

# The Mighty 1121

## Chapter 1121: The Stripped Glory

The footsteps of war did not cease in the slightest. The Knight Order of the Flame Kingdom mobilized in full force, riding on Iron Dragon warships and Fire Dragon merchant ships. With the powerful propulsion of the mermaids, they quickly surged towards the Eagle Kingdom.

They did not immediately land, as the hinterlands along the coast were already desolate, lacking resources to plunder.

Thus, these warships and merchant ships continued to be propelled by mermaids, sailing up against the current of several famous rivers of the Eagle Kingdom, penetrating deep into the inland areas for pillaging.

Most of the large cities of the Eagle Kingdom were distributed along these rivers. The lands were exceptionally fertile from years of cultivation and rich in produce, leaving residents with no means to evacuate and seek refuge. The nobles here had never imagined that their domains would be attacked, nor were they willing to leave their lands.

But facing the overwhelming Knight Order from the Flame Kingdom, their resistance was feeble, after all, there were dragons in the skies guarding these knights.

“Why don’t the Flame People show any restraint at all, aren’t they afraid of the royal family’s wrath!” Some nobles, who were late to receive the news, were still unaware of the Dragon-slaying Battle—without Magic Platforms, their means of disseminating messages was mainly by letters.

Unfortunately, how could the speed of sending letters ever surpass the speed of warships propelled by mermaids.

When the Knight Order began their charge, these nobles were still indulging in feasting and revelry, leading lives of debauchery. As expected, they were easily overpowered by the Knight Order of the Flame Kingdom, who rode on Magical Beasts and fine steeds, conquering one castle after another. People, food, and Elves were all captured.

“Be careful, don’t bump into the Elves!” Marcus Wheel rode on the back of a Super Magical Beast — a Fire Raven, flying close to the ground, supervising the knights in looting the spoils, “Remember His Majesty the King’s orders clearly, all Elves must be handed over to the Royal Family for unified allocation, no private hoarding is permitted!”

Elves.

Beautiful Elves.

Marcus knew very well of Liszt’s fondness for Elves; as an early confidant who followed him, he knew that Liszt was different from any noble, his affection for Elves came from the heart.

In the Flame Kingdom, mistreating Elves was a serious violation of the law, and killing an Elf was a crime comparable to killing a Noble.

“The King has over a dozen dragons, his glory rivals that of an Imperial Emperor, but the King lacks Elves, causing the Flame Kingdom to have a dimmed jewel,” Marcus jumped off the Fire Raven, stood with hands behind his back, gazing at the newly conquered castle, his heart swelling with pride.

“As a member of the Burning Legion directly under His Majesty, I will light up this dimmed jewel for His Majesty!”

His strength was weak, merely at the level of an Elite Earth Knight, even now as the Earl of Storm City, he lacked neither Magic Potion nor Magical Beast Meat, yet he had no opportunity to break through to Sky Knight.

But Marcus was very content; when had his life goal ever exceeded becoming a Noble, the lowest Honored Knight.

Now he was an Earl.

“All I have is bestowed by His Majesty, the Wheel family has only to forever follow the Flame Family, to become the apostle of the Flame Family, in order to repay the glory given by His Majesty!”

In his heart, he already had an idea: “After this war, with His Majesty’s consent, I will change the surname of my family to Flame Apostle!”

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“The times are changing, they truly are,” lamented an Earl, standing in his own castle, muttering to himself as he watched the Knight Order surging toward him, flags of the Fire Dragon fluttering in the distance.

He was holding a letter in his hand, an urgent message sent over tens of thousands of miles by a Flying Beast, from his elder brother who held an official position in the King’s Castle.

The letter did not say much, only a few sentences: “The Flame Kingdom has invaded, the Dragon Knight patrol has been defeated, Tracy and Warren have perished, the Silver Dragon, Topaz Dragon, and Lead Dragon have been snatched away, the Ruby Dragon and Edward have been captured, the Eagle Royal Family is at the brink of doom, the Morning Glory Family must prepare.”

The Earl crumpled the letter into a ball, then let out a prolonged sigh, “Prepare, prepare, oh my brother, what preparations can I make?”

“Milord, the enemy is attacking, please give your orders!” The Knight Commander knelt on one knee, speaking urgently.

The Earl closed his eyes, remaining silent, until the surrounding knights urged him again and again. Only then did he speak with a sense of loss: “Labrador, open the castle gates and hang the white banners.” After speaking, the Earl felt the Dou Qi in his body vanish, feeling powerless in a way he hadn’t since his promotion to Sky Knight.

“Milord!”

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The knights were in a panic: “We swear to defend Morning Glory Castle to the death!”

“It’s unnecessary, these are the knights of the Flame Kingdom. No one can stop the footsteps of the Holy Dragon Knight, sooner or later he will reign over this land. The Morning Glory Family has no choice but to change its allegiance.” The Earl turned around, descending the stairs with heavy steps, “Butler, prepare my clothes, I will go and surrender myself.”

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Bang!

Boom!

Crash!

In the Iron Dragon Chain Palace, Adonis Moonlight Silver of the Eagle Kingdom smashed crystal vessels to the floor, roaring out his anger.

“Why!”

“Impossible!”

“My dragons, my kingdom!”

He crushed a delicate crystal goblet in his hand, the shattered crystal pieces piercing his palm, blood flowing freely: “Liszt, how dare you do this to me, you Sapphire Fly, I should have crushed you from the start! Ah! I cannot accept this, my dragons!”

“Adonis, the ministers are all waiting for you to preside over the meeting,” the Queen said quietly as she walked in.

“Get out, let them all get out, these useless parasites. What do they want, to laugh at me, and then secretly fawn over the king of the maritime Fly Kingdom?” Adonis cursed

violently, “Do you think I don’t know their plans? The Eagle Kingdom is finished, why haven’t they gone to please their new master?”

The Queen spoke loudly: “Adonis, you must keep calm, the Eagle Kingdom has not yet perished.”

“How to stay calm.” Adonis looked coldly at the Queen, “When I inherited the throne, we had eleven dragons, but now? Only three remain! Two White Maw Iron Dragons, one Brass Dragon, tell me, with what shall I rule the Eagle Kingdom? The glory of the Eagle Royal Family has been completely stripped away, turned into a joke!”

The Queen was left speechless by Adonis’s words.

The Royal Family rules the kingdom, not with politics or wealth, but with giant dragons. It is the dragons that stabilize a nation, showcase its glory, and rule over the vast territories. The Eagle Royal Family once had eleven dragons, but through death and theft, only three remained.

They no longer had the right to call themselves a kingdom.

After a moment of silence, the Queen, forcing a brave front, consoled him: “Adonis, we are in a dire situation, but we must do something. The Moonlight Silver Family and the White Maw Iron Family must continue... Discuss with the ministers properly, and also Prince Alex’s opinion will be very important.”

Adonis fell into a chair: “What’s there to discuss? I don’t want to see anyone, I, as a king, am nothing but a joke.”

“But you must meet them, even if not as a king, then as the head of a Dragon Rearing Family, trying to salvage what little benefits we have left.” The Queen showed a terrifying calm, “Not just with the ministers or Alex, but also with Steel Ridge, Blast Furnace Fortress, and even... with Liszt.”

“Hmph!”

At the mention of Liszt’s name, Adonis’s eyes widened instantly, and the fire of hatred blazed within him: “I will not enter into negotiations with the Sapphire Fly!”

## Chapter 1122: King and Grand Duke

“Your Majesty, negotiations with the Flame Kingdom are imperative.” When Prince Alex arrived at the royal palace and saw Adonis, his first words were to persuade him to negotiate with Liszt.

“Why, Alex, do you also want to see me fail?”

“Your surname is Moonlight Silver, mine is White Maw Iron, but we are both from the Eagle Royal Family. Your embarrassment is no different from mine.” Alex looked at the Eagle Kingdom’s King, who seemed to have aged twenty years in a moment, and sighed helplessly, “I have never been in favor of the Tri-Nation Alliance.”

“But you voted in favor of the Tri-Nation Alliance initially.”

“That’s correct.” Alex spoke frankly, “Although I did not believe that the Tri-Nation Alliance could truly curb the Flame Kingdom, or rather curb Liszt’s rise, if we do not make an effort, we cannot just watch the Eagle Kingdom being gradually devoured by the Flame Kingdom... Now that the Dragon Rider Corps is in ruins, the Tri-Nation Alliance no longer has meaning—we need to face reality.”

Adonis remained silent for a long while and then said dejectedly, “What kind of reality?”

“Liszt has already become the most powerful Dragon Knight in the northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent, no, he should be the most powerful Dragon Knight in the entire Legendary Continent. I do not know how strong he truly is, but from the way he easily slaughters Dragon Knights, he has far surpassed a Completion-term Dragon Knight... Moreover, he is not fighting with a Formless Dragon, but a Fire Dragon!”

“Emperor Jupiter also has Elemental Dragons, Dark Dragons.”

“It’s not the same. I asked the envoy from the Kushan Imperial; Elemental Dragons indeed have formidable combat power, but at best, they are only at the level of Magic Metal Dragons, Royal Sapphire Dragons. The Fire Dragon might be slightly more dominant. Liszt’s strength is not merely due to Elemental Dragons.”

“I don’t understand what you’re saying, Alex. I am not a Dragon Knight, but aren’t Dragon Knights the pinnacle of strength?”

“If Dragon Knights were truly the pinnacle, so many of our Dragon Knights would not have died.” Alex shook his head, “I am also reluctant to believe that there are existences more powerful than Dragon Knights, but with Sacred Dragons already appearing, why couldn’t even more powerful knights emerge?”

Images of his several exchanges with Liszt flashed through his mind. Despite Liszt’s handsome and noble appearance, seemingly a natural-born greatness,

No matter how exceptional his appearance was, he could not bring himself to believe or accept that Liszt’s strength was beyond his comprehension.

But disbelief changes nothing. The obliteration of the Dragon Rider patrol is right before us. The panicked King Oden personally recounted the horrors of Liszt.

Three shots to kill a Dragon Knight, and two strikes to subdue a Giant Dragon.

An unimaginable strength.

Adonis looked at Alex, clinging to the last shred of hope, and asked: “Duke Buffett from the Kushan Imperial is coming with an Ancient Artifact to assist the Tri-Nation Alliance, Alex, perhaps I have not lost yet, the Eagle Kingdom has not lost yet!”

“Not to mention that Duke Buffett is just a Dragon Knight; even if he comes with an Ancient Artifact, how can he defeat Liszt, who surpasses Dragon Knights? Even if he could defeat Liszt and curb the development of the Flame Kingdom, the Eagle Kingdom no longer has any dragons.”

He paused briefly.

He stepped forward and patted Adonis’s shoulder: “The current situation is not your fault, no one could have changed the situation we find ourselves in.” His words of comfort were filled with bitterness, indicating a kind of inevitable defeat, not just for Adonis, but even if it were the kings of Blast Furnace Fortress and Steel Ridge, what could they possibly do.

The Eagle Kingdom is merely the first to fall.

Faced with the aggressive Flame Kingdom, Alex soberly realized that the Tri-Nation Alliance was like weaklings comforting each other, Magical Beasts huddling together before a Giant Dragon.

All of a sudden,

He took a deep breath, and in an indisputable tone, said: “Your Majesty, I know this is difficult, but I still hope that you, as the King of the Eagle Kingdom, will preside over one last meeting, discuss the future of the kingdom with the ministers, and face the existential crisis at hand.”

“How so...” Adonis gave a wretched smile, “After this meeting, will I be leaving my throne?”

“Not leaving the throne, it’s just that the Eagle Kingdom’s throne might turn into a common Grand Duke’s seat.”

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“The Eagle Kingdom’s ministerial meeting is actually discussing the matter of submitting to my Flame Kingdom?” When Liszt received the message, he was descending from the Silver Dragon’s Dragon Tooth Platform.

The Silver Dragon, lurking in the Sun Moon Valley, flickered a complex emotion in its eyes without making a sound.

“Your Majesty, the Blood Servants are closely listening to the content of the ministerial meeting, and when there is new progress, I will report to you immediately,” Mary Dawn Break respectfully said.

“Hmm, keep a close watch on every move of the Eagle Kingdom, and don’t forget about Steel Ridge and Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom; what reaction will King Osborne and



King Helder have after knowing the news.” He touched the beautiful scales on the Silver Dragon and smiled, “That will definitely make an interesting scene.”

“As you wish, Your Majesty.” Mary took her leave.

Liszt locked eyes with the Silver Dragon and said softly, “I know you are a Silver Dragon nourished by the Eagle Royal Family, a symbol of the Eagle, but now you are a Dragon of the Flame Kingdom. During the time I swallow the Eagle Kingdom, rest and heal your wounds, afterward, you and I will face Blast Furnace Fortress and Steel Ridge together.”

Huff.

The Silver Dragon took a deep breath, showing no other reaction, but this was already an expression.

Leaving the Sun Moon Valley, Liszt also sighed deeply: “I thought I controlled fate and could save some Bewildering Dragon Mind Fruit, but it turns out... even the Mind Battle of the Crimson Gem Dragon needs the help of Bewildering Dragon Mind Fruit to erase the Mind Branding of the First Dragon Knight.”

Half of it was a sigh for the consumption of the Bewildering Dragon Mind Fruit, and half was because he did not control “fate” as smoothly as he imagined.

Silver Dragon, Lead Dragon, Zinc Dragon, and Crimson Gem Dragon, these four Dragons have successfully, with the help of Bewildering Dragon Mind Fruit, completed the Mind Battle and become his Giant Dragons.

Including the earlier Fire Dragon, Light Green Gemstone Dragon, Formless Dragon, Grey Iron Dragon, Mountain Copper Dragon, Royal Sapphire Dragon, Water Dragon, Aluminum Dragon, Bone Dragon, Bronze Dragon, the Flame Kingdom now has fourteen Dragons. It has leaped past the Steel Ridge Kingdom to become the kingdom with the most dragons in the northeast corner of the Legendary Continent.

“First, digest the Eagle Kingdom.”

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Thrilling matters can be set aside since the sweeping dragon-slaying battle along the coastline, after which the Flame Kingdom emerged completely victorious.

Liszt's reputation then blew like the wind across the northeast corner of the Legendary Continent.

It caused a significant disturbance, especially among the Noble class of the Eagle Kingdom, who nearly crumbled like fallen pillars, lost and bewildered. Except for the Crimson Gem Grand Duchy, all other vassal states of the Eagle Kingdom sent envoys to offer tributes secretly to the Flame Kingdom.

Hoping to become vassal states of the Flame Kingdom and follow behind Liszt.

"Your Majesty, regarding the tributes from these vassal states, do you have any plans?" Li Weiliam asked.

"Now they want to follow me," Liszt glanced at the tea cup on the table, "Why didn't they act sooner... Let the Outer Cabinet draft a proposal, devise a tax plan that each vassal state can accept, paying taxes to our kingdom can obtain temporary protection."

He paused, then picked up the tea cup and took a sip of fresh green tea, and said, "Let's address the following of vassal states after I sort out the Eagle Kingdom."

#### Chapter 1123: Swallowing Up

From June to August, for a full two months, the impact of the Dragon War not only failed to subside, but instead intensified, sweeping through the three major kingdoms in the northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent and even drawing the attention of the surrounding Yellowstone Kingdom and the Fallen Leaf Kingdom to the situation in the Tri-Nation Alliance.

Within the Eagle Kingdom, the cohesion of the Nobles had completely disintegrated. Faced with the not particularly strong Knight Order from the Flame Kingdom, they crumbled and were routed completely.

A large number of Nobles chose to defect, while the resisting Nobles saw their wealth confiscated.

During this period, all four vassal states of the Eagle Kingdom—the Pink Gemstone Duchy, Purple Copper Duchy, the Emerald Duchy, and the Crimson Gem Grand Duchy—betrayed the Eagle Kingdom and negotiated terms to switch allegiance to the Flame Kingdom. Among them, the Crimson Gem Grand Duchy adopted the most submissive stance.

No other reason but their Grand Duke was captured, their Dragon too, and the Grand Duchy had lost the basis for its existence.

“These two months have been consumed by too many affairs to handle, especially negotiating with various Nobles of the Eagle Kingdom, which has drained my vast energy. Even now, as a Domain Knight, I still feel utterly exhausted,” in a study within a Castle, the Duke of Tulip Island—Li Weiliam massaged his forehead.

“Father, you are the Prime Minister of the Outer Cabinet; you could delegate some of the negotiation tasks to other ministers and just coordinate the affiliation of several Duchies.”

Li Si Te stood before the floor-to-ceiling window of the Castle, looking out at the scenery beneath the setting sun.

The wheat had matured, golden and bowing low, with serfs harvesting in groups, wives delivering meals, and children running around, everything seemed so harmonious and beautiful.

“We have too few ministers, Li Si Te. The Outer Cabinet of the Flame Kingdom needs expansion; otherwise, we won’t be able to cope with the increasing number of Nobles transferring allegiance. After all, the true population of the Flame Kingdom only equates to that of a Grand Duchy, and now we are annexing the long-established Eagle Kingdom.”

“Father, you can make arrangements. Divide the Outer Cabinet into standing and general ministers, keeping the number of standing ministers at eleven and general ministers at around fifty. Also, compile a reserve list of ministers, maintaining a number of about five hundred... It’s appropriate to draw some from the Nobles of the Eagle Kingdom.”

Li Si Te finished speaking and seemed to remember something, adding, “Edward Deep Red Gem is very savvy; he could be included among the standing ministers.”

“The Crimson Gem Family, do you have any specific plans?” Li Weiliam asked.

“I promised Edward a Dukedom, and the Crimson Gem Family will begin anew in the Flame Kingdom. All the Feudal Nobles and direct Nobles will switch their allegiance to me, and assist me in ensuring the stability of the Grand Duchy.” Li Si Te sighed, “I instigated the war, yet I do not wish for it to ruin this fertile land.”

“Once you unify the Tri-Nation Alliance, I believe the northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent will not easily be plunged into war again.”

“It’s still not enough, father. The Kushan Imperial still looms at the side of our bed; this Legendary Continent is too vast.”

“But you have enough time to take control of everything, don’t you.”

Li Si Te smiled, “Perhaps.”

Knock knock.

The sound of knocking.

“Your Majesty, Princess Emily requests an audience.”

“Let her in.”

Princess Emily strode into the study with a crisp and valiant bearing, and after greeting, she spoke directly, “Your Majesty, the Eagle Royal Family has submitted a formal diplomatic note. King Adonis and Prince Alexander will visit you at Rainbow Glutinous Rice Fort on September 6th.”

Rainbow Glutinous Rice Fort was the very Castle below them.

It was a Castle owned by a Marquis of the Eagle Kingdom, Thomas Rainbow Glutinous Rice, who had already defected. The Castle was repurposed as a temporary palace by Li Si

Te. This time he issued a Punishment Order; it wasn't for a petty raid to loot and leave, but for a permanent occupation.

"Mm, arrange for this meeting, and while at it, hold a banquet and invite all the defecting Nobles to attend," said Li Si Te indifferently.

The Eagle Kingdom has been severely weakened. Initially, we had hoped to muster our forces and completely eradicate the Eagle Royal Family. Unexpectedly, the Royal Family made a resolute decision and sent an envoy to request surrender. They are willing to submit to the Flame Kingdom and be demoted to a Grand Duchy. However, Liszt has yet to agree since the other party still possesses three dragons.

Maintaining control of three dragons within a Grand Duchy clearly crosses his bottom line. If the Eagle Kingdom truly wishes to surrender, then only one dragon may be kept.

And must be at Liszt's disposal at any time.

He poured a glass of juice for Emily, offering solace to the tireless Dragon Knight, then turned to Li Weiliam and said, "Father, I will attend the banquet briefly, but I will not participate in the formal negotiations, leaving the Outer Cabinet in full charge. Perhaps you could appropriately strategize with Prince Alex."

"Do you mean that, after the Eagle Kingdom is demoted, only the Dragon Knight, Alex, remains?"

"Yes, Dragon Knights are not easily fostered. As long as Alex knows to act in accordance with the times, I believe keeping him as a Dragon Knight is more meaningful than seizing the White Maw Iron Dragon," Liszt stated. This was an act of necessity; there were too few Dragon Knights in the Flame Kingdom, and it would take at least several decades to train a few more.

He did not plan to wait decades to conquer the Legendary Continent.

Uniting the world would be better sooner rather than later. He still needed to seek the Immortal Dragon in the Exiled Lands with Ach and then get busy creating offspring.

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Flame Calendar, Year 2, September.

The Crimson Gem Grand Duchy announced its incorporation into the Flame Kingdom. The former Grand Duke, Edward Deep Red Gem, offered the Crimson Gem Dragon to Liszt, changed his name to Edward Dandelion, and was appointed by Liszt as the Dandelion Duke.

Flame Calendar, Year 2, October.

The Pink Gemstone National Park declared its integration into the Flame Kingdom, continuing to follow Liszt in the form of a dukedom; the Purple Copper Duchy declared its integration into the Flame Kingdom, following Liszt in the form of a dukedom; the Emerald Duchy announced its integration into the Flame Kingdom, still following Liszt in the form of a dukedom.

Flame Calendar, Year 2, November.

After two and a half months of negotiations, the Eagle Royal Family officially pledged allegiance to the Flame Royal Family. Adonis Moonlight Silver abdicated the throne and was re-titled by Liszt as the Eagle Duke. Based on the foundation of the original King's Castle of the Eagle Kingdom, the territory of the Eagle Duchy was demarcated, with the Brass Dragon as the cornerstone of the duchy.

Simultaneously, the original Prince Alex White Iron was bestowed by Liszt the title of White Iron Grand Duke, retaining the White Maw Iron Dragon, and the territory of the White Iron Grand Duchy was established based on his former domain.

Moreover, another White Maw Iron Dragon from the Eagle Kingdom was presented as a tribute to Liszt.

Thus,

The Eagle Kingdom, with a history of nearly a thousand years, was completely relegated to the past, its territories entirely absorbed by the Flame Kingdom. The northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent reverted to a tripartite balance of power as before, only now

with the Flame Kingdom replacing the Eagle Kingdom while the Steel Ridge Kingdom and the Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom formed an alliance to resist.

In the face of the rapid rise of the Flame Kingdom, the Steel Ridge Kingdom and the Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom each issued condemnations, but they dared not intervene in the process.

They could only watch as the Flame Kingdom gradually assimilated and absorbed the resulting chaos, completing the granting of fiefs to and appeasing the nobles.

It wasn't until the approach of the new year that Liszt received a bit of news from the two kingdoms, thanks to intelligence gathered by Mary's Blood Servant.

"Your Majesty, the Dragon Knight, Duke Buffett from the Kushan Imperial, has already arrived in the Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom."

"The Kushan Imperial... Duke Buffett..." In a palace near the Doomsday Volcano Crater, Liszt looked up at a forty-five degree angle to the sky, "Have you found out what Ancient Artifact Buffett has brought?"

"Not yet."

"Keep looking."

"As you wish, Your Majesty."

Chapter 1124: Purifying the Ocean

Relying on the enormous profits from the Flame Kingdom's annexation of the Eagle Kingdom, the scale of the Blood Servants was also rapidly expanding as numerous Vampire families defected to the Flame Kingdom.

"Your Majesty, we are integrating the seven great Vampire families of the Eagle Kingdom; as per your instructions, as long as they are willing to defect and hand over their hearts, we shall provide them with a new Blood Magic cultivation system. The Vampires of the seven families have all made the correct choice."

Mary Dawn Break was increasingly showing the demeanor of a superior, transforming from a vampire that once eschewed the light, she had become the commander of the Blood Knights, nobly entering into the ranks of the nobility.

The rest of the Vampire sects have also become members of the Blood Knights, directly subordinate to the Burning Legion.

“He who knows the times is a wise man. These Vampire families have made the right choice. However, don’t have any reservations about their differentiation and suppression. Once they choose to join the Blood Knights, they are no longer Vampire families but can only become my Blood Servants.”

“Rest assured, Your Majesty, within half a year these seven great Vampire families will vanish into thin air; they can only exist in the form of Knight families, never to repeat any Vampire patterns again.”

“Very good.” Liszt was satisfied with Mary’s work, “You have worked for me for many years now. Although intelligence operations are not as clearly measurable as a knight’s charge, I am very clear about your contributions. Once the integration of the seven families is complete, I will give a special reward to you Blood Servants.”

“Your Majesty’s glory is my blessing; Mary is willing to serve Your Majesty till death,” Mary bent down to accept the reward.

Liszt smiled, “Mary, don’t consider Marquis to be the end of your titles. I hope you can soon establish commendable merits that satisfy me. By then, you will be the first among the Blood Servants to be promoted to Duke.”

“Duke?”

Mary was stunned, then she trembled with gratitude: “Your Majesty, Mary...” Her title was the Marquis of Reed City, as a Pureblood Vampire compared with other Knights and Arcanists, her strength was not outstanding, so she naturally did not dare to hope for a higher title.

“No need for thanks, serve me well by mastering the Blood Servants, and probe all the information you can gather.”



“As you wish!”

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Vampires were one of the legacies passed down from Ancient Warriors and Ancient Magicians. The Eagle Kingdom had several other secretive heritages, such as those Cloaked Pig-wearers, Gladiators, and Warriors with bronze-hued muscles. However, these legacies were already in decline, with the Knight system soon to subsume even the Magic system, not to mention these ancient practices.

Nevertheless, for the families of these secret heritages, Liszt still showed favoritism—the Royal Arcane Academy was very interested in these ancient systems, constantly striving to decode the secrets of cultivation, and attempting to improve upon the established systems of Dou Qi and Magic, with even Archmage Archy similarly intrigued.

Of course.

Now, apart from returning to the Royal Palace to enjoy pleasure with Liszt, Archmage Archy spent the rest of her time on Mount Mulagao Ding, deciphering the Moon Teleportation Circle.

Before the festive season arrived, her research finally bore fruit.

“Brother, Archy has mastered all the secrets of the Moon Teleportation Circle; simply by replicating the construction work of the original Moon Teleportation Circle, we can activate this circle that leads to the moon.” After a moment of pleasure, she lay on Liszt’s chest and shared the working principle of the Moon Teleportation Circle.

Liszt listened in a daze, and after finishing, he directly said, “Archy, tell me what you need, I will prepare it, and then leave the repair of the Moon Teleportation Circle to you.”

“Mm.”

When dawn came, Archy provided a list, with a litany of a hundred steps, each procedure requiring materials more precious than those needed to create a Magic Teleportation

Circle. It even required finding some never-before-seen treasures to maintain the operation of the Teleportation Circle.

“So you mean, I can’t afford to build it now?” He glanced at the form and then asked Dean Chris of the Royal Arcane Academy.

Chris glanced at Archmage Ach, who was deeply engrossed in reading, and nodded, “Yes, Your Majesty. Even after assimilating the territory of the Eagle Kingdom, the Kingdom’s finances still cannot cope. And during this time, you have asked us to submit plans for the construction of ten magic teleportation arrays, which will consume most of the Kingdom’s magical materials.”

Liszt had already tasked the Royal Arcane Academy with constructing ten magic teleportation arrays within the Eagle Kingdom’s territory to facilitate communication across the Kingdom’s vast lands.

Of these, five were meant to connect with five vassal states— Dragon must be at his beck and call at all times, ready to join the dragon-slaying war. He allows the existence of vassal states, but they must be under his absolute control to prevent any defection in the heat of battle.

“Since we can’t afford it, let’s set it aside for now,” Liszt rubbed his forehead, “Archy, the Kingdom will focus on assimilating the Eagle Kingdom during this time, which will delay our steps in uniting the three kingdoms. Meanwhile, discuss with the mermaids, we are preparing to start purifying the oceans.”

Purifying the oceans was the mermaids’ most awaited task.

Liszt had promised them, seeing as they had been behaving well during this period, he was ready to carry it out now.

“I understand, brother,” Ach nodded.

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The annual festival was grand, and Liszt’s fame could now be said to shock the entire Legendary Continent, his prestige having reached an unsurpassable level.

Amidst the lively celebrations, the Flame Calendar turned to its third year.

The Steel Ridge Kingdom and the Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom hadn't made any move against the Flame Kingdom, and Duke Barton of the Kushan Empire seemed to have vanished, with no indication of where he might be hiding.

January 15th, clear skies and gentle breezes.

Gigantic waves surged over the Devil's Sea, and currents roared within it; Liszt and his impressive entourage embarked on purifying the Devil's Sea.

He personally rode the Water Dragon Walter, accompanied by Sea Monster Magician Ach, Unicorn Charlie, and seven mermaids, along with a host carrying "iron frame submarines"—huge baskets welded from steel, used for transporting goods.

Upon entering the Devil's Sea, they quickly discovered many high towers constructed by devils.

Sensing the presence of living things, the devils rapidly disintegrated from the towers and furiously assaulted Liszt's party. Unfortunately, they were now confronting a super luxurious cleanup team. Once Ach mounted Unicorn Charlie, her magic was an overwhelming destructive force.

With Liszt and Water Dragon Walter united, they could easily purify devils, and with the assistance of the seven mermaids, one devil tower after another was thoroughly swept away.

The Yu Chou followed behind, packing the corpses of devils into iron frame submarines, which were immediately transported back to Anchor Island.

These devil corpses would be processed for purification at the overmarine laboratory on Anchor Island, where Ach had designed magic arrays capable of extracting the power of the Cursed Dragon.

“If the Cursed Dragon’s power is sufficient, perhaps we could use this power to resurrect a Cursed Dragon,” Liszt had inquired about this possibility with Ach.

Ach couldn’t predict precisely, but she mentioned it was a possibility.

In any case, the Devil’s Sea operation was rapidly underway.

Chapter 1125: Butler and Shadow

The number of Devil Towers visibly diminished at a speed observable by the naked eye, which allowed Liszt to witness various types of devils that retained their forms from when they were alive.

There were devils who had fallen from mermaids, from Naga, and from Yu Chou, as well as half-human-half-crab, half-human-half-lobster, and half-human-half-shark devils. These were all intelligent species living in the Devil’s Sea, and they were subjects under the rule of the Mermaid Kingdom.

There were even devils formed from the fallen Sea Serpents.

Unfortunately, as the Devil’s Sea was polluted by the Cursed Dragon, no species escaped, all transformed into devils. The natural cleansing properties of the sea, after millions of years of washing, allowed the Devil’s Sea to regain vitality and various marine animals to reproduce. However, since the devils gathered into towers, they resisted the natural cleansing.

Until they were completely erased from the sea by Liszt and his men.

“The sea is truly vast, three months have passed, and only one-third of the Devil’s Sea has been cleansed,” Liszt, riding on the back of Water Dragon Walter, was quite emotional. “Even the Whale Fall of Leviathan cannot be seen more than four times; it shows how prosperous the Devil’s Sea was originally.”

Leviathan, a marine behemoth, now seems extinct, with only its body slowly sinking to the seabed, its nutrients nourishing the impoverished sea plagued by devils.

Compared to the coastal waters, life in the Devil’s Sea is still too scarce.

“After the devils are purified, the sea will one day recover its colorful past, but the intelligent rule of the Mermaid Kingdom will no longer exist,” Duke of the Great West-Eternia sadly sighed. She was the oldest mermaid, born in the polluted sea, but she still faintly saw a glimpse of the past prosperity.

The other six mermaids were not so lucky; they were born busy avoiding the pollution from the power of the Cursed Dragon, only hearing about the good old days of ancient times.

“Purify with full force, and by October this year, the cleansing of the Devil’s Sea can be completed. Crossing to the other side of the Devil’s Sea should then lead to the Mafa Continent.”

Liszt had great expectations for this.

He currently has four places under active exploration. The first is the moon, but it’s uncertain when the Moon Teleportation Circle will be repaired; the second is the Exiled Lands, where searching for the Immortal Dragon occurs, where his and Ach’s potential love could blossom.

The third place is the Mafa Continent across from the Devil’s Sea, according to the murals recorded in the legend, it should be where the Shadow Dragon died.

This place was under the Sun Empire in ancient times, it’s uncertain what it is like now, or what kind of existence the species polluted by the Shadow Dragon have turned into.

The fourth place is the Far North Land, where the sea is completely frozen, even the deep sea, with temperatures so low that not even dragons can explore. According to the legend in the murals, the Silent Dragon fell in the Far North Land; it’s unknown whether its body has decomposed.

“Ach, continue purifying the sea here, I’m going back first.”

“Alright, brother, go ahead with your tasks.”

Liszt did not continue with the team purifying the sea; he rode a dragon back to the Flame Kingdom himself, as too many affairs of the kingdom could not proceed without him.

After more than four months, the Eagle Kingdom has been completely replaced by the Flame Kingdom.

A vast territory is being surveyed by arcanists sent from the Royal Arcane Academy, holding sextants to measure the terrain and latitudes and longitudes, then drawing accurate maps to be archived.

The nobles all pledged allegiance, with most not undergoing any changes, still maintaining their original territories and even continuing their wasteful lives. However, just because Liszt is not acting against them now doesn't mean he won't in the future, as he already has plans to mobilize the knights of the entire country for the war of annexing three nations before it begins.

Let the war consume the decayed nobility and nurture a new class of nobles adapted to the Flame Kingdom system.

On the magician side, Liszt dispatched Archmage Lerald·Truth to rally. He gathered most of the magicians within the former Eagle Kingdom, bringing them into the Royal Arcane Academy for transformation to adapt to the Arcanist System as soon as possible.

It can be said that the Eagle Kingdom was transformed into the Flame Kingdom in a flash.

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Flame Calendar Year 3, July.

Inside a vast volcano crater within the territory of the former Eagle Kingdom, bubbling magma suddenly exploded, shooting out two flames. As the flames ascended, they rapidly transformed into a gigantic Fire Dragon obscuring the sky and a tiny human.

The human landed on the Dragon Tooth Platform of the Fire Dragon.

Unity of Man and Dragon.

Flying off into the distance.

It was Liszt and Leo.

With eyes slightly closed, a cold smirk appeared on Liszt's lips: "Leo, do you feel it? Destiny is telling me, some people can't resist anymore and have started targeting me."

"Oh wow!"

"Pity, they don't know I'm already on the verge of controlling destiny. Their every move is within my control."

"Oh wow!"

"Let's go, since they think they have prepared a trap that can kill me, how could I not attend? The mantis stalks the cicada, unaware of the oriole behind. Do they think they are the mantis or the oriole?"

Soon enough, one man and one dragon returned to the temporary royal palace—the original palace of the Eagle Royal Family, which now serves as Liszt's palace.

"Your Majesty, you have returned." The palace butler, along with servants, bowed in welcome.

"Arrange the dinner."

"As you wish."

Dinner was a solo affair for Liszt. Emily, Paris, Hippolyta, Lucy, and Rose, none of his companions had come to this palace; after all, Liszt was here near the Volcano Crater to train, not to indulge in pleasures of the flesh, focusing on his training.

To break the barrier sooner, to rule the world sooner.

“Your Majesty, would you like to taste the wine from Doppler Estate tonight, or the dark beer from the Ceva Lian Highlands?”

“Bring some fresh orange juice.” Liszt glanced at his butler, who was dispatched from the Flame Kingdom’s royal palace. Each temporary palace harbored a servant from the Flame Kingdom as butler. This young butler had neatly combed hair and stood ramrod straight.

Under the glint of the light, his shadow was almost invisible.

The butler stepped back, signaling the serving boys to bring over the juice, then personally held the bottle, wiped the bottle’s mouth with a napkin, and poured the golden orange juice into Liszt’s glass.

Just as Liszt picked up a piece of foie gras from his plate, preparing to eat.

Suddenly, the butler threw away the juice bottle, flicked his sleeve, and a dagger popped out, stabbing fiercely towards Liszt’s heart.

Snap.

Liszt quickly grabbed the butler’s wrist, shaking off the dagger, his lips curving into a mocking smile: “You are but an ordinary man, why try to play at assassination?”

The butler didn’t reply, just chuckled sinisterly, then black blood flowed from his mouth, having bitten the poison in his teeth, committing suicide.

The mocking smile stayed on Liszt’s face, he lightly stomped on the butler’s shadow.

Instantly.

The butler’s shadow trembled like water ripples, a blurred figure emerged, bleeding while transforming into a naked man.

He still held a golden goblet adorned with colorful gemstones in his hands.



“Another King of Shadows? Emperor Jupiter does really invest heavily; pity, if you sent a Shadow Dragon, you might kill me, but just a King of Shadows with an ancient artifact, what can you do.” He signaled the panicked servants and guards to continue their duties, bending down to pick up the golden goblet.

He played with it in his hands.

Chapter 1126: Ocean of Skeletons

The King of Shadows’ tongue had long been severed, rendering him speechless.

Liszt had no interest in interrogating him and simply eradicated him, while fiddling with a wine cup-shaped Ancient Artifact, sensing the effect of the equipment.

Regrettably, he could discern nothing: “The Knowledge Ancient Book is in Ach’s hands; I can’t identify it. Never mind, I’ll just put it away and wait for Ach to return.” To this day, he no longer needed any Ancient Artifacts to augment his strength, ensnared by the Power of Destiny, and as a Half-Step Barrier Knight, there were no rivals in the vast world.

“Your Majesty, are you alright?” On the next day, Emily returned to the palace castle.

Liszt smiled lightly: “Of course, I am unscathed.”

Emily earnestly agreed: “Yes, you are the most powerful Dragon Knight in the Legendary Continent, no petty thief or conspiratorial tactic can harm you.”

“Emily, since Emperor Jupiter has already made his move, and it was such a feeble attempt, I think we can accelerate the pace of unifying the northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent. Why don’t we start with the Knight War? You can oversee this war between Knights; we shall first campaign against the Steel Ridge Kingdom.”

“What are your requirements for the Knight War?”

“At least half of the active Knights must be eliminated.”

“Understood.”

Thus, the Knight War unfolded grandly, with large numbers of Knight Orders from the Flame Kingdom galloping to the frontier, battling with the Knight Orders of the Steel Ridge Kingdom.

Bard discovered several natural nodes in the border area, allowing Liszt to support at any moment and expel the Dragon Knights of the Steel Ridge Kingdom. Protected by the Dragon Knights or Dragons of the Flame Kingdom, the Knight Orders voraciously besieged and conquered territories, with many Knights falling, but even more joining.

Liszt’s renown also penetrated deep into the hearts of every Knight through each battle.

The war, starting in August, continued until December before temporarily concluding with the Flame Kingdom acquiring three thousand kilometers of territory. However, the greatest gains were not the robbed lands and resources, but rather three of the six subordinate nations of Steel Ridge Kingdom which had covertly submitted to the Flame Kingdom.

Maple Leaf Duchy, Azure Sapphire Duchy, and Honeysuckle Duchy.

Had the other three Duchies not been nonadjacent to Flame Kingdom, perhaps all six would have covertly communicated with Flame Kingdom, as anyone could see that Liszt’s momentum in sweeping through the northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent was unstoppable.

As the year-end festival approached.

The teams purifying the oceans finally completed the comprehensive cleansing of the Devil’s Sea, pulling out every single Devil Tower, and the devils’ corpses piled up like mountains on Anchor Island. The Arcanists were incessantly busy collecting the power of the Cursed Dragons and sealing it in enormous glass jars.

Glass is a specialty of the Flame Kingdom, and though it lacks the magical properties of crystal, its effectiveness in sealing Magic Power is quite admirable.

A large quantity of Cursed Dragon power accumulated, placed in section after section, condensing into one ferocious Magic Form Cursed Dragon after another.

For now, Liszt did not know how to deal with this Cursed Dragon power, he wanted to attempt resurrecting a Cursed Dragon but was extremely cautious about the nature of Evil Dragons. Moreover, the complexity of the operations needed to resurrect using merely some Cursed Dragon power was immensely challenging.

Thus, he put it aside for the time being.

“Father, for this year’s year-end festival of the Flame Kingdom, you shall take my place hosting it.” Liszt, having presided over several year-end festivals consecutively, felt weary.

Li Weiliam curiously asked, “Aren’t you hosting this year?”

“I’m thinking of taking a long trip, taking advantage of this break in the war to fully enjoy the scenery of this world.” These words were half true, half false.

Actually, after Ach led the mermaids to purify the Devil’s Sea, the route to the Mafa Continent had already been cleared.

Li Weiliam shrugged noncommittally: “If that’s the case, go and enjoy yourself outside. I will take care of the daily affairs of the kingdom for you. However, don’t be away for too long. After the New Year’s festival, the Steel Ridge Kingdom might react quite fiercely.”

“Don’t worry, father. With Bard’s help, even though I am millions of miles away, I can return to the Flame Kingdom at any time.”

After finishing the kingdom’s affairs, Liszt left the Sun Moon Star Palace quickly, crossing the Devil’s Sea with Ach and many mermaids, heading towards the Mafa Continent. Every day Ach would use the sextant to position and chart the route, while determining their current location.

The area of the Devil’s Sea is far larger than that of the Legendary Continent. After crossing the Devil’s Sea, it took nearly two more days before they finally saw land.

The landscape of the land was not much different from the Legendary Continent, and they even discovered Elf Bugs.

However, there were no traces of either the Little Minor Elves or Greater Elves.

“The Mafa Continent must not have been polluted by the power of the Moon Dragon. Here, ancient magic rules still apply, and the plants can only nurture Elf Bugs,” Ach caught an Elf Bug and said, “Ach doesn’t feel any evolutionary power from this Elf Bug, it’s different from those on the Legendary Continent.”

Liszt also caught an Elf Bug and made a pact with it, guiding the Power of Destiny to surround the bug, but then shook his head in disappointment after a moment: “Indeed, I also didn’t feel it has the potential to break its own destiny; perhaps this type of Elf Bug was just a material used to make magic dust in ancient times.”

During the era of the Moon Empire, magicians were not kind to Elf Bugs at all; they were captured to make magic dust to help magicians break through.

He ordered the Elf Bug to gather the cordyceps, then placed them into a jade box to carry with him, taking Ach’s hand, “Let’s go further into the depths of the Mafa Continent.”

Bard flapped his wings and flew.

From high in the sky overlooking the boundless wilderness, Liszt soon spotted the remains of a civilization hidden under the cover of a forest.

After landing and investigating, although the buildings were ancient and their original appearances had faded, there were many traces of the Child of the Sun civilization, such as some of the characters, which were similar to the Sun Script that Liszt knew, indicating that this was a relic of the ancient Sun Empire.

While the two were carefully examining the ancient buildings, the earth suddenly shook, followed by the soil beneath the forest being pushed up.

Skeletons, flickering with ghostly fire, crawled up from below the ground, surrounding them.

These skeletons were humanoid, animal-shaped, and even Liszt saw a dragon-shaped skeleton. Unlike Bone Dragon Vinnie, which flickered with a pale blue flame, this dragon-shaped skeleton, like the other skeletons, had only crimson ghostly fires flickering in its eye sockets, looking ferocious and terrifying.

“So many skeletons, brother, these must be creatures contaminated by the Shadow Dragon after its death, right?” Ach casually set up a Water Wave Shield, isolating them from the surroundings.

Liszt quickly captured a humanoid skeleton and returned to Ach’s side: “Indeed, there’s a special power surrounding the skeletons that is not within the magic rules we know, it must be the power derived from the Shadow Dragon breaking through the barriers, already involving the rules.”

“Could it be the mental rules, material rules, or magic rules?”

“Not sure, better leave it to you to research. Let’s leave this place first.” Liszt stuffed the skeleton into a Space Ring, then carried Ach before mounting Formless Dragon Bard.

With a loud cry of “Wuu Yi Ya,” they burst out from the circle of skeletons, flying higher and higher, and saw more and more skeletons crawling out around the entire ruins, forming a sea of white skeletons. Without making any sound, they just flickered with crimson ghostly fires, watching the two leave.

#### Chapter 1127: The Fall of Steel Ridge

The skeletons’ gaze weighed heavily on Liszt’s heart. Before setting foot on the Mafa Continent, he was filled with curiosity about this vast land and believed he could find many wondrous things among its denizens, like Elves, Dragons, and Sub-dragons.

However, after several days of exploration, he discovered the entire continent was buried in skeletons, countless and endless. One could imagine the horror when the Shadow Dragon fell upon this land. It was no wonder that the Child of the Sun was utterly annihilated; such a natural disaster was not something that human strength could reverse.

With the death of the Cursed Dragon, the oceans were obliterated; with the death of the Shadow Dragon, the Mafa Continent faced ruin; fortunately, the Silent Dragon fell in the Far North Lands, sparing most life from its corruption.

“Brother, do the skeletons of the Mafa Continent need purifying?” Ach inquired.

“First, find the natural node. Build a Magic Teleportation Array on the Mafa Continent, and after I have unified the Legendary Continent, we will come to purify the Mafa Continent.” The Mafa Continent now was an undeveloped virgin land, but the existence of skeletons made development exceedingly difficult.

He currently lacked the population to even develop the territories of the Flame Kingdom, let alone come here to develop — it would have to wait for the future.

After locating the natural node, Bard pinpointed its location, then tore through the material boundary, taking Liszt, Ach, and Unicorn Charlie, swiftly crossing the vast distance, back to the Sun Moon Star Palace.

Ach took charge of the laboratory again, engaging in her magical experiments and research.

Liszt led the Dragons to the front lines, presiding over this year’s new Punishment Order, initiating a military invasion against the Steel Ridge Kingdom, with a multitude of Knight Orders rushing to the front.

“Your Majesty, an envoy from the Steel Ridge Royal Family requests an audience.”

“Have Duke Li Weiliam represent me, meet with the envoy, and tell Duke Li Weiliam that my bottom line is for the Steel Ridge Royal Family to surrender and relinquish the throne. They may keep the Grand Duke title.” Liszt spoke, hands behind him, gazing into the sky, “Beyond that, any negotiation is unnecessary.”

Three days later.

Li Weiliam presented the negotiation results to Liszt: “Unexpectedly, the Platinum Family is indeed willing to give up the throne, retaining only the Grand Duke title.”

“They must have other demands, right?”

“The Steel Ridge Royal Family wants to keep their Dragons.”

“All of their Dragons?”

“Yes.”

Liszt let out a cold laugh: “Father, you can directly refuse and tell them that the Steel Ridge Royal Family may retain no more than three Dragons. If they do not agree, I will personally start the Dragon Slaying War. By then, the Platinum Family might not be able to save even one Dragon.”

“I think Osborne Platinum will likely not agree.”

“Whether he agrees or not doesn’t matter. The whole situation is within my control. If they agree, it simply spares me the effort; if they don’t, I will personally erase them. The outcome will be the same.”

Li Weiliam negotiated with the envoy again.

The outcome was as expected: they parted on bad terms.

And so, the Dragon Slaying War swiftly approached. This time, the Steel Ridge Royal Family joined forces with the Blast Furnace Fortress Royal Family, deploying fifteen Dragons, including ten Dragon Knights, to hunt down Liszt. Faced with such a formidable array of Dragon Knights, Liszt showed no fear.

As soon as the enemy forces began to assemble, he would retreat to avoid their edge. The moment they showed any signs of dispersion, he would directly command the Formless Dragon Bard to launch an attack, followed by unleashing Fire Dragon Leo. In an instant, he transformed into a Half-Step Bastion Knight, launching a combo attack with dragon and rider together, slaying the Dragon Knights, who could not escape death, while many dragons were left seriously injured.

Utilizing this method, he killed three Dragon Knights and severely wounded three dragons, causing the Dragon Knight Legion to collapse and flee in disarray.

Sadly, fleeing was utterly pointless.

Even the fastest Dragon Knight couldn't outrun a Formless Dragon that could move through space. Then they would be met by Dragon Knight Liszt descending from the heavens.

"King Liszt, Your Majesty the King, spare me!" a Dragon Knight pleaded in terror, shivering uncontrollably.

The dragon beneath him suddenly flipped him off, causing him to fall from the sky, followed by a blast of Dragon Breath, melting the Dragon Knight on the spot.

Dragons are known for their backlash. Proud by nature, dragons would never tolerate such Dragon Knights. Except for the First Dragon Knights, dragons could turn on their riders, but after such backlash, even the dragons would suffer great trauma at the soul level.

"Such a proud dragon. Let me use the power of fate to heal your wounds."

The dragon roared and charged, fighting to the death, but under the crushing force of absolute power, it was ultimately left severely injured by Liszt, falling unconscious.

All the unconscious dragons were swiftly transported back to the Sun Moon Star Palace by Liszt, where Ach bound them, to be reserved for a Mind Battle at a later date.

In a short span of time.

The collapsing Dragon Knight Legion was broken one by one by Liszt, with not a single one of the ten Dragon Knights escaping. Fifteen dragons managed to flee, with only one making it back to the Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom due to the far distance of the natural node preventing immediate pursuit.

A day later, Liszt, accompanied by his group of dragons, went straight to the King's Castle of the City of Steel in the Steel Ridge Kingdom. Upon his arrival there,

Osborne Platinum, accompanied by the Kingdom's sole remaining Platinum Dragon, crouched at his feet: "Great Flame King, Osborne Platinum is willing to represent the Steel



Ridge Kingdom in surrendering to the Flame Kingdom. From now on, the Platinum Family shall honor you as master, offering loyalty and courage.”

“If only you had known better from the start.” Liszt looked at the prostrate Osborne. The once far-famed name that resounded throughout the Duchy of Sapphire now fell before him, evoking myriad emotions. He generously waved his hand, “From now on, the Platinum Family will watch over the Grand Duchy of Steel Ridge and live your lives well.”

Then,

He saw an old acquaintance lingering at the White Gold Tooth Palace, Mathew of the Red and White Roses, who once bought friendship through sheer wealth. His handsome face bore no trace of pride now, only awkwardness and fear: “Your Majesty Liszt.”

“Mathew, long time no see.”

“Ah, yes, Your Majesty, it has been a while.” Mathew bowed in respect, “Mathew offers the highest regards of the Red and White Rose Family to you.”

“The Red and White Rose Family can continue to rule their own Grand Duchy. Mathew, this is my reciprocation for the friendship between us,” Liszt helped Mathew to his feet, “However, the Platinum Magic Potion and Red Dragon Water produced by the Red and White Rose Family can only be supplied to the Flame Kingdom from now on.”

Mathew was overjoyed, nodding without hesitation: “Of course, from now on, the Red and White Rose Family will dedicate itself fully to serving the Flame Family, and will not sell a single drop of Platinum Magic Potion and Red Dragon Water to anyone else.”

“Get ready, Mathew, the territories of the Steel Ridge Kingdom are vast. I will rely on your help,” Liszt said with a smile.

“It would be my honor to serve you, Your Majesty.”

Chapter 1128: Grand Finale

In the 4th year of the Flame Calendar, Liszt Flame annexed the Steel Ridge Kingdom.

In the 5th year of the Flame Calendar, Liszt Flame annexed the Blast Furnace Fortress Kingdom, completing the unification of the northeastern corner of the Legendary Continent.

In the 6th year of the Flame Calendar, Ach, relying on Jade Dragon legs, successfully replicated the power of dreams, cultivating a large number of Mind Fruit Trees and nurturing a large batch of Bewildering Dragon Mind Fruits.

Liszt then relied on a large quantity of Bewildering Dragon Mind Fruits to tame numerous dragons captured from defeated Kingdoms.

In the 7th year of the Flame Calendar, Flame Kingdom completed the resource allocation among vassal states, dragons, elves, nobles, and arcanists. Liszt Flame was officially crowned Emperor, with the Empire named Flame Imperial and the Emperor's title as Liszt the Great Emperor.

That year, Flame Imperial had 32 direct subordinate dragons, and the only Dragon Knights were still Liszt himself, along with Emily and Hippolyta. There were twelve vassal states within the Empire, retaining fifteen dragons. All vassal states had signed agreements that their dragons would unconditionally accept Liszt's dispatch.

In the 11th year of the Flame Calendar, after four peaceful years, the Smoke Dragon that Liszt had been nurturing in his mind for several years was finally successfully hatched. However, the Smoke Dragon did not show the physical form of a dragon but fused with Liszt, allowing him to have the ability to turn his body into smoke and completely master the Power of Destiny.

At the same time.

Through his control over the Power of Destiny, he also found the true history of ancient times—the Sacred Dragon did not betray the Magic Dragon nor was it a traitorous dragon communicating with the Moon Dragon.

Instead, as humanity highly evolved and order increasingly escaped the control of the Magic Dragon, to clear this unrestrained trend, the Magic Dragon indulged the Three Great Evil Dragons, using the power of the Evil Dragons to thoroughly corrupt the Sun

Empire and Vast Ocean, and even planned to pollute the Moon Empire with the Silent Dragon.

In the end, they were thwarted by the Sacred Dragons.

A part of the magicians who knew the truth, along with the Sacred Dragon, set foot on the moon, activated the life will of the moon, nurtured the Moon Dragon, and attempted to eradicate the Magic Dragon.

Unfortunately, after the great war, the Moon Dragon and Sacred Dragon fell, the Immortal Dragon fled to the Exiled Lands, and the Magic Dragon was merely severely wounded and fell into a coma.

The era of magic gradually declined with the severe injury of the Magic Dragon, and the era of knights officially began.

The Smoke Dragon inherited the Power of Destiny, pulling Liszt's soul from the timeline of another dimension, quietly preparing for another eradication of the Magic Dragon without alarming it, to prevent the Magic Dragon from spying into the timeline of destiny.

The Smoke Dragon completely annihilated its own soul, becoming a part of order, and once it was annihilated, destiny became a state of chaos, even the Magic Dragon could not probe it.

“So it is, I am that chosen child, coming to this magical world to save it,” Liszt said with high fighting spirit.

At this time, Jela also “liked” him and gradually evolved into a Dragon Elf.

With Jela becoming a Dragon Elf, the Power of Destiny within her was still strong, vaguely revealing the shadow of the Elf Dragon. And Liszt knew very well, if he was the incarnation of the Smoke Dragon, then Jela was the incarnation of the Elf Dragon—it would no longer resurrect as an Elf Dragon.

But it would become an Elf King, surpassing the Elf Dragon.

Jela would lead the elves, becoming a friendly partner to humans, rather than being used to create Magic Dust.

In the 12th year of the Flame Calendar, Flame Imperial declared war on the Kushan Imperial. After three years, it removed Kushan Imperial from the Legendary Continent, and the territory of Flame Imperial was on par with Neverfall Empire and Blue Dragon Empire.

In the 15th year of the Flame Calendar.

The Flame Empire once again assimilated several kingdoms, expanding its territory southward. Also, in this year, Liszt and Leo finally fully grasped the rules of flame, broke through the barriers, and became Bastion Knights, surpassing Dragon Knights as the controllers of the rules. From then on, wherever there was flame, there was the power of Leo.

Subsequent three years.

Liszt carried out decapitation strikes, riding the adult Bard across the Legendary Continent, and then relying on the power of Leo, he completed attacks on all Dragon Rearing Families, Royal Families, and Imperial Houses.

Flame Calendar year 18.

The Legendary Continent was finally unified, and the Flame Empire became the sole ruler of the Legendary Continent, with Liszt's number of dragons also swelling to over a hundred.

Flame Calendar year 22, the Moon Teleportation Circle was repaired, but regrettably, with the death of the Moon Dragon, the moon had become barren, and all creatures withered away.

Jela, emotionally struck by the scene, officially evolved from a Dragon Elf into an Elf King, and it stayed on the moon, preparing to re-nurture the creatures of the moon.

Flame Calendar year 23, Ach found the gateway to the Exiled Lands and entered with Liszt. In the Exiled Lands, a dimension that lacked both time and space, they found the

dying Immortal Dragon. The Immortal Dragon, severely wounded by the Magic Dragon, could no longer recover.

It bestowed its last life force to Liszt and Ach, enabling them to successfully conceive their love child—Ach was finally pregnant.

Flame Calendar year 25, Ach was still pregnant, and in this year, Liszt, who was charging towards the barriers with Bard, discovered the Magic Dragon hiding beyond space and time, awakening from its slumber.

To contend with the Magic Dragon,

Liszt had to act quickly; he gathered the Power of Destiny of the Shadow Dragon, the Cursed Dragon, and the Silent Dragon, rapidly elevating his own Smoke Dragon incarnation to the Bastion realm.

Flame Calendar year 28.

Ach gave birth to a male infant, whom Liszt named Li Dalong, fostering him as the heir to the Flame Empire.

And Li Dalong's older brothers and sisters, as well as his future younger brothers and sisters, still bore the surname Flame. These siblings are the progeny of Emily, Paris, Hippolyta, Lucy, Ruth, and other women for Liszt, with several having reached adulthood.

The adult progeny were all enfeoffed, developing their domains with the titles of Duke. The Flame Family was destined to be the most prestigious family in the Legendary Continent, and even in the entire world of the Magic Sphere and the Moon.

Mentioning the Flame Family, anyone would show respect and exclaim in admiration, "Dragon Blood Family."

Because Liszt had once shown his transformation into a Smoke Dragon, he was a dragon himself—although he also possessed Phoenix bloodline, unfortunately, the name of the phoenix did not resonate as loudly as that of the dragon.

Flame Calendar year 30.

It was the thirty-eighth year since Liszt came to this world, and the Magic Dragon fully awoke, meeting Liszt in a world beyond the material.

Man and dragon faced each other in communication. The Magic Dragon persisted in believing that Liszt was a contaminant of this world, that humans of the knight era had deviated from order and must be purged.

Thus, the communication failed, and a grand battle occurred.

Even though it was just the Magic Dragon recovering from serious injuries, it still possessed an immeasurable formidable power. After fighting fiercely with Liszt, who was aided by a group of dragons, for a full seven years, the Magic Dragon was finally slain. The dragons surrounding him also fell one after another, with only a dozen or so surviving.

The power of the Magic Dragon surged, leading to a brief resurgence of magic, but it was ultimately replaced by Dou Qi.

This battle is not recorded in history, and the common people are unaware of the true course of history; they have become accustomed to the rule of the Flame Imperial.

Arcanists, like scientists, continuously improve people's livelihoods, and the fusion of magic power and technology has led to booming productivity, ensuring even the lowest serfs are well-fed. Under nearly forty years of rule by the Flame Imperial, the Legendary Continent entered an era of peace and prosperity.

With the extensive construction of Magic Teleportation Arrays, the Flame People began to migrate to the Mafa Continent and even the moon.

After the war with the Magic Dragon ended, Li Si Te (Liszt) was severely injured, spending a full ten years recovering in his own palace until the year 47 of the Flame Calendar when he fully healed.

It was also in this year that Liszt the Great Emperor passed the imperial throne to the mere nineteen-year-old Li Dalong. He spent time with the aging Emily, Paris, and others, riding

dragons to roam mountains and waters, exploring every corner of the world until their lives came to an end.

Time swiftly moved on to the year 92 of the Flame Calendar.

When the last of his lovers, Lucy, lay in his arms and quietly drew her last breath, he felt as though he had no more attachments. It had been precisely a hundred years since he arrived in this world.

“Brother, Ach has found the path to another river of time. That should be where brother’s hometown is, right?” Ach was still as beautiful as a young girl.

He too looked the same, handsome and dashing, untouched by time on his face. Both he and Ach possessed long lifespans: “How can one cross this path to get there?”

With a sweet smile, Ach replied, “The world rules of brother’s hometown are very rigid, not allowing the existence of supernatural powers. With brother and Ach’s current bodies, it’s likely impossible to pass through. However, if we abandon the shackles of the flesh and enter the river of time as souls, we can be reborn there.”

“Do you want to see brother’s hometown?”

“I do.”

“And if we are reborn, how can we ensure we’ll meet again?”

“Brother, Ach will give part of her soul to you, and you give part of your soul to Ach. Our incomplete souls will strive to find each other with every reincarnation.”

“Um, that would be best.” Liszt hugged Ach in his arms, “Dalong already has a grandchild. We have no more ties to this world... So, let’s go, brother will take you home.”

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Earth.

On April 16, 2019, Liszt, who was working overtime coding—his name wasn't Liszt; it was just his nickname, or rather the English name he used for coding—groggily got up from his computer desk, only to realize he had actually fallen asleep from 9 PM until 11:30 PM.

He hurriedly locked the company's door and rushed home.

Having not eaten dinner, he planned to buy a roujiamo to suffice, and while queuing up, he was unexpectedly bumped into. Turning around, he found a girl had somehow fallen over.

"Hey, are you okay?" He grabbed the girl's arm and helped her up.

"Ah, I'm fine, I'm fine, thank you." The girl stood up flustered, rubbing her knee which was just slightly scraped.

Liszt had intended to simply lend a helping hand and return to the queue after lifting the girl up, but when he saw her face.

For some reason, he even had a child's name picked out.

Then, from somewhere, he mustered the courage, quickly took out his phone, and awkwardly said, "Uh, can I add you on WeChat?"

"Ah?" The girl was startled for a moment, then shyly smiled, "Sure."

"Should I scan yours?"

"Okay."

After scanning the QR code and the friend request interface popped up, the girl's WeChat name was clearly "Ach." Liszt hurried to send the friend request: "I've added you, my name is Liszt's Landwalker Bird, please accept it."

The girl shook her phone, "Okay, I've accepted. Thank you so much for earlier."



Liszt grinned, "It was nothing."

"Then I should be going now, we'll chat later."

"Sure, we'll chat later."

He watched the girl's figure until she disappeared around the street corner, then abruptly turned back to the stand, "Boss, give me a roujiamo, with an extra sausage and two eggs!"