The Mans Decree Chapter 1685 -

Chapter 1685 Hiding Behind A Woman

Kai stepped forward and tore the charm off Evangeline's forehead while retorting, "Zombie puppet? That's nonsense!"

"Hey! Are you bewitched by this female corpse? Why don't you trust me? Or is she your type?" Flaxseed scrutinized Kai, finding him strange.

"As if!" The latter rolled his eyes at him, then explained everything to him.

It was only after Flaxseed heard Kai's explanation did he comprehend the situation. He burst into laughter and exclaimed, "Tell me the truth. Have you taken advantage of her? She doesn't know any better, so you can do whatever you want with her."

"I'm not as disgusting as you." Kai was speechless. It looks like Flaxseed has been spending a lot of time with women during his time in Whitesea. Otherwise, why is he full of dirty thoughts?

Flaxseed responded, "Then why did you bring her here? I must inform you that I am not skilled enough to treat her."

He assumed that Kai brought Evangeline to have him help cure her condition.

"I don't need you to treat her condition. I've already gotten a prescription for that, but there is one herb I'm missing—Century Eye Herb. I can't find it anywhere. Do you know where I can get it?" Kai asked.

"Century Eye Herb?" Flaxseed furrowed his brows but quickly perked up. "Oh, I know where to get it!"

"Where?" Kai urged eagerly.

"I can tell you the location, but first, you need to get me a charm spell from Skywrath Sect," Flaxseed announced smugly.

"F*ck! Don't you know how dangerous that place is? Are you trying to get me killed?" Kai glared at him.

Flaxseed chuckled and reassured him by saying, "Don't worry. I won't let you die. Do you think I've just been having a good time? I've explored the ancient ruins of Skywrath Sect multiple times. We'll be safe as long as we don't step through Skywrath Sect's gate. As for the charm traps inside the tunnel, both of us can handle them!"

Kai was astonished. "How can I get you the charm spell if we don't go in?"

"Ah, don't bother about that. Anyhow, it's not dangerous. As long as you get me the charm spell, I'll most definitely help you find Century Eye Herb," Flaxseed promised.

He was keeping Kai in suspense.

The latter stared at him for some time before nodding in agreement.

With a serious countenance, Kai warned, "If you dare to set me up, I'll make sure you pay for it."

Flaxseed simply could not hide his delight, smiling as he replied, "Relax! Why would I harm you? I still want to count on you in the future."

They then headed to Crescent Sect together.

After they passed through the Crescent Sect and arrived at the entrance of Skywrath Sect's ancient ruins, Kai could not help but get anxious. His heart raced at the sight of the darkness that awaited them.

After all, they barely made it out alive when they first entered the ancient ruins.

"Let's go. We'll be fine. I've entered this place several times," Flaxseed urged.

Then, he grabbed Kai's arm and strode forward.

Upon entering the ancient ruins, Kai carefully hid behind Evangeline as he knew her body was much stronger than his.

When Flaxseed saw how Kai was using a woman as a shield, he mocked, "Kai, since when are you a coward? How could you hide behind a woman? Can you call yourself a man this way?"

"You know nothing! She's not just any other woman, for her body is tougher than mine." Kai gave him the side-eye.

"Really?" Flaxseed's interest in Evangeline was piqued. He reached out, intending to touch her body.

"What are you doing?" Kai immediately slapped his hand away.

Flaxseed chuckled and explained, "I'm just curious how a woman as fair and sweet as her has a strong body."

The Mans Decree Chapter 1686 -

Chapter 1686 Transforming Clone Charm

As the two of them were talking, several sudden flashes of light appeared, and with it came martial energy sharp as blades that charged toward them.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Clang! Clang! Clang!

The bursts of martial energy hit Evangeline and were promptly shattered into pieces. However, her body remained unscathed.

The woman's body could withstand the attack of a sacred martial arts relic, let alone a few bursts of martial energy.

Kai remained in one piece since he was hiding behind Evangeline.

However, Flaxseed was not that lucky. Those bursts of martial energy that originated from a charm cut his body, and blood gushed out of his wounds.

"What the f*ck? There are still charms that haven't been activated?" he cursed out loud angrily.

Seeing the state that he was in, Kai chortled.

"What are you laughing at?" Flaxseed pinned him with a withering look.

However, at the sight of Kai remaining unharmed from hiding behind Evangeline, he promptly rushed over to join him.

"Mr. Flaxseed, didn't you say it's not manly to hide behind a woman?" Kai teased.

Hearing that, Flaxseed immediately protested, "I'm not hiding behind a woman. This is a corpse; she's not a human, so she can't be called a woman."

Instead of replying to him, Kai put his guard up and made his way forward carefully.

Both men hid behind Evangeline and inched forward step by step.

Soon, they reached the gate of Skywrath Sect's ancient ruins, at which Kai stopped because he dared not proceed forward.

"Mr. Flaxseed, where is the charm spell? I won't be going in even if you insist," Kai said to Flaxseed.

Flaxseed replied, "We don't have to go in. Our destination is right beside it."

He then led the other two to a path aside.

Soon, a huge boulder covered with symbols Kai did not recognize appeared in their sight.

"What is this?" Kai asked.

'This is a charm boulder, and on it is the charm spell," Flaxseed revealed.

"D*mn, it's right here. Can't you memorize everything yourself?" A wave of fury crashed through Kai. How could Flaxseed trick me into coming all the way here when the charm spell is right here?

Flaxseed stared at Kai quietly. Suddenly, a smile tugged at his lips as he said, "Do you think I can utilize the charm spell once I memorize it? How naïve of you. If it's that easy, everyone will be able to master charm spells."

"Then how can one master them?" Kai was surprised.

"One will have to tame the charm spirit to master an advanced charm spell like this. It isn't as simple as memorizing the charm spell," Flaxseed explained patiently.

"The charm spirit?" Kai was confused, for it was the first time he had ever heard about charm spirits.

"There is a charm spirit in every advanced charm spell. To master the charm spell, one will have to tame its charm spirit. Do you understand now?" Flaxseed had no choice but to explain everything again in detail.

'Go tame it, then!" Kai urged.

Flaxseed was speechless. "I wouldn't have had to ask for your help if I could tame it!" he retorted.

Kai regarded him with a look of despair on his face. "If I am able to tame the charm spirit, I will be the one to master the charm spell. What does that have to do with you?"

"After you master it, you can pass it to me. That way, I don't have to tame the charm spirit." Flaxseed revealed his plan as a smirk played about his lips.

"You..." To Kai's dismay, he found himself at a loss for words.

In the end, he sighed and relented. "Fine. I'll go tame the charm spirit."

"You only have to put your hand on the boulder. This is a Transforming Clone Charm, so don't trust anything you see," Flaxseed exhorted.

"Okay, got it."

With that, Kai reached out to touch that boulder.

At once, the symbols on the boulder radiated a blindingly bright light that enveloped him whole.

A white light flashed across his eyes, making him fall into a daze.

The Mans Decree Chapter 1687

Chapter 1687 Not An Illusion

Kai soon realized he was in the middle of a dungeon.

"This looks very familiar. Where am I?" he muttered under his breath.

A pucker formed between his eyebrows. At that moment, he felt disoriented, making it hard for him to discern whether he was in a dream or reality. "Kai? Kai!"

Suddenly, he seemed to hear someone calling his name.

Kai looked over his shoulder. To his surprise, he saw Josephine locked up in a prison cell.

His heart leaped with joy, and he dashed toward her. "Josephine, is that you? Josephine!" he cried out.

Overwhelmed with emotions, Kai held her hands tightly.

"I can't believe I get to see you again. It feels like a dream!" he said excitedly, gazing at Josephine with a tender expression.

The woman looked at him tearfully. "This isn't a dream; this is real. I've been waiting for you all the while. I missed you so much..."

"Don't cry. I'll definitely save you, so don't worry!" Kai wiped her tears away gently as he gave her his word.

To his surprise, Josephine tried to persuade him to leave. "Kai, you don't have to save me. I'm satisfied to get to see you one last time. You should leave now!"

"No! I won't leave. Even if I have to destroy this dungeon, I must save you!" he responded with a look of determination.

A powerful aura burst out of his body, and he started punching the cell before him. I must destroy the cell and save Josephine!

In Flaxseed's point of view, however, Kai had his hand firmly pressed against the boulder the whole time.

The drastic change in Kai's expression, as well as the rising intensity of his aura, made Flaxseed nervous.

"Shoot, he's a lovesick fool!" Flaxseed muttered under his breath, his heart sinking at the gravity of the situation.

Desperate, he reached for a yellow piece of paper, bit his finger, and used his blood to draw something on it while muttering cryptic words.

Soon, a charm was made. He then stuck it on Kai's forehead.

A beam of red light entered Kai's mind.

In the dungeon, Kai, who was striking the cell nonstop with his arms, suddenly froze in his tracks.

Staring at Josephine blankly, he stuttered, "Y-You're not Josephine. You're not her."

"Kai, what's wrong? Why did you say that?" Josephine sobbed.

"No, you're not her. I'm sure of that." Kai shut his eyes and began chanting the calming incantation to clear his head.

Yet, even after chanting the calming incantation for a long time, he still saw Josephine in front of him when he opened his eyes. He had not left the dungeon either.

"Huh? Isn't this an illusion?" Kai's eyes widened in shock.

"Kai, what are you doing? You're breaking my heart," Josephine wailed.

That panicked him greatly.

This isn't an illusion!

"I'm sorry, Josephine. I really am. Let me save you now," he cooed.

His palms shone brilliantly as he delivered an attack that crushed the cells into pieces.

Without hesitation, Josephine rushed out and leaped into Kai's arms.

With open arms, he embraced her. She felt tangible and warm to the touch. "Kai, don't leave me again, okay?" Josephine gazed at him lovingly.

"Okay. I will stay by your side forever!" Kai vowed and pecked her on her forehead.

While he was lost in love, Flaxseed was anxious beyond words.

"Oh, what a lovesick fool!" the latter muttered as he paced back and forth restlessly.

In the end, he stuck another charm on Kai's body. Immediately afterward, his voice sounded in Kai's mind. "Kai, wake up. Everything is fake. Nothing is real! Did you forget what I said?"

Having recognized Flaxseed's voice, Kai was stunned.

The Mans Decree Chapter 1688 -

Chapter 1688 Disgusted

"No, this isn't fake. This isn't an illusion," Kai protested, shaking his head.

Flaxseed roared, "Of course, this isn't an illusion. However, your girlfriend is not real; the charm spirit is pretending to be her. Have you forgotten that this is a Transforming Clone Charm? The charm spirit can take on any form it chooses!"

He wanted Kai to come to the realization that Josephine was someone else in disguise.

"Not real?" Kai pushed Josephine away abruptly.

"Kai?" the woman called out to him with sorrowful eyes.

Her movements and facial expressions were identical to the real Josephine's.

Furrowing his brows, Kai stared at her intensely. I don't see anything wrong with her. How could she be fake?

"Kai, what are you doing?" Josephine threw herself into his arms once again.

Kai stood still, for he did not know what to do.

"Check her aura! The charm spirit can change its appearance but not its aura," Flaxseed reminded him.

At once, Kai released his spiritual sense to envelope Josephine. As expected, her aura was not the one that he was familiar with.

"You're indeed fake!"

Shocked, Kai immediately throw a punch at her.

Josephine was sent flying backward. Blood spewed from her mouth, and her body crashed to the ground with a loud thud.

"Kai, why? Why did you hurt me?" she wailed, staring at Kai resentfully. The blood trickling down her lips added to her pitiable appearance.

Kai halted in his tracks. He could not tell if she was his real girlfriend or not.

Slowly, Josephine got to her feet. With a pained expression, she approached him. There was even a faint fragrance being emanated from her body.

As soon as Kai caught a whiff of the fragrance, his heart skipped a beat. Instantly, Dragonslayer Sword materialized in his hands, and he thrust it forward, aiming right at her.

"Kai!" Josephine screamed in alarm.

However, the sword in his hand showed no signs of slowing down. As it gleamed, it stabbed her body.

Spots of light appeared on Josephine's body, and her appearance began to change radically.

The woman, who was initially fair and gorgeous, slowly turned into an unsightly monkey-like creature with fur all over its body.

That sight sickened Kai deeply. The memory of how he had embraced that creature earlier had him trembling with disgust and revulsion.

In the end, the glowing spots disappeared, along with everything in his sight. It was then Kai was able to see himself standing before the boulder again with his hand pressed on it. The symbols in front of him rose from the surface of the boulder as if they were alive and entered his body.

To his delight, Transforming Clone Charm appeared in his mind immediately.

"I can't believe that you're grinning after how you almost met your demise!" Flaxseed exclaimed in anger as he stared at the overjoyed Kai. "I warned you, but you still fell into the trap, you lovesick fool!"

Embarrassed by his scolding, the latter flashed him an awkward grin. "Mr. Flaxseed, the charm spirit was terribly hideous."

"Why? Were you hoping for it to be a gorgeous woman? If it were pretty, would you still be able to bring yourself to kill it?" Flaxseed teased.

Nodding, Kai smiled. "I will eliminate anyone who stands in my way, no matter how attractive they might be."

"Whatever." Flaxseed gave him a dismissive wave. "All right. Teach me the charm spell now!"

"Oh, okay!" Kai stretched his hand out to touch Flaxseed's head.

Soon, a beam of light appeared, followed by countless symbols that entered Flaxseed's body.

Flaxseed flushed with excitement. As Kai watched, he recited a spell that caused his body to emit a soft glow and his appearance to change.

The Mans Decree Chapter 1689 -

Chapter 1689 Flaming Mountain

In the end, Flaxseed transformed into a man that looked exactly like Kai. Kai gaped in amazement at the change.

"W-Wow, you look exactly like me. Does this mean you can transform yourself into anyone and do whatever you want?" he asked in disbelief.

"I'm not powerful enough, so this Transforming Technique can only last for half an hour at most," Flaxseed replied.

With that, he returned to his original self. Another flash of light appeared, and a man who was his replica stepped out behind him.

"However, I'm able to maintain this Clone Technique for thirty minutes to an hour!" Flaxseed continued.

As he observed his shadow clone, he nodded repeatedly. It seemed like he was very satisfied with it.

Kai was shocked to the core by the sight of two Flaxseeds standing before him.

His curiosity prompted him to step forward, pinch the shadow clone's cheek, and slap it.

"Hey, are you a pervert? Why are you pinching my cheek?" Flaxseed slapped his hand away.

"This... This is actually real. It isn't an illusion spell..." Kai could feel the warmth on the shadow clone.

"Of course! It wouldn't be called Clone Technique if it were an illusion spell. But this shadow clone is only half as powerful as I am. Imagine how incredible it will be if it is as powerful as me!" Flaxseed sighed and dismissed his shadow clone.

If the shadow clone could be as powerful as him, it meant that he had double his own strength.

"This is incredible enough!" Kai praised.

It was then he finally saw how powerful the charm spell was. While his Nine Shadows could create several shadow clones, they were merely products of an illusion spell and were not real.

If he possessed Transforming Clone Charm, he could create a shadow clone to aid him in fleeing from tight situations. It was simply a perfect tool for escape! Kai promptly regretted passing the charm spell to Flaxseed.

"Why? Do you regret your decision?" Flaxseed asked, quirking his lips into a faint smile. "Why would I regret it? Since you promised to help me find Century Eye Herb, let's go now!" Kai reminded Flaxseed of his promise and demanded that he fulfill it. "Don't worry. I didn't forget my promise. Let's go!"

Beaming with delight, Flaxseed led Kai out.

When they walked past the gate of Skywrath Sect, Kai glanced inside. When I get stronger, I must come back to the ancient ruins! I'm sure there are more powerful charm spells waiting for me inside!

After leaving the ancient ruins, Kai and Flaxseed began their journey to find Century Eye Herb.

They traveled for three days and arrived at the border of the Southwest Region.

The vast ocean was right in front of them.

"Mr. Flaxseed, where is Century Eye Herb? Are you lying to me?" Kai stared at the sea in exasperation.

"Relax. Why would I lie to you?" Flaxseed replied.

He then pulled out his geomantic compass to search for something.

The sea breeze blew past them, carrying a hint of saltiness.

Kai followed behind Flaxseed, curious to see where the latter would bring him.

They walked along the beach, and soon a small island appeared in front of their eyes. It seemed close to the coast, about a few miles away from them.

However, the island was emitting a light red glow. From a distance, it looked like a flaming mountain.

Flaxseed held his breath and gathered his spiritual energy on his feet. He then walked on the sea, heading toward the island.

When Kai saw his actions, he immediately went after him.

Given their current capabilities, walking on water was child's play to them.

Evangeline was the last to move, floating above the sea. With that, the three of them made their way to the island.

If normal humans were to see them, they would have thought they were immortals who had descended to earth.

Just as they were about to arrive on the island, powerful gusts of heatwaves crashed onto them. In no time, their clothes were drenched in sweat.

The Mans Decree Chapter 1690 -

Chapter 1690 Completely Useless

"The heat is searing. Why does it feel like the stones on the island are glowing red as if they're being burned?" Kai asked with his brows knitted together.

Flaxseed explained, "This is a volcano island, so the stones were created from the lava that spewed out when the volcano erupted. It's extremely hot now because the volcano beneath the island is on the brink of eruption. That's also why the stones are blazing red and scorching hot."

"D*mn, are you pulling my leg? How can Century Eye Herb grow in a place like this?" Kai was in disbelief.

"The harsher the environment, the better Century Eye Herb grows. I can't believe an alchemist like you don't know this theory." Flaxseed shot him a look of contempt.

He then leaped into the air and landed on the island.

Kai had no choice but to go after him.

Once his feet landed on the island, he felt as though they were being roasted.

Kai immediately gathered his spiritual energy on his feet to ease his discomfort.

Meanwhile, Flaxseed pulled out two charms and stuck them beneath his feet before continuing to march forward.

As they got deeper into the island, the heatwaves grew more unbearable.

"Are we there yet?" Kai asked as he wiped the sweat off his forehead.

"We're about to arrive!" Flaxseed panted heavily from the heat.

Evangeline was the only one devoid of expression, following Kai's every movement. Every time he stopped in his tracks, she would do the same, then continue walking when he started moving again.

Soon, they arrived at a huge crater. Flaxseed pointed at it and announced, "Century Eye Herb is inside."

Kai glanced into the crater, then turned to Flaxseed. "Isn't this the volcano crater? The lava inside of it is bubbling. Are you sure Century Eye Herb is inside?"

He refused to believe that the crater was home to Century Eye Herb.

"If you don't believe me, just forget it. Anyhow, I didn't lie to you," Flaxseed stated.

Afterward, he pulled out a water bottle and gulped some water to quench his thirst.

Kai was at a loss for words. Left with no choice, he could only gaze into the crater. Feeling the heat radiating from within, he knew the volcano was about to erupt at any second.

Then, he picked up a stone and threw it into the crater.

However, the stone turned to ash the moment it came into contact with the lava.

"Uh, how do I get the herb?" Kai was stumped.

"Why would you be afraid of the lava when your body is sturdy, not to mention you have Golem Body? If you can't do it, get this young lady to head down into the crater. Her body is stronger than yours, and she can't sense anything," Flaxseed suggested as he pointed at Evangeline.

"That won't do. Even if she can make it down there, she doesn't know how to harvest Century Eye Herb, nor does she recognize it!" Kai shook his head to dismiss Flaxseed's suggestion.

He looked at the crater once again and felt the scorching heat before continuing, "Mr. Flaxseed, do you have any charms that can resist heat and also harvest that Century Eye Herb?"

"What do you think? If I'm that capable, the Century Eye Herb wouldn't still be here. You wouldn't even have the chance to come here," Flaxseed retorted, rolling his eyes.

"Give me some Fire-Evading Charms. Don't tell me you don't have these," Kai requested.

"I have Fire-Evading Charms, but they're completely useless here. The lava originates from the earth's core, so the charms won't work. If you don't trust me, let me show you!"

With that, Flaxseed whipped out a charm and chanted a spell to activate it.

He then tossed it into the crater.

Before the charm could land at the very bottom of the crater, the heatwaves ignited it and burned it into ashes.

"See! I wasn't lying to you!" Flaxseed shrugged.

Frustrated, Kai observed the crater again. His heart was racing in fear, for he did not want to be roasted.

"Mr. Flaxseed, does Century Eye Herb grow somewhere else? We can go there instead!"

Kai wanted to try his luck elsewhere as he dared not jump into the crater.

"No, this is the only place I know. If you're not going down, then I'll take my leave," Flaxseed announced and spun on his heels to leave.