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Chapter 191 Surprise

"What is going on?!" Ivan gritted his teeth.

"Kh!" Vina blocked a Tier 1 beast with all her strength, but it still pushed her back by one meter. She was normally able to stop even a Tier 2 beast, so it was quite surprising.

Ivan fought against these beasts one by one, but his teammates ended up struggling against the other beasts.

"There they are!" A voice soon came from the side.

"!!!" Ivan raised his head and saw the reinforcement.

"Peel the enemies from the right!" Their leader waved his hand down, ordering the rest of the group.

Now that they had more numbers than the beasts, the fight shifted in their favor. Ivan skillfully killed one beast after another, astonishing the people. However, it didn't change the fact that he could only do this because of the reinforcement.

Hence, once it was over, Ivan gathered his group and politely thanked them. "Because of your help, our group manages to take these beasts down. Thank you."

The leader scratched the back of his head. "You end up being the one who kills most of them, so there is no need to thank us. Besides, the Libation Fiesta is the one making us realize what we should do in this situation."

"!!!" Ivan couldn't help but widen his eyes. In the end, everything led to Clovis. He didn't know what Clovis did, but he actually managed to change people's opinions even after all the rumors they had spread.

"Is there something wrong?" The leader asked innocently.

Ivan clenched his hands into fists as though he wanted to explode. But Elina tapped his back, reminding him not to take any action.

Ivan took a deep breath and shook his head. "It's nothing. We're thankful for your help, so we'll get going soon."

"We understand. These beasts are much stronger than normal, so if you don't mind, we can join hands in this expedition. In the end, we're representing our city and nation so that we won't be looked down upon by the OpenSky company."

Obviously, Ivan had no grudge against them. However, because Clovis was the one giving the idea, there was no way he would accept the invitation.

"Sorry. We'll get going now. You guys can take the beasts as our gratitude."

"Alright." The leader didn't insist and took a step back, watching them leave.

Inside the forest, the people had actually combined two or three groups into one and started overwhelming the beasts.

Their hunt became much more effective, and if they could show a lot of results, they would still be favored by the OpenSky company.

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Meanwhile, Clovis immediately went separate ways after saving a few groups, hoping they would spread his name.

While it was true that they were important, Clovis's goal remained the same. Now that he didn't have to worry about the others, it would be time for him to head to his original destination.

After cutting down a lot of beasts standing in their way, Clovis finally reached the inner part of the forest, specifically the location of one of the Tier 3 beasts.

The beast that became their first target was a frog. Clovis's group was living inside the swamp area far from the center of the forest. There would be no one who could steal their kills in this place.

In addition, this was a new terrain for them. The swamp before them consisted of a large pond with a shape similar to that of a meandering river. However, they could see the end of the pond and there was no flow, which abandoned the possibility of a river.

There were a lot of lands around, which would be convenient for them.

"That's our target, huh? Beelzebufo." Kanaira squinted her eyes, observing this frog. "It was supposed to live during the Late Cretaceous period. They had a broad, squat body with powerful hind limbs adapted for jumping. It had a large mouth and strong jaws. Looking at its size, the body should weigh about half a ton and be two meters in height."

"Jay. We don't know if we can defeat the real Tier 3 beast, so we'll go all out from the start. Kanaria will focus on eliminating all the beasts around us, but if they happen to reach our position, we'll deal with them personally."

"Got it." Kanaria nodded.

Jay didn't reply immediately. Instead, he asked, "So, we'll force the frog out of the water?"

"Yeah. We don't know what kind of creatures are inside the swamp, so we'll have to be careful." Clovis nodded.

"Still, Beelzebufo, huh? Why not call it Beelzebub? Wait. Beelzebub is a fly, right?" Jay tilted his head in confusion.

"What are you thinking?" Clovis shook his head helplessly. "Anyway, frog meat is supposed to be a delicacy, right?"

"Yep. I think they're good..." Kanaria nodded and pointed at the screen in her Skyglasses. "Look, even Melody is searching for the recipe online."

They chuckled. Clovis waved his hand and said, "Alright. Let's begin the hunt. I wonder how many Tier 3 beasts we can hunt in this place."

Kanaria nodded and jumped into the tree, taking her position. Jay stood up while unsheathing his blade.

Clovis and Jay immediately came out of the bushes and ran toward the swamp. There was a five-meter gap that separated them from the frog.

Without hesitation, Jay leaped into the air after strengthening the muscles on his thighs. With his extraordinary muscle, covering ten meters was easy. He could even reach the third floor with a single leap.

On the other hand, Clovis tossed his short sword to the branch on the other side and swung like a Tarzan.

However, he soon noticed a popping bubble on the water's surface. A pair of eyes actually emerged, finding Clovis.

He witnessed it in slow motion, allowing him to move his sword to the front.

Right after he passed this pair of eyes, a huge crocodile leaped into the air, trying to bite him.

Roar!

"!!!" Clovis waved his sword while spinning his body, trying to avoid it. However, the beast was so violent and strong that it slammed Clovis with its own body.

Bam!

Chapter 192 Recovering

Bam!

Clovis was slammed to the ground, causing him to roll a few times. The frog leaped into the air, planning to crush Clovis with its giant body.

As soon as Jay landed on the ground, he rushed to Clovis's side and swung his saber as hard as possible.

To his surprise, his blade couldn't penetrate the frog's skin because of a sticky liquid that coated the entire body. It even made his swing slide down the frog's body.

In the end, Jay used his entire body weight to deflect the frog's trajectory, barely avoiding Clovis.

Kanaria was pointing her rifle at these beasts, but she hadn't shot yet, not wanting to reveal her location. In addition, due to the commotion earlier, the beasts around the area had woken up.

"..." Kanaria's expression turned serious as she heard Melody's voice through the receiver in her right ear.

"Sorry. It's my mistake. I've miscalculated the beasts in the area, especially in the water." Melody was watching the live footage while searching for information about that crocodile. "You should end this fight as quickly as possible if you don't want to die."

"What do you mean?"

"That crocodile is *Sarcosuchus*. It lived in the early Cretaceous period and was known as a giant crocodilian. In its adult phase, it can easily reach twelve meters. It looks like this crocodile is only 7 meters long, but it's only a Tier 2 beast. There are a lot of beasts coming to the location as well."

Kanaria's expression turned grim. She checked the radar to make sure there were no beasts around her. After that, she pointed her rifle at one of the incoming beasts. "You heard her, guys."

Clovis had stood up and looked at the crocodile. "Jay."

Jay clenched his sword, thinking that he would be fighting the crocodile instead of the frog. This was what usually happens, after all. Clovis would fight against the higher-tier beast.

However, Clovis asked, "You can take care of a mere frog while I defeat this crocodile, right?"

"Foolish question." Jay smiled, feeling fired up. When they were about to move, the frog's cheek bloated for a second before it shot out its tongue.

The tongue was extremely long, reaching as far as five meters.

"Clovis!" Kanaria warned him.

Clovis glanced at the tongue once before focusing back on the crocodile. It wasn't that he wasn't scared of the tongue that was coming at him. It was that Jay was already there, striking the tongue.

"Ha!" Jay roared. Just like its skin, he failed to cut the tongue. However, this was what he actually needed if he wanted to deflect it.

While swinging downward, Jay pushed his center of gravity down, giving him an instant surge of strength.

Bam!

The tongue hit the ground next to Clovis, barely missing him. The tongue was extremely heavy and powerful as the area it hit earlier turned into a small crater.

While Jay managed to deflect the tongue, Clovis had to take care of the crocodile.

It rushed toward him with his jaws wide open.

Clovis swung his blade as hard as possible to test the crocodile's strength, but all of a sudden, the crocodile bit the sword and used its entire body to take it away from Clovis.

Clovis tightened his grip and followed the movement of the crocodile. To stop the crocodile, he thrust the short sword into the crocodile's eye.

The crocodile had no other choice but to let go of the sword before tilting its head to the other side. The tough skin bounced the sword away while the tail carried the momentum and hit Clovis from the other side.

Bam!

Clovis felt the impact that contained all that weight, but he still managed to endure it thanks to his clothes.

He used his right foot to support his body and hurriedly impaled the crocodile's body with the long sword.

Crack!

To his surprise, even impaling the skin wasn't enough.

In addition, Jay was using all his strength to cut the frog but also failed to penetrate the skin. With the roars echoing around the area, they probably only had several minutes to take them down.

'Three minutes...' Clovis muttered inwardly, assessing their current situation. He remembered what the frog could actually do, so he hurriedly tossed the short sword into the frog's eye.

The frog closed its eyelid, causing the short sword to slide away.

"!!!" Jay didn't expect that Clovis would interfere in this fight, but the frog's next action explained everything.

The frog's cheek bloated once again, so Jay wanted to deflect it for him. However, Clovis shouted, "Don't!"

Jay's pupils moved to the corner, finding Clovis standing on top of the raging crocodile.

When the frog shot its tongue, Clovis stepped to the side and placed the long sword on the crocodile's skin.

The tongue hammered the long sword like a nail, shattering the hard skin.

Roar! The crocodile was wailing in pain, not understanding why the human's attack was able to penetrate his skin.

Noticing his blunder, the frog hurriedly retracted its tongue, but Jay actually got an idea after seeing Clovis.

While it was true that the frog's skin was slippery, there were a few parts with the thinnest layer of skin.

He ran to a tree and used it to jump straight to the frog's eye. He positioned his saber in front of him so that he looked like an arrow.

His aim was the frog's eye. The frog closed its eyes while rolling the tongue, but it was futile. He acted like a nail being hammered so that even if it was slippery, it would move past the slippery layer and pierced through the skin.

Heeee!

The frog screamed as Jay's plan worked. His saber pierced through the eyelid, but it was still unable to completely defeat the slippery liquid, which caused the trajectory to change.

The saber only pierced two centimeters into the eyelid before sliding to the side.

Jay used this chance to slash the eye instead.

Heee!

Chapter 193 Killing the Crocodile

Clovis smiled, seeing that Jay was able to do the same. He couldn't lose to him.

Now that his blade had impaled the crocodile's body, he shifted his grip a little bit and ripped apart the hard skin like a crowbar.

The crocodile hurriedly escaped and shook its body so that Clovis couldn't do any more damage.

After that, he turned around and leaped into the air.

Clovis wanted to avoid it, but he immediately changed his plan when seeing the soft skin on the front part. He blocked the crocodile's jaws and allowed the crocodile to push him down. At the same time, he tossed his short sword to the side.

When he was about to go down, Clovis pulled himself to the side with the chain attached to his short sword so that he didn't have to bear the entire weight of this crocodile.

In addition, he made sure his right hand maintained the position of his long sword.

When the crocodile started to fall, the long sword pierced through the softer skin, allowing the crocodile's weight to make the wound deeper until it pierced through the other side.

Bam!

The crocodile fell to the ground, shocked by the excruciating pain. Clovis tilted his body toward the crocodile while taking out his short sword.

He stabbed the cracked skin from earlier and broke it apart. The crocodile shook its body and ended up pushing him away.

Clovis managed to stop his momentum by holding on to the chain. Now that both sides had been wounded, Clovis hurriedly pulled out his pistol.

His focus was on the injured part so that he could deepen the wound.

Bang!

Bang!

Bang!

The continuous gunshots echoed through the forest.

Some of the beasts were closing in, but there were another series of gunshots coming from a different direction.

Each shot hit its target as the beasts began to fall down after two or three shots.

Kanaria was looking at the surroundings, calculating the distance between each beast and Clovis before shooting the closest one.

"Kanaria. Two beasts are coming from behind."

Kanaria glanced at the radar and took out the grenade. Melody wasn't the only one who could use a grenade.

She tossed it to the incoming beasts.

One of them leaped away, while the other one reacted too late and took the full brunt of the explosion. The explosion also caused a shock wave that blasted both of them to the sides.

The one that got hit was already half-dead, while the other one fell to the ground. When it was about to go up, the beast saw Kanaria's gun muzzle right before its eyes.

Bang!

After killing the two beasts, Kanaria turned around and started covering Clovis and Jay again.

Jay still had a hard time inflicting some wounds on the frog, but Clovis was toying the crocodile around.

Each shot from him caused the blood and flesh to spurt out of the crocodile's body.

The crocodile also had to take out the sword on its belly. Because of its weight, the sword ended up tilting, which widened the wound he had. That was why, before it could crawl back to the water, it had to take out this sword first.

The crocodile spun its body, exposing the soft skin to Clovis. He hurriedly shot a few times, each bullet penetrating the flesh. At the same time, he swung the short swords at full speed, delivering seven cuts in just two seconds.

When the crocodile grabbed the sword's handle and tried to pull it out, Clovis stomped the crocodile until the sword's tip hit the ground before shouting, "Jay!"

Jay glanced to the side, understanding what Clovis wanted. Without hesitation, he turned around and disengaged from combat.

The frog tried to stop him, but Clovis shot the frog with all his bullets. When Jay arrived, he rotated his sword and hit Clovis's sword's handle with the back of his sword, hammering it back deep. This time, the sword also impaled the ground, which made it even harder to pull out. In fact, it looked like the crocodile ended up getting stuck on his back.

Clack!

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The magazine was empty, so Clovis was unable to suppress the frog anymore. However, it didn't matter. Jay had finished his job in assisting Clovis and already turned back.

Still, the first attack the frog used was its tongue. Because Clovis was right behind him, he had to block this tongue.

The tongue hit him hard as though he was hit by a car.

Jay gritted his teeth, enduring some pain on his left wrist. His left hand became a bit numb, but it was still usable.

After blocking this tongue, he looped around the tongue and approached the frog from the right. He even moved closer to the tree, making the frog think he would do the same trick as the one he used to slash its eye.

Meanwhile, Clovis reloaded his pistol before shooting the crocodile again and again while his short sword slit the crocodile's belly.

Arrr! The crocodile struggled, trying to pull out from the sword.

Unfortunately for the crocodile, it was one step too late. When it managed to break free, there were simply too many wounds on in its body. Its consciousness had become fuzzy.

Clovis stabbed the crocodile's back multiple times, worsening its injuries. After another ten strikes, the crocodile finally succumbed to its wound.

"Ha..." Clovis let out a long breath. While he wasn't injured, killing the crocodile took a lot of stamina.

In addition, he had to take on the frog next.

Before heading to the frog, Clovis took a look at his surroundings, making sure that no beast came close. After that, he moved toward the frog, which only had three injuries, one in the eye and the other two on its body.

Clovis pulled out the long sword from the crocodile's body. After that, he approached the frog from the left as Melody informed Jay about Clovis's arrival as he positioned himself to receive him. Although he didn't want to admit it, stopping the frog was the only thing he could do now. To kill this frog, they needed to work together.

Chapter 194 Difficulty

Clovis was approaching from the left, taking advantage of the injured eye to avoid being sent.

Jay positioned himself slightly to the right so that Clovis could close in safely.

However, the frog suddenly jumped into the air for no reason, alarming both Jay and Clovis.

'Huh? Did it sense me?' Clovis thought with a serious expression.

Jay jumped away as the frog landed on his original position, carrying that massive weight. Its fall caused the ground to vibrate, alarming all the beasts in the area.

Clovis noticed that the number of beasts around had surpassed the limit that Kanaria could handle. It seemed that they had to fight the frog while repelling the beasts around them.

Still, before these beasts reach them, they should injure the frog as much as possible.

"It's going to be impossible for Kanaria to stop all of them by herself. Melody, you have to keep a close eye on the radar," said Clovis while running toward the frog.

Jay jumped into the air and slashed the frog's head from above. The frog raised its leg to block it, causing Jay's swing to slide down the entire body without piercing through the skin.

Clovis, on the other hand, slashed the frog's side multiple times. However, the moment it landed on the frog's skin, the blade ended up rotating slightly, causing the dull body to clash with the skin instead of the sharp edge.

No matter if it was the long sword or the short sword, he was unable to cut the frog.

Clovis still didn't believe that the frog was able to block every single attack, so he started going around the body and striking every part.

However, they didn't have a lot of time left.

After a few seconds, Clovis became even more desperate as he still couldn't find any weak spots.

All of a sudden, Melody warned him, "On your left."

Clovis glanced to the side, finding a beast coming toward him. He stopped his attack, spun his body, and struck this beast. The latter waved its paw from above, hitting the long sword with its long claws.

As if using the beast to see Clovis's real position, the frog shifted its body and slapped him with his front leg.

"No!" Jay shouted, trying to stop the frog. Unfortunately for him, a beast came from the opposite direction as Melody's warning kept ringing in his ear.

Jay took a step back and saw the incoming beast. Instead of slashing the frog, he had to hit this beast.

He managed to snap the beast's front leg with his raw strength, but as soon as the beast passed him, the frog had already sent its tongue at him.

"Tsk." Jay clicked his tongue and used the body of his blade to block it, only to be launched away by the sheer force.

Now that there was a distance between the frog and Jay, the former turned around and slapped Clovis with the other leg.

In addition, the beast that stopped Clovis earlier had come once again, hindering his movement.

Clovis struck the beast first while spinning his body, hitting the frog's leg. It was probably because the frog had just turned around that it hadn't stabilized its body yet as Clovis actually managed to stop this swipe.

Still, he had to take a step back and swing the blade in another direction to block the beast.

Clovis traded several blows with the frog and the Tier 1 beast, gradually getting suppressed.

Jay, on the other hand, focused on killing the beast next to him first so that he could help Clovis unhindered.

Clovis fought like a madman. For him, if one swing wasn't enough, he would send multiple of them.

However, getting pincerred from two sides like this was quite hard even for him.

After ten rounds, the Tier 1 beast managed to graze his shoulder with those long nails. But right after, Clovis cut down the beast's front legs, leaving it vulnerable.

When Clovis was about to kill this Tier 1 beast, another beast approached him from a different direction and the frog hit him from above.

Clovis had to jump away to avoid both of them. He tossed the short sword mid-air, hitting the Tier 1 beast's head and ultimately killing it.

"Tsk." Clovis clicked his tongue because Melody warned him of yet another beast.

The moment he landed, he spun his body and struck the beast behind him. After that, he jumped into the air to avoid the frog's swipe before the other beast pounced on him.

Bam!

Clovis fell and was pinned to the ground by this beast. He hurriedly kicked the beast away and found the beast he struck earlier had recovered and was about to crush his head.

Clovis hurriedly rolled to the side. Instead of standing up, he remained on his knees, barely avoiding the frog's leg that would have hit his upper body had he stood up.

Still, the two beasts chased after him. He struck the first one, but the second one managed to hit his left shoulder.

Clovis tossed the short sword at this beast, which disrupted its movement before slashing its neck.

Instead of picking the short sword, he pulled out the pistol and shot the other beast while making his way toward the frog.

The beast chased after him, but when the former was close enough to the frog, Clovis looped around and kicked the beast to the frog.

The frog tried to smash him, but Clovis simply shot the frog's eye multiple times to stop him. He stabbed the beast with his long sword, piercing its body and directly hitting the frog.

"!!!" The frog's body shuddered, realizing that the sword had finally reached the frog.

Clovis actually used the beast's flesh to stop the movement of his sword when hitting something so slippery.

However, it was surprising that he had to do all this just to actually injure a Tier 3 beast.

Clovis glared at the frog, thinking all this frustration could only be vented by turning the frog into their dinner tonight.

Chapter 195 Killing the Frog

Enraged, the frog turned around and kicked Clovis with the back leg while pushing away the beast with another leg.

Clovis easily avoided the kick, but he couldn't stop the frog from pushing the beast away.

It seemed that the frog was extremely intelligent and was capable of understanding him. As usual, he had to ask, "Melody. Send what happened earlier to Jay."

"Alright."

Melody immediately used the recording to show Jay the way to kill the frog.

As soon as he saw it, Jay came up with an idea.

He slashed the beast in front of him and cut two of its legs before kicking it to the frog.

The frog thought it wasn't a big deal and stood there, allowing the beast to hit his slippery skin.

However, it didn't realize the reason why Jay kicked that beast. Jay's eyes lingered not on the frog but on Clovis, who looped around the frog.

When the beast hit the frog's body, Clovis appeared from the side, pierced through the beast's body, and eventually reached the frog's flesh.

"!!!" The frog widened its eyes in shock, feeling the sharp pain once again.

However, he didn't stop there. Clovis positioned himself on the side of his sword, giving Jay a clear view of his sword. The latter ran to the frog as quickly as possible. He rotated his sword and hit the back of the handle of Clovis's sword.

Bang!

His strike was like a hammer, causing the sword to pierce through the flesh even further.

Bloab! The frog's body tilted to the side as if it were unable to endure the pain. However, Clovis actually used the other sword to widen the wound. He precisely hit the injured part and ripped it apart with both swords.

Seeing the gap between the two swords, Jay struck it and actually cut the flesh as if it were tofu. To think that behind that slippery skin was actually very soft flesh, Jay was quite shocked.

When they were about to launch another strike, a few beasts had reached them. Jay turned around and struck one of the beasts while grabbing another and slamming it to the ground with his bare hand.

Clovis swiftly delivered more than five attacks on the first beast, but there were two more beasts coming from both sides. Clovis used his defensive jacket to block the one coming from the left, but his back was exposed to the other beast, causing the latter to strike him.

"Kh." Clovis clicked his tongue and fell to the ground. He also noticed that the frog had regained composure and wanted to run away. Instead of recovering from his fall, Clovis actually threw his short sword at the beast next to Jay.

"!!!" Jay was shocked by the sudden appearance of this sword, but when he glanced at Clovis, he saw him pointing at the frog, who was about to leap into the water.

Without hesitation, Jay forgot all the beasts around him and focused on taking down the frog.

"You're not getting away!" Jay shouted, causing the frog to panic.

The frog snorted and was about to launch himself into the air. However, a bullet flew from another side and hit the frog's eye, blinding it completely.

Bloab! The frog was wailing in pain.

While he didn't like anyone interfering with the fight, it was true that this was better than letting this frog go.

He stood in front of the frog and slashed the wound from earlier, expanding it to the entire body.

The frog struggled. Not being able to see anymore, the frog didn't know where to go anymore. It jumped in panic, but that was the biggest mistake the frog had made.

Without its eyes, the frog didn't know where the land was, meaning that it couldn't position its body to land. The moment it fell to the ground, the frog slipped and its entire body weight was crushing down.

The blood was gushing out of its giant wound and Jay hurriedly slashed the frog multiple times until it stopped moving.

He saw Clovis getting surrounded by seven beasts from the original three. It seemed that Clovis had tossed the short sword at all the beasts that tried to approach him.

As soon as Jay rushed to him, Clovis shouted, "Not me!"

"!!!" Jay raised his eyebrows before turning around, finding Kanaria being chased by several beasts. It was no wonder there were suddenly a lot of beasts here, it turned out the beasts managed to distract Kanaria.

Without hesitation, he swung to the other side with the vine and rushed to Kanaria.

The first thing he did was send a beast's head flying.

"Jay." Kanaria took a step back and expanded her range of vision, trying to get a good grasp on the entire situation. Seeing how the beasts were approaching Clovis, she decided to return to her original job. "Take care of this side."

Jay's response came in the form of action as he began killing these lower tier beasts. This way, Kanaria could focus on peeling the beasts that were about to reach Clovis.

While they managed to kill the Tier 3 frog, they still had to deal with more than a hundred beasts in the area, including four Tier 2 beasts among them.

However, Clovis and Jay were more than capable of handling the Tier 2 beasts. They killed one beast after another.

After a full twenty minutes, they finally cleaned up the battlefield.

Clovis simply dropped to his butt while shouting, "This is tiring."

Kanaria was using an eye drop after focusing a bit too much during the entire fight, while Jay leaned on the tree to hide his fatigue.

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Fifty meters from their location, the man from the OpenSky company couldn't help but suck a cold breath after watching the fight with his binoculars.

"To think that three Tier 1 humans can actually kill a Tier 3 beast along with one hundred other beasts."

The drone was hovering above him, recording the entire fight. Hana was smiling behind the screen when watching this. She had never seen Clovis's group fighting against a Tier 3 beast, but this was enough proof of their ability.