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Chapter 821 Lady Prospera

It was a piece of cake to find them after having purposely let that girl, Silva, run away with a small detection device implanted in her neck. Without realizing it, she had led them to the hideout of the children with ease.

"Boss said we should clean up now, there's no need to keep these kids." Said a brown skinned vampires wearing black layered clothes. "We'll use their corpses for materials to complete our Creation, if everything goes well, we'll be able to relieve some of his concerns with that new tool."

"Understood, Lady Prospera." The other dozen Vampires covered in black robes and wearing masks nodded, all flying in midair across the dungeon's corridors while following her, as she used a device implanted in her left eye to easily detect where the child was now.

"It should be around here..." The woman roared, smashing the Wall Mimic in front of her into pieces, the beast unable to even defend nor escape as blood and flesh splattered everywhere.

#### BAAAAAM!

The sight of several kids eating fruits and talking was quickly interrupted by their arrival, their eyes opening in fear as many stood up and started running away.

"We've finally found you, lab rats!" Roared one of the Vampires, flying first inside to tear to shreds the innocent children.

Lacking any self-restraint, these new generation Vampires were hungry for blood and merciless monsters that let their instincts guide them instead of their rational thoughts.

His claws grew larger and sharper, about to grab the small child, no older than Silva, and about to rip him into pieces, which he would greatly enjoy as he drank the blood his prey would helplessly splatter around.

#### TRUUUM...!

However, a huge wall made of roots grew faster than a phantasmal presence farther away could reach him, protecting the child from the vampire's vicious claws as he hit the wall head-first.

#### CRAAASH!

"Graaargh?! W-What the-" Before the Vampire could formulate any other rational thoughts, his shadows shapeshifted and moved on their own, generating several spears that pierced his entire body, filling his insides with miasma and poisonous toxins, and then, setting him ablaze on phantasmal flames.

"Gryyyaaaaaeeergghh...!"

His entire body grew bloated, glowed with bright blue light as countless cracks spread across his burning, charred skin, in just a split of a second, he exploded into pieces.

#### BOOOOM!

The other Vampires quickly stopped their charge as their leader glanced at the scene in utter disbelief, shadows spreading across the corridor, absorbing all the children away, as if a vicious monster wanted to devour them first before they could get their claws on them.

"Who's there?!" Prospera roared, grabbing her two golden daggers as her vampiric aura surged from within her body, exuding the might of an experienced A+ Rank fighter that could even rival S Ranks with all the magical artifacts she held.

# FLUOOOSH!

However, instead of a voice, black abyssal flames spread out, quickly surprising her and her subordinates, who floated as high as possible from the floor to not make contact with the damned flames.

And then, dozens of arrows imbued with light caught her subordinates, without them even being able to fight, half of them had their bodies pierced by the rays of light, Prospera was barely able to evade some of them as she saw hopelessly how over half her men died, turned into ashes.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

"W-What ...?! What monster-"

BAAAAMM...!

And before she could think again, a burly woman encompassed on an armor made of bones, shadows, darkness, death, and even moonlight hit her back, punching her with her Blood Battle Aura countless times! It was nobody else than Catarina.

BANG! BANG! BAAANG!

"Urgh?! Y-You?! Catarina, the Bandit Queen?!" Prospera groaned, her entire body surging with her powerful Golden Aura of Sands, as Catarina smiled.

"You recognize me, huh? Not bad!" Catarina laughed, as her fists were about to crush the Vampire's body, only for her to end up hitting just sand! "What?!"

FLUOOSH!

Prospera turned into a huge mass of sand, wrapping around Catarina, and beginning to break apart her skin and draining away her life force and liquids, trying to dry her out!

"You're really mistaken if you think you can fight me head-on, you weakling!" Prospera roared, spinning her sand body rapidly as she tried to shred Catarina into pieces.

"A Vampire that can turn into sand? That's new." The voice of a female echoed behind her as another Vampire appeared behind Prospera, her hands holding two spears overflowing with a mighty power she couldn't afford to tank!

#### CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

Several blows reached her sand body. The grains of sand that were hit instantly shattered and were destroyed into pieces, Prospera desperately let go of Catarina as she hit the ceiling, glancing at the woman that had showed up!

"A-A Vampire Queen?!" She asked in shock. "Why is a being as powerful as you... Cooperating with these lab rats?!"

"Huh? Do I even know you?" Laughed Partner, kicking her with her powerfully strong heels, partially made of hard Demonite. Several shockwaves were unleashed, shadows and blood aura exploding and making quick work of Prospera!

## CLASH! CLASH! CLAASH!

"Uurggh...! A-A traitor?! Catarina is also a vampire... zombie?!" Prospera thought. "Just what is happening here?!" She glanced back to her subordinates, only to see them all being killed by three children.

Little Nyx used her phantasmal magic and shadows to completely destroy the men into pieces, her sharp claws shredding them into halves.

Meanwhile, Takeshi and Laura used their water and explosions to drown and detonate everyone else, the army of B+++ Rank Vampires were killed in mere seconds.

By just children! And the worst part was that they all looked like the "lab rats" she had come to look for.

"Lab rats that had grown this powerful?!" Prospera thought, only to feel even stronger presences surge from all around her, her body beginning to freeze while she fought the Vampire Queen.

Her Sand Magic and Earth Magic worked in tandem to somehow protect her from all the lethal blows, while she used her Daggers of Eternal Sands to summon more sands and fuel her magic and transformation.

But that only lasted so long before her legs were suddenly frozen solid.

Chapter 822 Abyssal Evil God Embryo Of Miasmic Black Sands

"Ugh?!" Prospera noticed her legs freezing as she was unable to turn into sand down below. Her eyes glanced into the figure of a young Ice Giantess holding a necklace with a bright clear blue jewel, shining brightly. "An Ice Giant?! In the desert?!"

"Veredorr, you're pissed too?" Tear sighed. "Yeah, let's freeze her to death!"

The Ice Giantess rushed towards Prospera, the Vampiress stepped back, only for her legs to break apart by the spears coming from behind, wielded by Partner.

"Where are you looking at?!" Laughed Partner. "RAAAAH!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAASH!

A barrage of piercing spear attacks reached Prospera's body, which was quickly covered in dozens of holes that regenerated through the sand, she left behind her legs and tried to escape, flying into the ceiling, and sliding away!

"I need to escape! I cannot win at all!" She thought, however, a wave of freezing air reached her entire sand-made body.

"[Divine Frost Queen Magic]: [Niflheim's Frozen Coffin]!"

#### FLUOOOOOOSH!

An overwhelming divine freezing wave	reached her	entire body,	every little	grain of san	d and	even her
soul were frozen solid instantly!						

"T-This is... This freezing power...!" Prospera screamed, feeling her soul beginning to freeze as well. "She's... no way! The Frost Queen became their ally?!"

However, before she could even understand what was happening anymore, her consciousness faded into darkness, her body and soul completely frozen.

"She's dead already? Lame." Partner sighed.

"Are the children secured?" Asked Tear worriedly.

"All good!" Maria appeared from within the shadows.

"The Vampires are deader than dead too!" Nyx said, pointing at the charred remains of the Vampires that had tried to kill little children.

"They were surprisingly weak." Takeshi sighed. "Or maybe we've grown strong ourselves."

"To think we used to be tormented by trash like them..." Laura sighed.

"Wait.... I can feel something, a darkness similar to the Evil God's Fragments." Said Emeraldine, stepping in, and then glancing into the ceiling. "She's not dead!"

Crack, crack... CRACK!

Everyone then noticed a gigantic darkness swelling within the frozen body of the Vampiress, continuously shattering the ice until she finally freed herself!

#### CRAAAASH!

"You... bastards! You forced me to use THAT!"

Her chest started glowing with a bright red and black crystal imbued within, her entire body fusing with its miasmic powers as she turned into a mass of endless black sand that started filling the entire dungeon's corridors!

#### SPLAAAAAASSSH!

"Shit! She's going to fill the entire dungeon!" Maria cried. "Is she activating an Evil God Fragment?! No... It must be a power like that vampire woman we killed back in the duchy of Albraun!"

"That black sand is dangerous!" Lucifer said. "It is draining my Mana by merely touching my tail!"

"We have to make some space before it engulf us completely!" Emeraldine cried, generating a barrier made of spiritual energy behind her as the mass of black sands stopped.

BAAAM...!lights

Only for a few seconds before the sand absorbed all the energy and shattered the barrier conjured by an S Rank!

"Alright, that's confirmed, she has an Energy Absorption power!" Maria sighed, expanding her shadows, and grabbing all her friends, as they pierced through the walls in front of them, shattering the dimensional walls of the dungeon with Maria's Divinity and her Black Lightning, in a similar manner that Thor shattered the ceiling of the Miasmic Dungeon before.

CRAAAAASSH!

"A wide area!" Maria said, quickly flying into the high ceiling, as she saw the entire black sand emerge below them, several jewel-like eyes emerged within the sand, finally taking the form of a monstrous, slightly female-shaped entity made of black sand and red jewels.

"Is that really Prospera?!" Partner was shocked. "Fuck!"

"Her body and abilities... This seems like a boost much stronger than the Demonite Heart Core that the Horseman of Famine used!" Emeraldine said, recalling the events of the Albraun Duchy's disaster.

"She's much stronger than before... S+ Rank, perhaps?" Lucifer thought.

"Can I freeze her again?!" Tear wondered.

"I don't know if you can actually freeze that thing as easily anymore!" Catarina cried.

"So this is the power that the Vampires have been researching... To emulate the might of Evil God Fragments without using them?!" Jonathan was shaken. "It's the same thing that happened to Julio and Anastasia!"

"GRUUUUAAAAGGHHH...!" Prospera roared like a wild beat, incapable of rational thought anymore. She was fueled by rage and the monstrous miasma rushing through her veins.

[The [Vampire of Golden Sands: Prospera (A+++ Rank)] has activated her [Abyssal Demonite Heart Core]! Its effects have been combined with the [Divine Golden Daggers of Eternal Sands]!]

[Prospera] has transformed into the [Abyssal Evil God Embryo of Miasmic Black Sands (S++ Rank)]!]

[All her Stats have increased by a further +300%, her Natural Health Regeneration Speed has increased by +500%!]

[Through the power of her [Black Sands of the Abyss], anything that touches her Sands will have their Energies slowly absorbed.]

"Holy shit." Maria smiled. "You've gotten quite the glow up, you fucking bitch. Don't worry, I also got my own Transformation just in case I need to beat some giant demon thing ass."

#### FLAAAASH!

Maria swiftly transformed, fusing all her transformation Skills at once. Her body was made up of dark purple and pink colored moonlight energy which shone with countless bright stars. Her long, purple, and black hair reached her ankles, and it was made of ferocious snakes, poison, and death.

Covering her beautiful moonlight body, a black and demonic armor with the decorations of many buglike monstrosities emerged, made of demonic power, chaos, and darkness.

[You have combined the effects of the [Gorgon's Transformation], [Abyssal Demon Transformation], [Divine Moonlight Titan Body], [Divine Moonlight Titan Soul], and all Body-type Skills to transform into your [Ultimate Form]!]

[All of your Stats have temporarily increased by +1000%, your Death, Darkness, Chaos, Poison, and Moonlight Elemental Damage has increased by +10000%, and Skill Damage has increased by +500%!]

[However, your Mana is constantly being drained, and so is your Moonlight Essence!]

"[Accursed Abyssal Nightmare Blade Arts]: [Abyssal Ascension]! [Barbaric Dark Axe Arts]: [Demonic Slash]!"

Without further ado, Maria jumped into action before anybody else, summoning her Blade and her huge Axe, and swinging both weapons at once against Prospera's monstrous body!

"RAAAAAARGH!"

Prospera greeted her blows with her entire body transforming into countless fists!

#### CRAASH! CRAASH! CRAAAASSSH!

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[However, your Mana is constantly being drained, and so is your Moonlight Essence!]

Maria unleashed her [Ultimate Form], attaining the power of a Demigoddess- no, a Divine Titaness herself! And perhaps, even beyond that.

Prospera suddenly felt her presence and was shaken. Her gigantic sand-made body stepped back, intimidated by Maria despite having gone berserk herself.

This gave Maria the perfect opening to start the battle!

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An ascending abyssal slash and a demonic slash, both attacks that could easily slice up a whole mountain reached her body!

"RAAAAAARGH!"
Prospera roared monstrously, greeting Maria's two powerful attacks with her entire body transforming into countless black sand-made fists, overflowing with Chaotic and Miasmic Energies.
CRAASH! CRAASH! CRAAAASSSH!
The fists impacted Maria's weapons, attempting to suck her energy, they worked, but only partially. Maria smiled as her eyes glowed bright red, the snakes making up her hair shooting several beams.
"[Pandora's Box Beams]!"
Condensing the mighty and overwhelming explosive power of the Pandora's Box Skill, Maria unleashed dozens of beams made up of it through her snake-like hair!
The result?
Prospera's red jewels started shattering one after another, and even her black sand began to evaporate and turn into nothingness.
BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!
"UNGH?! AARGGHH!"
Prospera quickly realized that Maria was a tremendously strong opponent. Her body swiftly gathering all

With a monstrous roar, a huge jaw opened in the middle of her chest, unleashing a tremendous beam of pure chaos and demonic energy against Maria at once!

the powers of her Demonite Heart Core and her Divine Artifact, the daggers, all at once.

"GRUUUAARRGH!"

TRUUUUUMMM!
"Not bad!" Maria smiled, intercepting the powerful and explosive blow with both of her weapons at once, and then redirecting it back at Prospera. "But that ain't going to cut it! [Abyssal Parry]!"
CRAAAAAAASSSSHHH!!!
The enormous beam hit Prospera instead, her entire body made of black sand exploded once more, losing its shape and its energy, even as it was constantly absorbing Maria's Mana it felt as if she had a near endless pool of it!
"Urghhh! Y-YOUUU!" Prospera groaned, her body once more shapeshifting.
This time, she took the shape of a huge three-headed dragon, each head unleashing several beams everywhere, Maria was forced to step back as the beams absorbed even more energy of whatever they touched.
"RAAAAAHHH! DIE! DIEEEE!!"
BOOOOMMM!!! BOOOOMMM!!!
The entire dungeon continued to tremble, but it was able to hold and not break apart. Nonetheless, hundreds of monsters started to panic, running away, and some even found their way out into the city.
"Gruuaaaghhh!"
"Raaaaargh!"
"Ooooohhh!"

Mummies were the most of them, marching slowly, but exuding powerful deadly auras. The people immediately noticed monsters having infiltrated their walled city, their screams echoing around.
"M-Mummies?!"
"Why are they here?!"
"I thought the dungeon was sealed!"
"R-Run!"
"Gryyaaaah!"
As the people screamed and ran away at the same time as Maria evaded Prospera's beams, she quickly decided to divide and conquer.
"Catarina, Nyx, Takeshi, Laura! Go kill the monsters outside!" Said Maria, quickly sending a big mass of shadows with them outside of the dungeon.
"Roger!" Catarina smiled defiantly, carrying the kids with herself, Silva had sneaked in, stuck on her wide back. "Let's do it, kids!"
FLAAASH!
As the whole group reached the city to deal with the monster wave coming out of the dungeon due to the battle happening inside, Maria's allies swiftly started to aid her.
"You accursed monster! Don't you know how many innocent lives you've taken?!" Jonathan screamed, his Divine Sword shining with the might of the sun. "[Heaven's Fall]!!!"
FLAAAAAAASSSSH!!!

A bright beam of light was unleashed the moment he swung his Divine Sword vertically, the beam hit one of Prospera's big heads, shattering a huge red colored crystal in between the head and the rest of the black sand-made body.

"GRAAAAHH...!"

The dragon head stopped moving the moment it was hit, Maria realized Prospera lost a large quantity of Health this way! One of her annoying things was how fast she could regenerate, making it so even with her overwhelming superiority on raw stats, Prospera held the higher ground in terms of survivability.

"Hit the heads, across the neck connecting the body!" Maria roared; her mighty orders made her allies quickly gain a powerful aura. One of the many perks of being a Divine being.

[You have unleashed a [Divine Moonlight Titan's Order]! All those that obey your command will receive a boost of +100% to all Stats and gain a [Small Aura of Moonlight]!]

[Duration: 5 Minutes.]

"Let's fucking GO!" Partner roared, spinning downwards, evading a dragon's breath while Emeraldine appeared right behind her.

"Partner! Let's do it together!" Emeraldine said, her wings helping her fly at extreme speeds.

"Okay~!" Partner giggled, using her own bat-like blood-made wings.

Both flying ladies descended at the same time, evading the dragon's jaws and beams. Partner's two spears pierced through the neck, while Emeraldine summoned a gigantic arrow made of light, both strikes pierced through the dragon made of black sand at the same time, bursting its head off.

BOOOOOOMMM!!!

A huge explosion of blood energy, darkness, and light, blew away the head out of the body, which
quickly dissipated into black smoke, revealing a shattered red jewel.

"It's working!" Maria thought. "She cannot maintain such a strange body without having dozens of crystalized miasmic cores across her body! The larger they are, the more damage we'll deal to her!"

# "RAAAAARRRGGHHH!"

The third head suddenly started growing much larger, transforming into a gigantic black snake this time! Opening its enormous jaws, it unleashed a deadly breathe of black, poisonous gases capable of draining all energies!

# Chapter 824 Prospera's Defeat

"Tear! Restrain him!" Maria roared, summoning shadows around the gigantic snake as she tried to stop it from spreading energy-absorbing poison.

"On it!" Tear roared who had been helping everyone using her ice. "Alright, one last time! [Divine Frost Queen Magic]: [Niflheim's Frozen Coffin]!"

Tear spent the rest of her remaining Mana as she gritted her teeth, Veredorr's Soul Jewel shone brightly, as if she felt for a slight moment, his strength flowing into her body and magic.

# FLUOOOOOSSSH...!

A gigantic blizzard made of frost winds reached the entire body of Prospera, freezing most of it! For a couple of seconds, her entire movements stopped, although her head immediately freed itself, the rest of her body was slowly gaining cracks.

"It's... done!" Tear groaned, gasping for air. "Thank you, Veredorr..."

"Alright! Now, everyone, aim at the jewels!" Maria roared, rushing forward with Lucifer and Jonathan at her side. Partner and Emeraldine swiftly appeared at her side as well.

Their weapons swiftly aimed at the red jewels, the hue snake incapable of fighting back, became a standing target for their deadly divine weapons and skills!

"Take this! [Abyssal Death Flames Phantom Spear]!"

Lucifer combined several of his skills at once, materializing a spear made out of his unique Abyssal Death Flames, piercing through the Snake-shaped Prospera's black sand body, and shattering dozens of red jewels at once!

CRASH! CRASH! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

"One last time, isn't it?!" Jonathan roared. "[Divine Starlight Blade Arts]: [Starfall Slash]!"

Each of Jonathan's strikes resembled a falling star, piercing through Prospera's tremendous body and shattering more and more of her Miasmic Crystallization, the origin of her strength and the pillars for her to maintain her form!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAASH!

"Okay! Emeraldine, let's do it together!" Partner roared.

"Sure!" Emeraldine nodded.

Partner and Emeraldine combined their powers together, as Partner's Blood and Darkness Energy spiraled, together with one of Emeraldine's Light Spirit Arrows, fusing into a single, huge spear of light and blood!

CRAAAAAASSSSH!!! "YOU DAMN...! AH!" Prospera screamed in frustration and desperation, only for her to see with her own eyes as Maria descended from the skies, both of her weapons fusing together into a single, huge black spear. [The Power of your Divine Skills and Divinity has reacted with your Weapons, temporarily creating the Divine Relic: [Divinity Piercing Spear of Absolute Death: Laevateinn]!] [Duration: 5 Minutes.] "[Void Piercing Chaos]!" Maria gathered all her chaotic energy into her temporarily created spear, piercing through Prospera's remaining huge red jewels across her body, the frozen snake was incapable of evading nor reposition her crystal cores, falling to her ultimate fate! CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! "NOOOOOOO...!" With a loud and monstrous scream, Prospera's entire body lost its pillars, distorting itself until it couldn't

Prospera's explosion made the entire dungeon tremble once more, which caused the city above to fall into even more chaos, as if being invaded by hundreds of mummies wasn't enough!

remain stable anymore, and then, it exploded, even her soul shattering into pieces!

BOOOOOOOMMMM...!

"W-We can't do anything, those undead are too powerful!"
"Run! Just run into the lord's castle!"
"Uwaagh!"
The cowardly guards were incapable of fighting the D Rank Mummies, pathetically running away into the lord's castle, and leaving the citizens to their own fate.lights
"Gruuuaargh!"
A huge and muscular-looking mummy raised a golden spear, attempting to pierce a little boy crying on the floor at the side of their unconscious mother.
"Mooom!"
CRAAASH!
As the spear descended, instead of taking the life of the boy, it ended being caught in midair, as a metallic thread wrapped around it, a hook at the end of the thread swiftly reaching the mummy's chest, shattering its magic crystal!
"Gryyeeergh!"
The Undead gave a last scream before falling into the floor, losing its magic crystal meant a sure dead to Undead, who fueled themselves with Mana.
"Huh?" The young kid glanced as a boy with blue eyes and black and red hair appeared, having demon- like horns and strange marks around his body, while holding a fishing rod!
"Don't worry! Everything's alright!" Takeshi smiled.

"It's not alright!" The kid cried, pointing at dozens more of mummies approaching.
"Nah, this much is easy!" Takeshi giggled, expanding a domain of water, and quickly drowning the mummies inside, as his fishing rod's metallic thread swam across the floor and shattered the mummies magic crystals one after another.
CRASH! CRASH! CRASH!
"W-Woah Amazing, big bro!"
"Here, give this to your mother." Takeshi gave a potion to the kid. "This water here will protect you, stay here until everything is done with!"
"O-Okay! Thank you!"
The little kid saw Takeshi disappear from the scene across the water, while any other monster that got closer was instantly drowned in there.
Meanwhile, in another area of the city, a girl jumped from ceiling to ceiling while unleashing calculated explosions over the monsters, her eyes glowing bright red.
BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!
Using small pebbles she had touched beforehand, she launched them against large groups of enemies at once, generating huge explosions that were specifically calculated to not hit any civilian.
"R-Run!"
"Gruuuargh!"



"[Spear of Death]!" Little Nyx flew across the skies with her tiny wings, summoning several spears made out of death energy, which swiftly pierced dozens of mummies at once!

## CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

The people around the Ruby Palace City glanced at the scene in utter disbelief, as the girl not only conjured these deadly spells that would only belong to heroes of legends, but she even summoned ghostly dragons to help them out!

Not only the monsters were a problem, as the tremors from the fight down below caused many houses to crumble down into pieces, burying people alive.

The Phantom Dragons worked hard to lift the rubble and slowly rescue everybody, while giving them free, super expensive healing potions to heal themselves with ease.

"GRAAAAH!"

Suddenly, Nyx noticed five Giant Mummy Warriors, C Rank Monsters that were rushing into a large group of soldiers running away, several of them were already stomped by their huge bodies, each one over ten meters of height.

"I-Is this our punishment for running away?!"

"The gods are punishing us- Guuaarghh!"

"Help! Someone...! Someone please!"

A huge foot reached down, about to stomp three soldiers at once, one of them having stripped on the floor, screaming in utter horror.

FLAAASH!

"[Phantasmal Death Claws]!" However, out of nowhere, an adorable little half-ghost and half-dragon girl appeared before them, their eyes incapable of believing what they saw as her tiny claws swung horizontally and vertically, unleashing gigantic claw-shaped attacks made of phantasmal death energy! CRAAASH! CRAAASH! CRAAASH! The Giant Mummy in front of her was instantly sliced into pieces, the attack swiftly reached the other mummies behind her, two fell into pieces right after, while the other two ran towards her while swinging their huge golden swords. "DIE, INTRUDER OF THE CATACOMBS!" The accursed undead roared dry words, as if they blamed every living being they saw as intruders of their catacombs. However, Nyx did not falter before some C Rank monsters, smiling defiantly as her Draconic Phantom Aura boosted her strength through the roof! "HYAAAAH!" CRAAAASSH! She swiftly kicked one of the mummies head off, imitating her mommy's kicking attacks, while the other was instantly torn to shreds by hundreds of phantasmal fists emerging out of her aura! BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAAM! "Gruuaargh...!" "Gyyeehh..."

The two mummies fell into the floor, the girl instantly descended into their chests, devouring their magic crystals. The soldiers glanced in silence, flabbergasted by the scene of a little girl showcasing the power of an almighty being.

"Crunch, crunch... Hm?" Nyx wondered, looking back at the soldiers. "BOO!"

"Uwaaaahh!!!"

The soldiers screamed in horror, running away from her adorable little scare, crying, and pissing themselves... As if things couldn't get any worse.

"Hehehehe!" Nyx giggled after her mischievous little game, swiftly going back to the rest of the city to save more people and show her mama and papa that she was capable enough.

Meanwhile, somewhere else, Catarina was surrounded by over a hundred mummies. Using her special Provoke Skill, she called the attention of as many Undead as she could and moved to the city's outskirts, where there was almost nobody.

"Yeah, I've got you where I want!" She smiled, raising her claws as an enormous burst of Blood Energy emerged from within, boosted even more by the little Silva sitting over her shoulders. "[Blood Blades]!"

Catarina unleashed hundreds of blood blades that spiraled around midair, cutting down the monsters one after another, ten, twenty, forty, sixty, a hundred!

In just a few seconds, over a hundred of them fell over the ground, shredded to pieces as the muscular Vampiress smiled.

"Easy." She smiled.

"We did it! We're a team!" Little Silva celebrated.

"Now listen here you little brat, you shouldn't had sneaked with me!" Catarina reprimanded the little girl. "B-But I wanna help!" Silva pouted. "Sigh..." Catarina sighed. "But it's dangerous, and you're just a little brat! What if you get hurt? I can't always protect you..." "You can't?" Silva sighed; her eyes looked like those of a puppy. Even her cold vampire heart was moved by such voice, perhaps little Silva reminded Catarina of her younger self, when she was abused, and small, and then used as a tool by the Vampires. In fact, they had a lot of similarities, Catarina was also enslaved by the Vampires, even though they saved her life after she almost died on the flames of the manor where she worked as a slave, it was all to get Vampires that could survive beneath the sunlight and be resistant to fire. She was also a tool, an experiment... "Well, what's your level right now?" Sighed Catarina. "Twenty... two!" Said Silva while jumping excitedly. "It says I hit cap at level 30!" "Already?! Geez, you might get yourself an evolution sooner than I imagined..." Catarina sighed, giving her a head pat. "Alright, let's be a team for now... Blackie, bring us to where there's people to save, and monsters for EXP. The brat has to level up enough to stay with us now!"

With everyone's combined efforts, once Maria and her group ran to the surface to see what was happening, it was too late for them to help...

rushed into the city.

"WOOF!" The Shadow Wolf Zombie emerged out of Catarina's shadows, letting her ride him as the three

Because everything was already dealt with! No more monsters roamed, there were no casualties thanks to everyone's quick thinking and how they gave out potions sparingly- well, aside from a few stomped soldiers, and thanks to the food they distributed, there was now a warm aura around the air.

The people was talking between one another, no longer holed in their houses, enjoying a meal together, laughing, and somehow relieved to be alive, and to be blessed with good food after so much suffering.

"Looks like everything alright!" Partner smiled.

"What a relief... But still, we should distribute more food as well- Ah! How about I make a lot of trees with fruits grow? As long as the trees absorb Mana from the dungeon nearby, they shouldn't wither even without water." Emeraldine had a great idea.

"Alright! Do that then!" Maria nodded, glancing into the castle at the distance. "I've got a little job to do in that Palace over there first..."

Chapter 826 Slay The Pig

"W-What's going on?!" Sanctus screamed, having been interrupted from watching his slave girls dance around, as his fat face glanced across the window.

Not only huge tremors constantly shook the entire city, but a bunch of monsters came rushing outside of the underground "sealed" dungeon, which was an obvious lie to calm down his citizens and give them a sense of safety.

After just a couple of minutes, the entire situation was dealt with by complete outsiders, people with incredible powers he had never seen before, water magic, fire magic, a flying dragon girl, and all sorts of other crazy things happened.

And above all, he could no longer contact the Vampiress Prospera with the Telepathy Jewel given to him... It was as if she had disappeared, or worse, died.

"Those damn vampires! Is this their doing?!" Sanctus screamed, shattering several glasses as he glanced at the cowering girls in the corner. "What in the world is happening?! Can any of you bitches even tell me?! Huh?!"

The crazed bastard pointed a broken end of a wine bottle at the girls, his veins popping up on his forehead, as he was filled with maddening rage.

"I'll cut your pretty faces to feel a bit better at the very least! Come here! And don't you dare resist, I OWN YOU! You're nothing but shitty little pieces of garbage I bought! Now come and-"

"You're one nasty bastard."

"Huh?!"

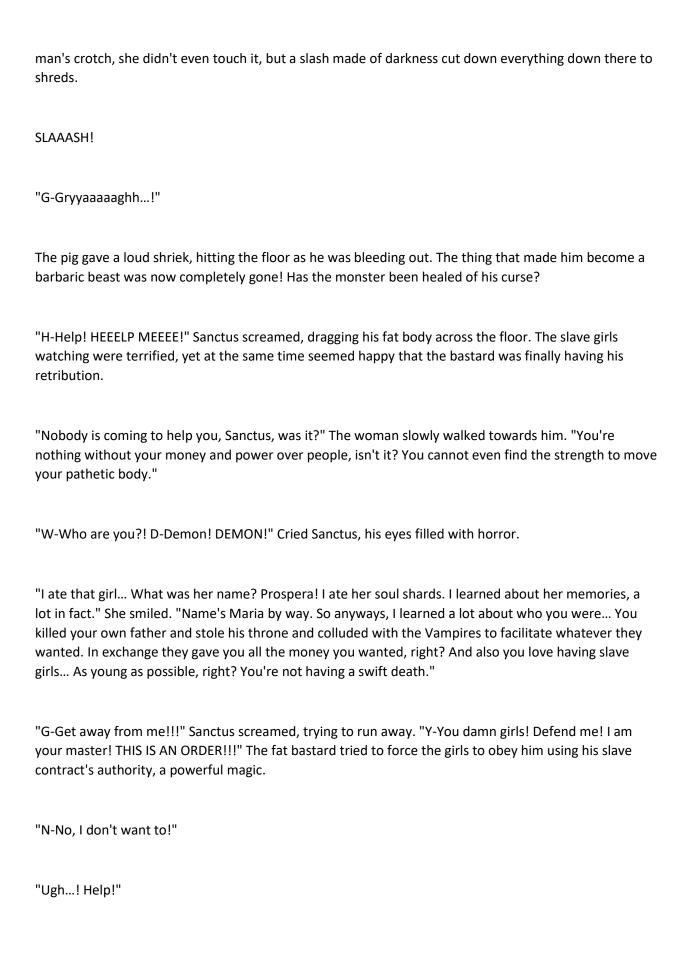
Suddenly, the man felt a terrifying phantasmal presence emerge right behind him. His fat body trembled in horror, glancing at the origin of that voice that made his whole being tremble.

It was perhaps the most beautiful woman he had ever seen before on his entire life. Fair white skin, sharp red eyes, long silvery-white hair, black horns growing from her forehead, looking fair and beautiful despite being monstrous in nature.

Her silvery-white hair ended on sharp red and purple ends, her black, phantasmal dress wrapped around her body and her black heels adorning those beautiful pure white legs made her resemble a goddess of the night.

"W-Wha...? Who are you?!" The man screamed, slowly walking towards her. "S-So beautiful... A-Are you a new slave? Ohhh...! You're so divine! You've completely healed my rage! Please, come to bed and-"

"You're a nasty pig that lets himself be dominated by his dick. Maybe you shouldn't have it?" The woman smiled, giggling, as her fair hands suddenly grew black claws, as she swung her hands against the



"Lady Please run!"
The girls' bodies moved on their own, grabbing knives and rushing towards Maria. But she swiftly swung her hand, dark slashes destroying the shackles making the slaves in a split of a second.
"My dears, you're safe now that I am here. But I am sure you don't want just that, right? Hold those knives, point them to who you truly hate the most." Maria smiled.
"I-I'm free?!"
"Who we truly hate the most"
"Yeah"
The girls glanced back at Sanctus, his face beginning to grow even more distorted in horror! The man cried, trying to climb the bed pathetically for whatever reason.
"Go! I'll give you the strength if you need." Maria said, enhancing the girl's bodies with buffing spells.
"You fat fucking bastard!"
"I hate you so much, you disgusting monster!"
"Die! Die!!!"
The girls started stabbing the man as furiously as they could, Sanctus screamed in agony. His punches or kicks did absolutely not a single digit of damage to them. The worst was that Maria had boosted his

defenses too, so he would die very slowly.

His stomach was slowly ripped apart, as his insides came out horrendous, his arms were cut down, his eyes taken out of his skull, his tongue was cut, all while he was vividly screaming and feeling everything. He couldn't even fall unconscious, Maria made sure his mind stayed as clear as possible with her mind-bending magic, making him feel the pain even worse than before.

"Gryyyyaaaaeeeerghh...!"

The scream of their corrupt lord echoed across the Ruby Palace City, some guards noticed what was happening, but skeletons were pointing swords made of bones at them... It wasn't as if they had any option in this situation anymore.

When the girls finally finished their revenge, they quickly ran away and were accompanied by Catarina who came looking for any slave in the palace.

The dead body of Sanctus was left above the floor, Maria looked at it and then just set it ablaze with phantasmal flames as she walked away with style.

She walked outside the room, greeting the few other nobles and knights left behind...

"Everyone, the pig has been taken care of! Bravo!" She started clapping.

All the people present glanced at her in disbelief...

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"W-What are you going to do now?! Without a ruler...!"

"You insane woman! You'll ruin our City!"

"The other rulers of the cities won't accept this!"
"The Confederation will chase you down to the ends of the world!"
Some of the old nobles colluding with Sanctus groaned furiously, they were just as sinful as he was. Maria glanced at them with bored out expressions.
"Behead the old bastards, we don't need old stupid men like them." Said Maria, waving her hand as she walked away.
"Y-You witch- gryeeegh!"
"S-Stop- graarghh!"
"N-No! I have a daughter and- gruarghh!"
The skeletons swiftly beheaded all the old annoying men that were just too corrupt, old, and filled with greed for Maria to find any worth in them.
And then, she moved downstairs as she saw Catarina and Elfina and Partner freeing the nobles that were imprisoned, including Sanctus' younger brother, and over twenty other nobles.
"W-What happened? My brother Is Sanctus dead?" A handsome blonde man with brown skin asked, he looked almost on the bones, barely feed in this dungeon.
"Yeah, his slaves killed him." Maria smiled. "Anyways, what was your name?"
"Sanctus the Third" Sighed the man.
"Ugh, you've got the same name?!" Maria complained. "Anyways, I assume you're not as crazy and corrupt as your sibling, right?"

"O-Of course not! That insane bastard sold our entire city to the Vampires after killing our good father! In fact, I'm really grateful you killed him! I would had done the same with my own hands if I had the strength!" Sanctus III cried. "But... the Vampires, that issue hasn't been dealt with yet, right?"

"Halfway through, we killed their strongest girl. We'll deal with the rest through the day." Maria smiled. "Now Sanctus III, I'll free you alongside everyone else. I want you to do a little speech to your city, can you?"

"Fine, but I need to learn more about you... Who exactly are you guys?" The younger brother wondered.

"I'll fill you on the details on our way to the palace's terrace, let's go." Maria smiled, as Emeraldine gently gave the young man some fruits, which recovered him from his almost anemic appearance.

At the end, they crafted a very clever speech, blaming Sanctus II for the death of their father, and also for the various monsters that appeared, saying he had grown wicked and sold himself to the vampires.

Corrupt guards and knights were imprisoned, the old nobles that were all as worse as Sanctus II were beheaded off-screen, and they also introduced Maria as "Marie" a powerful mercenary and adventurer alongside the rest of her group, which the people already recognized as saviors.

Nobody really complained, 99% of the population were poor people suffering from all the injustices of Sanctus II and hated him to death. They were glad he was executed and cheered up as Sanctus III immediately decided to announce this day as the "Feast of Liberation" day, where everyone was given delicious fruits from Emeraldine to celebrate their freedom from the tyranny of Sanctus II.

While everyone was celebrating, Maria still had some important matters to do, as she received a message from Lucifer, who was still in the Dungeon with Tear, Fabian, and Jonathan. The rest of the kids were swiftly teleported through a Shadow Teleportation Magic Circle some time ago by Maria, brought to the safety of her home protected by many S Ranks.

"T-That's the place..." Fabian said, pointing at the distance while being shrouded on Lucifer's shadows.

"I see. Yes, Maria, we've found it." Said Lucifer, speaking to her through telepathy. "The entrance to the Vampires Laboratory, it is as Fabian said, within the dungeon itself."

"Huh, I see. Alright, I'll get going." Maria nodded, leaving the rest of her Undead army in here to protect the citizens. They all understood it was Marie's Undead as she was a Necromancer. They already had seen her undead save them from the mummies too. "Sanctus third, I'm going down to deal with the Vampires, you stay here and smile with that pretty face of yours."

"Eh?! Already?! We haven't even chatted a bit..." Sanctus III was shaken.

"Just wait here, my undead will protect you if the worst happen." Maria smiled. "I left the strongest ones in your shadows. If anybody tries anything funny, they'll get stomped."

"T-That's reassuring to hear but a bit terrifying..." Sanctus III sighed. "Alright, I'll be awaiting your return, Marie."

"Bye~" Maria disappeared with Partner and Emeraldine, using her easier to conjure short-distance Shadow Teleport, as the trio appeared right at the side of Lucifer, Tear, and Jonathan.

"Mama! I wanna go too!" Suddenly, the voice of Nyx echoed within Maria's mind.

"We have to join if Fabian is going!" Takeshi said. "After all those kids are like us!"

"Please!" Said Laura.

"M-Me too! With Silva and Blackie!" Catarina said.

"Please! I wanna go save them!" Silva said.

"Sigh... Can't you leave a single thing to us for once?" Maria sighed, quickly summoning everyone else at their side through Shadow Teleportation.



Once Maria arrived at the scene with the rest of her large group, which even included the younglings that she didn't wanted to involve into this if necessary, they decided to infiltrate the laboratory of the Vampires.

By using her Shadows as a special world by itself, she quickly brought everyone with them, as she sneakily entered the Laboratory, grabbing every vampire she found into her shadows, and also stealing everything she saw, storing it inside of her inventory.

"W-What's going on- Argh!"

"E-Eh?! We've been dragged?!"

"Dammit!"

"F-Fight!"

The Vampires working inside the laboratory deserved no mercy, especially because of all the things they've been doing here, experimenting with little and innocent children to achieve their goals was the most despicable thing Maria could imagine.

Because they were quite weak at B Rank and didn't gave much EXP, she let Catarina, Silva, Fabian, and Nyx to take care of them while in the shadow world. She allowed them to move and use abilities even while being trapped, to help them train their skills and magic against foes that could fight back.

Nyx easily overwhelmed the B Rank Vampires with ease, her fists pierced their chests and her Phantasmal Flames burned their souls painfully, her claws could easily cut down even A Rank monsters and even S Ranks would be damaged by her blows even when she was still B Rank herself.

"Hehehe, it's not that hard!" Nyx said pridefully, as she ordered a swarm of Phantom Dragons to devour the soul of a Vampire that had tried to bite her little face.

"H-How can this happen?!" The Vampire screamed. "Just who are you?!"

He desperately fought like everyone else but was taken down quite easily as Nyx's summons ate him alive. This time, because they were inside of Maria's Shadow Realm, their souls couldn't be stolen from her, and she dedicated herself to munch on them and learn their memories. Of course, she saved a few to raise them into Vampire Zombies.

"You guys are quite tough; this is the perfect time for training!" Catarina smiled defiantly, still having yet to reach S Rank, she had just recently evolved into an A Rank Vampire Zombie Warrior Queen.

Leading Silva and Fabian to fight using their abilities against the Vampires, she weakened the Vampires using her powerful Blood Magic and Blood Demon Fist Techniques, using her powerful muscles to crush their bones and weaken their regeneration by sucking their vampire blood out of their bodies, which Maria was storing in bottles in the side to feed Partner, who after becoming S Rank, had become even more bloodthirsty for "quality blood" and was growing tired of Frost Monsters blood.

"You damn red eyed bastards! All of you that worked here, you made our lives so miserable! Even if I am a weakling, I'll make sure to be the one that takes your lives!" Fabian was really pissed off, as he used his Stone Magic, his specialty, imbued with the power of the Chaos Element from the Miasma inside of his Demonite Heart Core. "[Demon Crystal Magic]: [Demonite Spears]!"

Summoning huge spears of sharp black Demonite, he pierced their bodies while the Vampires desperately attempted to attack him with their sharp claws and blood magic.

"Graaaagh!"

CRASH!

"Y-You damn child...!"

CRASH!

"You're nothing but... a guinea pig!"

CRAAASH!

The unique Demonite Spears pierced their hearts before exploding into small crystal particles, that then dissipated into thin air, they seemed to not create contamination, interestingly enough.

Fabian seemed to remember many of these faces as he helped Catarina, Nyx, and Silva on killing them. Recalling how they laughed at his misfortune, how they tortured the children, how they used to bite their arms and take blood out of nowhere from them...

They were all despicable beasts, completely different from the "good vampires" like Catarina and Partner, who were so much different...

Fabian knew their differences and couldn't simply call all Vampires as evil bloodthirsty monsters, some of them were helping him right now, as a matter of fact.

However, that didn't meant he couldn't avenge all those fallen friends against the true culprits right here, because by giving a few Memory checks, it became clear to Maria that these Vampires were all really, really evil, almost cartoonishly evil.

"Are you okay, Fabian?" Silva asked, touching his shoulder.

"Hahh... Hahhh... Y-Yeah..." Sighed Fabian, gasping for air after having spent most of his energies. "It's just... I'm a bit tired, that's all."

"Here, I think this might help?" Silva wondered innocently, her powers suddenly condensing into a black light encompassing Fabian's body.

## FLAAASH!

"E-Eh? My Demonic Energy's regenerated? And my exhaustions gone too..." Fabian was surprised.

"She doesn't got much in the offensive department, but this girl has a lot of supportive and healing spells that revolve around Miasmic and Chaos Elements, it is honestly quite fascinating that such powers can emerge even from such destructive attributes." Emeraldine was analyzing the battle from the side.

"I need to get stronger too!" Silva said. "I-I want to accompany everyone... further from here as well... I want to find mama; she came from a faraway place!"

"But didn't you said she died?" Asked Catarina.
"S-She did, I think But I still don't know for sure! I want to learn If she's alright, or not. I want to find out, so I can be at ease" Silva sighed, holding a little black knife Maria had crafted for her.
"Then if you really want to come with us, you better fight and earn yourselves some levels! Here's even more Vampires incoming!" Maria said, as more Vampires dropped from the shadow realm's skies.
"Graaah?!"
"What the fuck?!"
"Where are we?! Hisss!"
"Humans?! No kids?!"
"W-What in the world?!"
There were over twenty more Vampires now, and they kept coming, Maria seems to have stumbled across a few passages with tons of them.
"Alright, dear, if you really want to stick with us and see the end of this You better wield that knife as well." Catarina smiled back at Silva. "Let's do this. I'll weaken then, you stab them!"
"O-Okay!" Silva was filled with the conviction to find her mother.
"Hah, I might as well help, I could end up sticking around too, never liked Ruby Palace anyways." Fabian smiled, summoning more Demonite Crystal Spears.



the creative minds that the Vampire Family had given birth to. Of course, he would never admit that.
"Y-Yes sir, we're well aware of your genius creations and inventive mind!"
"But this feels odd! And why aren't the surveillance relics picking up anything?"
"Wait"
One of the three Vampire assistant looked into a purple-colored crystal ball, which showcased a projection of the surveillance relics, and then realized they all looked very blurry for some reason.
"Don't they look too blurry? Has someone tampered on them? But how come the cameras had not detected that anomaly to begin with?!" Heisen angrily shouted, his three assistants sighed.
"We did heard that the one that killed Prospera could had been that Ghost Woman M-Maybe she's already here?! But it has been just a couple of hours since Prospera's death! And with the Entity, souls shouldn't be available for her to pick up and ask questions to!"
"U-Unless She found us nonetheless."
"But that's!"
"Impossible?"
Suddenly, a voice that nobody in that large laboratory room recognized echoed behind the metallic door, their eyes slowly landed in that very gate, as it slowly started to distort.
A huge hole emerged in the middle of the gate as if it was being pierced by something, not something

physical, but some sort of powerful magical energy.

Although he held a lot of pride over his own position within the Family, he was ranked fifth between all

Crack, crack...! CRAAASH!

The metallic door was devoured by a miniature distortion on space itself, a tiny black hole everyone saw in horror! And that black hole quickly transformed into a gorgeous ghostly lady.

"Well, now, that door was quite tough, did you use some expensive metals to make it?" She giggled. "Hello there. I've mostly cleaned through your labs. I think you're the very last trash I need to clean in here..."

Maria glanced into the room, analyzing it in a split of a second. It was a huge, damp corridor that led through a hundred-meter-long road towards a large door at the end. There were over ten doors to the left and right walls as well, where she detected a large amount of living beings, most unconscious, and some barely alive.

"S-She's here!"

"Shit, shit, shit!"

"R-Run!"

The three assistants didn't even tried to fight Maria, instantly trying to run away from the place with Heisen. However, their beloved scientist wouldn't let them escape easily, they had to be the bait, of course.

"Tch, to think you bastards would attempt to run away the second she appears! Serve me well for once!" He roared, swinging his claws as threads made of blood appeared from his fingers.

The Blood Threads instantly pierced their necks and connected to their spines, nerves, and then took control over the entirety of their bodies!

"Urgh! P-Please don't!"

"Sir Heisen!!!"
"Gryyyarrgh!"
"Shut up and become the bait, you pathetic trash! Your sacrifice will be greatly appreciated in the future

"Shut up and become the bait, you pathetic trash! Your sacrifice will be greatly appreciated in the future of our research, kehehehe! [Chimeric Transformation]!!!"

A miasmic power surged from the scientist and reached the three Vampires in a split of a second. Maria swiftly moved to stop him, but she was late by a few seconds, the transformation was almost instant!

#### FLAAASH!

All three Vampires unleashed powerful shockwaves of miasmic energy and blood energy, making Maria slightly step back as she glanced the scene, three gigantic and monstrous figures emerged amidst the smoke.

All three Vampires, which were not stronger than B Rank monsters, suddenly jumped in power to almost the same strength as Prospera! It cost their creator, Heisen, a lot of his energy and "resources" which he had stored inside of his own, aberrant, and modified body.

Their appearances and shapes were different from one another, the first of them had become something resembling a gorilla, with three long, purple-scaled snake heads, a second pair of praying mantis scythe-like arms above their shoulders, and red eyes spread across their amorphous appearance.

The second became a four-legged human-like wolf monster, with three heads, one of a cat in the middle of their torso with a huge red eye, and the third one of a black scaled lizard at the tip of their black tail, with bat-like wings.

And the third, the most pitiful, became a mass of amorphous flesh, covered on Demonite spikes and countless limbs of various creatures, with eyes and fleshy tentacles spread throughout their thing of a body...

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"Now serve me and distract them! I've spent most of the Miasmic Energy I accumulated, so do your work properly!" Roared Heisen, running into the large gate and utilizing a key to open it desperately.
"GRAAARGH!"
"ROOOARR!"
"GAAAAHH!"

All three gigantic chimeric beasts rushed towards Maria, as she sighed. Her shadows quickly expanded around her as everyone she was carrying with her appeared in a single second.

"Catarina and the kids stay here and take down these guys for EXP." Said Maria, planning everything.
"Everyone else come with me, we're chasing that bastard! Phantom Clones, check on the people inside the cells and give them potions in the meantime."

Maria's body quickly divided into smaller clones of herself made out of Phantasmal Energy which flew into the many cells across the corridor, while Catarina and the kids remained behind to fight the three abominations.

"E-Eh?! We're left behind again?!" Takeshi complained.

"I don't think this will be as easy as the others, Takeshi, focus!" Laura said, throwing a pebble in front of the wolf-like chimera and changing its charging trajectory in the last second.

BOOOOM!

"Graaarrggh...!"

The beast fell into the floor, only to quickly get back up again, opening its huge wolf-like head to reveal countless tentacles with serrated fangs.

"Shaaaah!"

The three snake-headed gorilla-like abomination swung its huge pair of mantis scythes against Nyx, who swiftly blocked the blows with her dragon claws.

CLASH! CLAASH! CLAAASH!

"No problem mama! I'll keep them in check!" Nyx said.

"Nyx!" Lucifer felt slightly worried but knew that this was a slightly necessary challenge for her growth. "Be careful!"

After all, she had stayed for too long as a B Rank already, and had yet to reach A Rank, she needed a lot more EXP, and these chimeras happened to be almost S Rank, so she should be able to handle them with enough support.

"Grooooohhh...!"

The aberrant mass of flesh and distorted limbs swiftly moved towards Catarina and Silva, as the two were riding over Blackie, swiftly evading the aberrant mass of flesh's attacks, which came in the form of huge, muscular tentacles trying to squash them like bugs.

BAAM! BAAM! BAAM...!

"Auntie, let me help too!" Silva said, boosting Catarina's strength and even Blackie's with her Miasmic Magic!

FLAAASH!

"Hah, alright, as long as I've got you around I guess something like this is possible too..." Catarina smiled, suddenly materializing several blades made of blood. "[Blood Blade Rain]!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH...!

Meanwhile, as those battles began, Maria and the rest of her friends rushed in an instant towards where Heisen had gone, the room behind the gigantic, sealed gates.

"Hahhh... Hahhh... Dammit! They're already here?!" Heisen cried, gasping for air as he noticed everyone entering the room, kicking the doors he had closed effortlessly!

#### CLAAANK!

"Heisen! You're not running away from what you've committed, you'll pay for all the innocent lives you've ruined." Maria emerged alongside the rest of her squad.

Jonathan, Tear, Partner, Lucifer, and Emeraldine! They were a group of six S Ranks against a pitiful A+ Rank... It felt completely hopeless from the very beginning for the scientist vampire.

"You bastard! Where is Spectra?! Where are the rest of my friends?!" Fabian stepped out of Maria's shadows, confronting the wicked scientist.

"Hah... Hahahaha...!" Heisen began to laugh. "Oh, I recognize you, brat... You're one of the kids that ran away... One of my precious guinea pigs. Do you want to know what has happened to your precious Spectra?! To your friends that we captured? Why don't you see them? They're right here!"

## FLAAASH!

Heisen unleashed a bright amount of light as a spell, illuminating the entire dark room, and revealing in the middle of it a large, glass tube filled with green liquid, where a strange, aberrant undead-like giant was resting.

It resembled the mummies from the Dungeon but possessing barely any skin over their bones. Wearing golden accessories and imbued completely with black runes and Demonite in almost every inch of its body, even its chest, which possessed a large concentration of it, of various colors.

The monster was over ten meters tall, and exuded a strange presence that seemed to be sucking every soul it could find, feeding off them and growing stronger, its aura constantly swirling like a black hole...

"W-What is that thing?!" Fabian cried.

"A giant mummy?" Partner wondered. "Ah, is this the thing absorbing the souls?!"

"Yeah." Maria nodded. "Most likely." "But he said... that these were the kids?!" Emeraldine cried. "Indeed... Behold! My greatest creation! Hahaha... My greatest, most glorious creation! A powerful sealed undead from these ancient ruins, which would never wake up nor obey my will..." Heisen laughed. "But I discovered by reading the ancient texts that it was named the Pharaoh of Death, an ancient Necromancer that was even stronger than S Rank monsters! I gathered souls, I gathered Demonite, everything to wake him up and make him become my own puppet! And after that Spectra girl happily gave away her heart and her soul to him, alongside all those other sacrifices... It has finally been completed! I was going to wipe out the entire damn city before leaving, but it seems you wanted me to do it earlier! Have your way then! Pharaoh of Death, King of Ancient Times, wake-" SLAAAASH! Before Heisen could finish his words, Maria rushed towards him and swung her huge sword against him, slicing him in two halves! "G-Graaarggh...!" "Do you think you have the right to talk?" "W-Wait! Argh...! I am the greatest scientist- Urgh...! Lord Hendrick...! He will not forgive this!" "Hendrick?" Maria wondered for a few seconds. "Is he the bastard behind Goldsand's corruption? Is he your boss?!"

"Hahaha...! Urgh...! Do you think I would talk?!"

"Then I'll ask questions to your soul later. Fuck off for now."

Completely exhausted of his energy and incapable of properly fighting back, Maria finished him off instantly by swinging her gigantic axe into his neck, slicing his head off and then unleashing a swarm of insects over his entire body, devouring him whole so he wouldn't dare regenerate.

However, that did little against the Ancient Necromancer that was slowly awakening.

Crack, crack... CRAAASH!