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The next day Emily and Anna left for their academies. To his surprise, his half brothers also went to their academies but he didn't know anything about their academies neither he had any interest in knowing.

His father Ashton got busy with his work and the women of the house busied themselves with whatever they wanted. Max also didn't waste any time, he called for Lilly and went to his room. He had very important work to do.

He has been holding himself back due to training with Anna. It was good to train. He got used to mana and was now able to use it to some extent. He didn't show or tell anyone about his fire element yet.

If he did. They might be suspicious as to how he suddenly could awaken his element when previously he wasn't even able to use mana.

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The instant they entered his room, Max closed the door and lifted Lilly in a princess carry. He was didn't have any problem with lifting her light as a feather body after he increased his strength stat to a normal person's level.

He walked to his bed and put her gently on the bed. He lowered his face to hers and planted a kiss on her lips. Lilly closed her eyes.

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Lilly's POV...

I was always grateful to the young master because he was the one who gave me this life or I would have been a slave all my life.

Over the years this gratitude turned into respect and then somehow into love. I don't know why I started to like him more and more as I served him. Maybe it was because he was always good to me or maybe he was just like me, lonely. I heard master Garfield talk about him with the butler that he wasn't like this before his mother died and he came to know about his weak talent.

He used to be a cheerful boy, just like Miss Anna and maybe that was why they cared about each other because of how similar they used to be. But after his mother died he

cried for many days and when his talent was tested he went into depression and lost his motivation, he stopped interacting with everyone, he was always holed up in the library or garden.

When I overheard that, I felt how similar were our lives. I was also like a dead person until he brought me out of slavery. Initially, I thought he was one of those depraved, perverted and sadist nobles who treat their servants like toys. But how wrong I was. Not only he didn't treat me badly but also treated me with care. He treated me like I was his equal. That was when I started to develop some feelings towards him.

After he got injured and was unconscious for five days I felt my world crumble. How I wished him to wake and get better! And he did. I was relieved but when he asked me in a roundabout manner what she what do for him. I instantly knew what he wanted to ask. I didn't hesitate and told him that I'll his and he can do whatever he wanted with me.

I was very happy the first time we had sex. It was especially good for me because I was doing it with the man I love. Although he told me that I was his woman, I do not hope for that much as long as I can be with him.

Today after miss Emily and miss Anna and others went away and he asked me to come with him, I knew that today I'm going to be with him again.

Right after we entered his room he lifted me gently. My heart was racing. I felt very happy seeing him treat me with love and care. When he kissed me, I felt electricity coursing through my body. I want to say out loud that I love him but I'm afraid... afraid that he might leave me altogether thinking that I wanted something he can't give to a mere maid. but his next words made me look at him dumbfounded.

"Why don't you start living with me in this room? I'll talk to my father if it's alright with you."

I stared at him not sure what to say. Although I was surprised, I was happy too. I nodded without saying anything.

His smile widened and kissed me again. I closed my eyes to feel this sensation which was very warm, at the same time was elusive.

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Seeing her nod, Max was excited at the thought of being with her all the time.

He kissed her passionately, his tongue dancing around and sucking on her sweet tongue. While kissing he started caressing his breasts slowly.

After a few minutes of kissing and caressing, Max and Lilly's face had a reddish hue. They were breathing heavily. Max, without wasting any more seconds, took her and his clothes off.

His thick rod stood erect and hard. With his right hand he started squeezing her left breast while he licked, flicked, sucked and occasionally bit on her right nipple. His left hand rubbed her pussy which was already wet.

"I think you are ready." He whispered in her ear, licking her earlobe.

Lilly blushed furiously hearing his words but she nodded as she wanted to experience that heavenly feeling again.

Max positioned himself between her legs while spreading them apart. He rubbed his cock on the entrance of her pussy which made her pussy flinch and her body shiver.

He grabbed her slender waist and thrust forward. Half of his dick went inside his warm vagina.

"Ahh...umm..."

She moaned feeling his rod inside her. He then started thrusting in and out of her pussy slowly then with a hard thrust he shoved his cock until balls in her sacred cave.

"Ahhh...haah...haaa..."

Lilly moaned loudly. Unlike the previous time, this time she didn't feel any pain, only pleasure.

Soon, in his room only the slapping sound of their flesh and Lilly's moan could be heard.

Chapter 22 Ashton's Advice

They had all sex all day and only went out for dinner. When night came they both were exhausted thus they slept while hugging each other.

Next morning when Max woke up, Lilly was looking at his face, dazed.

Max gently tapped her nose "Good morning beautiful!"

"G-Good morning young master!" She greeted him back.

Max pinched her nose this time and said "You don't need to call me young master when we are alone okay."

Lilly didn't say anything, she just nodded and snuggled in his chest lovingly. Max smile at this and cupped her face and planted a kiss on her pink lips.

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For a few days, their days passed like this. He enjoyed his time with Lilly. They had sex almost daily. He had now accumulated many lust points but he didn't use them yet. One day his father, Ashton Garfield, called for him.

When he went to meet his father with the butler, he was in his study going through some documents. When Max entered his study chamber, he stopped doing what he was doing and waved his hand to the Butler who escorted Max here. Butler bowed and left.

"Come sit son." He gestured him to sit in the seat next to him.

Max didn't hesitate and sat down. Ashton spoke after a few moments.

"Do you what is important in a man's life?" he asked looking at Max, his face calm.

Max was bewildered by the question. He gave it some thought and was about to speak when he answered his own question.

"I am sure what you thought would also be important but the answer I have for this question is his dignity. Dignity is very important to a man. If you don't have any dignity, any respect, then there is no value to your life."

Max listened attentively. He wasn't sure what his father wanted say so he listened.

"I know Max what you have been doing for the fast few days and I won't tell you to stop. If you like Lilly I've no objection whatsoever. You should do what you want in your life. I did the same too.

But you mustn't forget that in this world, only strong have dignity, respect. Only they can protect their loved ones. You might not know but danger is lurking everywhere. Hard times are ahead of us.

I was always worried for you because you couldn't train and didn't have any hope to become a mage. But by god's grace now you can. So, You must focus on your training more son. I don't know how much longer I'll be able to protect our family. You have to become strong so that if I'm not here to protect them, then you can. Now go son and think how you want to live your life." He patted Max's shoulder and sent him out.

Watching his figure disappearing Ashton shook his head and sighed. 'I hope you won't disappoint me Max.'

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Max was sitting in his room, thinking about his father's words. After sitting there for a few hours he stood up. He had decided to work hard to become strong as not to let his father down. In his previous life he couldn't do anything for his father who worked all his life for him. But this time he once again had chance.

He went out of his room and quickly found Lilly. He then told her to accompany him to the forest.

He wanted to train there, fighting real life battles with magical beasts. In these past few days, Max came to know that although Lilly had yet to become a one-star mage, she was only a step away from it thus he decided to take her with him so that she also can train and he will have company there.

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They took a horse from the stable and Headed in the direction of the forest. Max sat behind Lilly holding her slender waist. Unlike the first Lilly didn't feel uncomfortable or nervous with him holding her waist and sitting behind her. In fact she was happy.

They had accepted each other in body and soul. Max even moved her to his room so that they could be together all the time. This made Lilly to love him even more.

Now they were like real couples. Lilly won't object whenever he asked to have sex or tease her when no one was around. Thanks to their 'special' training in bed Max had a lot of lust points available but he didn't use them.

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[Mana: 308/308]

[Element: Fire]

[Lust Points: 10235]

After travelling for more than half an hour they arrived outside the forest.

"Young master we've arrived," Lilly called out softly.

Max who was leaning his head on her shoulder, inhaling her aroma, woke up from his trance. "Good. Let's go get some fighting experience." He said excitedly.

They left their horse outside and walked into the forest. Not long after they found a silver wolf. It was resting on a rock, its eyes shut. Its fur was silver-coloured. It didn't have an intimidating presence so Max turned to Lilly and asked in a whisper.

"How about we fight this..." Max hadn't even finished speaking when Lilly grabbed his hand and ran in the opposite direction at full speed.

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After getting far enough from the silver wolf she stopped, breathing heavily. Her forehead was covered with beads of cold sweat but Max situation was worse than her. He was gasping for air badly. Although he had grown stronger but her physical capacity was only equal to a normal human. He had a confused look on his face because he didn't know why they had to run like their life depended on it. but he could guess it was related to that harmless looking wolf.

"What happened Lilly? Why did we have to run away?" Max asked after catching his breath.

"Young master, we should get out of here as soon as possible." Lilly spoke grimly.

"What... Why? Can you tell me what is the matter?" He asked puzzled with her answer.

Lilly took a deep breath "Young master, As you can see we are only in the outer region of the forest but we encountered a powerful beast. Remember Last time we came here with miss Emily she said that manor has received requests to kill some beasts as they are starting to target merchant caravans and that time, when we were only at the periphery of inner area but we encountered that a two star beast, red hawk."

"And now we encountered that silver wolf just in the outer region. it's not a normal occurrence by any means. We should get out of here as soon as possible and inform master Ashton about the situation here, if not it can be a huge problem because I think a... beast tide might be rising. Lilly explained, fear visible on her face.

Beast tide? It was when the beasts, in large numbers, get out of control and attacked whoever or whatever they encounter. It was said that in the past many villages, towns and even some cities were destroyed in these beast tides.

Chapter 23 Beast Tide

Max's face also turned pale with fright. He knew about beast tides as he was visiting the library very often now a days and came to know about a lot of things. That's why he knew how horrifying beast tides can be.

"Lilly, That... that silver wolf, what grade beast was it?" Max asked visibly shaken by the revelation. And As he still couldn't tell the ranks of beasts by simply looking at them, he wanted to know it's rank even though he already had a guess given that they made a hasty retreat just after seeing it from afar.

Haa...!

Lilly breathed heavily, that look of abject horror deepening on her face as she recalled it. she slowly said

"A... two-star beast!"

Max's complexion changed as he nodded slightly, he was right on his assumption. He kept breathing evenly, trying to keep his calm. 'It's a good thing that I brought her with me if not, I would have been killed by that wolf.' He shivered inwardly realising how close he was attacking that beast and if he did that, the silver wolf would have shredded him into pieces.

"Let's go..." Max turned to look at Lilly and said.

Roar!

Howl!

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Just when they started to run, the ground started trembling. Roars and howls of beasts resounded from deep within the forest.

After a few seconds, the sounds kept coming closer and closer. Both Lilly and Max's faces went pale due to the approaching danger.

Thinking that it was only a matter of time before the beast hoard spotted them, Lilly reacted really fast. She grabbed his hand and jumped into a nearby pit, which was dug by some hunters for the purpose of trapping beasts. After jumping inside she held both of her hands high and shouted in a low voice.

"Ice barrier!"

Her mana started to turn into ice. A thick sheet of ice covered the pit in a matter of seconds. Her face went pale as if all the blood was sucked out of it. Her chest was heaving up and down as she breathed heavily. Even with her ghostly white, face she was beautiful.

Max, who looked at this was mesmerised by this beautiful scene but he knew this was not the time to think like that. He asked with concern "Are you okay?"

"Yeah, I'm fine Young master. I just used most of my mana to cast this barrier." Lilly smiled seeing the worry in his eyes.

"Good!" Max nodded. He didn't think of reminding her not to call him young master or ask about when she awakened her ice element, in this situation.

"Lilly, what do you think is happening outside now?" Max asked. He could hear the constant sounds of beasts running around.

"I think... beasts have already started moving. In no time Claymore town will be under attack." She said after hesitating for a moment.

"Oh!" Max exclaimed. He then added "But my father can defend the town against their attack with the army of our manor knights and others right?" He asked with a tinge of anxiety in his voice.

Lilly didn't respond, she seemed to think for a while and then responded.

"Yes, Lord Ashton, as a three-star mage with knight's army is fully capable of resisting the beast tide, unless..." She didn't dare to speak further.

Max's ears perked up at this. He asked, "Unless what?"

Lilly looked at him quietly then slowly explained "A few years ago there was a rumour that when a group of two-star mages came to hunt a few two-star beasts and while hunting they ventured deeper."

"There they encountered a three-star beast which annihilated their group and with some luck, only one person could escape with serious injuries. He told the people about the beasts and how horrifyingly strong it was but he couldn't report it to the Viscount manor and succumbed to his injuries."

"When this rumour reached Lord Ashton, he personally led a party to hunt this monster down but he couldn't find it. So, people assumed that it was only a rumour. But Lord Ashton was worried for many days because of it. I think he might have found out that this wasn't some baseless rumour."

"But if that was true then I'm afraid that everyone will be in grave danger unless Lord Ashton can kill this three-star beast before it wreaks havoc in the town."

After Lilly stopped speaking, Max couldn't help but be worried. He wasn't worried for the people of the town or something. He was worried about his father's safety.

He mumbled "My father is also a three-star mage. I think he can handle that beast if it showed up." He said this not only to Lilly but also to himself.

Just then a terrifying presence rose within the forest and went towards the town. Under that presence Max And Lilly unconsciously stopped breathing and didn't dare to move, even if they already had an ice barrier protecting them. After all, Who can exude such presence, definitely can break the barrier casted by a novice mage.

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After what it seemed like an eternity, the sounds of beasts running around stopped.

"Lilly we should go now. I want to return home as soon as possible." Max said with a nervous expression.

Lilly also had the same expression because she also felt that presence. She had a bad premonition. Although she wanted him not to go now as there should be a bloodbath as of now but staying in the forest was even more dangerous, who knows when some powerful beasts would find and kill them.

They hurriedly made their way toward the town. When they were out of the forest, they both sighed a sigh of relief.

As they ran towards the town, their expressions gradually turned ugly.

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Chapter 24 Chaotic Situation

Many corpses of humans and beasts were scattered around the streets. Many of the buildings, houses, shops etc had collapsed. Many common people were running around for their life. Mages were fighting the beats but as beasts were a lot in numbers, Human mages couldn't hold themselves against the beasts and their number gradually dwindled.

Max had his eyes open wide seeing the scene in front of him. It was even more horrifying than the Apocalypse movies he had seen in his previous life. It was utter chaos and destruction.

An ape spotted them and came running towards them at a fast speed and punched in their direction with its muscular arms.

Max who was feeling uneasy seeing all the destruction around him, he was concerned about his father's safety and when he saw the ape attacking him, his blood boiled in anger. He pointed at the ape and shouted

"Fireball!"

A ball of fire materialised in front of his finger, he then threw it at the upcoming ape's head. This was the skill he learned by himself. To use this skill he has to channel and rotate his fire elemental mana in front of him at high speeds which was very difficult for him in the beginning but through some practice and a little guidance from Emily he was able to do it, but still, his mana consumption was very high.

The ape didn't expect the sudden attack and was caught off guard.

BANG!

An explosion occurred when the fireball collided with its head. As Max had attacked in anger and poured all his mana into the attack, the ape's head exploded in fire. The ape was only comparable to a novice mage and When Max attacked almost using 200 mana points for the attack, there was no chance for its survival.

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Lilly who stood by his side was stunned. Although in Garfield manor everyone knew that he could use mana to cultivate his strength and was as strong as a novice mage but She didn't think that he was this strong, capable of killing a beast of novice mage rank with one attack.

Quickly her eyes widened even more as she realised that the fire he conjured wasn't the same as others conjured but was his elemental fire. 'Young master has awakened his element!' She exclaimed in her mind but at the same time, she felt a little sad because he didn't tell her about it, even after all the time they spent together.

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"Lilly let's go. We don't have time to waste here. I want to make sure everyone is safe." Max spoke while running toward his home. "These fucking beasts, they didn't even spare that horse." He cursed inwardly because he was starting to feel exhausted.

They quickly arrived at the part of town where viscount manor was and the privileged class resided. Here the scene was completely different. Corpses littered the area but most of them were beast corpses.

Most of the one-star and two-star mages resided in this area. So when beasts attacked, every mage present retaliated in kind. Although they successfully killed many beasts, many mages or their families were slaughtered in the meantime, their residences destroyed.

Seeing this Max's anxiety lessened a little. If even these mages could kill them and survive their all-out assault then there was no doubt his father who was the strongest in Claymore town, could do the same.

Just when Max sighed, there was a loud explosion in Viscount manor's direction which made him uneasy. He quickly ran toward the area of the explosion.

When he reached there, he saw a man and a silver wolf fighting. The Silver Wolf was more than five meters tall. Its silver fur was glistening in a white glow. It didn't have any visible injury.

The man who was fighting the silver wolf was his father, Ashton Garfield. He was hovering slightly above the ground. Small wind tornadoes were spinning around him. His golden robe fluttered wildly in the wind. A trail of blood was flowing from the corner of his lips but he didn't seem to care about it.

Max looked around. Half the area of the viscount estate was destroyed. Many corpses of knights and guards and beasts were strewn around.

"It seems they especially targeted the viscount manor and knights were killed. That's why I didn't see any knight helping other people and killing beasts until now." Max muttered.

Lilly also nodded her head. Little did they know that when beasts attacked all of a sudden, many of their knights ran for the fear of their lives. Only half of these knights were killed by the beasts, while his father killed the other half when he saw them run away.

"Lilly is that the same silver wolf we saw in the forest?" Max asked but he already knew the answer. If it wasn't a three-star beast then there was no way it could injure his father.

"No, young master. It's the three-star beast. The silver wolf we saw was only a two-star beast. Although they look the same but their strength is on different levels." Lilly answered she knew he was getting anxious or he would find that out just by their size. This silver wolf was almost double the size of the one they had seen in the forest.

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Ashton caught glimpse of Max and shouted: "Max some of the beasts have entered our manor Although there are knights and butler George but you should also go inside and accompany and make sure your mothers and sisters in law are safe."

"But father..." Max was interrupted before he could speak any more. "Don't worry about me. This beast is not enough to kill your father. Go and make sure they are safe and don't come out until I tell you to."

Max didn't say anything anymore and went into the manor with Lilly. He knew he was saying that because he didn't want him to stay out in the open where he could be attacked at any time or might get killed by the shockwaves of their fight. Inside the manor knights and Butler George who was a peak two-star mage, could save him.

Chapter 25 Fighting Silver Wolf

When Max with Lilly entered the manor which was now half-destroyed, he could see many corpses of beasts, guards and knights littered around.

Boom!

They heard fighting sounds coming from the back area of the manor. They hastily went over.

When they reached there, they saw butler George fighting the same silver wolf they saw in the forest. Butler George was barely holding himself against the silver wolf which indicated that the silver wolf was very strong compared to a normal two star beast because butler George was a peak two star mage.

Butler George had deep claw marks on his chest and blood was gushing out of the wound. His left hand was also bleeding. As for the wolf, its silver fur was glistening in white which provided it a great defence against magic attacks so butler George's spells were not as effective as they should be against it. Even so the silver wolf wasn't unharmed. Its front paws were bleeding and it had bloody wounds all over its body. its silver fur were dyed red in blood.

Growl~

Max's attention was soon attracted by the beasts' growl from the side. When he looked there, his expression hardened.

His three-step mothers and sisters-in-law were surrounded by a group of more than twenty beasts. Their normal beautiful and elegant appearance were now haggard. Amelia, Anna's mother was lying on the ground, her torso was ripped and blood was gushing out of it. Layla, Mark's wife was using her healing magic to heal her injury.

Esther and Mina were casting their spells and killing the beasts who came close to them while Lacey, Layla and Eva were surrounding and protecting Amelia and Layla as she healed her.

Esther, Amelia and Mina were two-starred mages. Esther like her cold nature was an ice type mage and was the strongest among Ashton's wives. Amelia was a half-awakened light type mage, Which meant that she could only use her light type magic at a very low level, thus limiting her strength. Mina was a strong earth type mage.

As for Lacey and Eva, they were only one starred mage and haven't awakened their elements yet. Therefore they could only assist their mothers in law by casting non-elemental magic.

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A one-starred ape, with bulky body and seven feet height rushed in the direction of Esther with its both hand raised high to make a two-handed slam with the intent to crush her tiny head into a paste.

Esther's eyes flashed coldly and she raised her right hand above her head. An ice sword appeared above her hand which shot at a fast speed and penetrated the ape's

skull with ease. A two starred mage possessed a very high quality and concentration of mana compared to one starred mage.

Thud!

Its movement stalled after running a few feet more and it collapsed with a thud on the ground, dead. Esther's face turned paler. Although she was a two starred mage, she had been fighting for more than an hour now and had consumed most of her mana. She looked at others and sighed. Everyone seemed to be running short on their mana reserves. Luster in her eyes becoming darker. All the hope was getting distant now.

Mina, who had also realised the situation they were in, greeted her teeth and squeezed out every last bit of her mana to cast another spell.

"Earth golems!"

Six, about eight feet tall golems made of mud appeared around her. She waved her hand and six golems charged at the group of beasts. Her petite body fell on the ground, exhausted. She could only hope for butler George to help them or Ashton to quickly finish his fight and come save them but how could a peak three-star beast go down so easily.

Lacey and Eva were casting their spells and conjuring different types of mana weapons to attack the beasts. but from the situation, one could easily tell that they won't last against more than twenty beasts, of which two of them were two-starred beasts.

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Max who observed the situation after arriving at the scene couldn't help but be amazed at how different this world was. Although he liked this world due to how easily he could get the things he previously wanted, he was repulsed by all the bloodshed he has seen till now.

He shook his head and stopped thinking about it. For the better or worse he was here and going to spend the rest of his life in this world. It would be best if he could get used to the strangeness of this world.

Although Max had a few flaws such as his high sexual desires and after waking up here and getting the treatment of a prince, he wanted to spend his life enjoying himself without doing anything. He was by no means stupid to keep entertaining that kind of mentality especially after witnessing the reality of this world and realising how his father's words were correct.

He opened his status window and added all his accumulated lust points to mana stats. He couldn't be bothered to think if he would need to go through the same process to rise to a upper level mage as other people or not.

This situation didn't allow him to think of that. His stepmothers and others could no longer hold themselves against the beasts and George was also slowly being overwhelmed by the two-starred silver wolf.

More than ten thousand lust points vanished and his mana points increased by more than a thousand points. He could feel his body brimming with mana. His previously exhausted mana was also replenished.

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[Mana: 1331/1331]

[Element: Fire]

[Lust Points: 5]

[Ding. Warning! The host has exceeded the 1000 mana points threshold. The host's body can't bear that much mana. The host will lose 2 vitality points per day. The host is advised to form his mana core to avoid eventual death.]

Max ignored the warning message and rushed at the group of beasts surrounding the women while conjuring a big fireball.

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Although I know that story is not so great for now as I don't have any experience in writing a novel, yet. I would like to request my regular readers who have read till now to vote and motivate me to write a more exciting story. Till now only a few readers have been voting for it and I appreciate it a lot guys. If you like this novel please consider voting.

I'll be releasing a bonus chapter if by the end of the week, this novel has 100 power stones.

Thanks!

Chapter 26 Fighting Silver Wolf(2)

Max casted the only spell he knew, [fireball]. He directly used 300 mana points as he didn't have any idea on how many mana points he should use to repel one-starred beasts here and a blazing fireball of one-meter diameter was shot at the hoard of beasts and detonated upon contact.

Boom!

An explosion occurred and about ten beasts who had been on verge of destroying earth golems were engulfed in the blazing fire and quickly turned to ashes.

Esther, Mina, and his sisters in law who had lost their hope looked at the devastating scene, hope again filling their eyes. When they turned to look at the one who casted this attack they were dumbfounded seeing Max running toward them.

In reality, even Max was stunned at this scene. He didn't expect his fireball to be this powerful. Previously when he used the same attack to kill that ape, although he only used around 200 mana points and it was able to explode its head but the resulting attack was nowhere comparable to this one. It should be noted that the beasts who died now were one starred beasts and not novice grade beasts like the previous ape.

What he didn't know was that when his mana points exceeded one thousand which was the required amount to become a two-starred mage, his mana underwent a change. Its quality and concentration were many times better and purer. It was one of the reasons that even the system had to issue a warning.

His body which was barely on the level of a human only could hold a maximum of five hundred mana units but he exceeded by more than two times. It was his luck that his body didn't explode and only corroded his vitality by two points daily. Even this was a huge cost to him given that he only has ten vitality points.

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Max didn't think too much about it and conjured up another fireball but this time he only used 50 mana points and attack the cat-like beast that was charging toward Mina.

Boom!

It struck on its abdomen. An explosion occurred but it was very small compared to the previous one. The cat beast was thrown in the air, its abdomen and hind legs are was scorched, and bones could be seen sticking out. It crashed more than 10 meters away,

it struggled to move but its life force was vanishing at a rapid speed. It lay there lifeless, never to get up again.

'Tch, although my attacks got stronger somehow, but my stamina won't last long at this rate.' Max thought in annoyance. He was started to feel exhausted. He had run all the way from the forest to here, and now was consuming mana very quickly. It was natural that he would feel exhausted.

There were still ten beasts alive including the silver wolf butler George has been fighting. He shouted "Lilly, help them go to a safe place. I'll come after taking care of the remaining beasts."

Lilly nodded with a look of worry in her eyes. Even though She didn't know how her young master become so strong suddenly, she knew that it was very difficult for him to defeat the remaining beasts, two of which were two starred beasts. Nevertheless, she obeyed his order and went to the women's group and helped Esther and Mina up and escorted them to the nearest room while Layla, Lacey and Eva took the unconscious Amelia.

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An ape and a panther, both two started beasts who were busy fighting Esther and Mina until now looked toward the explosion and witnessed ten of their companions turn into ashes. Their eyes became bloodshot and looked toward the perpetrator.

They stopped attacking the women and lunged toward him. Max who had just shouted his order to Lilly looked at the both of them coming at him with vicious ferocity.

Max quickly casted another fireball and used 200 mana points this time. He knew that these beasts were not as easy to kill as starred beasts.

He pointed at the three-meter tall ape who was coming at him at a fast speed. Max wanted to first kill the panther as it was more than two times faster than the ape and he might die to this panther. But as he wasn't sure if he could hit the Panther who was clearly more agile and could easily dodge his attack.

Roar!

Ape roared seeing the big fireball coming at him. It banged its chest with its fists and its fur started to harden. In a moment it became as sturdy as iron and the ape crossed its arms before its chest.

Bang!

The fireball collided with the ape's sturdy body and exploded. When the fire stopped burning and the dust settled. A bloody ape with its hands mangled and most of its fur burned appeared in front of him.

Although the ape was a strong two-starred beast with strong defensive skill activated, Max who was also a two-star mage and used almost one-sixth of his mana for the single attack wasn't to be underestimated.

The ape was now incapacitated and flopped on the ground. Although it was not dead, it wasn't much of a threat now.

"Phew!"

Max exhaled heavily. He looked toward the panther who stopped to see the ape getting injured and then again charged at him. Its speed was so fast that Max couldn't even conjure up any fireball when the panther appeared in front of him and jumped at him with its maw open wide, not that he was confident of hitting a target that was moving at such fast speeds.

Max didn't hesitate and ducked down while conjuring a small fireball with 20 mana points. Fortunately, Max was able to dodge the panther's maw and claws by an heir. He then fired the small fist-sized fireball at its back and didn't even stop to look whether it hit it or not.

He sped toward George and shouted "George, you take care of this panther. I will deal with the silver wolf." He could see that the silver wolf wasn't in good shape and its movement speed was highly restricted due to heavy injuries.

He was sure that if he conjured a fireball with around 400-500 mana points he could disable or even kill it. But the same was not true for the panther as he knew he couldn't hit it before it dodged his attack.

Chapter 27 Fighting Silver Wolf (3)

Butler George, who had seen Max killing one-starred beasts with a single attack, didn't hesitate after hearing him and changed the target. He knew that this was the best solution to this situation.

He could see although, Max had a strong attack power but his control over it or his movement speed were not any outstanding. He would only be able to kill the injured silver wolf with his strong firepower while he dealt with the Panther.

Although Butler George was also injured and his left hand was no longer usable. As an experienced two-star mage, he could still stall for some time or possibly defeat the Panther as it was a normal two starred beasts and was not as strong as the silver wolf.

Butler George casted his spell and the rain of mana Spears rained down on the panther. The panther evaded most of the swords but some still struck it and injured it a little. The Panther stopped pursuing Max, its predatory eyes focused on Butler George.

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Just as he the silver wolf saw them changing enemies, its eyes burned with fury. These tiny humans were mocking him by swapping positions mid-fight in front of him. How can it endure the humiliation to being underestimated?

The silver wolf's claw started to glow in white light and it swiped it in Max's direction.

Max felt the air turn heavy around him and his expression turned even more serious. He casted a [Fireball] using 200 mana points and sent it toward the incoming claw. While he put some distance between himself and the wolf. His target only needed to be in 20 meter range for him to successfully hit his target.

Booom!

An Explosion resounded and the earth had a slight tremble under his feet. Max focused his attention on the silver wolf.

'From the intensity of the explosion, its claw should be crippled right?' Max thought while he tried to cast a fireball with 400 mana but to his dismay, he couldn't do it.

"Mm?"

Growl~

Just when he was thinking about why he wasn't able to cast a powerful fireball, a growl filled with pain and fury reached his ears.

He looked at the wolf. Its front paw which he used to strike the 'almighty' [Fireball] was bleeding profusely and its sharp long nails, and fur was burned and flesh was visible in between burn marks.

"Oh! It seems my fireball is effective even against you." Max chuckled and conjured another fireball. This time he consumed 300 mana points which he was able to do it with ease.

A big crimson fireball, one-meter diameter in size appeared in front of him. His face lost all his colour as he consumed most of his mana and stamina with this attack but his eyes flashed with a hint of madness. If he doesn't kill it, it will kill him.

Finally, The silver wolf's eyes showed traces of fear. That previous human was barely able to inflict injuries on it with his powerful attacks but this human did it with his first

attack. It hesitated whether to continue fighting or flee. Unfortunately, Its hesitation became the cause of its doom.

The reason Max's [Fireball] was so strong and could injure a beasts like silver wolf who was a peak two starred beast and had high magic defence, was because his fireball attack was not normal attack. It was a fire elemental attack.

Elemental attacks are many times stronger than ordinary attacks. While fire's basic nature is destruction and when Max injects his elemental mana into the fireball and makes it rotate at high speeds, it acts like a bomb that explodes upon contact and burns everything to cinders.

"Go and explode!"

Max shouted and The fireball was shot out like a cannonball which struck it on its head. Max had consumed a few more mana points to forcibly increase its speed so that the silver wolf can't dodge it.

Silver wolf came out of its reverie when it heard Max's yell but it was too late and it could only raise its injured claws to defend itself.

BOOOM~

Howl~

The silver wolf howled in pain. With a loud explosion wolf's forelegs vaporized in the extreme heat of the explosion, its thick skin around the neck area was charred black. Its skull was bleeding. It lay on the ground yelping and howling in pain.

Max ignored this and walked forward. He stopped when he was five meters from the wolf. He raised his hand and summoned another fireball but this one was one third the size of the previous one.

"Explode!"

He swiped his hand down and the fireball landed squarely on the wolf's head and exploded.

Silver Wolf's thick skull was pulverized when the fireball exploded on it without any resistance.

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"Haah!"

Seeing that wolf was finally dead Max breathed heavily. He then opened his status screen to check how many mana and stamina points he still has.

[Name: Maxwell Garfield]

[Age: 18]

[Strength: 10]

[Agility: 10]

[Stamina: 2/10]

[Vitality: 10]

[Intelligence: 15]

[Mana: 150/1331]

[Element: Fire]

[Lust Points: 5]

He then glanced at the butler George and panther fighting. George wasn't in any disadvantageous position thus, Max looked toward the remaining one started beasts who were trying to break into the room where Lilly took his stepmothers and sisters in law.

He tried to walk in that direction but staggered and almost fell on the ground.

"Aaii...! I'll have to improve my stamina basic attributes otherwise even with enough mana I won't be able to fight properly." He concluded. His legs were shaking and his breathing was rough. His body was feeling stiff and was aching all over.

He staggeringly walked toward them when he was almost twenty meters away he squeezed out last every last bit of his mana and casted another fireball amidst them.

Boom!

An explosion occurred and before he could see the result of his attack, he lost consciousness because his current weak body couldn't handle all the stress and complete consumption of his stamina and mana.

Before losing consciousness he heard "You did well son!.

You guys also did well. Thank you to all of you who used your power stones and voted.
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Chapter 28 Forming Mana Core

When Max regained his consciousness, he was lying on his bed. His first thought was to see what had happened and if everyone was fine.

He looked around and saw Lilly sitting on a sofa on the right side of the bed, her eyes closed and chest heaving up and down evenly. He sighed in relief seeing her safe.

Max got out of the bed and approached her with light footsteps so as not to wake her. He leaned down and gently put one of his arms below her knees and one arm under her neck and lifted her up and took her to the bed.

He gently laid her down on the bed and covered her with a blanket. Feeling the comfort of the soft bed, Her expression visibly changed and a slight smile appeared on her lips.

"It seems I was out for quite a while." He murmured and stretched his body. He then opened his status screen.

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[Agility: 10]

[Stamina: 10]

[Vitality: 8]

[Intelligence: 15]

[Mana: 1331/1331]

[Element: Fire]

[Lust Points: 5]

After sleeping for what seemed a full day and night, his mana and stamina were restored.

"Huh?"

Max frowned when he noticed his vitality points were only 8 now. He then recalled the system warning he got when he increased his mana by almost a thousand points.

"Can't I see what was that message now?" He wondered aloud and suddenly another window popped out which had all the previous notifications and messages.

"Oh! Nice. I just need to think about it just like the status window. It's very convenient. Let's see what was that warning." Max exclaimed in surprise when the notification window appeared and proceeded to check the warning.

[Ding. Warning! The host has exceeded the 1000 mana points threshold. The host's body can't bear that much mana. The host will lose 2 vitality points per day. The host is advised to form his mana core to avoid eventual death.]

'Hmm, It seems my body isn't able to hold this much mana by itself and needs a mana core.' He mused.

When you becomes a one-star mage, your body reaches its limit to hold mana inside it that is 500 mana units in normal cases but to become a two-star mage or stronger, you have to increase your mana and to do that you have to form a mana core inside their body which works as a container of mana.

If you can form a mana core in your body successfully, You have chance to become stronger if not you can only remain a one star mage for the rest of your life and if you forcefully increase your mana in your body same as Max did, your mana will start to corrode your body from inside out and you will gradually lose your vitality which will result in your death.

Mana cores are also divided based on concentration of mana in it which indicate your mage level.

For example, when you form your mana core it's colourless which indicate that you are still a one star mage who can cultivate or mediate to refine more worldly mana into your own and store it in your mana core.

When you have accumulated a thousand or more mana units, your mana core turns red. As you more refine and purify mana and increase mana count, the concentration in your mana increases and when your mana surpasses the minimum threshold to become a three star mage, it turns orange and as your mana count, mana concentration and purity increases its colour gradually change.

Mana core, apart from giving the capacity to hold much more mana also provides easy access to your own mana which lessened the consumption of mental strength and made it easy to control inside your body because when you have yet to form a mana core, the mana is scattered in your body which is obviously harder to control but when

you have formed a mana core your mana has a fixed place to stay which is much easier to control.

'I need to find my father to know about the situation of the beast tide and to ask how to form a mana core or I would only survive for four more days at this rate.' Max decided. He first wanted to know that he and his family members were safe.

Although he didn't care about others apart from his father, he still didn't want something to happen to his family especially Esther and Amelia who were the mothers of Emily and Anna respectively.

'I wonder if Amelia is alright.' Max suddenly remembered that Amelia was injured when he reached there to help them.

He then went out to look for his father to know the current situation.

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He walked the hallway looking around. Many were working in the manor to rebuild and renovate the destroyed parts of the manor.

He quickly arrived at his father's study where he usually could be found. But today he wasn't there. He was wondering where he was when he saw Esther who was directing workers.

He went toward her. She also noticed him coming toward her. There was a slight change in her cold attitude when she looked at him.

Max walked to her and greeted her casually "Hello Esther, I was wondering where is my father. I couldn't find him in his study."

When heard him calling her by her name, she raised an eyebrow at him but didn't say anything about it and answered "Your father went to the city to report the situation to Count Wiley and request for a team to hunt three-starred beasts."

"Oh! Okay." Max nodded and turned to walk away when he remembered that she was also a two-star Mage.

Chapter 29 Forming Mana Core (2)

"Um... Esther, Can you help me with something?" Max asked while looking at her cold but beautiful face.

"Yes, although I don't know if I can... because you are almost as strong as me." She smiled faintly and replied but now her voice had a tinge of teasing that he didn't expect from this cold and indifferent mature beauty.

He looked at her slightly smiling face, mesmerised. He didn't utter a single word and just stared at her face and unconsciously blurted out "You are very beautiful when you smile."

Esther was taken aback. She didn't expect to receive a compliment from the boy who never spoke to anyone more than a few words but when she recalled how he has changed in a couple of days and even become powerful, It seems his character has also changed for the better.

She didn't say anything in response to his compliment and just looked at him with indifference but when he didn't say for a while and just stared at her, she was a little irritated.

"What did you want my help with? are you going to tell me Or are you gonna just stare at me like this?" She said a little annoyed but there was no anger in her voice.

"Oh, yes. I was wondering if you could help me to form my mana core. I don't know anything about it. I was going to ask father but he isn't here." He said.

"Oh, mana core? You haven't formed one yet. Then how did you able to cast such powerful attacks? I thought you already had become a two-star mage." Esther frowned her eyebrows.

Max was silent thinking about how should he explain the situation. He could not simply say that it was because of his system. After thinking for a while he smiled and said.

"No. I still haven't become a two-star mage. Yesterday when I saw you guys in danger I used some secret method that increased my mana to the level of a two-star mage. But the consequence of it was something I didn't expect. I have to form a mana core as soon as possible or according to my calculations, I will only survive four more days."

When Max started to explain, Esther nodded her head as if she had expected it but when he continued and finished his explanation her expression was hard to describe.

Her cold and indifferent face had a look of disbelief and her beautiful black eyes were laced with worry that even she did not know. It was not like she cared for him too much but after the experience, they went through and he saved them by risking his life she started to care for him.

But after hearing that to save them he had to pay such a great price she couldn't help but feel touched while she became worried. She didn't want something bad to happen to him because her daughter Emily cared a lot for him and he now had a place in her heart as her saviour.

She didn't say anything and her expression returned to normal in just an instant. She said "Okay I'll help you. Come with me." Saying this she walked toward the library which fortunately wasn't destroyed.

When they both reached the library she went in and after a few minutes came out with a scroll in her hand. She threw it at him and said "Here, In this scroll, you'll find everything you need. If you need anything you can just come to me."

She then turned to walk away when Max again stopped her.

"Thanks, Esther. I want to know something can you tell me?" Max thanked her and asked.

"Yes ask." She replied in an indifferent voice.

"What happened after I passed out yesterday?" He was curious to know what happened and if everything was alright.

She thought for a second and said "Your father was able to repel that three-star beast and when you fell unconscious he arrived and killed the remaining beasts and saved us."

She then paused, her expression became solemn and continued "Butler George was severely injured so your father took him to the city to heal and Amelia was also injured but fortunately her situation was not too serious, she is recovering now. As for beast tide..."

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Max walked around looking at the people working to reconstruct the manor. He was in deep thought after hearing everything from Esther.

In this beast tide, tens of thousands of common people died. This situation was not only in the Claymore town but in all the towns and villages neighbouring The magical beast forest. Many mages died, just in their manor around seventy percent of Knights and guards were killed. In fact, Claymore town was well off compared to other villages and towns where almost all people were killed and very few survived.

And even though His father was able to repel the three starred beast he couldn't kill it and from all the information they got, it seemed that the three started beasts also appeared in other towns.

That was why all the people in charge of these towns were summoned to report the situation and form a team to hunt all the three-starred beasts to avoid this from happening in the future.

Sigh!

Max sighed 'This world may be different but people don't have an easy life here. Just as people who are poor live miserable life on Earth, people here who are not strong enough are also under constant threat of death.'

Today beast outbreak killed them. Tomorrow, some kingdom might wage war on their kingdom or some mage might go on a rampage where many will die again.

Max shook his head to clear the disturbing thoughts. 'I just have to become strong enough to face every and any situation if I want to live a happy life.'

He clenched the scroll in his hand and went to his room. He first has to form his mana core and fortunately, he has a system that makes it easier to become strong.

Thank you very much to everyone who voted. <3

Chapter 30 Forming Mana Core (3)

When he came back to his room, Lilly was awake and it seemed that she had just taken a bath. Her hair flowing black hair was wet and her fresh fragrance still lingered in the air. She wore her black and white maid dress. But even that couldn't hide her beauty. For a sec Max wanted to jump on her but he restrained himself.

He went to her and after giving a kiss on her red lips he said "I'm going to try to form my mana core. So don't disturb me for the time being and if someone comes then tell them that I'm busy right now okay."

"Mhm okay, young- Okay." Lilly nodded and smiled sweetly and was about to address him as young master when she remembered that he wanted her not to call him that when they were alone.

Max smiled and sat down on the bed. He then opened the scroll and placed it in front of him.

On top of the scroll "MANA CORE FORMATION" was written in very eye-catching bold words.

Max started reading the instructions on the scroll 'To form your mana core you have to move your mana toward the navel in your torso where dantian is located. You have to purify and compress it several times using the method below to ensure the safe formation of a good mana core...'

He then read the method to form mana core although it was quite complicated and had many steps involved, he memorised it just after reading it two times due to his high intelligence points.

He then followed the instructions written in the scroll and started to control his mana and direct it toward his navel area. After he had gathered enough mana in his dantian he started to compress it. After several times of compression, Mana in his dantian occupied a lot less space was purer than before as impurities were extracted and expelled.

Then he directed more of his mana to go into his dantian and compressed it again and again. He did this until his mana was entirely spent and his dantian was now filled with incomparably pure mana which was now in between mist and liquid-like state.

He then took a deep breath and focused all his mental power in his dantian and started to compress and move according to the instructions. This was the final and most difficult part of the process.

After ten minutes, he started to sweat. Small beads of sweat rolled down his forehead. After thirty minutes his clothes were soaked in sweat. His face was contorted as if he was in pain. His breathing intensified as if he was doing some rigorous task.

Lilly who was watching him silently, sitting on the sofa grew anxious to see him sweat this much and his handsome face contort in pain. Her heart felt as if it was struck with some sharp needle.

'What is he doing that is causing him so much pain?' She thought and unconsciously stood up but when she remembered his order from before, she sat down again with a bitter and pained expression on her face.

She didn't want to disobey him fearing that he would not like it but at the same time, she couldn't see him suffering like this.

After ten more minutes, his expression didn't change and become even more contorted. She couldn't help and walked towards him slowly so as not to make any sound.

She took out her handkerchief and gently wiped his forehead and face. She then looked at him to see if he was disturbed but fortunately, he was too focused so he didn't notice.

While Lilly wiped his sweat, her gaze landed on the scroll in front of him.

'Mana core formation. So young master is forming his mana core. Doesn't that mean he is now a two-star mage?' She thought. She was surprised but not too surprised. She had already seen him miraculously becoming strong and the day before yesterday when he again showed his strength she was surprised to see his strength increase once again.

'How did young master become so strong?' She wondered and suddenly a thought crossed her mind which made her blush.

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After ten more minutes, his expression became normal and his breathing also become steady. Lilly sighed a sigh of relief.

When Max opened his eyes, he had a smile on his face. He then noticed Lilly standing by his bedside with a handkerchief in her hand.

He quickly understood what she had been doing after realising that his face and forehead didn't have any sweat but the rest of his body was completely wet in sweat.

"Thank you Lilly!" He said with a charming smile on his face. Although he knew that she loved him, he was very touched when he saw that she cared for him a lot. In his previous life, he couldn't have imagined that he would get a woman who loved and cared for him.

On earth, relationships are very fragile and most of the time Man and Woman don't love each other but still form a romantic relationship. They just need each other for their needs. Love and Care as Lilly has for him, It is very rare to be found.

Lilly stared at his beautiful smile in a daze. She even forget to ask if he was okay. When she realised what she was doing, her face turned red like a tomato.

"It's my d-duty young master." She hurriedly said.

Max outstretched his right hand and grabbed her thin waist and pulled her into his embrace.

Thank you to all of you who voted for this novel. I hope you continue supporting it.
Thanks! <3