

## World Mall 721

### Chapter 721: Trump Card

"!!!"

Everyone couldn't help but widen their eyes. Whether it was Sigurd, Dan, Khain, or anyone else, they were in utter shock, finding such a huge wolf hiding inside Clovis' bus.

This was a dire wolf, not just any dire wolf, but a Tier 4 beast. More importantly, the fact they were staying on the bus earlier meant he had been staying together with Clovis' team the whole time.

It looked like he came out of the bus because Clovis told him to kill a person. In other words, Clovis was actually able to order it.

No one could contain their shock because what Clovis had done was something no one in this world had ever seen before.

'What? Did that dire wolf...' Khain couldn't comprehend what actually happened. How did Clovis actually order this wolf?

'The president would be surprised if he knew Clovis was still hiding such a trump card... At this point, I can confidently say that we got him in a bargain. If we are not generous from now on, I'm afraid he might leave the country...' Sigurd squinted his eyes.

'A beast, huh? Having a beast in one's group will change how you fight on the battlefield...' Dan fell silent, understanding where the Libation Fiesta's strength was coming from.

If this secret were to be known, they would definitely do anything to get Clovis.

So, these people, even if they failed, might not reveal this information so that no one would get him. Even if they spread it, no matter how evil they portrayed him, Clovis had magic words that could overturn their claim.

He simply had to say this was his unique ability, which was true as well. The people would just understand it without asking many questions. In the end, the unique ability was the biggest secret of a Tier 9 human, so even if they doubted him, they couldn't ask for the details about his unique ability.

That was why Clovis decided to let Reolf out so that they could overturn the situation.

As one would expect from Khain, he regained his composure in just a few seconds and shouted, "Allan! Focus on him! I don't care if we can't bring anyone else. Get him now!"

"!!!" Allan was startled, but as his subordinate, he had to chase after Clovis.

Jay raised his sword as if trying to block this attack, but Christina activated her Provoke again, not letting him go. In addition, Christina came closer to manipulating Allan's instinct into thinking the prey was close, so he had to hit it first.

Ultimately, Allan turned around and slammed her with his arm. He didn't hold back anymore, planning to knock her out with a heavy injury. It would be better if this attack was enough to launch her to a building and let her get buried underneath rubble, since it would stop her for a while.

\*Bang!\*

To his surprise, his arm actually stopped.

"!!!" Allan couldn't help but glance back, shocked to find two shields on his way instead of one. The second shield didn't come from Christina. Instead, Ragna had already reached their position.

Behind them stood Lucifania and Erwin, pushing the shields to help them withstand this powerful attack.

For the first time during the fight, they managed to completely block Allan's attack.

In addition, Kanaria used the Soul Weapon and shot him from the side.

The bullet was so powerful that it made Allan grit his teeth. However, Allan's pseudo unique ability was simply too strong. Unlike Aileen, he had been polishing his pseudo unique ability for at least two times longer than Aileen, so his mastery was already close to the peak.

That was why even the strongest bullet from Kanaria couldn't penetrate his defense.

Aileen suddenly appeared beside him and struck his neck.

Cling!

A clicking sound echoed as Aileen clicked her tongue, realizing that the iron body was activated all the time, meaning she couldn't penetrate it easily.

Not planning to let her go, Allan reached out his hand, but all of a sudden, Reolf leaped into the air and bit the back of her collar before using his beast soul to speed up, saving Aileen.

Clovis, Jay, and Rena charged toward Allan, striking the same spot.

"Annoying." Allan gritted his teeth. He blocked their attack with his arm, but the three of them didn't seem to be bothered with it, as though it had gone according to the original plan.

Now that the entire group was fighting against Allan, they might not necessarily lose anymore.

Christina and Ragna would be in charge of taking Allan's attack. Luci and Erwin would remain as support to make sure they have enough strength to stop him.

Meanwhile, Aileen, Kanaria, and Reolf would distract him, allowing Clovis, Jay, and Rena to attack him. They might not be able to pierce through his defense, but Allan wouldn't be able to defeat them either.

At the very least, something would definitely change in a few minutes. He didn't know whether this change would be positive or negative, but that change was needed.

"Why don't we retreat into the wilderness, Clovis?" Melody asked while manipulating the instruction for each individual.

Clovis looked around. "We might be able to run, but we will definitely get caught sooner or later there.

"I don't know what's going on, but there's another fight in this city as well."

"Wait. Are you trying to force these two to fight?"

"We don't have any other choice. The only thing that could change the situation will be a reinforcement, but looking at our current situation, what can we even do at this point?"

Melody squinted her eyes. "Understood. In that case, I will create the escape path. Since they're planning to grab you, our escape route will remain in the underground wilderness.

"The moment they're about to fight, we'll leave immediately. Even if they choose to have a truce, the people in this country will do their best to somehow stop them. The longer they stay here, the worse their situation will be anyway."

"Yeah. We'll attract their attention here, so you should focus on securing our escape route." Clovis nodded.

"Roger."

Chapter 722 722: Tier 9 Human

A while ago.

The Berserker suddenly halted his step, finding three Tier 8 humans on top of the city wall.

"Hoo? It seems that someone is planning to stop me..." He smirked, trying to see who was bold enough to stop him.

The moment he saw who it was, his smile got bigger. "Isn't this Gerald? Have you finally stopped drinking your mother's milk?"

Gerald's expression turned solemn. "I'd appreciate it if you didn't insult my late mother just because she chose my father instead of you. However, we've finally met again, Sir Kayne. Are you so petty that you can't move on even after 30 years have passed?"

Kayne clicked his tongue. "You definitely have Lily's genes. Your poisonous mouth is the same as hers."

"That just means I'm not adopted." Gerald harrumphed.

"You really do know how to piss someone off." Kayne took a deep breath before stating out loud, "I only have one demand. Give me Clovis."

Gerald's expression turned grim. "You're asking a father to give his own child, you know that?"

"Bullshit. If he is your child, you should have given him familial love. But what are you doing here? Your Hacfield family can't do a shit and abandon your own child. Lily should have chosen me. If it's me, she would still be alive, and there's no need for my son or grandson to be afraid of anything."

Gerald shook his head. "You two would probably have died along the way."

He couldn't help but close his eyes, remembering how he almost went insane the moment Clovis was born. That was also the first time he awakened such a thing.

Even though it happened so many years ago, he could still remember it vividly, as if it had happened yesterday.

He was the only one who saw it. When Clovis was just born and still in his mother's embrace, Gerald saw a panel that he had never seen before.

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It caused his life to be chaotic. Although he didn't know what was happening, it was definitely not a good thing. After all, Clovis' life might be tied to this world much better than anyone else's.

Michael believed it was the reason the Prophet targeted them. That was why they had no choice but to leave Clovis behind in order for them to fully focus on stopping any external threats.

However, there was no need for someone like Kayne to know about it.

Gerald simply said, "I won't give my son to you. Leave this country and leave my son alone."

"It seems that I can only steal him." Kayne smirked. "Tell Michael if he wants the child back, he has to fight me."

"Then, I have no choice but to stop you here." Gerald took a deep breath.

"Stop me if you can!" Kayne leaped into the air.



Gerald jumped toward him. Unlike anyone else in the world, Gerald's fighting style revolved around numerous weapons. On his waist, two swords of different lengths. On his back were a spear, a mace, a bow, and even a shield. He was wearing combat gloves as well.

Kayne punched Gerald as hard as possible while Gerald thrust his spear.

The power of that punch was similar to his father's punch. The force from that punch flew forward, almost blasting him. However, his spear actually pierced through the blast, which ultimately dispersed that force in all directions.

That force hit the wall, causing a portion of it to collapse with a massive crack all over the wall.

\*Bam!\*

It was the first noise that Clovis and the others heard from within the city.

Still, Gerald managed to stop him. Radric and Elder Fan appeared on both sides.

Radric waved his broadsword while Elder Fan struck him with his cane.

"!!!" Kayne raised his eyebrows as he hurriedly stopped both of them at the last moment.

Radric managed to cut a bit of Kayne's flesh, but his skin was simply too tough for him to penetrate further. Elder Fan noticed that his cane was being gripped hard, making him unable to pull it back. Hence, he pulled out the sword hidden in that cane before striking his waist. However, the result was similar to Radric's.

Still, with Kayne occupied by those two, Gerald could free himself and thrust his spear again.

"Wildeln Family's Spear Technique, Extracting Phoenix."

"Kh." Kayne gritted his teeth as though he were strengthening his chest. The spear actually couldn't penetrate his skin this time, but this was also why Gerald chose this technique.

The spear produced so much force that it felt like there was a cry from a phoenix as that phoenix passed through his body.

Kayne felt that absurd pressure that launched him hard to the ground, forming a massive crater.

However, Kayne acted as if he wasn't bothered by it. He simply emerged from the dust cloud and ran toward the city as fast as possible.

"!!!" They looked surprised because Kayne had simply become faster. At this rate, he might be able to reach Clovis without them being able to catch up.

Of course, the only one who knew this was Gerald. He had seen Kayne's strength before due to the conflict between him and Michael.

That was why Gerald skillfully spun his body midair and grabbed his bow and a short sword. He actually shot the short sword with his bow.

More importantly, the short sword flew faster than Kayne. It carried so much force that even Kayne had to throw himself to the side to avoid it.

Bam!

A crater bigger than the first one formed because of that single short sword.

But it was possible for them to catch up now.

Gerald didn't forget to say, "Don't get surprised by this yet. The reason he's known as Berserker is due to his unique ability that allows his body to turn physical damage on his body to enhance his physical strength. The more we fight him, the stronger he will become.

"There is not a single person in this world with more scars than him. Those scars are proof of how strong he is."

Chapter 723 723: Overwhelming Tier 9

Clink!

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A series of clicking sounds echoed across the city, followed by a rumbling sound.

Kayne once again grabbed Radric and threw him hard to the building on the side before punching the building.

The building cracked, then collapsed, burying Radric underneath it.

Radric waved his blade several times, cutting down the rubble and securing his escape route.

So that Kayne couldn't stop him from escaping, Elder Fan came from the side, striking him with a swift swing.

Yet Kayne stopped him with the back of his glove.

Kayne overwhelmed Elder Fan with his speed and eventually grasped his neck. Knowing what would happen next, Gerald appeared from the side, thrusting Kayne's arm with his spear.

"!!!" Kayne clicked his tongue and let go of Elder Fan to avoid the attack. Out of all the three Tier 8 humans, the only one that could threaten his life was Gerald.

Before he could shift his stance to deal with Gerald, the spear blade suddenly got extended as Gerald pushed the back of the spear, turning this spear into a sword.

"Kretain Sword Technique, Swirling Phantasm."

Gerald took a deep step as he slashed Kayne. Kayne jumped away, raising both arms in front to protect his body.

The blade struck his arms, but it couldn't penetrate further than the outer skin. Kayne lifted up his arms even further to let the sword attack fly above him, hitting the building behind him.

Surprisingly, the building was split in two.

"Heh." Kayne smirked. "That's not enough, young man."

"Tsk." Gerald saw Kayne about to punch him from the side, so Gerald kicked it from below while lowering his stance to ultimately avoid the attack.

However, Kayne easily adapted to Gerald's trick and simply threw a barrage of punches to overwhelm him.

'As expected, he might not have a unique ability, but his pseudo unique ability is definitely top-notch. Martial Talents...When people knew he didn't inherit a unique ability from his father, people were disappointed.

'However, it all changed once he grew up. His martial talent was so high that he mastered all kinds of weapons and understood all kinds of techniques.

'Later, he was known as the martial genius hailing from the Hacfield family. A lot of organizations, families, companies, or even countries want to invite him to take a look at their manuals so that he could perfect them.

'However, his real talent lies on the battlefield. He knows which technique he has to use despite having thousands of techniques.'

Kayne squinted his eyes. When he punched from the right, Gerald utilized one technique. When he came from another side, Gerald used a different technique.

He kept going at him, but Gerald kept countering him with the perfect technique. This was what made Gerald stronger than most Tier 8 humans.

Still, Kayne was a Tier 9 human. His strength had no bounds.

Every time he struck Gerald, he hit him with so much power that his muscles would itch. In addition, he kept receiving the attack from Gerald to get more and more power from his unique ability.

Even Gerald could feel Kayne's increasing strength. At this rate, Kayne would become so strong that Gerald couldn't handle him anymore.

In fact, Gerald had been preparing for a long fight to give Clovis and the others enough time to escape. But Kayne took advantage of it and weakened his defense to a certain extent so that this normal blow would still hurt him.

Gerald gritted his teeth. He could still somehow keep up with Kayne, but he doubted he could last longer than ten minutes because of his growing strength.

"It's my turn now!" Kayne shouted, his eyes turning bloodshot. He punched Gerald with all his strength.

"Elseingarde Shield Technique, Deflection Round." Gerald spun the shield while receiving the punch, deflecting the power and dispersing most of them in all directions.

As a result, he was pushed back by several steps, much better than being launched into the building behind him.

Elder Fan and Radric hurriedly helped him, attacking Kayne in one way or another, but none of their attacks were fatal enough. No, it was more accurate to say that Kayne was letting them hit him.

Kayne punched Radric, who tried to block his attack with his blade. However, Kayne's power had increased to an alarming level.

Ultimately, he got blasted to another building with so much force that he spat out a mouthful of blood. His left hand was broken as he was struggling to get up.

Elder Fan's fate was not that different. The moment Kayne grabbed him, he threw Elder Fan so far into the air. Elder Fan's body was spinning out of control.

Fortunately, at the last moment, he managed to gain his balance, but his body was still falling so hard to the ground, causing his right foot's bones to crack.

"Kh." Gerald gritted his teeth. He could barely keep up with Kayne now. 'Is this it? But I still hear some noises in the back. Have they not evacuated yet?'

Gerald didn't know what was stopping them. If even Clovis could get away, the fight would have stopped to a certain extent, since they had to chase after him.

Besides, Clovis should have been smart enough to figure out someone was attacking from the side, so the best option was to run away.

Yet, for some reason, they were still there. It could only be explained by one thing. They were stopped by another group.



Kayne seemed to know about it as well. That was the reason he allowed them to injure him. He had to gain all the strength from his unique ability and finished the battle fast.

"Although I've had my fun, this is the end, kid." Kayne harrumphed and punched Gerald.

"Inxantia Spear, Elong Thrust." Gerald thrust forward, but Kayne didn't bother to hold back anymore. He confronted the spear with his fist.

Because of the spear's quality, it didn't shatter. However, Gerald didn't have enough strength to withstand Kayne's strength, resulting in Kayne's punch overpowering him.

The spear tilted up, giving Kayne the opportunity to continue that punch on Gerald. At the last moment, Gerald positioned the handle in front of him to take this punch, but his arms almost snapped as his body was being blown away.

He was pushed so far that he couldn't help but hear a familiar voice.

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Chapter 725: Mara vs Kayne

"You...!"

Everyone couldn't help but drop their jaw the moment they saw who it was. After all, there was no way this person would show up here. There was simply no reason, or it wasn't really like her personality.

Kayne felt chills down his spine, his instinct telling him that everything had gone according to someone's plan.

"Why are you here, Mara Leverstrike?"

That was right. The one coming to stop him was none other than the youngest Tier 9 human in history, Mara Leverstrike.

Even Khain couldn't help but reconsider their situation. He asked himself, 'Why? Why is Mara Leverstrike here? What she's doing right now is unlike her title, 'Wandering Disaster.' Why would someone whose movement is unpredictable suddenly come here?

'Is she going to protect him? Am I missing something? There's something going on that I don't even understand.'

Gerald's expression turned grim. His father once told him that everything would be alright. He was confused, but after seeing Mara, he finally understood what Michael meant.

The real reason he wasn't that bothered was due to Mara's existence. No one would have predicted that the Wandering Disaster would suddenly come out of nowhere.

Clovis was also confused. He never expected Mara to come. He knew that he had made a promise that he would study under Mara after becoming a Tier 5 human, but he thought it would be him taking care of the problems here before searching for her.

But he was wrong. He didn't know what was going on, but Mara must have come as their reinforcement.

Mara shifted her gaze down, staring at Kayne. She took the last bite of her burger and just ate it casually, as though she didn't want to answer with a mouth full of food.

Once she was done, she took a sip of her cola before saying, "I can't afford to have you take him away."

"..." Kayne was completely speechless. He had been waiting for an answer, but that was the only thing she got from Mara after waiting for her to finish her food. It was something he could see just from her appearing here. "Are you messing with me?"

"I'm merely answering your question." Mara answered without a change of expression. She wasn't trying to provoke him. She just answered. That was all.

"If I insist on taking him away today?" Kayne's expression darkened.

"I can only stop you."

Khain was bewildered. Things had spiraled out of control. 'Mara really comes to protect him? Why? Or does she already have her eyes set on him?'

"You..." Kayne gritted his teeth. "If you dare to stop me, then stop me! I will let you know what it means to challenge me!"

Kayne punched Mara's glaive.

Mara, surprisingly, shifted her feet so that she pulled out the glaive from the ground and used the force from that punch to launch her away.

But what was even more shocking was the fact that she acrobatically lifted up the glaive so that her hand could catch it while shifting the trajectory to the front of a half-broken trash can.

She just put the bag for the burger and the cup into the trash can.

"With this, it's good now. We should put trash in the trash can." Mara nodded, satisfied.



Mara was merely doing everything correctly, like a good person, but the way she did it was infuriating for Kayne. She did it when she was supposed to fight him.

"You bitch!" Kayne roared as he leaped toward Mara, closing their distance in just a split second.

"Watch out!"

Mara glanced to the side, seeing the incoming fist. She swiftly swung her glaive and struck that fist.

The ordinary-looking clash between the two produced a massive shock wave.

The force coming from the fist traveled past Mara, causing the ground behind her to crack.

However, what was even more shocking was the fact that Kayne was the one gritting his teeth.

"Khhh..." Kayne groaned as a slash wound suddenly appeared on his chest.

"!!!" Khain and the others widened their eyes. They never thought that the first one to get injured was actually Kayne.

Mara, after all, was the youngest Tier 9 human in history. While she was talented, Kayne had been on this level for at least two decades. Yet she actually won against him in the first clash.

No. Mara's strike wasn't that simple.

It looked simple and slow, but it was actually even more terrifying than Kayne's punch.

After all, the building on the left side that was in the trajectory of the blade before getting stopped by the fist was suddenly cut down.

Boom!

The building slid down and collapsed, stunning everyone. Kayne could be considered an immortal because he had the unique ability to get as strong as he wanted while having Heart Affinity, which boosted his regeneration. These two combinations allowed him to become one of the top ten strongest people in the world.

However, there was another reason why Mara could reach this stage at such a young age. Because she boasted about her attack being the strongest in the world.

Most people heard about her cutting the ceiling of the underworld, but there was another rumor, rarely spoken due to how absurd it was. It was the rumor about her cutting a hill with a single swing.

It appeared the rumor wasn't exaggerated.

Kayne's eyes turned bloodshot. He punched Mara several times, while the latter struck his fist every single time.

Each time they clashed, it would produce an impact on the surroundings. The ground cracked, windows shattered, and buildings were sliced.

Just several attacks from both of them turned the area upside down.

"Why are you trying to stop me? We have never crossed paths before!" Kayne shouted while punching Mara from above.

Mara blocked it by putting the glaive above her head, but the punch had become so powerful that it turned the ground underneath her feet into a crater.

Mara pushed him back and lifted up her glaive. It was at this moment she did something unexpected. Her glaive felt like it was alive, suddenly producing a thunderous sound, as though it were a tiger.

She then swung it down as all that force traveled toward Kayne, blasting him away and creating a massive hole in multiple tall buildings behind him.

"I have promised him. That's all."

## Chapter 726: Mara's Unique Ability

"I have promised him. That's all."

"Promised?!" Kayne and the others looked surprised. Mara wasn't someone who talked much, but she always said everything literally. If she didn't like someone, she would tell them the fact right away.

So, the fact that Mara had promised him meant Mara and Clovis had once met. In other words, Clovis was already connected to Mara to a certain degree.

Khain gasped. 'What's wrong with this kid? His father is Michael Hacfield, and he has Christina with him. This connection alone will mean they will have four Tier 9 humans in the future.'

'But if he has a connection with Mara, that means there will be five Tier 9 humans on their side once Christina and Clovis grow to that level. I know that more and more Tier 9 humans might be born in the future, but this also means they will become the strongest force in the world...'

Radric was completely speechless. 'Oh, president... You don't know that you got this kid cheap. If you know that he has a connection with Mara Leverstrike, you will probably give him everything he wants without asking for anything...'

'Unlike any other Tier 9 humans in the world, Mara is the youngest, meaning not only her strength hasn't fully bloomed, but she can live longer than any other Tier 9 human in the world.'

'That's why, while she is at the lowest rank right now, she has the most value.'

No one expected Clovis would know Mara. They would probably get even more shocked if they knew Mara and Clovis had made a bet where if she lost, she would join the Libation Fiesta.

"Are you serious?" Kayne gritted his teeth. "Do you understand what you just said earlier?"

"I'm not like you, who is playing politics. I say what I have to say. If you don't like it, it's your problem, not mine. If you dislike my decision, you are my enemy."

Kayne bit his lips as his eyes turned bloodshot. "Raaaaaaahhhhhh!"

His strength increased even further, as though he wanted to overpower Mara.

"Are you still going to attack?" Mara asked.

"If I say I do?" Kayne squinted his eyes.

Mara's eyes turned dark red, like the color of blood.

Her killing intent erupted.

"!!!" Kayne, no, everyone in the vicinity could feel her intense killing intent. If it was anyone else, they would have probably passed out with their mouth foaming.

The killing intent was so intense that they could smell blood in the air.

However, that wasn't the extent of her killing intent. Not only blood, but they started to hear beast roars coming from their surroundings.

The moment they were distracted by those roars, the scenery in their vision suddenly changed. The sky turned orange like that of a desolate world. The moon in the sky was bright red, as if it had been covered in blood.

The buildings around them were half-destroyed, with their windows shattered and a part of their structure collapsed.

The ground cracked, and blood started to gush out of the ground.

"Ughh..." Erwin clutched his stomach and covered his mouth before falling to his knees as though he wanted to vomit.

"Erwin?!" Aileen panicked. This was what Erwin saw when they first met due to his excellent eyes.

But this time, Mara was the one unleashing it.

Khain gritted his teeth, glaring at Mara. 'This is... an illusion? Are you serious? You're able to force everyone under such hallucination with just this overwhelming killing intent... What is this killing intent?

'The reason Mara Leverstrike is untouchable is not her offensive power. It's her unique ability. Anyone who has a weak mental fortitude will pass out just from her killing intent.

'If she releases this kind of power in the middle of the city, thousands, if not tens of thousands, will die easily. That's why she is called a Wandering Disaster. Despite having such power, she always travels anywhere she likes, making her unpredictable.

'Even we, who are elites, will go insane if we're exposed to this killing intent for a prolonged state... So, this is Abyss Time...'

Clovis was the only one who thought of it differently. After all, he was the only person who had the same unique ability as her.

He never thought his unique ability could be used to this extent. 'How can you even utilize a unique ability to this extent?'

Even Christina realized that she had only tapped the surface of the full potential of her Provoke. This was the true strength of the Tier 9 human.

The only one who remained calm was none other than another Tier 9 human, Berserker.

Kayne grinned excitedly as he shouted, "Hahahaha. This is great. Come!"

Unlike any other Tier 9 humans, he was probably Mara's nemesis. He would grow stronger as long as he got enough damage, but that wasn't limited to physical wounds. That was right. The more Mara used her unique ability, the stronger Kayne would become.

If this was a fight, no one knew who would actually win.

However, Kayne suddenly stopped and asked, "I want to ask you one question, Mara Leverstrike."

"What is it?"

"Do you like burgers that much?" Kayne smirked.

"Yeah." Mara nodded, as if all the conflicts earlier didn't matter. She was the only person in the world who probably walked at her own pace and wouldn't change no matter how agitated she was.



Kayne sighed. "I will retreat for now. If you ever visit the country, I will invite you to eat the best burger in the country with me."

Mara nodded. "Don't forget the cola."

"Unlimited, just for you."

Mara closed her eyes, retracting her killing intent. "If the wind leads me to your country, that is."

"I will be looking forward to it." Kayne turned around while waving his hand. "Goodbye, Little Gerald, little Clovis. If that bastard Michael ever disowned you, you can come to me and acknowledge me as your daddy."

Kayne just left. Even if he was her nemesis, he wouldn't be able to defeat her without heavy injuries. When he was injured, other Tier 9 humans would seize that chance to kill him. So, the fight wasn't worth it anymore.

Now that Kayne left, there was only one group remaining.

Mara's vision immediately shifted to Khain.

Khain felt chills down his spine the moment her gaze locked on him. It felt like he could die with just a single wrong word.

Even though his body was shaking, he still lowered his head, saying, "Since Miss Mara is going to take him, we can only give up. We'll retreat from this country."

Chapter 727 727: Awkward

"We'll retreat from this country."

The people from Lutvia sheathed their weapons as though they had reached an agreement. Some people from Absalom couldn't help but shout, "Where are you going?"

"We can't let them go!"

Sigurd raised his hand, stopping them. Even if they couldn't let them go, they had no other choice but to let them leave.

If they continued this fight, there was no telling whether Mara would support them or oppose them.

After all, Mara came here to protect, not to wage war. Clovis also understood this meaning and never said anything to the retreating enemy. After all, it might end up in a conflict with Mara's intention.

With the enemies leaving, Clovis and Mara turned to each other. Mara said, "That was my last burger."

"I will treat you to a burger that you have never had before," replied Clovis calmly. He paused for a moment before glancing at Sigurd.

Even though he didn't like this outcome, it seemed he had no other choice. Sigurd raised his hand and commanded, "Retreat."

Dan squinted his eyes, thinking, 'To think that there's a connection between him and Mara Leverstrike. This is going to be huge... for better or for worse...'

Radric ended up retreating together with them. His thought was similar to Dan's, considering Mara's identity. They never thought that there was another Tier 9 human in this country.

At the same time, it was Mara they were talking about. No one could really track her. Even if they predicted her movement, it was impossible.

"Well, I will take my leave here as well." Elder Fan smiled and walked away. Clovis was bigger than he originally thought. Before, Clovis would definitely be the best gamble for Vina to become the leader.

However, with this kind of connection, there was no way Vina would lose this gamble. Although he didn't know the exact relationship Clovis had with her, it was clear they were pretty close.

He should bring this news to Vina, which would definitely surprise her.

Rena also returned with Sigurd for the time being, but they would definitely report this to the president.

Clovis politely bowed while saying, "Thank you for helping us."

"I didn't help them. I helped you."

"I see. Even so, thank you for helping. I wouldn't be able to predict what would have happened without your interference."

Mara nodded.

"Miss Mara. It's an honor to meet you. I'm Gerald Hacfield. I'm Clovis' father. I'd like to express my gratitude as well." Gerald came forth.

Mara repeated her words. "I didn't help you."

"I understand." Gerald nodded.

Mara turned back to Clovis and said, "What do you think about the killing intent?"

"Can it be used that way?" Clovis asked. This small question just proved that Clovis received the same message regarding their unique ability.

For Mara, this meant the voice she heard back then was true. For some reason, she had given her unique ability to Clovis.

However, there were still a lot of questions lingering around this matter. Whether she could find it or not, she could only try to help Clovis.

If Clovis somehow got stronger, there might be another system panel that appeared before them, and they could share the information to figure out the truth.

Mara said, "I have promised I will teach you how to control your unique ability once you reach Tier 5. However, I don't really want to return here without any reason.

"That's why it doesn't seem to be possible anymore." Mara's words were pretty clear. They had to train together even if it was ahead of schedule.

Clovis raised his eyebrows. While he didn't mind training under Mara, this was a bit too fast. There were things he had to do before finding her, such as helping Melody's brother.

Mara put the glaive in front of her straight up before letting it go. This was the reason no one could predict Mara's movement.

The glaive fell to the ground, producing a crisp sound that shook everyone's heart. Mara pointed in the direction of the glaive and said, "I will be somewhere in this direction. You have seven days."

"I understand. Thank you very much." Clovis nodded. Although it wasn't going according to the plan, this was the best outcome he could hope for.

Once they reached an agreement, Mara nodded back and grabbed her glaive before walking in that direction.

This time, it didn't matter if there was a building in front of her or a wall. She either cut down the obstacle or simply leaped over it to show Clovis that what she meant in that direction meant a straight line. If Clovis still couldn't find her even after all that, it meant they were just not fated to train together.

Clovis smiled wryly. Once her figure disappeared on the horizon, Clovis couldn't help but turn to Gerald.

The awkwardness started to fill the atmosphere.

Gerald scratched the back of his head while saying, "Hi. It's been a long time..."

Clovis clenched his fists. There were a lot of things he wanted to say, but this anger started to creep inside his heart.

Although they had done it to protect him, they really abandoned their child. He wondered if there was something they could have done differently or if it was simply the fate of the child of the Hacfield family.

In the end, Clovis loosened his hands and let out a long sigh. In the end, his teammates were here as well, so it was better for him not to lose his cool.

"Yes. It's been a while, Dad." Clovis nodded. "Is Mom here as well?"

"She is in this country, but she has to take care of another place. With these people retreating, she should be fine." Gerald glanced at Clovis' teammates. "You have been blessed with good people."

"Indeed. I don't plan to fight everything alone."

"I know. Because that's just how you are." Gerald paused for a moment. "You have a few things to take care of. It's better for me to take my leave here. If you still wish to meet us, we will be there tonight."

Clovis sighed before agreeing. There was simply too much to take on, so it was better to have everyone calm down first.

Chapter 728: Last Words

After a minute or so, Clovis finally turned to his teammates. He glanced at Kanaria, not knowing what to say. There was only one word coming out of his mouth. "Sorry..."

Kanaria smiled warmly, fully aware that this chain of events couldn't be stopped. She stated, "There is no need to worry about me or us. All of us know what to do. The group you've created is different from any others.

"Besides, you have seen the true strength of those who are near the peak. We won't be able to defeat them as we are now.

"If we continue this way, our path might come to an end sooner or later. We have been growing so fast that now, it's time to solidify our foundation.

"Trust us, like we trust you. By the time you return, no one can look down on us anymore."

Clovis clenched his hands into fists. There were a lot of things he wanted to say, but the only thing that came out of his mouth was, "I trust you. I trust everyone."

Kanaria nodded with a smile.

Ragna noticed he was the next one, so he assured him. "Don't worry. I have sworn that day and I will fulfill my oath. No harm will come to her."

"Thank you, Ragna."

Clovis took a deep breath before turning to Melody. "I will ask my mother to treat your brother."



Melody joined the group because she wanted to treat her brother. Once it was done, she might leave. However, Melody had seen so many groups during her time as a freelancer.

The Libation Fiesta was unlike any other. Although she joined for her brother, she had already called this place her home.

She simply smiled at Clovis without answering anything. She didn't say thanks because it would feel like she was leaving for good.

Instead, it was better for her to show her thanks for her own action.

Clovis nodded to her smile as though he understood her intention. He was grateful for it. After all, Jay and Erwin might have been his right and left hands, but Melody was the brain.

She understood him and paved the path for them every single time. Without her, there would be many threatening situations they might not be able to handle.

Clovis finally turned to Erwin and Aileen. Before Clovis said anything, just like Erwin always did, he proclaimed boldly and said, "The mayor of the city requires an adviser. Well, people might take advantage of her, so..."

"She needs a little help." Aileen nodded in agreement. It was clear what 'help' they were talking about.

All of them had already known what they were going to do while Clovis was away. Kanaria would be the one restoring this city as his representative. This way, the government wouldn't lose trust in them as well and believed Clovis would return sooner or later.

And during that time, it would be good to move their family in for more protection. But to do that, they also needed strength so that they wouldn't be overwhelmed like this again.

All of them had made the resolve.

Clovis finally turned to Lucifania. "I don't know what to say to you. Although I have been baiting you with my blood, I don't know if my blood is any special or not.

"However, if you think there's any value for blood that has two unique abilities, please take as much as you want."

Lucifania understood the reason. For Clovis, Lucifania came here as their doctor. Her role might not be as important as Kanaria's and the others, and he might not be as strong as Aileen or Christina.

However, she was the silent hero of the Libation Fiesta, especially since this group got hurt a lot.

Lucifania shook her head. "It's not the blood that contains two unique abilities. The blood contains only one. However, something is also flowing into that blood. Your blood might actually contain a bit of the truth hidden in this simulation world.

"I am a doctor, but do you know why I chose to become a doctor?" Luci smirked. "I am searching for an answer. And that answer might also be related to what you're searching for."

Clovis smiled wryly. He might have been underestimating Luci the whole time.

Clovis' gaze shifted to Christina. Christina was the first one to say, "There's no need to say anything about this. No one can become strong in the blink of an eye. I, too, realize how shallow my strength is... No, everyone has realized it as well."

"This is not the end. We just pause our journey to get stronger so that we can start a new beginning."

Clovis sighed. "I can't deny that. This is not the end. I might have been a bit too reckless, thinking that everything is going to be alright or everything will go according to my plan. However, this is the reality."

Clovis thought that everything would change the moment the Berserker came, but they ended up being helpless. He had seen the absolute power in this world or the influence that ruled the world... If he wanted to fulfill his ambition, he knew that his current strength wasn't enough.

"We can always talk through the Skyphone. If not, Reolf will come with me either way." Clovis closed his eyes before finally it was the turn of his oldest comrade and his vice captain.

When the two looked at each other, they just smiled. It looked like they understood what each other wanted to say.

"Jay. I will leave everything related to the Libation Fiesta in your hands."

Jay nodded. "Leave it to me. You better train hard. If you end up becoming too weak, we might have to change the captain. I don't need any unique ability or pseudo unique ability. My hard work won't betray me."

"I know."

Jay pointed to the girls. "At the very least, you should bring these girls to meet your parents. Melody too. You need her to be present if you want to ask your mother to treat her brother."

Clovis shook his head. "No. I want all of us to meet them. All of us!"

Chapter 729: Reunion

Gerald couldn't help but turn around while saying, "This is more than we originally expected... I guess the whole group is here..."

Clovis and the entire group, including Reolf, had reached the top of the wall where they were supposed to meet.

Clovis wanted to reply to his father, but the woman next to his father had already leaped toward him and tackled him.

"My dearrrrrrrrr!"

"Gah!" She moved so fast that it felt like she had disappeared for a split second. The next thing they realized, Clovis had been tackled to the ground with her hugging him.

The others looked surprised because this speed was clearly beyond what they had seen previously. Clovis' mother, Aisha, was a Tier 7 human, so they didn't expect a Tier 7 human would be this strong. They couldn't help but wonder if she had something else, like a pseudo unique ability.

"M-Mom?" Clovis awkwardly glanced at her.

"Mhmm. I can finally hug my son after so long. Yes, this is your mom, Cleopatra... Ahem, I mean Wu Zetian... No, I mean, Aisha!"

"..." Clovis was speechless. She truly hadn't changed the whole time. Gerald only closed his eyes, trying hard to maintain his dignity.

"You are embarrassing me, you know?" Clovis smiled wryly.

"What?! Are you in your rebellious phase now? To think you won't even hug your mom... Is this because I wasn't by your side the whole time? It was your father's idea. I have told him to sleep on the sofa for the rest of his life." Aisha looked at Clovis with a pale face.

"Ahaha..." Clovis didn't know how to react. "I mean, everyone is watching right now."

"There's nothing embarrassing about family, but, well, so as to avoid having my son hate me, I will restrain myself for a bit."

That's what she said, but nothing changed. When Clovis stood up, she turned him around and just hugged him from behind. Her head rested on top of his shoulder as she took a look at everyone.

"I know everyone. I have been watching you this whole time. Although he doesn't talk a lot, he's a reliable vice captain, Jay Havenson."

"Ragna Book, Erwin Tyska and Aileen Risevan, and Melody." She turned to the girls. "Meanwhile, it seems that I'm going to have a couple of daughters-in-law."

"Kanaria Renvolt, Lucifania, and Christina... Well, the busy girl as well." Aisha squinted her eyes as if she was judging them.

Clovis' smile was distorted as he introduced his parents. "These two are my parents, Gerald Hacfield and Aisha Hacfield."

They nodded politely, not knowing how to react. The Hacfield family was the most mysterious family in the world. They might be a small family, but they were certainly strong.

They thought this family would be a bit colder, but it turned out they were wrong. They behaved even more intimately than their typical family did.

Aisha then turned to Reolf. "Still, to think you would even have a dire wolf with you..."

"He is my family as well." Clovis shook his head.

"Is that so?" Aisha extended her hand. "I see. So, you are Reolf. Please take care of my son."

"Waaf!" Reolf nodded happily.

"You're not going to ask why Reolf is here?"

"Unique ability! What else?" Aisha shrugged. "I don't know what it is, but it's something like that. I don't care about the explanation. As long as I know it can protect you, that's fine."

"..." Clovis rubbed his cheek embarrassedly. "Well..."

"What? Are you going to tell me about your two unique abilities?"

"Huh?!" Clovis was bewildered. He didn't expect his mother to know anything about it. "You..."

"I will tell you once we're done with this discussion." Aisha smiled. She finally released Clovis and straightened her back. "I'm sure that all of you have a lot of questions, but I don't plan to answer any of that."

"After learning about his training, we have changed our plan. Originally, we were planning to do it slowly, but I'm sure you're already aware of how fast you are growing right now."

"After seeing the true power of those high-level people, I'm sure you understand the difference in our strength."

"The reason is simple. You have grown so fast that you are unable to utilize the evolution trait properly."

"That's why I'm going to tell you this. You are currently weak. Everything you have done might have worked this whole time, but if you continue your path like this, you are going to face this wall relatively soon."

"And since Clovis is going to leave for a while, I believe it's time for you to get even stronger."

"Hence, I have prepared something for all of you."



"First of all, Melody. You don't have to waste your time with your brother anymore."

"!!!" Melody raised her eyebrows. "Does that mean..."

"Yeah. I will be operating on him." She nodded before tossing a piece of paper to Lucifania. "You're a doctor, right? You should be able to read this."

"Hmm?" Lucifania was confused and caught the piece of paper. She couldn't help but notice what was going on. "This is..."

"What's wrong? Is something happening to my brother?" Melody looked worried.

"No. It's just... I think you have been the one saving your brother this whole time... If this data is true."

"Huh? What do you mean?" Melody was visibly shaken. This was the closest she had gotten to healing her brother.

"LIS!"

"LIS?" Melody tilted her head in confusion.

"Locked-in Syndrome. Basically, he's fully awake and aware. It's just... isn't this supposed to be incurable?" She frowned.

"Not really." Aisha shook her head. "I have a connection to a research center for brain injury. If we treat him there, it's possible for him to recover. I have to fix his brain first. If it is successful, then he might wake up.

"Still, due to everything, he will have to follow therapy. To put it simply, we're using the awakening liquid for him to become an explorer. And it's good that you have a Brain Affinity. While your mother had Muscle Affinity, your father had Brain Affinity.

"We'll stimulate those two affinities to wake him up. In other words, you are very lucky because he hasn't awakened yet. If he does, the chance for him to wake up will decrease drastically.

"And you keep his will to survive intact this whole time. The success rate for this treatment should be around 90%, but with me, it should be close to 100%."

"Ah..." Melody's lips were trembling as if she couldn't believe what she had just heard.

Chapter 730: Gifts

"Ah...!" Melody was trembling. She simply couldn't believe what she had just heard. There was actually a chance for her brother to recover?

While the chance was not 100%, it was close to 100%, especially with Aisha personally performing it. In fact, Aisha might just say it wasn't 100% because there was no such thing as a sure way for the operation.

Nevertheless, this was the first time she heard recovery was possible. Despite searching for the information for so long, she had never found anything.

"Can my brother... really recover?" Melody asked again. Tears were streaming down her eyes.

All these years, she had been taking care of her brother the whole time. Even if she was injured, she would bring out her best smile and best gifts for him, accompanying him at his lowest point.

It was hard, but she didn't expect her brother to be able to hear her the whole time.

Her feet went limp from the shock as she fell to her knees. "Ahh... Ahh..."

It felt like all the burdens on her shoulders were lifted up from her shoulders.

Aisha nodded. "It is indeed possible for your brother to recover. In fact, this originates from the same foundation as the new beast soul you're popularizing right now."

"Huh? Really?" Clovis was dumbfounded.

"Yeah." She nodded. "Artificial cell. We're injecting artificial cells into the body to do something it has been engineered to do.

"The awakening liquid that you all took is related to this. This is why my name is known among all the scientists who created the awakening liquid.

"The awakening liquid is an independent cell that genetically modified your body to unlock all that potential.

"I can't say much about it since I have an NDA, but let's just say we'll be creating an artificial awakening for her brother.

"This process will stimulate his entire body. Once he's awakened, there's a high chance he will open his eyes again."

"I see..." Melody didn't care about the explanation. She just heard her brother could recover, and that was all she needed.

"According to the research..." Lucifania looked down, contemplating. "...a child's affinity is determined by what their parents have, like genes.

"Because the parents had Brain and Muscle Affinities respectively, Dante would inherit them like how Melody awakened the Brain Affinity.

"Either way, the biggest reason for Dante's high success rate is due to his parents' affinities. Of course, he's able to maintain his high spirit because of Melody..."

"Hmm..." Aisha smiled, observing Luci. "You are quite talented, aren't you? No wonder you're the doctor of the group. Since these guys are going to train somewhere, why don't you follow me around for a while?"

"Ah!" Luci widened her eyes in shock. Aisha was one of the top ten doctors in the world, so this was the highest honor a doctor could receive.

Aisha pointed at Clovis and the others. "If you're the doctor of the team, I will have to make sure that you're skilled enough to help everyone. Can't afford to have them have an everlasting injury because of your lack of skill."

"This..." Luci panicked and turned to Clovis, who actually nodded his head. This was a perfect time for Luci to get stronger.

And his mother would be the perfect teacher. How much she could absorb during this training depended on her hard work and talent.

Luci took a deep breath before nodding her head. "I understand. I'll do my best and study with you. No. Please allow me to study with you so that I can help everyone."

"Good." Aisha smiled before taking out a book and handing it to Erwin. "You are not a doctor, so I will give you this."

"This is..." Erwin looked at the title and widened his eyes. His weapon was extremely unique, but it was heavily inspired by Clovis' mother. The book she gave was none other than her personal notebook regarding her way of using the threads. "Can I really have this?"

"You can't follow me since you're not a doctor, and you're quite important to the group, so it's better for you to stay here and get stronger."

"I understand. Thank you very much. I won't disappoint you." Erwin nodded docilely. There wasn't even a single shred of arrogance in his eyes since he was able to receive something from his idol.

Aisha then turned to Kanaria and Christina. "As for both of you, hmm... I don't really have anything to give right now."

"If you want a ring, forget it. You won't receive a single ring from me. It's too painful for me to give a ring to someone who will take my dear Clovis away." Aisha sobbed playfully. "And that greedy girl too..."

Kanaria and Christina just smiled wryly.

"Why don't you give something to them in my stead?" Aisha turned to Gerald.

Gerald scratched the back of his head, feeling a bit embarrassed.

"I don't really have any books for city management, but I can pull out a lot of documents about city restoration. At least, I have the record of the Elseingarde's development plan when they first got their city.

"Other than them, let's see... the City of Tunkel, which is a place given to Kayne Ghorn, the Berserker... as well as the Federation, the headquarters of the second world's strongest. The owner of the Sky Network Company.

"You should be able to study how to rebuild and develop the city from all those records."

"Thank you very much." Kanaria bowed her head politely.

"As for Christina, I have some previous insights and improved some techniques your family has. I will give the file later so you can give it to your family."

"Thank you, Uncle." Christina lowered her head.

"Well, for the rest of the group... Let's see..." He paused for a moment, contemplating. "I have two powerful techniques and one foundation book for Jay Havenson. You are using a quite unique blade, but I've encountered it a few times in the past, so you'd definitely like to see the record and improve your strength further.

"As for Ragna... Aren't you possessing a similar constitution to Uncle Ezekiel?"