of the Six Kingdoms took place.

With every minute that passed, more cracks appeared, until finally, the entire crystal shattered and turned into particles of light.

A soft thud was heard, as the body of a Half-Elf collapsed on the ground. Snow was raining from the sky, covering the entirety of the land in white.

Lux lay unmoving, his face pale, not from the cold, but because his body was still in a state of hibernation.

His soul had just returned to his body, so it would take some time before it merged with it completely.

A few minutes passed when a set of footsteps was heard trudging through the snowy landscape.

After seeing that the block of crystal had disappeared from its spot, the steps quickened, almost running to the place where a person that was lying on the ground was slowly being covered in snow.

Asmodeus, waved his hand, sending the snow that covered the young man flying, revealing his Master, whom he hadn't seen for more than a year.

His hands trembled as he made a gesture to make Lux's body float in front of him.

The Lich King then pressed his hand over the Half-Elf's chest, to see if it was beating.

A look of happiness flashed across his face as he heard a faint heartbeat.

Although it was faint, it was enough to tell him that his Master was alive and well.

"Master has returned," Asmodeus announced to his comrades, who were scattered all over Elysium. All of them were busy raising their forces for the return of their Master.

Almost all of them, with the exception of Asmodeus, had not yet reached the quota that they had set in the beginning.

Because of this, they couldn't return to their Master's side, as per their agreement.

"Worry not, I will look after Master while all of you continue your task," Asmodeus stated. "He will take some time to heal, so use this opportunity to gather your army in his honor."

Diablo, and the others, all voiced their reply, and asked Asmodeus to take care of Lux while they were away.

Now that their Master had returned, all of them redoubled their efforts to bring their own hundred-thousand armies to fruition.

Asmodeus then carried Lux's body, taking him away from the cold and harsh conditions of his surroundings.

The environment of Solais had degraded as the miasma slowly encroached upon the territories of the Six Kingdoms.

The Abyssal Invasion had somehow hastened the effect of the world's destruction, forcing the inhabitants of Solais, who were affected by the miasma, to flee into Elysium.

Despite the ongoing war between the Abyssal Creatures that managed to gain a foothold in Elysium, and the Defenders who stood in their way, the Solaians had no choice but to flee to this world.

Now, among the Six Kingdom, only four were left, including Barbatos Academy, who was at the farthest point where the miasma was spreading.

The Barbarian Kingdom, where the battle took place, was also slowly being devoured by the miasma that threatened to corrupt and kill anything it touched.

Asmodeus was already planning on moving the giant crystal away from the Barbarian Kingdom in order to ensure his Master's safety.

Although Lux had returned to Solais, none of them had felt it.

Technically, his body was still Half-Dead, and was only in preservation mode.

According to the Lich King's estimate, Lux would need one more month before he fully regained his consciousness.

In order to hasten his recovery, Asmodeus planned to take Lux to Espoir Frieden, and asked Hereswith to help the Half-Elf receive the help of the World Tree.

The World Tree was the driving force that gave the Elves their power.

Despite only being Half, Lux still had Elven blood flowing through his veins.

Because of this, the Lich King believed that the World Tree would be able to help his Master, who had finally returned to their side, after a year of being frozen in time.

Fortunately, Hereswith was there when he arrived at Espoir Frieden.

With her help, Lux was able to gain access to the World Tree, and was allowed to rest in one of its roots.

They didn't know that by doing so, the World Tree would take the initiative to transfer a quarter of its lifespan, and power to the Half-Elf, allowing him to become the youngest Saint in both Solais and Elysium.

Chapter 1125: The Abyssal Army's New Target

While Lux was recovering in the World Tree, the Demigods of the Abyss near the center of Elysium had gathered to have a meeting.

Currently, they were in a stalemate with the Power Houses of Elysium.

Although they had conquered many Kingdoms and Empires at the beginning of their invasion, their advance gradually slowed and had now come to a standstill. The Dragons, the High Elves, the Divine Army of Light, Memento Mori, and the other races of Elysium were starting to push them back.

"Have you managed to contact Nyarlathotep?" a Demon asked the Adamantium Gargoyle that was seated across from him.

"Yes," the Gargoyle replied. "But he is still having fun in his conquest of the West. He said that if we can't even handle something this simple, we should just let the Dragons kill us because of how useless we are."

The Demigods who were part of the meeting seethed in anger after hearing the Gargoyle's statement.

If only the full force of the Abyssal Army had managed to pass through the Abyssal Gates before it closed off, then Elysium would have long been conquered by now.

The Abyss had more Demigods, Calamities, Empyreans, and other lower-level Abyssal Monsters than Elysium.

Simply put, once the invasion began, there was no question that they would win hands down.

However, the sudden closure of the gates had taken everyone by surprise.

Their connection with the Abyss was also thoroughly severed, making them realize that they had been cut off from their home world.

Although they could still vaguely sense a bit of Abyssal Energy leaking in Elysium, it was impossible to open any of the gates in the world that would connect to the Abyss.

In short, the Abyssal Army and the Defenders of Elysium were currently in a battle of attrition.

Unless Nyarlathotep joined forces with them and gathered the rest of the Abyssal Demigods who were still expanding their Domain, it would only be a matter of time before the balance tilted in the Elysians' favor.

"Who is the greatest threat we are facing right now?" another Demon asked. "Why don't we just focus all our forces into attacking that faction first? After they are eliminated, we will shift to our next target."

The Adamantine Gargoyle looked at the map of the center of Elysium in front of them.

"Our greatest threat is the Dragon Race," the Adamantine Gargoyle explained. "The Dragons of Karshvar Draconis and Crystal Palace are holding key locations, preventing our army from breaking past their defenses.

"The Divine Army is playing guerrilla tactics and hitting our forces every time we least expect them to. The same can be said for Memento Mori. Those Necromancers are using the people we killed, as well as our fallen brethren, to fight against us. These two organizations are like cockroaches that are very hard to kill."

The Demon then looked in the Kingdom of the High Elves where the World Tree was located.

"Attacking the World Tree is also a pain," the Demon commented. "Within its territory, all High Elves and Elves are getting a boost in strength, and we, on the other hand, are weakened. Although they should be our top priority, without Nyarlathotep leading the charge, destroying the World Tree is impossible."

The other Demons all nodded their heads in agreement.

"Since the Headquarters of the Divine Army and Memento Mori are unknown, the only places we can attack are the two Dragon Kingdoms," the Adamantine Gargoyle commented. "But both of them have a few members of Memento Mori each, controlling the Undead Ancient Dragons, who are by far the greatest threat we are facing at the moment."

It was at that moment when a voice filled with disdain spoke to everyone in the meeting room.

"Since all of you are not prepared for a head-on confrontation with the powerful forces of Elysium, I suggest we employ Hit and Run Tactics, alongside a Divide and Conquer strategy."

Everyone's gaze landed on the Fallen Angel, who went by the name Eligor.

He was handsome and looked like a man in his mid-twenties. However, everyone in the meeting knew that this fallen angel was actually thousands of years old and was a very formidable fighter.

His main weapon was a lance, and with it, he had carved his own Domain within the Abyss, proudly ruling the 555th Floor.

The other Demigods didn't want to mess with him, which made him grow very conceited. However, after suffering a loss from Daniel and Nyarlathotep, he was forced to lower his head and submit.

Even so, he still kept his arrogance because he believed that, aside from those two beings, no one in the Abyss was stronger than him.

Even the Demigods who were gathered in the meeting acknowledged his strength.

"For this operation, I will volunteer myself as the temporary leader of the Abyssal Invasion until Nyarlathotep returns and takes control," Eligor stated. "Do any of you oppose my proposal?"

The Fallen Angel scanned the faces of the crowd with a calm expression on his face. But, deep inside, he was mocking all of them for not having the guts to challenge his leadership.

In the end, no one opposed him, and just like that, he became the Supreme Commander of the Abyssal Forces that were congregated at the center of Elysium.

"I will divide you into different teams based on your specialty," Eligor said. "We will use guerilla tactics and initiate a bombardment on several cities. Regardless of the outcome, we are going to retreat right away. Once we find a hole in their defenses, we will hit them there, and hit them hard."

The Fallen Angel then waved his hand, making the map on the round table disappear. Instead of the map of the center of Elysium, a new map appeared, making the Demigods frown.

"For this strategy, we will not target the Dragons or the other two factions for the time being." Eligor smiled as he pointed his spear at the map that he had placed on the table. "Our target will be none other than Agartha, the Kingdom located near the Core of the World.

"I managed to locate a few of their hidden entrances, and with the forces at our disposal, it should only be a matter of time before their defenses crumble."

The Fallen Angel's eyes glinted with malice, making the Demigods look at the map with Solemn expressions on their faces.

They never considered attacking Agartha because they were located deep underground. However, that advantage would now turn into a disadvantage.

With the entrances to their kingdom fully controlled by the Abyss, they would have no place to run, and hide, leaving them no choice but to fight to the death or submit to the Abyssal Monsters that would soon come knocking on their doorstep.

Chapter 1126: Brace Yourself For What I'm About To Say

Two weeks after Lux returned to Solais...

A green cocoon pulsating at the root of the world tree slowly opened, revealing a Half-Elf wearing nothing but his birthday suit.

The young man's eyes fluttered before opening slowly. Half a minute later, he slowly propped himself up from the ground and looked around his surroundings.

'Where am I?' Lux thought.

Just as he was pondering the answer to this question, a faint breeze blew past him, carrying a familiar voice that made him turn to his right side.

"I'm glad that you're finally awake."

One of the most beautiful women he had seen in all his lives combined appeared in front of him. Lux couldn't help but smile as his Grandmaster, Hereswith, walked toward him with a mischievous expression on her face.

"Grandmaster," Lux greeted as he stood up from the ground.

Hereswith scanned him from head to foot, but her gaze went up a little and stopped at Lux's middle region.

"Is it just me, or has it grown a little bigger than before?" Hereswith muttered.

The Half-Elf followed his Master's gaze to see what she was looking at, only to find Little Lux standing tall and proud as if asking Hereswith to fight him for two hundred rounds.

He tried to summon a few clothes from his storage ring, but nothing happened. It was at that moment that he realized that his storage rings weren't in his possession, making him frown.

"Looking for these?" Hereswith showed her fingers that wore one ring each. "I took them from you for safekeeping. The World Tree rejects anything that wasn't born from nature.

"Because of its disposition, I had to remove these rings from your body. Only then did the World Tree cover you up in a cocoon, speeding up your recovery. So, how do you feel?"

Lux closed his eyes in order to check whether there were any changes in his body. A moment later, his eyes opened wide, and he looked at his Grandmaster in disbelief.

"I-I am now a Saint," Lux said in disbelief. "How is this possible?"

"The World Tree made it possible," Hereswith replied. "You are a Half-Elf, so that means that you have Elven Blood running through your veins. Because of this, the World Tree acknowledged you as one of its children, granting you a portion of its strength."

Hereswith looked at the World Tree which had aided Lux to break through to the Saint Rank.

She knew that the Tree of the Elves felt that the world was facing a threat that could potentially destroy its entirety. Because of this, it decided to sacrifice a quarter of its life force to allow Lux to become a Saint.

It hoped that the red-headed teenager would be able to use his newfound strength to help the Elysians overcome the calamity that was hanging over their heads.

Hereswith inched closer to Lux and started to lightly pat all over his body, making sure that everything was normal.

"Looks good," Hereswith nodded her head in satisfaction. "Here, you can take them back."

She handed the Half-Elf his storage rings. The latter immediately took out a set of clothes and got dressed, making him sigh in relief.

Although he didn't mind his Grandmaster seeing him butt naked, he still felt uncomfortable due to the mischievous smile that was plastered on her face as she looked at Little Lux.

"Before you go anywhere, let me first tell you the status of the Abyssal invasion," Hereswith said in a serious tone.

Her earlier playful demeanor disappeared without a trace, replaced by a solemness that made Lux serious as well.

"Several Kingdoms and Empires have fallen into the hands of Abyssal Lords," Hereswith stated. "The Powerhouses of Elysium are stretched thin, so they can't go to every nook and cranny that needs saving.

"Currently, the faceoff against the Abyssal Lords is in a stalemate, but our scouts have reported that they are starting to gather once again. We believed that they were about to launch an attack on one of the weakest links in our defenses.

"Fortunately, Maeve's clairvoyance has helped us from time to time, allowing us to counter their plans when they least expect it."

Lux breathed a sigh of relief after hearing his Grandmaster's report about the Oracle of Light. Maeve had personally asked for his permission to return to the Divine Army to fight in the upcoming war.

Since she was originally part of that faction, Lux agreed to her request. There were two reasons for this.

The first one was to gain up-to-date information about the battle between the Abyssal Monsters and the Divine Army of Light.

Second, it also allowed Lux to have a middleman who could relay his words to the Divine Army, even if he was in Solais, protecting the Six Kingdoms.

At least, that was the original plan.

Unfortunately, what happened was Lux almost died at Daniel's hands.

If it weren't for Keoza, Eriol, and Max working together to save him, the Half-Elf might have already ceased to exist, not even getting the chance to enter the Cycle of Reincarnation.

"There is also one thing that you need to know," Hereswith stated. "This is just as important as the Abyssal Invasion. This is something that has a greater impact on you as a whole, so brace yourself for what I am about to say."

The beautiful Elf's words sounded ominous, making Lux feel as if she was going to say something really bad.

"Almost everyone in Elysium and Solais forgot about you, including your lovers," Hereswith said. "I'm just letting you know in advance, so you can prepare your heart before seeing them."

Her eyes were filled with worry as she looked at her Grand Disciple, who was looking back at her in disbelief.

"T-They forgot about me?" Lux asked. "All of them?"

"Not all of them," Hereswith replied in an attempt to calm her Grand Disciple, whose face had become as pale as a candle. "Aina, Aurora, Ari, and Aurelia, haven't forgotten about you."

It was at that moment that Maeve's cryptic words flashed inside his mind.

"Master, you ceased to exist."

Those were the words that Maeve told him when he had the premonition of the Abyssal Invasion.

At first, he didn't think much about it, but the words of an Oracle weren't something that could be brushed off so easily.

He had shared his worries with Aurora when the two of them had made love for the first time. Perhaps, it was his way of telling her a possibility that neither of them wanted to happen.

"Master, I have to go," Lux said with a determined look on his face. "I need to go back to Solais."

Hereswith sighed in her heart, but she still nodded her head. She knew that, with or without her permission, Lux would return to his home world to see his family members, who had likely forgotten his existence.

"Lux, remember this," Hereswith said as she gave the Half-Elf a gentle hug. "I'll always be here if you need me. So, don't face things alone, okay?"

"Yes, Master." Lux nodded.

After saying those words, the Half-Elf turned into particles of light that shot toward the sky.

Although his heart was filled with worry, he knew that he had to go back no matter what.

Iris, Cai, Vera, Alexander, and Alicia were several of the people whom he cared for the most.

Deep inside, he was scared to meet them.

He was afraid that all of them would look at him like he was some stranger whom they were seeing for the first time in their lives.

Chapter 1127.1: Bittersweet Reunion [Part 1]

Lux appeared inside his home back in the Wildgarde Stronghold.

It was currently empty because his Grandma Vera was currently in Barbatos Academy.

After the battle, the residents had moved back to their homes, because Alexander had informed them that there would be no more invasion from the Abyss after the battle.

Unfortunately, the spread of the Miasma had forced some of the Kingdoms to escape to Elysium.

They used the territories that they had been developing for the past few years in preparation for this day.

Lux looked at the lively stronghold, while hiding his presence.

Now that he was a Saint, it was easier to do it this way. After seeing that the people living in the Stronghold hadn't suffered too many hardships, he left just as silently as he came.

His next destination was Barbatos Academy.

With his current Rank, it didn't take long before he arrived at his destination through flight.

From his vantage point in the sky, his gaze landed on the City of Regulus where Barbatos Academy was located.

He decided to land in the city first, as he prepared his heart for his inevitable meeting with the members of his family.

After hearing that Iris, Cai, and Vera had forgotten about him, Lux felt an ache inside his chest that was hard to describe.

Because of this, he was walking aimlessly, without paying any particular attention to his surroundings.

It was at that moment when he bumped into someone, making that person fall down on the ground.

"I'm sorry!" Lux said as he immediately helped the person whom he had bumped into stand up. "I wasn't paying attention to my surroun..."

Lux wasn't able to finish his words as the shawl covering the young lady's face fell down on the ground.

A pair of beautiful blue eyes looked at him, which took his breath away.

The young lady's long blue hair fluttered as a gust of wind blew past them, making her raise her hand in order to keep it in place.

"Iris," Lux said as he looked at his step-sister and Fiance, who loved him very much.

"Do I know you?" Iris asked as she looked at him with a calm expression on her face.

She was well known in Regulus City because this was where Barbatos Academy stood. In fact, it was almost impossible for someone to not recognize her.

This was also why she was wearing a shawl to cover her face and hair, preventing anyone from recognizing her.

Lux clenched his fist as he tried hard to reign in the emotions that were about to burst from his chest.

Seeing his Fiance look at him as if he was some kind of stranger, hurt him more than he expected.

"I-I..." Lux stuttered because he was at a loss for what he should say.

Iris subconsciously raised her right hand and wiped away the tear that had streamed down his face, surprising herself for her actions.

"I-I'm sorry," Iris said as she hurriedly pulled her hand away. "You just look so hurt that my hand moved before I could think. I apologize if I offended you."

Lux shook his head, while biting his lips. He was doing his best to not let his emotions get the better of him.

He had confirmed his Grandmaster's words that Iris truly didn't remember him, making him unable to think of how he should talk to her.

"Iris, who is this young man? Do you know him?"

At that moment, another familiar voice called out to Iris, making both of them look where the voice came from.

"Grandma," Iris said with a smile. "I accidentally bump into him, and it seems that I have hurt him. He was about to cry earlier."

"Oh, dear," Vera looked at her grandson with an apologetic look on her face. "I'm sorry. Iris was in a hurry and wasn't paying close attention to her surroundings."

The Old Lady then frowned as she moved closer to Lux, giving his face a better look.

"... Have we met somewhere before?" Vera asked with a frown. "I feel like I've seen you in the past."

"Do you know him, Grandma?" Iris inquired as she moved closer, looking at the Half-Elf with curiosity. "A Half-Elf is not someone you see very often in these parts."

"... I'm sorry," Vera said. "My age must be catching up to me. Please, take this potion. It will help heal the injuries that my granddaughter had caused you."

Lux reluctantly accepted the potion that Vera handed to him with a bitter smile on his face.

"We are staying in Barbatos Academy, so if you don't have a place to stay, feel free to give us a visit," Vera smiled before holding Iris' hand. "My name is Vera, and this is my granddaughter Iris. When you go to Barbatos Academy, just tell them our names. They will prepare a guest room for you."

"Sorry, but we have to go now," Iris said softly. "By the way, I believe that you haven't told us your name yet."

Lux looked at his fiance, trying to keep his face looking as calm as possible.

"Lux," Lux replied. "My name is Lux."

"Lux... a good name." Iris nodded. "I'll see you later, Lux."

Vera gave the Half-Elf a brief nod before walking away hand in hand with her granddaughter, leaving her grandson, whom she didn't remember, behind.

When the two ladies disappeared from his vision, tears started to fall from his eyes.

The people on the streets were looking at him with pity, thinking that he had confessed his feelings to Iris and was rejected by her.

This was a normal occurrence in Regulus City, especially when the bluehaired beauty made her appearance.

Many teenage boys were trying their luck in order to catch the eye of the Princess of Barbatos Academy, whose father was a Saint.

Lux stayed standing in place for a few minutes before he walked away.

His vision was blurry, so he just let his feet carry him to any place, as long as it was far from the academy, where the people whom he held dear had forgotten about him.

A few minutes later, Lux found himself sitting on a hill overlooking the City of Regulus.

He was feeling so sad and depressed that he didn't notice that someone had appeared by his side.

"Welcome back, Lux."

The Half-Elf raised his head and saw his Father, Alexander, looking at him with a sad smile on his face.

"I'm glad that you're back with us," Alexander added as he lightly patted the young man's head. "Almost everyone has forgotten about you, but there are people who didn't. Just look over there."

Alexander pointed in a direction where a dense swarm of birds was currently flying.

Cries of alarm erupted from the city, as people saw a young lady with long pink hair, who was avoiding the bird droppings that were raining down on her from the sky.

Running beside her were two little skeletons, who were holding two bone umbrellas to ensure that their Master wouldn't get hit by the vile bird droppings from above.

Zane and Zeke had informed Aurora that Lux had returned to Solais, prompting the young lady to use the Teleportation Gate in Agartha to arrive at Barbatos Academy.

Sensing his presence, Aurora cried out in happiness as tears streamed down her eyes.

She then opened her wings and flew towards Lux's direction, wishing to be with him as soon as possible.

Alexander knew that the two teenagers needed some time to catch up with each other, so he disappeared from where he stood and returned to Barbatos Academy.

The Saint had tried everything he could to make Iris, Cai, and Vera remember Lux.

But, for some reason, the three of them would suffer a terrible headache whenever they were about to remember something about him.

Seeing that his methods weren't working, Alexander decided to stop for the time being.

Now that Lux had returned to Solais, they needed to find a way to get their loved ones to recover their memories, which had been sealed away by the laws that were implemented to prevent Daniel from having his way.

Lux opened his wings and met Aurora mid-air, hugging her tightly.

Both of them cried bitter tears, as they held each other close.

Finally, after more than a year of separation, the young lady was able to hold her beloved once again, whom she thought she had lost the day after the Abyssal Gates made their appearance in the worlds of Elysium and Solais.

Chapter 1128.2: Bittersweet Reunion [Part 2]

Zane and Zeke started to unleash an aura of death toward the sky, making all the birds that were targeting Aurora fly away in fear.

Their two Masters had just reunited with each other, and anyone who would dare to try messing with them was the enemies of the two little skeletons.

"Tell me about everything that happened while I was gone," Lux said softly as he held Aurora in a loving embrace.

Aurora nodded and began her tale about the events that transpired after Lux was sealed in a block of crystal.

She told him how scared she was when she realized that Iris, Cai, and a few of her sisters had completely forgotten about him.

She told him about the destruction that the Abyssal Army had caused to the world of Elysium, and how the Factions of the world were resisting their expansion.

After she finished talking, Lux gave her a bottle of water that she could drink to quench her thirst.

"Currently, Agartha is the only Kingdom left untouched by the war that is happening on the surface," Aurora stated. "But my Father has never lowered his guard and commanded our armies to remain vigilant. He had also placed several scouts on the surface to monitor the movement of the Abyssal Lords."

Lux nodded his head in approval after hearing that the King of Agartha wasn't taking the Abyssal Invasion lightly.

"What about you?" Aurora asked. "Are you hurt anywhere? I really thought that you had died. If not for the fact that Zane and Zeke told me that there was still a chance for you to recover, I might have really thought that you were gone for good."

Lux smiled bitterly before telling Aurora everything that happened to him while he was trapped inside the block of crystal.

Aurora was quite surprised when she learned about Luna, who was apparently Aina's sister in her past life.

"Fate is truly mysterious," Aurora muttered. "But I'm glad that you were able to get back. Are you planning to meet Aina soon?"

Lux nodded. "Yes. I plan to tell her about her sister. Also, I need to find a way for Iris, Cai, Valerie, and Ali, to regain their memories of me. Seeing them like this is very painful."

The young lady lightly rubbed Lux's back as she rested her head on his shoulder.

"Don't worry," Aurora assured him. "I'm sure there is a way to make them remember."

The two didn't say anything after that and simply embraced each other, feeling each other's warmth, reaffirming to themselves that this wasn't a dream and that the two of them really were together again.

"What are your plans?" Aurora finally took the initiative to break the silence.

"... Truth be told, I'm at a loss at what to do," Lux replied. "I was taken by Asmodeus to Espoir Frieden in order to ask my Grandmaster for help. She then took me to the World Tree, and I spent a few weeks there to recover."

Lux then unleashed the power of his Rank, making Aurora's eyes widen in shock.

"You're now a Saint?" Aurora looked at her lover in disbelief.

"Yes," Lux replied. "But being a Saint won't bring their memories back. I'd gladly return to my previous Rank if that would bring back everyone's memories of me."

Aurora didn't say anything and pondered for a bit. After she organized her thoughts, she cupped Lux's face and looked at him with a solemn expression on her face.

"Don't say that," Aurora stated. "Right now, everyone needs to be strong to face the calamity that has fallen on both worlds. Currently, the Six Kingdoms are cut off from the rest of Solais due to the miasma that is preventing anyone from leaving it.

"This is also a blessing in disguise since the Abyssal Lords are also unable to go to this place. Even they are not fully immune to Miasma. Right now, we should prioritize eliminating the Abyssal Lords who were able to cross over to the two worlds. As long as they are here, the people will continue to suffer from their whims."

"Perhaps after the immediate threat is eliminated, we will be able to focus our attention on finding a cure to bring back my sisters' memories. You mentioned

the Pillars of Eternity in the past. Maybe these Pillars have the power to restore their memories as well, so don't lose hope, okay?"

"Right," Lux replied as hope returned to his eyes. "I forgot about the Pillars of Eternity. They have the power to bend the laws of the world. With them, we might be able to restore their memories."

Aurora nodded. "But before that, we still need to meet your father at Barbatos Academy. He and Sir Maximilian have retained their memories. I'm sure they have a lot of things that they would like to tell you."

The Half-Elf reluctantly nodded his head, knowing that Aurora was right. Although it would be quite painful to see his two fiances, who had no memories of him, he still needed to talk to his Father and Cai's Grandfather about their progress in the Fynn Kingdom.

"Don't worry," Aurora said as she held Lux's hands. "Until the day they regain their memories, I will not leave your side. I will support you with everything I have, so raise your head, and never lose your way. Only by moving forward can we change things for the better."

Lux smiled before kissing Aurora's forehead.

"You've gotten a lot better at speaking after a year," Lux commented in a teasing tone. "I wonder, did anything else change?"

Aurora stuck her tongue at the Half-Elf, who was looking at her with a mischievous smile on his face.

"You'll know about the changes that happened to me tonight," Aurora said. "I'll let you inspect every nook and cranny of my body, so behave for now."

Lux knew that Aurora was doing her best to make him temporarily forget about the pain he was feeling, which he greatly appreciated.

He then stood up and held her like a princess while looking at the academy in the distance.

"Aurora, please don't leave my side like you promised," Lux said. "I might not be able to take it if I lose you as well."

"I will not be going anywhere, I promise," Aurora replied. "So, let's go, Lux. We cannot change anything by standing still."

The Half-Elf nodded and opened the Draconic Wings behind his back.

Their next destination was Barbatos Academy.

The place where he had made many wonderful memories, which he kept in the deepest corners of his heart.

Chapter 1129.1: The Mind Forgets, But The Heart Will Always Remember [Part 1]

Lux looked at the gates of the academy with a determined gaze.

Aurora was by his side, holding his hand firmly, preventing him from escaping.

"Let's go," Aurora said as she led the way, pulling the Half-Elf, who was still preparing his heart for the second time on that day.

After entering the academy, they walked the familiar path that led inside.

There were some students loitering in the halls. They gave the Half-Elf a curious stare and wondered why he was with Aurora.

The Half-Succubus was already well-known to everyone because of her incredible beauty... as well as her incredible bad luck.

Just as they were headed towards the Headmaster's Office, they saw a Boar walking in their direction with a smug smile on her face.

"Aurora!" Cai called out as she happily walked in their direction. "Um? Who is this guy? Is he perhaps your boyfriend? The one that you've been calling Tux?"

"It's Lux, Cai," Aurora corrected.

"Yes, that's what I said, Tux," Cai blinked in confusion.

The Boar then moved closer to give the Half-Elf a better look.

"He is indeed quite handsome," Cai stated. "Now I understand why you fell in love with him, Aurora. But, can he be really trusted? The way he look at me makes me feel that he has a thing for Bestiality. He might be a pervert, you know?"

Lux was doing his best to hold himself back from hugging Cai, and slapping her bum for calling him a pervert.

The Half-Elf wasn't a fan of bestiality, but if it would make the High-Priestess remember him then he was willing to do it.

However, he knew that doing that would be useless, so he remained silent and looked at the Boar, whom he found annoying in the past.

Cai and him had met at the Tournament in Barbatos Academy.

She had joined in order to save Iris from being married off to a person that she didn't like.

The High-Priestess was a gentle soul, and yet when it came to things that were important to her, she was willing to fight for it.

This was probably one of the reasons why Lux fell in love with her, aside from her beauty and unconditional support, which he could count on whenever he needed it.

"By the way, since you are headed this way, are you perhaps looking for the Headmaster?" Cai inquired.

Aurora nodded. "Yes. We are looking for him."

"Good timing then. He is currently in Iris' residence. My Grandfather is there as well," Cai stated. "I was planning to go there, so why don't the three of us go together?"

"Sounds good," Aurora replied.

The three walked side by side, with Lux in the middle. He noticed that from time to time, the Boar would sneak glances on his face.

"Um, would you like to join the League of Extraordinary Gentlemen?" Cai inquired after being caught by the Half-Elf. "The application was closed years ago, but I am willing to make an exception for you."

"League of Extraordinary Gentlemen?" Lux asked with a smile. "Doesn't your sister already have a lover? Why are you looking for people again?"

"You know my sister?" Cai blinked. "You also know about the purpose of the League of Extraordinary Gentlemen?"

"Aurora mentioned it to me," Lux replied in a heartbeat. "She's told me a lot of things about her sisters."

"Oh! So that's it, phew!" Cai nodded her head in understanding. "Well, it is true that my sister already has a lover. But, that doesn't mean that you can't join it. Are you perhaps a swordsman? I have plenty of swords in my collection. If you join, I'll give you three legendary swords like Excalibur, Balmung, Durandal, Caladbolg, and many more."

Lux couldn't help but smile because Cai had offered the same thing to Keane back then.

In order to live his peaceful life, the Swordsman agreed, but he didn't take any of the swords that Cai had mentioned.

Feeling that he wouldn't lose anything by teasing the boar, the Half-Elf stopped walking and used his free hand to hold the side of the boar's face.

"Do you perhaps like me?" Lux asked. "Aurora is a very understanding lady. If you like, the two of you can share me if you want. So, how about it?"

"A-Aurora, is this guy sane in the head?" Cai took several steps back.

"Although I admit that he is handsome, and is totally my type, isn't he a bit too loose? Are you fine with having this kind of guy as your boyfriend?"

"Yes," Aurora replied in a heartbeat. "So, how about it, Cai? I'm willing to share my boyfriend with you."

The Boar hesitated for a bit before stomping her foot down.

"I see, both of you are just teasing me huh?" Cai snorted. "Hmph! You've become bold, Aurora. It seems that returning to your family has made you naughty. I'll go tell Iris about this later. As for you..."

Cai walked towards Lux and circled his body twice. She even used her hoof to lightly pat Lux's backside, as if testing if it was good or not.

The Half-Elf was very tempted to return the favor because, just as always, his fiance's IQ had decreased a lot because she was in her Boar Form.

"I guess I can consider your proposal, Aurora," Cai stated. "But, I'll only give my answer once I get to know him better. Now, let's go. Iris is waiting for us."

The Boar walked away without even bothering to wait for the two people behind her.

Lux was quite surprised because he didn't expect Cai would treat his joke seriously.

"Although their minds can't remember you, their hearts and bodies can," Aurora whispered. "I have been monitoring Cai, and her heart beats very fast whenever she looks at you."

Lux looked at the young lady beside him with a surprised look on his face.

"Really?" Lux asked.

"Yes," Aurora replied. "Even now, Cai walked away in order to escape because she can't understand why she finds you very attractive. If I was not here, she might have pinned you down, you know?"

The Half-Succubus giggled because she was telling the truth. She also didn't expect Cai would react that way to Lux, making her feel that her hypothesis was correct.

If only their memories were sealed, and their hearts and bodies still remembered him, they might actually fall in love with Lux all over again, despite "seeing him" for the first time in their life.

"Right now, I think Cai experienced what they call, Love at first sight," Aurora smiled as she gave Lux's hand a gentle squeeze. "You said that you met Iris earlier, right? I wonder if she felt the same."

Lux couldn't help but feel his heart skip a beat after Aurora's revelation.

Her words made him remember a famous saying back on Earth.

"The mind forgets, but the heart will always remember. And what is the heart's memory but love itself?"

The Half-Elf didn't know if this was true or not. But, if it was true then he might be able to have a close relationship with them again, while looking for the Pillars of Eternity, which might help them remember him faster.

Chapter 1130.2: The Mind Forgets, But The Heart Will Always Remember [Part 2]

"It's you...," Iris muttered after seeing Lux appear inside her residence, while holding Aurora's hand.

For some reason, she felt a pang of pain in her chest when she saw the Half-Elf holding the Half-Succubus' hand.

'What's this I'm feeling?' Iris thought as she placed her hand over her chest. 'Is this perhaps jealousy? Me? Jealous of Aurora because of him? Impossible!'

Aurora, who was standing beside Lux, couldn't help but arch her eyebrow as she glanced at Iris.

She was very sensitive to emotions, and could even project herself on others, allowing her to feel the same feeling as them.

The moment she entered the residence, she had already activated her powers, and subtly connected her senses with Iris and Cai.

She could have done the same for Vera, but she didn't take this chance because she was a Saint and stronger than her.

Lux looked at his grandma with sadness.

Long before the war of the Abyss had started, he had ordered Blackfire to free her from its influence.

Vera was a precious family member, and he didn't want to treat her as a subordinate that he could summon anytime.

It didn't feel right, so he decisively ordered Blackfire to set her free.

The Coffin had the power to do that. Any creature that it freed would be free from its influence.

Because of this, Vera was affected by the Laws that rippled across Solais, making her forget her grandson, whom she had raised with love and care since he was a baby.

Although it hurt him that Iris and Cai had forgotten him, the thing that hurt him the most was actually Vera forgetting about him.

He didn't regret freeing her from Blackfire's control, but seeing her in this state hurt him very much.

Aurora had already told him that she had tapped into Iris' and Cai's feelings, allowing her to understand what they were feeling at the moment.

However, since Vera was stronger than her, she didn't dare do it, so Lux was clueless about what his grandma thought about him.

'Iris is reacting to me being with you,' Aurora said through telepathy. 'Let me try something.'

The Half-Succubus tiptoed and pressed her lips over Lux's, kissing him in front of everyone.

Suddenly, she heard someone clear her throat, and it was none other than Iris.

"Aurora, please hold back a little on your public display of affection," Iris said with a frown. "This is not the time and place for it."

Alexander, Maximilian, and Alicia, who were also inside the residence, looked at this scene with amused expressions on their faces.

The two Saints even glanced at each other, as if both of them came to the same conclusion.

"I'm sorry, Iris," Aurora replied in an apologetic tone. "It has been a while since I saw my lover. I wasn't able to stop myself from kissing him."

Iris nodded. "I'm sorry as well. I didn't know what came over me."

Cai, who was watching from the side, was very tempted to charge at Lux and ram him with her tusks.

For some reason, she also didn't feel good seeing Aurora act sweetly with the guy, who was totally her type.

In order to take control of the situation, Alexander cleared his throat and started the meeting.

"We have gathered here today to talk about the migration to the Fynn Kingdom," Alexander stated. "Although the threat of the Abyssal Invasion has stopped temporarily, we cannot let our guard down. The only thing that is preventing them from reaching our location is the Miasma that is spreading in the surroundings.

"However, after careful investigation, we found out that the speeding of the Miasma is also increasing. Perhaps, it is being affected by the other Abyssal Creatures that appeared outside of our borders.

"Since we have been cut off from the world, we don't know how many Abyssal Lords are present beyond the scope of the Miasma.

"The people from the Ancestral Lands of the Rowan Tribe have already started to migrate to the Fynn Kingdom. Cai's sister, Rose, is responsible for this migration, and the army of the Fynn Kingdom is assisting her as well."

Maximilian nodded his head in confirmation. "The Rowan Tribe members here in Barbatos Academy will also start to migrate as soon as the people from the Ancestral Lands finish their migration."

Alexander then glanced at Alicia and waited for her report.

"I contacted the Wildgarde Stronghold and informed them about our intention to migrate. They said that they would need a week to prepare for the migration. I will inform the people of Regulus City after this meeting is over about the migration plans as well.

"If all goes according to plan, we will be able to transfer everyone to the Fynn Kingdom within a month."

Alexander nodded. "Mother, I will ask you and Iris to oversee the migration to Elysium. I will remain here in the academy until the last resident of Regulus City has been evacuated. Also, I still need to talk to the Kings that remain here in the Six Kingdoms.

"Because of Lady Hereswith's help, the Elswyth Kingdom is being allowed to build their homes near Espoir Frieden, similar to us, it will take them a month to complete their migration."

Just as Alexander was about to continue his explanation, a blue comet descended from the sky and landed in front of Lux and Aurora.

"Pa!"

A Blue Baby Slime looked up at the Half-Elf with tears streaming from her eyes.

"Pa!"

Eiko jumped towards Lux, and buried herself against his chest, as her tears fell like rain.

She had been fighting against the Abyssal Army that had tried to attack the Ford Federation, so she didn't notice right away that her Papa had returned.

Eiko only sensed Lux's presence after the battle ended, and hurriedly returned to Solais to see him.

The Half-Elf felt his heart ache as he lightly patted the crying Baby Slime on his chest.

"Wuwuwu!" Eiko cried sadly as the heartache she had kept inside her heart burst forth like a broken dam.

Iris, who saw Eiko act this way, was flustered and walked towards the Half-Elf in order to retrieve the Baby Slime who was crying on the chest of the redheaded teenager, whom she had seen only twice in her life.

"I'm sorry," Iris said as she stood in front of Lux. "I didn't know why she's acting like this. She's usually very tame, and doesn't make things difficult for others."

"It's okay," Lux replied as he continued to gently pat the baby slime, whose cries were getting louder.

Perhaps the fact that Iris had completely forgotten her Papa made Eiko sadder than usual, so she cried harder because of it.

"Eiko, come," Iris said. "Please don't bother him."

"No!" Eiko replied. "I'll stay with Pa!"

"Eiko, don't be like this."

"No!"

Iris felt helpless because even though she tried to pry the Baby Slime away from the Half-Elf's body, the little one would dodge her hands and move to a new location.

After this happened a few times, Lux held Iris hand and placed it over his chest.

"Let her cry a bit," Lux said as he looked at his fiance with a sad smile on his face. "I don't mind if she stays with me for a while."

Iris' felt her heart beating wildly inside her chest. She couldn't understand what was happening to her, but for some reason, the Half-Elf's touch made her want to imitate the Baby Slime, and bury her head on his chest, while being enclosed in his loving embrace.

But, Iris' willpower was strong.

In order to prevent herself from making a fool of himself, she took a few steps back, with her hand clasped over her chest.

"Then, I'll leave her to you for a bit," Iris said. "Your name is Lux, right? I'll remember you."

"Thank you," Lux replied as he coaxed Eiko, who was hiding behind his back to avoid being taken away by Iris, to return to his chest.

The Baby Slime obeyed, and continued to cry on her Papa's chest.

It had been more than a year since she had last seen him, and although she was very happy that he had returned, She was also very sad.

Despite the fact that her Mama and Papa were in the same place, there was a distance between them.

This made Eiko very sad, so she did what only a baby could do to release her frustration.

She cried, while her Papa covered her with his rough hands.

Hands who had fought many battles with her, and allowed her to raise her rank to become a powerful Monster.

Although they were rough, they were warm, and made her feel as if she had returned to that time, where she was still a powerless Baby Slime, and needed Lux's protection to survive in the worlds of Solais and Elysium.

Chapter 1131.3: The Mind Forgets, But The Heart Will Always Remember [Part 3]

After the meeting ended, Aurora and Lux retired to the young lady's temporary room in Barbatos Academy.

Of course, Eiko went with them because she had a lot of stories to tell to her Papa.

Lux attentively listened to all of them, and he couldn't help but smile due to how animated Eiko looked when she started telling him about how she fought against the Abyssal Lords and how she protected the Ford Federation from their attacks.

She even shared with him the story of how the King of the Island Nation of Torstein begged for her help in repelling the Abyssal Army that had reached their borders.

"Pa!"

"You're amazing, Eiko!"

"Pa!"

"Good girl. You did well."

The Baby Slime giggled after receiving her Papa's praise. She truly missed Lux, and she didn't want to part with him for the time being.

As long as nothing drastic happen in the territories under her control, Eiko planned to stay with Lux, until she was satisfied.

Of course, Lux was more than happy to spend some time with the Baby Slime, who was acting like a spoiled child who wanted his attention.

Even Aurora found this side of Eiko very cute, and she simply listened at the side as the Father and Daughter pair chatted happily.

"Pa..." Eiko looked at her Papa with a sad expression on her face.

Lux sighed and lightly patted her head. "I know, Eiko. Don't worry. I'll find a way to make your Mama recover her memories."

"Un." Eiko nodded before closing her eyes to enjoy her Papa's petting.

Meanwhile, inside Iris' Bedroom...

"That Half-Elf, why does he look familiar and unfamiliar at the same time?" Iris said, "Even Eiko seems to know him. She even calls him Pa."

"I know, right?" Cai replied as she placed her hand over her chest. "When I saw him, I felt my heart skip a beat. I don't know what happened to me. I am pretty certain that he didn't use a Charm Spell on me. I have immunity to those kinds of spells."

Cai had reverted to her human form since she and Iris were alone inside her room. Both girls were feeling confused about why they were reacting like this to a stranger whom they had met for the first time today.

"Did you feel anything when he was together with Aurora?" Iris inquired. "Especially when she kissed him earlier."

"... I was in my Boar Form earlier, so I didn't think much about it," Cai replied. "But, thinking about it now, I feel... envious for some reason."

"For me, I felt jealousy," Iris admitted. "I can't explain why, but it just felt that Aurora had something that I didn't. It's making me feel frustrated."

Iris was very popular among the young men of the Six Kingdoms, so she had seen many handsome young men try to approach her and ask for her hand in marriage. Nearly all of them had told her that it was a shame that she still didn't have any partner despite being so beautiful, which never failed to make Iris roll her eyes.

Of course, she knew she was beautiful. But she also knew that more than anything, they were just approaching her to form a closer connection with her Father, who was a Saint.

Also, Alexander made it clear that Iris was already betrothed to someone and that he wasn't going to entertain any suitors for his daughter.

Iris was surprised when he declared his stance because she didn't know that she was already betrothed to someone.

However, she didn't say anything about her father's words, thinking that this was merely his way of protecting her and preventing anyone from successfully asking for her hand in marriage.

"Iris, there's something that I want to tell you," Cai said with a solemn expression on her face. "Grandpa approached me earlier and asked me if I liked Lux. He said that all I need to do is nod my head, and he would ensure that he would become my lover, like Aurora."

"W-What?!" Iris looked at Cai in disbelief. "Grandpa Maximilian said what?"

"He told me that all I needed to do was nod my head, and Lux would become my fiance," Cai repeated what she said earlier. "I was also surprised. To think that my Grandpa, who is overprotective of me and my sister, Rose, would say such a thing."

"T-Then, did you agree to become his fiance?" Iris asked. Her heart was beating wildly inside her chest, making her feel very anxious.

She couldn't understand why she was reacting like this whenever a topic involved the Half-Elf, whom she had just met. However, the more she thought about him, the more painful it felt seeing him with Aurora, especially with Eiko in the mix, making them look like a family.

"I-I told him that I need some time to think about it," Cai answered. "I mean, I just met him. Everything feels rushed, and yet, why do I feel that being with him is just right? I don't understand why I am feeling this way, but these are

my honest feelings. How about you, Iris? Did your Father mention anything similar to mine?"

"..."

"Sir Alexander did?"

Iris reluctantly nodded her head.

This happened after Lux, Eiko, and Aurora left her residence together.

Maximilian called for Cai, while Alexander talked to Iris in private.

Just like the Patriarch of the Rowan Tribe, Alexander brought up the Half-Elf in their conversation.

He asked Iris if she was willing to become Lux's fiance, which surprised her.

"Don't you feel like my father and your grandpa seemed to know Lux?" Iris asked. "The way they look at him is different from how they look at the people who have tried to ask for my hand in marriage."

"Now that you mention it, my Grandpa doesn't look at him with hostility." Cai frowned. "Maybe he can tell that Lux is a good person?"

"Well, since Eiko is close to him, that means that he isn't a bad person," Iris nodded. "Also, I am honestly surprised that she kept on calling him Pa. If other young men were to try to hold her like that, she would not hesitate to throw Blast Bombs at them."

Cai giggled because she had personally witnessed such scenes in the past. Many young men wanted to get close to Iris, and some of them thought that if they managed to become good friends with the Baby Slime, whom she treated as her daughter, they would only be a step away from making Iris fall for them.

But the only thing they got from this attempt was a Blast Bomb in the face, making them flee for their lives.

"Iris, why don't we both agree to become his fiancee?" Cai asked. "That way, the two of us can always be together. What do you think?"

Iris thought for a while after hearing Cai's proposal. Although she didn't want to admit it, she felt a very strong connection to the Half-Elf.

It was as if he was the last piece of the puzzle that would complete her, making her understand what it was like to truly fall in love with someone, which she had never felt in the past.

Chapter 1132: Lux's Gamble

"So, what do you think, Lux?" Alexander asked.

"I'm fine with this arrangement," Lux replied. "After all, both of them were already my fiancees to begin with."

Maximilian chuckled after hearing the young man's reply. The Patriarch of the Rowan Tribe had already recognized Lux as Cai's fiance, so there was no way that he would allow his granddaughter to marry someone else.

Although Iris and Cai had forgotten about Lux, their Guardians didn't, and both men were simply returning things to how they were in the past.

Of course, although Lux agreed, Iris and Cai still had the final say.

He just hoped that the two would agree to this arrangement, allowing him to do a few experiments that might trigger their memories to return to them.

"What are your plans, Lux?" Alexander asked. "Care to share them?"

Lux nodded. "First and foremost, I would like to conduct a few experiments to see whether I can make Iris and Cai remember me. Also, I'm sure that both of you also tried your best to make them remember. If possible, please share what methods you used and what was their reaction to each of them."

"Okay," Alexander replied. "I'll tell you what I have discovered."

The Headmaster of Barbatos Academy told Lux that whenever he tried to force Iris to remember him, the young lady would suffer from a headache. Afterward, she would lose consciousness.

Every time she woke up after the attempt, she wouldn't remember what Alexander had done to make her remember. In the end, he gave up because he didn't want to see Iris suffer.

Maximilian's explanation was the same as Alexander's. Cai would suffer from a terrible headache and fall unconscious whenever she was close to remembering something about him.

It was as if some sort of trigger would force the two ladies to lose consciousness whenever they tried to recall anything about the Half-Elf.

Hearing their replies, Lux could only sigh helplessly because he had already expected as much.

He didn't know whether the experiments he would conduct would trigger the same reaction in the two ladies, but he still believed that he should at least give it a try.

Eiko was happily perched on top of her Papa's head like old times, which made her feel at ease.

Although she liked the feeling of liberation and freedom, after not seeing Lux for a year, she planned to stay with him for some time.

Since the Ford Federation was currently peaceful, she had all the time in the world to stay with her Papa, whom she missed very much.

After his short meeting with Alexander and Maximilian, Lux decided to look for Aurora. With her powers, she was able to connect to Iris' and Cai's emotions, giving her an idea of what they were thinking and feeling.

As he walked through the hallways, he found Vera standing on a balcony, overlooking Regulus City.

Sensing his presence, the Old Lady smiled and beckoned Lux to come close to her.

The Half-Elf obeyed, prompting Eiko to happily jump towards Vera while shouting "Manma!"

The silver-haired beauty smiled and caught the giggling Baby Slime with both hands before giving her a kiss on the cheek.

"It seems that Eiko really likes you, Lux," Vera said with a smile. "I've never seen her act this way aside from when she is with Iris. So, tell me, child. Have you met Eiko somewhere?"

"Yes," Lux replied. "I've known her since she was a baby... Well, she is still a baby, but I've known her ever since the moment she hatched from her egg."

"Oh?" Vera looked at the Half-Elf with an appraising gaze as if checking to see if he was lying to her or not.

It was very hard to lie to a Saint, so it was very easy for Vera to tell that Lux wasn't lying, which made her frown.

"You said you knew her right after she hatched from her egg?" Vera inquired.

"Yes," Lux replied. "In fact, Eiko was hatched from the egg that I found in Elysium."

Thinking that this was a good opportunity, Lux decided to give it a shot. Since Vera could tell if he was lying or not, this was a good chance to see if he could make her remember anything.

As long as he was speaking the truth, she would be more inclined to believe him.

"Eiko was born from the egg that you found in Elysium?" Vera asked in confusion. "That can't be. Iris was the one that hatched her egg."

"Indeed." Lux nodded. "Iris was the one who hatched her egg, but I am the one who brought Eiko's egg to her."

Vera pinched the bridge of her nose as she tried to recall how Iris had gotten hold of Eiko's egg. The only thing she could remember was that Eiko was hatched in Barbatos Academy and that Iris was the one who had taken care of her ever since.

"Grandma, how about you ask me a different question," Lux proposed. "For example, you can ask me where I grew up, and who raised me."

Vera smiled before shaking her head. "Child, everyone has their secrets, and I am not one to pry into the privacy of others."

Lux sighed internally because his plan to make Vera ask about his childhood didn't work. But he decided to try his luck one more time.

Since Vera didn't ask him, he decided to just take the initiative to tell her about his life story.

"Grandma, do you know? When I was still a baby, you and Sophie saved me from being eaten by the Giant Crocodiles of Huntdeen River," Lux said softly, but clearly. "If not for you, I would have become their snack. After that, you brought me to Wildgarde Stronghold to raise as your own grandchild."

Vera frowned because she was starting to feel a headache as she listened to Lux's story. His words contained no lies, and yet, she was 100% confident that none of the things he mentioned actually happened.

"You're a very good liar, child," Vera said as she rubbed her temple due to the pain she was feeling in her head. "You can even lie to a Saint. This is a very impressive skill."

Lux endured the disappointment that was welling up inside his chest as he gazed at his Grandma, who was looking at him with caution.

"Grandma, do you really think I am lying?" Lux asked.

"Yes," Vera replied. "You are a very good liar. Even I cannot detect any falsehood from your words. Not many people can hoodwink a Saint, you know? This is an achievement that you can be proud of. But I advise you to not make a habit of lying to me often.

"I know that my son, Alexander, plans to make you my granddaughter's fiance. Originally, I didn't oppose his decision. But now, I am starting to reconsider whether he made the right judgment in choosing you as Iris' future partner.

"So why don't we do it like this, Lux? I will pretend that none of this happened, and you will stop telling lies. How about it? We can still be good in-laws if you do this."

Lux didn't answer right away. He knew that if he tried to push his luck, Vera would start to become wary of him and might even force Alexander to rethink his proposal of making the Half-Elf her granddaughter's fiance.

A person who could lie to her with a straight face was a very dangerous individual, and to be honest, she was starting to think of Lux as such.

Lux understood this. Since Vera was starting to doubt him, this doubt would only grow with time, and there was nothing he could do about it.

'Should I take a step back here and play it safe, or should I take another gamble?' Lux thought.

After careful consideration, he chose to take a gamble.

"Grandma, what do I need to do for you to believe my words?" Lux asked.
"You can make me do anything, even make me do something impossible. But once I do it, promise me that you will believe my words no matter how impossible it seems. Do we have a deal?"

Vera looked at the Half-Elf with a calm expression on her face.

Truth be told, she found it hard to be angry at Lux. The mere thought of seeing him with a pained expression made her feel anxious.

She called out to him because she wanted to know him better. Something was compelling her to talk to him to better understand what his character was like.

But the moment he started talking about the time when he was a baby, fear gripped Vera's heart.

There was no doubt that Lux was telling the truth, but no matter how hard she tried to recall what he was talking about, she couldn't recall anything.

This was the part that scared her.

What if the Half-Elf was telling the truth, and it was she who had the problem?

Because of this, Vera reluctantly nodded her head and told Lux the thing he needed to do that would make her believe him no matter what.

Chapter 1133: Don't Keep Me Waiting For Too Long

Lux sighed for the umpteenth time as he rested his head on Aurora's lap.

His talk with his grandma was nerve wracking, but fortunately, both of them ended up in a compromise.

Vera asked him to let her see all of his memories, which he happily agreed to.

However, just as she was about to tap into Lux's memories, she was attacked by a head-splitting headache, making her cry out in pain.

This pain immediately disappeared the moment she severed her connection from Lux, canceling the mind-reading ceremony before it began in full.

Several minutes later, Vera recovered. But, she had completely forgotten about the agreement they had with each other.

It was as if her memory had been sealed, or forcefully stripped away from her by an invisible law, making her forget the things that she and Lux had talked about.

The last thing she remembered was calling out to Lux to talk, but she had no recollection of what happened afterwards. No matter how hard she tried to recall, this was the only thing that was registering inside her head.

In the end, the Half-Elf excused himself and returned to Aurora's room with Eiko, feeling very depressed by his failed attempt to make his Grandma remember him.

"It's useless to make them remember forcefully," Lux said in a defeated tone. "I have to think of a different way to make them remember."

Eiko, was currently sleeping peacefully on his chest because she didn't rest for the past few days due to the non-stop battles in her territory.

Now that her Papa had returned, she felt more relaxed, and at ease, so her exhaustion finally caught up to her, making her feel sleepy.

Lux didn't want to disturb Eiko, so he allowed her to rest inside his shirt like she used to do when she was young.

"Don't worry," Aurora said in an encouraging tone while gently patting his head. "You will find a way, I'm sure of it. Also, even if Iris and Cai don't remember you in the short term, nothing is stopping you from creating new memories with them, right? Also, I'm pretty sure they will agree to become your fiance."

"Are you sure?" Lux asked. "Will they really agree to become my fiance?"

Aurora giggled before lightly pinching Lux's nose.

"You're talking as if they weren't already your fiance back then," Aurora stated. "Things are just returning to how they were in the past. The only difference is that they no longer remember your existence. But, I don't see any problem with you creating new memories with them. Who knows? This might also be a good thing for you."

"Good thing? How?"

"Aren't you curious? Iris and Cai have forgotten about you, but their hearts and bodies still remember. Look at their reactions when you hold their hand, look into their eyes, and when you do something intimate with them. I believe that they only need a small spark before they melt in your embrace."

Lux looked at his lover, who had a mischievous look on her face.

"You talk as if you have known them for years," Lux said. "Since when did you know a lot about your sisters?"

"Believe me when I say that I know their emotional states more than you do," Aurora replied with confidence. "Do you want to make a bet with me?"

"I'm listening," Lux replied.

Aurora smiled and told her lover about the details of their bet.

Lux found the rules quite amusing, but he still agreed to them in the end.

"This feels immoral," Lux pinched the bridge of his nose. "But, I am also curious about what will happen afterwards."

"Right?" Aurora smirked. "I'm also very curious to know how it will turn out."

"Where did my innocent Aurora go?"

"It's all your fault that she changed, you know? You took her first time, and made her cry, and worry for you for an entire year. You should take responsibility and ease her pain."

The two stared at each other for half a minute before Lux raised his head to kiss her lips.

Since Eiko was with them, the two didn't do anything too sensual, but that was enough, at least for now.

Somewhere in the western part of Elysium...

Nyarlathotep sat on the throne of a destroyed throne room, allowing him to see the black smoke that was rising over the city that he had just conquered.

The shouts of despair, pain, and suffering reverberated in the surroundings, and he was enjoying every second of it.

A moment later, a winged demon landed in front of him and knelt to pay his respects.

"Lord Nyarlathotep, I bring news from Lord Eligor," the Demon said. "Do I have permission to state his message?"

"Why not?" Nyarlathotep replied in a carefree manner. "What does that Fallen Angel want this time? Does he want my help to attack the Dragons? Or perhaps, he wanted my assistance to raid the World Tree?"

"Neither, My Lord." the Demon shook his head. "He just asked me to pass a message that he would soon start his invasion of Agartha. The Kingdom that is located near the Core of Elysium."

"Oh?" Nyarlathotep's interest was mildly piqued by this turn of events. "Well, tell him that I wish him good luck. I will head West a little while longer and conquer all the lands in my way. When I start to feel bored, I will return to see their accomplishments. So, make sure to tell them to work hard in order to not disappoint me."

"As you command, My Lord." The Demon bowed respectfully before leaving the throne room to deliver the news back to the Fallen Angel, who had gained control over the leadership of the Abyssal Lords who had gathered at the center of Elysium."

Nyarlathotep watched as the Demon disappeared from his view before leaning on his throne.

"It seems that the Fallen Angel wanted to unite all the Abyssal Lords under his banner," Nyarlathotep muttered. "Well, as long as he proves himself useful then he can do whatever he wants to do."

Nyarlathotep looked up at the sky, and couldn't help but chuckle.

"Daniel, oh Daniel, I'm sure that you're feeling very frustrated right now," Nyarlathotep said in a teasing tone. "The Gods managed to thwart your plans halfway. So, what will you do now?"

"Shut up, Nyarlathotep. Just do as planned," Daniel's voice that was filled with annoyance replied. "The Abyss and its connection between Solais and Elysium was not severed completely. However, it is currently impossible for any Abyssal Creature to pass through to the two worlds. The only thing I can do right now is contact you through the connection we share. How is the invasion?"

"My conquest of the West is proceeding as planned," Nyarlathotep answered. "The battle at the center of Elysium has reached a stalemate. Eligor has rallied the other Abyssal Lords and is planning to target Agartha. I don't know if they will succeed, but the chances are very high."

Daniel snorted. "Agartha. That Kingdom may be Ancient, and they did have the power to resist the Abyssal Lords to a certain extent. But, they will still fall in the end.

"I cannot maintain this connection for long, so make sure to report to me if there are any significant changes in the status quo. For the time being, I will think of ways to re-establish the connection between the worlds."

"Very well," Nyarlathotep replied. "Don't keep me waiting for too long. If you do, I will destroy this world without you."

"I'd like to see you try," Daniel said in a mocking tone. "You might be strong, but you're not the strongest. I look forward to hearing the good news about Agartha's invasion in a few weeks."

Nyarlathotep felt that his connection with Daniel had finally been cut off.

The Outer God once again chuckled because even though his collaborator had tried hard to hide it, he was still able to sense the desperation in his voice.

"This is why I can't get enough of this chaotic world," Nyarlathotep stated before standing up from his throne. "Now, which kingdom should I destroy next?"

The Outer God disappeared from the throne room. Everyone in the city had already been killed, and the strong ones had been turned into mindless thralls,

serving the Abyssal Army to destroy their fellow men, who would soon suffer the same fate as them.

Chapter 1134: I Want To Know You Better

Iris sat beside Lux while looking at the scenery in front of her.

Eiko was humming happily on top of her Papa's head because she felt very happy today.

After Alexander asked her if she was willing to become Lux's fiance, the young lady thought about it for a day before giving her answer.

The Headmaster of Barbatos Academy didn't want to force his daughter into becoming Lux's fiance because it might have the opposite effect.

After what happened to his Grandma Vera, the Half-Elf also didn't want to choose this kind of approach, so he decided to just leave the decision to Iris and Cai if they were willing to become his lovers.

Fortunately, the two ladies agreed.

Part of their reason was that whenever they looked at him, they found him very pleasing to their eyes.

The two of them had seen many handsome men, but their hearts, minds, and bodies never reacted this strongly to any of them.

Originally, they thought that the Half-Elf was using a Charm Spell on them, but after careful consideration, they deemed this to be impossible.

Both of them were nearly immune to this kind of thing, especially since they were members of Heaven's Gate. Their Guild Buffs raised all of their resistances, shielding their minds from such attacks.

The other thing that convinced Iris to accept his Father's proposal was Eiko.

The Baby Slime was very happy being with Lux, and she also called him Pa! Making Iris feel as if the Baby Slime had truly acknowledged the Half-Elf as her Papa.

Since that was the case, she felt as if this was meant to be, so she threw caution to the wind and agreed to become his Fiance.

Cai, on the other hand, had a more simple reason for accepting Lux as her lover.

Lux was her type, and for some reason, her body would heat up whenever she was near him.

This was a very primal feeling that was born from instinct.

Cai instinctively knew that Lux would be able to give her strong children, which was a very important factor when it came to finding her partner in life.

Also, when she was in her Boar Form, she couldn't help but feel the strong desire to pin Lux down and have her way with him.

Cai was very ashamed of this discovery because she didn't expect that her Boar Form would act aggressively like this.

Even though she could transform into her Therian Form, that didn't mean that she was up for bestiality!

In order to calm herself down, she decided to reject Lux's invitation to go on a picnic, while she stabilized her body and heart.

Because of this, it was only Lux, Iris, and Eiko who went on the picnic, and were currently enjoying the view of the city from on top of a hill.

This was the same hill where Alexander appeared to comfort Lux after he first met with Iris and Vera in the City of Regulus.

Aurora might not be with them, but she was nearby. Her senses were connected to Iris' and she was paying close attention to the blue-haired beauty's emotions, which she would report directly to Lux through their Guild Chat.

"Eiko, do you want to eat?" Lux asked the Baby Slime who was perched on top of his head.

"Pa!"

"Okay, come down from my head. I don't want to deal with bread crumbs later."

"Kay~"

The Baby Slime obediently crawled down until she arrived on Lux's right knee. There, she remained in place and waited for her Papa to feed her.

Lux didn't hesitate and fed her a sandwich, making the Baby Slime to open her mouth wide.

"Is it good?"

"Un!"

"Do you want more?"

"Yes!"

The Half-Elf fed Eiko another sandwich, and the latter ate it with a big smile on her face.

Iris, who was averting her gaze earlier, looked at the Baby Slime's happy face before shifting her attention to Lux, who was looking at Eiko with an affectionate look on his face.

"Eiko seems to like you very much," Iris said as she took the initiative to start a conversation with him.

"I also like her very much," Lux replied as he glanced at Iris with a smile. "You raised her well."

"Well, she is indeed a handful at times, but she is a very good girl."

"That she is."

The Half-Elf took another sandwich from the basket and continued to feed the Baby Slime, whose appetite returned after seeing her Papa and Mama talking again.

"Lux, can you tell me more about you?" Iris asked. "I want to know you better."

"Of course," Lux replied.

Lux told her about his adventures in Elysium, making sure not to mention anything about his childhood.

He had changed his strategy a bit. Instead of trying to make them recall him, he decided to see if they could retain their memory of him.

If they would be able to do that then he could just create new memories with them, while finding a way to make them remember their past moments with him.

This was Aurora's suggestion, and Lux thought that this was also the safest route to take right now.

The more Lux talked about himself, the more he realized that he wasn't triggering Iris' headache, which was a good thing.

Iris, on the other hand, found Lux's stories quite thrilling. Before she noticed it, her right hand was already resting over his hand, but she didn't make any attempt to move it away.

For some reason, touching him like this was making her body tingle all over, in a good way.

Lux then held her hand in his own, giving it a gentle squeeze. He then continued to talk about things about himself, and the struggles he faced as he journeyed to Elysium.

Hours passed as he continued to tell his tale, sharing his lifetime of memories to one of the people who held a special place in her heart.

As the sun slowly set in the horizon, and the first stars appeared in the sky.

Lux's voice slowed down as a hint of sadness permeated his voice.

He was telling Iris about his Master's death, which was due to his carelessness.

Lux had always felt guilty about his Master's death. Although he knew that Gaap would die either way because he had sacrificed everything to get his revenge, knowing that he died because of him, still made him very sad.

Iris felt an ache in her heart, when she saw Lux feeling sad and defenseless.

In that moment, an overwhelming urge to hold him close took control of her body.

The young lady then moved to wrap her hands around Lux's head, and pulled him close to her chest.

She then rubbed his back, as the Half-Elf's body shuddered.

Lux was doing his best not to cry because he had already cried so many times since he returned to Solais.

It took a lot of effort, but he succeeded.

Iris' touch, and her supportive words, allowed him to overcome the sadness that had almost taken control of his body.

"Thank you," Lux said as he reluctantly pulled back to look at the young lady, who was looking back at him with moist eyes.

Her face was flushed, and her breathing was a little ragged. It seemed that holding Lux close to her had an effect on her body, making her feel confused.

Seeing the lost expression on her face, Lux was no longer able to hold himself back and moved his head closer to him.

A few seconds later, he tasted sweetness.

A sweetness that made his body shudder.

Iris was surprised that Lux kissed her. However, she didn't dislike it.

Eiko watched as her Papa and Mama started to kiss each other passionately.

Being the smart baby that she was, Eiko decided to return to Barbatos Academy to look for her Manma.

On top of the hill overlooking Regulus City, the faint sound of kisses reverberated in the surroundings, making Aurora, who was watching from afar, smile from ear to ear.

Chapter 1135.1: The Firstborns of Elysium [Part 1]

Iris laid down on her bed, hugging a pillow.

Her face was beet-red as she recalled the memory of what happened a few hours ago.

"I can't believe it," Iris muttered to herself after remembering that she had also taken the initiative to kiss Lux and even pinned him down on the picnic blanket, kissing him passionately on the lips.

'There must be something very wrong with me,' Iris thought. 'That was my first kiss, yet I gave it to him without any second thoughts. But... being kissed by him felt so good.'

The young lady's face turned a shade redder when she also remembered the thing that happened afterward.

While she and Lux were kissing, he moved to switch positions with her. This time, she was the one being pinned down on the blanket, while the young man was above her.

His hand then snaked toward her breasts and gently groped them through her clothes.

Iris was surprised at first and wanted to pry his hands away, but before she could do that, she felt herself losing strength as if her whole body had turned to jelly.

The only thing she could do was hold onto Lux's wrist as he lovingly kneaded her softness with a look of longing on his face.

If there was an outsider watching them, they would think that the one forcing Lux to knead her chest was Iris, who had muffled moans escaping her lips.

At that point, Iris no longer had any strength to resist any of his advances. She even thought that Lux would take her then and there and that she would probably not hate him for it.

But, the Half-Elf didn't go that far.

Perhaps he came back to his senses and apologized to her after seeing her flushed expression.

Helping her fix her crumpled clothes, he waited for her to recover a bit of her strength before bringing her back to the Academy in a princess carry.

"Why do I feel relieved and disappointed at the same time when he didn't go further?" Iris muttered, burying her head in the pillow due to the embarrassment that she was feeling. "I didn't think that I was this loose as a woman. What is happening to me? Why are my heart and body reacting this way toward him? Are we THAT compatible?"

Iris' mind was in a mess, unable to think properly about whether she liked Lux or not.

While the young lady had locked herself up inside her room, the Half-Elf headed straight to Aurora's room, where his lover was already waiting for him.

"Why didn't you go all the way?" Aurora asked in a curious tone. "Iris was ready for it."

"She might be, but I was not." Lux sighed before sitting down on top of Aurora's bed. "I was almost unable to hold myself back. If not for the fact that I was afraid that making love with her could trigger her memories to come back, I would have already done it."

The Half-Elf sighed a second time as he looked at his hands.

Hands that had held Iris's soft breasts, which he had missed so much.

"I see. So you want to take the slow approach." Aurora nodded in understanding. "This way, even if she recalls her past memories from you, the new memories that you have made with her won't disappear."

"Yes," Lux nodded. "This is what I plan to do for now. Slowly but surely create new memories with her so that even if she suffers from a headache, there will be a waypoint in her memories she could return to."

Simply put, Lux planned to create anchors that would embed themselves deep inside her subconscious mind, allowing the young lady to retain the new memories that they had created together.

"Are you planning to do the same for Cai?" Aurora inquired.

"Yes," Lux replied. "Iris has received too much stimulation for the day. She needs some time to rest and reset her emotions. Tell me. Did you find anything while you were sharing her senses?"

Aurora smiled sweetly before nodding her head.

"Yes," Aurora said. "At the beginning, she was doing her best to not look at you because it was making her heart flutter. Then, when you kissed her, her emotions burst forth. Her heart and body, which have been deprived of your love, finally lost control. That was why she pinned you down and took the initiative to kiss you of her own accord."

Aurora then held Lux's hands and looked at him straight in the eye.

"I'll just tell you this. I'm pretty sure that Cai will react the same way as Iris," Aurora stated. "Don't underestimate skinship. The more you touch them, the more their body will react to you.

"Even if you only hold their hand, you will make ripples in their subconscious minds, allowing you to plant your seed deeper into their minds, making them unable to forget the current you."

Lux nodded. "Thank you, Aurora. I'm glad you're here with me."

Just as the two were about to kiss each other, they heard a knock on the door, startling the both of them.

"Lux, are you there?" Alicia's voice called out from the other side of the door. "The Headmaster wants to talk to you. He said it's important."

Aurora sighed before giving the Half-Elf a quick peck on his right cheek before urging him to go and see his Father.

Lux obeyed and headed straight to the Headmaster's Office to find out what important things he wanted to discuss with him.

The moment he entered the room, he saw three people inside.

Alexander, Maximilian, and Keane's Master all had solemn expressions on their faces.

"The Abyssal Lords have grouped together and launched an attack," Alexander stated.

"Where did they attack?" Lux asked in a cold tone. "Did they attack Karshvar Draconis? The Crystal Palace? Or did they target the World Tree of Espoir Frieden?"

"They targeted neither of those places," Alexander replied. "The Abyssal Army had started to move, and from what the Scouts of the Grand Alliance had reported, all of them seemed to be headed away from the center of Elysium."

"Isn't that a good thing?" Lux asked.

But, before Alexander could even answer Lux's question, a familiar voice reached his ears.

"Master, I just saw a vision. The Abyssal Army is going to launch a massive invasion," The Oracle of the Divine Army, Maeve, said in an anxious tone.

"And their target is going to be the Kingdom of Agartha."

Lux's expression turned icy the moment he heard the Oracle's vision. He then shared this news with Alexander, Maximilian, and the Void before leaving the Headmaster's Office to talk to Aurora, whose kingdom was about to be attacked by dozens of Abyssal Lords of the Demigod Rank.

Chapter 1136.2: The Firstborns of Elysium [Part 2]

After knowing that her Kingdom was about to be attacked by the Abyssal Army, Aurora didn't hesitate to ask Lux to help her defend her homeland.

Of course, the Half-Elf didn't reject her request and immediately teleported back with her to the Ancient Kingdom, which many historians coined as the First Kingdom of Elysium.

As a Supreme, King Septimius, the King of Agartha, remembered Lux and welcomed him with open arms.

He had already accepted that this young man was his daughter's chosen one, making Lux his son-in-law.

Unfortunately, Aurora's sister, Princess Shayna, had forgotten about him, making her wonder why her sister and her father were treating the Half-Elf as if he was already part of their family.

After the greeting session ended, Lux immediately told the King of Agartha that the Abyssal Army was preparing to invade their lands.

King Septimius didn't doubt Lux's words for a moment because the Half-Elf wouldn't possibly lie to him about something like this.

Also, even if he doubted his words, he would still create a contingency plan to ensure that the Abyssal Lords would have a hard time reaching his kingdom.

"Sound the Bell of Soteria!" King Septimius ordered. "Let it be heard all across Agartha!"

A few minutes later, the loud tolling of the bell resounded in the surroundings.

The Bell of Soteria had only been rung three times since the founding of Agartha.

The third time that it was used was during the first Abyssal War, when the Surface World descended into complete chaos.

During that time, the Agarthians took up arms and helped their fellow Elysians defend their world.

Even now, they had already prepared their army to support the Grand Alliance should they choose to execute an all-out attack in an attempt to wipe out the Abyssal Army from the face of the world.

Unfortunately, the Dragons, the High-Elves, as well as the other Factions of the Worlds, were busy doing their best to prevent the Abyssal Army from conquering their own Domains.

As such, the Agarthians hadn't sent any of their armies to the surface, for that would mean that they would be fighting the battle alone.

Doing so would only annihilate their army. Even if they were strong, their strength was not at a level where they could face that many Abyssal Demigods on their own.

Hidden deep within the underground chambers of the castle, the lids of several sarcophagi moved to the side.

One by one, old men and women who had wrinkles all over their faces and bodies rose from their long slumber and sighed.

"I guess these old bones will have to fight one last time," an old man cackled. "Hah... what a good day to die."

"To think that I would see you again after all this time. I wish you had stayed dead," an old lady, whose wrinkles would not lose to the old man, snorted. "Our souls have long departed this world, but our Wills were left behind for this very day."

"Indeed," Another old man commented as he slowly placed his feet on the cold floor. "We are relics of the past, already long forgotten by most of our people. And yet, during its time of need, we all rise from our decrepit coffins to fight one last time."

The other men and women, who had risen from their respective coffins, nodded their heads at the same time.

Some of them weren't old. In fact, the majority of them looked like middleaged men and women.

But, regardless of what they looked like, one thing was certain.

All of them were very powerful.

The majority of them were Saints, but there were also dozens of Supremes among their Ranks.

They were the previous Kings and Queens of Agartha, who had witnessed the world since the founding of their Kingdom.

Each King and Queen was duty-bound to leave a remnant of their Will inside their bodies so that even after their death, they would all rise up to fight one last battle. A battle that would decide whether their Ancient Kingdom would remain standing or be buried with them in the sands of time.

Lux, who was very sensitive to the power of the Dead, shuddered before his gaze shifted to the floor under his feet.

"Do you feel them, Lux?" King Septimius asked with a knowing smile on his face. "Of course, you do. After all, you are the Necromancer of Heaven. It is impossible for you to miss them."

"Who are they, Your Majesty?" Lux inquired.

"They are Elysium's Firstborns," King Septimius replied. "You see, there was a prophecy given to the First King of Elysium that there would come a day when the Kingdom of Agartha would face complete annihilation.

"In order to prevent this from happening, all of the Kings and Queens who ruled Agartha were duty-bound to bind their Will inside their bodies while they were still alive. So, at the moment of their death, their bodies would only enter a Half-Dead state.

"Their bodies would then be preserved inside specially-made coffins, which were imbued with a special kind of magic.

"When the Kingdom faces a threat that it can't handle on its own, only then will these ancient Kings and Queens rise from their eternal slumber to fight for our kingdom one last time."

Lux nodded in understanding. "Good. The more help we can get, the better. I will also make preparations to defend this Kingdom from the Abyssal Lords."

The Half-Elf then shifted his attention to Aurora and gave her a reassuring smile.

"Stay with your sister, and hide in the underground shelters," Lux said. "I will handle the rest."

Aurora nodded. "Stay safe."

"I will," Lux replied.

A moment later, the Half-Elf left the throne room.

"Master, only I and King Leoric have reached the quota that my brothers and sisters have agreed upon," Asmodeus said as he appeared beside his Master, walking by his side. "However, if you truly wish for it, they will return to answer your call."

"Thank you, Asmodeus," Lux replied. "For now, You, King Leoric, Avernus, Andras (Strigoi), and Blackfire will assist me in defending the Kingdom of Agartha. I will also ask for Eiko's help. The five of us should be enough to handle several Demigods."

Asmodeus nodded his head in agreement. With the five of them, they should be strong enough to handle several Demigods at the same time.

He and the others weren't there when Lux had fought against Daniel.

This was Asmodeus' greatest shame.

Because of this, he had assembled a strong Undead Army that would wreak havoc on his foes.

He had prepared a long time for this day, and he would show his Master that the one year the Lich King had spent traveling all over Elysium wasn't done in vain.

Chapter 1137.1: Behold, the bringer of Light! [Part 1]

Eligor's plan was simple.

Attack the entrances that were used by Agarthians in order to enter their underground Kingdom.

He had already gained information from a King of a Kingdom that was affiliated with Agartha.

Of course, the King didn't give away this information on his own accord.

That would've been impossible.

Eligor extracted this information directly from the King's Soul, reading all of his memories like reading a book. This was also why he had proposed that all Demigods temporarily withdraw their offensive against the Dragons and the Elves, shifting the focus on Agartha.

He believed that it would be easier to capture the Ancient Kingdom, which only had three Supremes as its Guardians.

Aside from King Septimius, there were two more Supremes that protected Agartha, keeping it safe from outsiders.

Still, the Fallen Angel wasn't worried. Their side had fifty Demigods who would join him in this invasion.

The armies under their command numbered in the millions, and with this, he was certain of their victory.

But just as he arrived at the location where the entrances of Agartha were located, they couldn't find them.

In order to prevent their enemies from easily reaching their kingdom, King Septimius ordered that all the entrances that led to Agartha must be destroyed, sealing them off completely.

Knowing that their Kingdom's future was at stake, the Agarthians took this order critically and ensured that not a single entrance remained open after they were done.

When Eligor and the other Demigods realized what King Septimius had done, they couldn't help but applaud him for his decisiveness.

However, they weren't deterred.

The Abyss was a place where only the strong survived. There were several Abyssal Creatures whose specialty was to dig underground in order to hide and hunt their prey.

These monsters had joined their Abyssal Lords to conquer Elysium, and they numbered over a hundred.

"Dig and unearth these entrances!" Eligor ordered. "We'll show them that their move did nothing but delay the inevitable."

The Abyssal Monsters who specialized in digging immediately went to work.

Since they could sense the layout of the land underground, they were able to follow the destroyed tunnels that led to Agartha.

A week later, a couple of the pathways that led to Agartha had opened up, and the Abyssal Army finally started their march to conquer the Ancient Kingdom of Elysium.

Royal Palace of Agartha...

"They are coming," King Septimius sighed as he opened his eyes.

"Good," one of the two Supremes, who protected Agartha alongside the King, commented. "Fortunately, we managed to delay their invasion by a week. Our defenses may not be perfect, but they will hold."

"Indeed," the other Supreme nodded his head. "We will show these monsters that we are not pushovers."

King Septimius smiled before rising up from his throne.

A moment later, he reappeared several miles outside his city and looked at the hundreds of gaping holes that the Burrowers of the Abyssal Army had dug.

He could sense the powerful presence of the Demigods who were leading their armies to conquer his lands.

A faint sneer appeared on King Septimius' lips as he raised his scepter.

The Defenders, who had formed a defensive wall and were two miles away from where the Abyssal Army would appear, prepared themselves for the eventual battle that was about to commence.

High above their heads, a Gigantic Flying Bone Ship hovered, similar to a Flying Fortress that was born for war.

"Ready!" Eiko shouted.

Immediately, the Skeleton Swashbucklers went to their respective positions, preparing for battle.

The Ancient Pirate King, Avery, stood beside Eiko with his arms crossed over his chest. The flames burning in his eyes burned bright, ready for battle.

Poseidon had also revealed the countless cannons in its body, ready to fire at Eiko's command.

The Baby Slime looked in the distance with a calm expression on her face. She didn't feel any fear.

On the contrary, she was looking forward to the start of the battle, thrilled that she wouldn't be fighting alone.

Standing at the deck of her ship, Lux looked in the distance with arms crossed over his chest.

Asmodeus, King Leoric, Avernus, and Andras were by his side, ready to fight under his command.

Now that Lux had become a Saint, his Named Creatures had also grown a lot stronger. They were creatures that grew alongside him, which meant that the stronger he was, the stronger they would also be.

Currently, Asmodeus and King Leoric were of the Calamity Rank.

Avernus and Andras, on the other hand, had stepped into the Ranks of Demigods.

Along with Eiko's forces, the number of Demigods on their team alone numbered four.

But that was only including those who were present on the scene.

Blackfire hovered behind Lux, and it was very excited to show its Master the latest additions to its personal army.

It had accompanied Hereswith in fighting against the Demigods who had attacked Espoir Frieden.

Because of this, it managed to devour ten Demigods, as well as hundreds of Calamity-Ranked Monsters.

All in all, Blackfire could summon twelve Demigods, excluding Hereswith, who was protecting the World Tree of the High Elves.

The eleventh Demigod was none other than Andras, who had transformed into a Strigoi.

The other one was the Demigod, Briarz, who had arrived alone in the Six Kingdoms and found himself dying a pitiful death.

Blackfire didn't bother to change the abyssal creature's form because the fourmeter-tall Blue Minotaur was already imposing enough. It deemed that simply reviving him as he is was good enough.

"They're here," Lux said in a solemn tone. "Eiko, give them a warm welcome."

Eiko nodded. "Go! Poseidon!"

The countless cannons of the Giant Bone Ship started to glow. The moment the Abyssal Monsters spilled out from the holes to start their invasion, they found themselves staring at countless beams of light that vaporized anything they hit, not even leaving ashes behind.

The Agarthians cheered after seeing Poseidon's might, raising their morale to its peak.

Even King Septimius couldn't help but nod his head in satisfaction as the first wave of Monsters that had come to conquer his lands were annihilated before they even knew what hit them.

Chapter 1138.2: Behold, the bringer of Light! [Part 2]

Eiko jumped on top of Avery's head to get a better view of the battlefield.

Poseidon's bombardment had decimated the first few waves of monsters that had gotten within its strike range.

Its main cannon was still inactive because it would only be used against Demigods. Even so, its other cannons fired non-stop, sending the Abyssal Army's formation into disarray.

A minute later, several purple barriers materialized on the battlefield, shielding the lower-ranked Abyssal Monsters from Poseidon's deadly barrage.

More than thirty Demigods, with Eligor at the lead, finally decided to first secure their foothold before letting their subordinates massacre everyone in sight.

The moment they made their appearance, Poseidon's Main Cannon started to gather energy, ready to unleash an attack that was strong enough to instantly kill a Demigod if it hit them directly.

Eligor, who saw this, immediately summoned a multi-layered barrier, having felt that an attack with enough power to potentially threaten his life was about to descend upon them.

The other Demigods felt the same, so they, too, reinforced Eligor's barrier with their own defensive abilities, strengthening it to its limit.

A giant beam of light shot out of Poseidon's main cannons, forcing the Agarthians to cover their eyes due to how dazzling it was.

A few seconds later, an earth-shaking explosion erupted in full, sending shock waves that also reached the location of the defenders, which were two miles away from the point of impact.

"Brace!" King Septimius shouted as he created a barrier to prevent his people from being harmed by the aftermath of Poseidon's strongest attack.

When the light receded, they saw the purple barrier slowly shatter into countless pieces.

It survived Poseidon's blow, successfully protecting those behind it.

However, due to the massive force from the blast, the shield still shattered in the end, making Eligor shudder.

A few seconds later, the rest of the Demigods appeared behind him, completing the strongest lineup of the Abyssal Army that had decided to attack Agartha.

"Don't give them a chance to unleash another attack like that!" Eligor shouted. "Charge!"

The Fallen Angel flapped his wings and led the Army to engage their enemies at close range.

The other Demigods followed and unleashed their long-range attacks toward the Gigantic Ship in front of them.

Poseidon's body underwent a transformation as it shifted from its Offensive Mode to its All-Rounder Mode.

This Mode was meant for both offense and defense. Since their enemies had decided to fight them at close range, it couldn't fire its cannons indiscriminately since it would end up causing friendly fire.

The long-ranged attacks of the Demigods were blocked by a golden shield that protected Poseidon's body from getting hit directly.

Lux, who was standing on the deck of Bone Ship, raised his hand and signaled for their counterattack.

As soon as he gave the order, Avernus and Andras jumped off of the Bone Ship and took on their Bestial Forms.

A Vampire-Werewolf, whose only goal was to slaughter everything within its range, and a Dracolich, whose notoriety was well known across Elysium.

Blackfire also summoned the Eleven Demigods under its command, and they didn't hesitate to clash against the Abyssal Creatures, who were targeting Poseidon first.

"It seems that Agartha is being underestimated," King Septimius said with a sneer. "They aren't even paying attention to us."

"Well, I guess we'll just have to show them that it's a mistake," an age-old voice spoke behind King Septimius.

He was none other than the Founding King of Agartha, King Agarath.

The First King of the Ancient Kingdom raised his sword, making the Kings and Queens behind him prepare for battle as well.

"For Agartha!" King Aragath roared.

"""For Agartha!"""

Without another word, the Founder of Agartha flew toward the sky and engaged one of the Demigods who were attacking Poseidon's body.

A Supreme was weaker than a Demigod, but what they lacked in power, they made up for in numbers.

There were twenty Supremes and hundreds of Saints among the Kings and Queens of Agartha, who had risen in order to fight.

King Septimius and the two Supremes by his side also joined the battle.

Their target was none other than Eligor, who they deemed to be the leader of the Abyssal Army.

"Foolish mortals. You are doomed to submit to the Abyss!" Eligor shouted as he parried King Septimius' sword strike before deflecting the attacks of the two other Supremes, who were attacking him from different directions.

"You are the fool here, Fallen Angel," King Septimius replied with a sneer.
"You came to my kingdom to die, so I will gladly grant your wish!"

The battle became more intense the moment the bulk of the Abyssal Army finally joined the battle.

The Agarthian Army, which was headed by Sion, Darius, Cleo, and Garen clashed against the Abyssal Army without backing down.

All of them were fighting for their homeland, their families, lovers, children, and their future.

Even if they were to fall in battle, they would die to ensure that those whom they held sacred would live.

"Avery, join the battle!" Eiko jumped off Avery's head and pointed at their enemies.

"Yes, Princess," Avery replied before jumping off the flying ship to repel the Demigods who were trying to break past Poseidon's Barrier.

After her right-hand Captain had left to join the fight, Eiko jumped on her Papa's head with a smirk.

Lux smirked as well. He then ordered Asmodeus and King Leoric to show him the army that they had gathered throughout the one year he was away.

The Wraith King and his Wraith Queen dove down toward the hordes of Abyssal Creatures that were targeting the Main Army of Agartha.

A moment later, tens of thousands of specters gathered around them, creating a green tide that swept over the battlefield, hacking everything in their path.

Since they were part of Lux's forces, all of them were imbued with his Death God's Aura and Divine Abyssal Touch, making their attacks stronger, dealing not only physical damage to their targets but also spiritual damage.

Asmodeus, who didn't want to lose out to King Leoric, raised his hand.

Hundreds of thousands of Liches, Skeleton Archwizards, Skeleton Warlocks, and Skeleton Sorcerers appeared on, above it, and along the sides of the Poseidon's deck.

Asmodeus had scoured countless graveyards, battlefields, and ancient sites, looking for the most powerful magic users.

He intended to create an Arcane Unholy Army, who would dominate the battlefield using destructive spells that would obliterate their foes.

Some of these magicians were raised by Asmodeus, while others were subjugated by him. These Undead Mages who had managed to gain sentience had all agreed to become his subordinates after the Lich King used both fair and foul means to gain their allegiance.

Even Lux didn't expect that his two Named Creatures had formed an army of their own that numbered over a hundred thousand strong.

Asmodeus raised his hand, and all the Mages channeled their powers to create a burning sun high in the sky.

The Lich King sneered because although the battlefield was chaotic, with their enemies and foes fighting at close range, he was confident that he would be able to unleash an attack without triggering friendly fire.

"Behold, the bringer of Light!" Asmodeus roared.

"Mahemium Solis!

The burning sun in the sky exploded into countless Flaming Spears that rained down upon the battlefield.

To everyone's surprise, the Flaming Spears were only hitting the Abyssal Monsters, whose cries of pain, surprise, and frustration resounded on the battlefield, making the sadistic Lich King laugh out loud and causing Eiko and Lux to smile evilly.

Chapter 1139.1: The Battle At The Capital City Of Agartha [Part 1]

A rain of death and destruction descended upon the Abyssal Army as Asmodeus expertly controlled the countless fire spears that only targeted their enemies.

Since Poseidon's cannons were too powerful, it couldn't be used to attack because it would hit their allies without a doubt.

Because of this, it simply used its defensive abilities to protect itself, preventing any attacks from landing on its body.

Poseidon could have unleashed a powerful barrage, and probably decimate more than half of the Abyssal Legion. However, since its allied were also fighting alongside it, it simply fired its cannons at places that places where none of its allies would get hit by its attack.

Although many Abyssal Monsters died, many more took their place. Their Army numbered in the millions, so they still put a lot of pressure on the Agarthian Army, who was fighting to protect their homeland.

Eligor and the Abyssal Lords under his command proved to be quite powerful as well.

They instinctively knew that Avernus and the Strigoi, Andras, were powerful, so they fought them in a three versus one battle.

The Demigods under Blackfire's command also fought against the other Demigods.

These Demigods were fighting thousands of meters up in the sky, making sure that their battle wouldn't affect the armies that were fighting on the ground.

Of course, the Demigods could play dirty and target the Agarthian Army, but they didn't do that.

They believed that they were strong enough to overcome the defenders, and they also didn't want to lose a lot of their Lower-Ranking Subordinates who did all the menial work for them.

Even with the awakened Kings and Queens of Agartha, the battle proved to be more difficult than they initially expected.

A few of the Demigods who weren't fighting anyone decided to slip away from the battlefield and directly target the Capital City of Agartha.

These Demigods specialized in stealth, so they were typically able to move without anyone noticing them.

However, there was someone who did, and he moved to take action to hold them back.

Lux expected that there would be some Demigods who would decide to rush ahead instead of sticking with the main army.

But he didn't expect that there would be eight of them.

Currently, all the fighting force of Agartha was trying to hold back the bulk of the Abyssal Army, leaving the defenses of the Capital to one of the Ancient Kings, who was also a Supreme, as well as dozens of Saints, who would serve as his backup.

Lux calculated that the defenders would be able to hold back at least two Demigods, but eight would simply be too much for them.

Because of this, he decided to take down the biggest and fastest threat among the Demigods, which was a Giant Demonic Falcon, whose speed was nearly as fast as lightning.

The Half-Elf turned into a lightning bolt and crashed against the Demigod in the sky. He might be a mere Saint, but he was three times stronger than a regular Saint because he was a Progenitor, the first Necromancer of Heaven.

Eiko, who was perched on top of his head, summoned a miniature version of her Golden Anchor.

Using the power of its Law to harden the moisture in the atmosphere, it made the water droplets in the air become as hard as steel pellets.

If the Falcon wasn't a Demigod, it would have already been shredded to pieces due to how fast it was moving across the sky that was filled with these steel-like-water-droplets.

Fortunately, it did have some effect, slowing the Falcon, whose gaze had locked on to the Half-Elf and Baby Slime who were getting in its way.

Although the Half-Elf was worried about the other Demigods headed for the capital, he knew that he had to stop the Giant Demonic Falcon first, and worry about the rest later.

"Eiko!"

"Pa!"

Eiko jumped off her Papa's head and transformed into her Fairy Princess Form. She then held the Golden Anchor on her hand like a weapon, creating several water tornadoes to hinder their opponent from going forward.

"Deus Gigantia!" Lux raised his hand, and the Giant Skeleton King appeared behind him.

"Wind Tempest!" the Demigod roared, activating its full power and creating a hurricane that threatened to destroy everything around it.

Eiko hid behind the body of the Skeleton King to prevent herself from being blown away.

Lux, on the other hand, melded with the blue crystal on its chest, taking full control of the giant Skeleton King's body.

"Calypso!" Lux called out the Spear of Longinus and pulled his arms back. "Duel [Epic]!"

The Demigod, who had hidden itself inside the Giant Hurricane, found its body frozen in place as the effect of Calypso's Duel Ability took effect.

The Half-Elf had the ability to sense the presence of any living and undead beings in his surroundings, so it was very easy for him to lock onto the Giant Falcon's body despite the fact that the hurricane was blocking his vision.

"Pierce through the Void!" Lux roared as he prepared to throw the Divine Spear in his hands.

"Spear of Longinus!"

The Giant Golden Spear hummed as it was thrown by her Master toward the center of the hurricane, where the Demigod was frozen in place.

The Divine Spear then transformed into a golden light, piercing through the hurricane and hitting its target in the chest, making the Falcon screech in pain, dispelling the hurricane it had created.

Eiko, who had been waiting for an opportunity, shot out like a lightning bolt towards the skewered Demigod and raised her Golden Anchor above her head.

"Eyaaaah!"

Eiko shouted as she swung down her weapon, which increased its size to nearly thirty-meters, smashing on the head of the Demigod and sending it crashing towards the ground.

At the moment of impact a powerful explosion took place, resulting in a dust cloud.

All the bones on the poor Demigod's body had been shattered by the Golden Anchor. Eiko was able to increase its size and weight at will, making it as light as a feather and as heavy as a mountain, however she wanted.

Calypso transformed into her Living Armor Form and dealt the killing blow to the Demigod who had reverted to its Demi-Human form as it breathed its last.

However, before the Demigod could die completely, Blackfire appeared and devoured it.

It preferred half-dead Creatures to devour because they retained their ranks after it absorbed them. Although it also didn't mind devouring a dead Demigod, the resources needed to revive it without degrading its rank was costly.

After getting his target, Blackfire disappeared and returned to the other battlefield, where blood was flowing like rivers.

It was eyeing both the Demigods and the Supremes of Agartha, whom it planned to devour at the moment of their death.

Even the awakened Kings and Queens were also part of the group that it wanted to devour. Some of them might be old and nearly decrepit, but it was only a small matter to return them to their peak after it had remodeled their bodies.

Lux didn't have the luxury to think about these random things as he and Eiko sped towards the Capital City of Agartha, where the sounds of explosions were already taking place.

Chapter 1140.2: The Battle At The Capital City Of Agartha [Part 2]

"It's going to be alright," Aurora said as she lightly patted Princess Shayna's head, whose body was trembling in her embrace. "We're safe here."

The sounds of explosions boomed above their heads, accompanied by the shaking of the ground, making those who had evacuated to the underground shelters of the capital city feel very anxious.

"Sister, I'm scared," Princess Shayna replied. "Will we really be fine here in the underground shelter?"

"Don't worry," Aurora assured her. "Father and Lux are fighting outside. They will not let anything harm us."

The sounds of explosions became louder, and the shaking also intensified, making the children, who were in their parents' embrace, start to cry.

Since children were easily affected by the emotions of other children, a domino effect took place, making all the children who were six years old and below start to cry.

Their parents did their best to make them feel safe, but their voices failed to hide the fear and anxiety that they, too, were currently experiencing.

Aurora raised her head to look at the shaking ceiling, and inside her heart, she called out the name of the Half-Elf, whom she knew was fighting with

everything he had to protect her and her beloved family from the forces of the Abyss.

On the surface of the Capital City of Agartha...

"Do not let any of their attacks land on the city!" the Ancient King, who was known by his people as Farhan, shouted. "Block them with everything you have. We must protect our people at all costs!"

The Saints behind him shouted in acknowledgment as they desperately worked together to counter the attacks that were being aimed at their city.

Farhan and an elite group of Saints had engaged a Demigod, who looked like an Earth Dragon, that was planning to dig a hole and attack the city underground.

This was something that they couldn't allow, so they fought tooth and nail against it, forcing the Earth Dragon to abandon its plan.

The Demigod then decided to fight the pesky Supreme and his cohort of Saints who were trying to get in its way.

Although they were able to contain the dangerous monster, there were still six other Demigods who were currently bombarding their city with powerful attacks and doing their best to destroy the barrier that protected it.

"Duel!"

A thunderous roar reverberated in the surroundings, forcing a Demigod, who looked like a Cockatrice, to look in Lux's direction.

Some of the defenders, including a handful of Saints, had turned to stone after meeting its gaze.

Lux knew that all the Demigods were powerful and dangerous, but he needed to fight the stronger ones first before he dealt with the rest.

Eiko, who was in her Fairy Princess Form, had called Blackfire, asking it to summon the three Supremes from the Ford Federation.

She was currently a Calamity-Ranked Monster, but she was still not strong enough to fight against multiple Demigods, even with the power of the Golden Anchor in her possession.

Blackfire obeyed and summoned the three Supremes, who all worked together to target one of the Demigods attacking the city.

Eiko then summoned her clones, who summoned Calamity-Ranked Slimes alongside her.

The Slimes they summoned were Thunder and Lightning Slimes, and they immediately worked together to unleash a barrage of lightning bolts and thunder waves to repel the Demigods, who were attacking the city.

The battle became very fierce, making the ground shake under their feet as explosions reverberated in the surroundings.

Lux, who once again summoned Deus Gigantia, was duking it out with the Cockatrice, who had the ability to summon stone spikes and pillars that were dozens of meters long.

Although the Half-Elf was immune to petrification, the Cockatrice was fast and able to use multicast, allowing it to unleash several spells at the same time.

But these spells weren't aimed at Lux.

They were aimed at the city!

The Cockatrice was very sly and knew that the Half-Elf would protect the city no matter what.

Because of this, the Giant Skeleton King used its colossal body to shield the city from these spells.

The other Demigods also realized that this was the most effective method to deal with those who were trying to attack them. Since Eiko and Lux were able to dodge their attacks, they would simply force them into a situation where they couldn't dodge.

The simplest way to do that was by attacking the city with powerful spells and attacks, without the need to hold back.

As expected, their strategy worked.

The bones of Giant Skeleton shattered and fell on the ground as it desperately tried to hold back the attacks of Six Demigods at the same time.

"Pa!" Eiko shouted as she used her Golden Anchor as a shield to block the attacks of the Demigods, alongside her Papa.

"I know, Eiko," Lux replied through telepathy. "I will leave the Skeleton King to defend, while both of us attack one Demigod each."

"Okay!" Eiko nodded.

Immediately, Lux turned into a lightning bolt, leaving the blue crystal on the Skeleton King's chest.

He was confident that the Skeleton King would be able to hold on for a few minutes, and he would use that time to decrease the number of opponents on the battlefield.

Just as he was about to do this, a powerful pressure suddenly descended upon his body, forcing him to stop his charge midway.

"Oh? So you're that person who got in Daniel's way?"

A voice that was filled with amusement reached Lux's ears, making the hairs on the back of his neck stand on end.

His gaze scanned his surroundings before landing on a particular spot that didn't look out of place.

However, since he could sense the Aura of the living and the dead, the creature that seemed to be invisible wasn't able to escape his gaze.

"As expected, you can find me."

The voice filled with amusement chuckled, and then it appeared.

An alien-like creature, standing on four legs, with a giant tentacle that served as its head, looked at the Half-Elf with a sinister glint on its diabolical face.

Its fiendish clawed hands made cracking sounds as it opened and closed them.

Countless rows of razor-sharp teeth appeared in its tentacle-like face, making it look like a creature that came straight out of a person's worst nightmare.

"I was getting bored conquering the Western Regions of Elysium, so I sent one of my clones to observe the conquest of Agartha."

The terrifying creature said with the same amused tone it had used earlier.

"Since I am only sharing my senses with this clone, I have no plans to participate in this battle regardless of its result. However, after seeing you, I change my mind."

The creature then unleashed a wave of malicious energy from its body, making the Defenders inside the city scream as they desperately held their heads in an attempt to stop the stabbing pain that they were feeling inside their heads.

"My name is Nyarlathotep," Nyarlathotep introduced itself using one of its clawed hands to point towards its face. "Although this is just a clone, it still possesses some of my powers. So, what is your name, boy?"

Lux didn't answer and simply raised his hand to summon the Spear of Longinus to aid him in battle.

"You don't want to give me your name? Fine," Nyarlatothep chuckled. "It doesn't really matter since you will be dying soon anyway."

Although the creature in front of him was only a clone, Lux instinctively felt that its strength was at the peak of the Demigod-Rank.

He already knew that the battle to defend Agartha wasn't going to be easy. But, with Nyarlathotep's arrival, things just turned for the worst.