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Chapter 841 A Battle Between Dungeon Masters

Arachne's presence when she glanced at me generated some sort of invisible pressure that I was able to detect. But once she was gone, this pressure instantly disappeared. Most likely, she was glancing somewhere else within the dungeon, concentrating on dealing with my parents while trying to secure Luck. I bet she wants him to absorb both his and Lara's powers together.

"She's gone now, Sylphy!" Alice said.

"Good, then let's begin! [Dungeon Gate Summon]!"

Furoh quickly stopped midway through and glanced back at the monsters, as my blue bracelet started shining brightly with spatial and dungeon energy.

FLUOOOSH! FLUOOOSH!

Ding!

[The [Dungeon Master: Lv2] Skill [Dungeon Gate (2)] Ability has been activated!]

[Two Gates leading inside your Dungeon have been opened!]

[You have summoned your Monsters to battle!]

"SHAAAAH!"

"GROOOARR!"

"GUUUUU!"

A huge Giant Black Spider Queen, the Rainbow Slime King, and the Forest King emerged, and alongside them, hundreds of monsters, from Tier 3 to Tier 5!]

"GRRRHHH?!"

The Swarm was swiftly confused, always fighting by large groups, they've never been confronted by an equally enormous group themselves! In fact, I think Arachne only sent about a hundred insects at most, she was really cutting resources on me.

You'll pay really badly for looking down on me, Arachne!

"Of course, Tier 7 Monsters still will crush my weaker monsters. How about we even out the situation?" I laughed. "[Spiritual Blessing]! [Yggdragon's Aura]!"

FLAAAAASH!

A wave of golden spiritual light covered the hundreds of monsters I summoned, alongside my own Yggdragon Aura, as Ignatius and Naturia merged their powers into my aura to allow me to conjure it at full power!

The Yggdragon's Auras of Wrath, blazing with red color covered most of the monsters with spiritual and phantasmal armors made of spirit flames, resembling draconic armor. The Spider Queen, Slime King, and the Forest King looked specially awesome.

Ding!

[You have activated the effects of [Spirit Blessing]!]

[Dungeon Monsters that you control as their [Dungeon Master] are counted as [Familiars] within the Skill's Effects!]

[All [Familiars] Stats have increased by +300%, HP and MP Regeneration Speed has increased by +300% and earned EXP has increased by +300%!]

[You have activated the [Divine Yggdragon's Double Aura: Lv6] Skill!]

[The Power of the [Yggdragon's Wrathful Tyrant Aura] has been activated! All nearby Allies Damage Dealt has increased greatly, and they can now ignore a large part of foe's defenses!]

[The Power of the [Yggdragon's Guardian Spirit Aura] has been activated! All nearby Allies HP, MP, and Stamina is being regenerated at an even faster speed! Damage Taken will be greatly reduced!]

FLUOOOOOSH!

With the almighty power of buffs, my slightly weaker army became much stronger! Even though nobody could one shot a Tier 7 insect, they weren't dying any time soon against their blows. I think you should take a look at

"Now! Gang on them! Giant Black Spiders, restrain their legs using spiderwebs! Slimes, melt their bodies and weaken them with your poison and acid! Beasts! Attack with your sharp fangs and claws!"

The spiders worked together wonderfully by obeying me and their queen, quickly beginning to wrap the legs of many insects, while the slimes defended the majority from damage using their slimy bodies that could take almost any hit easily because of how gelatinous they were.

And thanks to the many buffs, they became mighty defensive allies! With the heavy hitters on front and my Spirits and Familiars attacking alongside them, attacks and explosions quickly began to spread out.

CLASH! BOOM! CRASH! CLAAASH! BOOOM!

Several Tier 6 and 7 Insectoids started falling to their deaths one after another, once one was finally killed, the rest started falling like a domino effect.

"A-Amazing, those damn monsters are taking care of the situation surprisingly efficiently." Ignatius was amazed. "Well, if it wasn't for my aura, it would be much different!"

"It is thanks to our aura." Said Natoria. "Foofooo!"

"Beelzebub, Curse, make sure to poison and weaken the monsters!" I commanded. "Ignatius, Natoria, keep conjuring the auras because they disappear after a few minutes!"

"A-Ah, yes!" Ignatius nodded.

"Sure!" Natoria agreed.

"Hahaha! Take this you shitheads! You're not real demons, just monsters created by that good for nothing evil goddess!" Beelzebub laughed, unleashing a wave of poison and paralyzing wing scales that paralyzed dozens of monsters, and poisoned them.

"I shall restrain your movements, beasts!" Curse utilized his curses to weaken and debuff their stats, while he conjured chains and tentacles made of darkness to restrain a few dozen more.

"Glutton, I guess you can go loose if you want to!" I laughed.

"BAARRF! BAARFFF!"

Glutton, the living dimensional bag mimic became extremely happy, as he started rushing into the battlefield. His stats were no joke, as his small size suddenly became tens of times larger, and by using his sharp fangs and the buffs provided to him, he started shredding apart the insectoids one at a time and swallowing them.

CRAASH! CRAASH! CRAAASH!

"Violet, you... Nah, you stay here." I had considered letting her fight, but she wasn't made for fighting at all, all her skills were about alchemy mostly.

"Guu!" She nodded, staying at my side.

Brownie was also summoned, his body quickly grew larger, becoming a gigantic, monstrous mole, and using his earth magic and sharp claws, he started massacring dozens of insectoids as well.

"Alice! Is the barrier done?" I asked.

"Almost! T-There!" Alice suddenly channeled all of my endless Mana, as a wave of Mana Disrupting energy conjured from my Mana Disruption Skill emerged.

FLAAAAAASH!

The invisible and colorless barrier covered our surroundings and reached the ceiling. Covering the entire area. This is to disrupt the mana and create an illusion that nothing is happening by blocking the mana fluctuations.

I know how Arachne can notice when something weird is happening because we Dungeon Masters "sense" it the moment we are inside our dungeons. But with this, she won't be able to sense it, and I'll be able to not be as disrupted by her attacks.

"Charge!" I roared, as Furoh rapidly galloped into the battle. I swung my sword and blocked attacks with my shield, battling as many monsters as possible while moving forwards with my army of dungeon monsters.

This has already become a battle between Dungeon Masters!

Also, I'm worried about our weaker members such as Mist and Celica, I'll make sure to find them quickly!

Chapter 842 The Heroes, Separated

"Fufufu, what a useless girl... I bet she has only survived so far because of her own parents." Arachne smiled, glancing at a crystal orb that reflected the dungeon. "I'll simply leave a hundred and some more bugs and be done with it. She'll try hard to survive, but with such a small body, she'll eventually die pitifully, unless she has infinite mana or something."

Arachne laughed, since the beginning that she had attributed all of what the children had accomplished to their parents, whenever her troops died or were defeated, she always thought it was the former heroes, while the children barely could do much by themselves.

"I'll just focus on something else..." She sighed, as she stopped glancing Sylphy escape while screaming in horror, completely waving away the visions showing her. "And these ones too... They're all weaklings. I shouldn't waste resources on them."

She quickly summoned at most forty insectoids for Mist, Celica, and Celeste, completely looking down on them as she couldn't really sense any threat from girls that were below Tier 5.

"Demons or not, they allied the heroes, they're traitors that deserve a painful death." She smiled. "Weaklings like you will just die with less than a hundred insectoids. I'll drop in a few tier 7, just to make sure..."

Leaving them to their fates, she quickly glanced at Zack, aside from his abnormal physical strength, without the support of his friends, even the warrior she recognized a bit would succumb to her swarm.

"Okay, a hundred for you, boy."

And then, at long last, she glanced at Luck, who was running away from over a hundred insectoids as well, most of them were spiders for a reason.

"Paralyze him with venom and wrap him up on spiderweb, bring him here once you're done." She commanded the monsters. "Fufu, in just a few minutes, I'll have everything to commence the transfer of divine powers..."

She glanced maliciously at the little Lara, wrapped in silk, and hanging from the ceiling, and then, she quickly glanced back at the heroes.

Allan, Shade, and Arafunn were her true targets, and which she was using every possible power, resource, and ability she had to kill them, or at least, damage them.

"You're the only ones I should be worrying about..." She sighed. "For Allan, the Hero of Blazing Sword, I've thrown you into a world of water where your flames cannot be conjured. For Shade, the Hero of Shadows, I've thrown you into a place of eternal light, blinding, your shadows are weakened completely! And as for Arafunn, the Hero of Songs and Winds, I'll throw you into a world caves, filled with toxic gases and devoid of winds..."

She had prepared three different floors for them, carefully crafting them to target the heroes' weaknesses. And certainly, they were actually struggling.

"I'm underwater?!" Allan thought, a second ago he had entered the dungeon, and the other, he found himself holding his breath in a world of water, there was no oxygen anywhere, and the ceiling didn't had any pocket of airs either.

If he was a normal human, he would surely suffocate and die. His flames didn't worked either, no matter how hard he tried to summon (his flames could be summoned even underwater in normal circumstances), it didn't worked.

"Is it because there's no pockets of oxygen? Even then... this water density, it is imbued with miasma!" Allan noticed how his body felt weakened.

His blade couldn't conjure flames, and was just that, a sword underwater, very hard to move with all the pressure and weight of his surroundings.

"GRUOOOHHH!"

"SHAAAAH!"

"GRRHHHHH!"

Suddenly, as if the environment couldn't get any worse, Allan quickly sensed the presence of several living beings approaching his vicinity. Within the shadows of the depths, dozens- no, hundreds of squids, octopus, sharks, and even killer whale-like monsters emerged.

And their strength wasn't anything to scoff at either, with each one of these beasts being at least Tier 8 Rank 10, and several of them being Tier 9!

"So this is what she was planning all along, teleport us into environments that completely negate our abilities." Allan thought, as the enormous jaws of the monsters approached his body.

Meanwhile, the same scene was happening within a blank, eternal world of pure and blinding light. Shade was on his knees; the pressure of the light was like nothing he had felt before.

It was so powerful that even the shadows beneath his own body disappeared. It was a world without darkness, a world without shadows... a world of eternal light.

"Ungh... Arachne... You bastard...!" Shade muttered. "She separated us and threw us into these damn halls?! Aquarina... Everyone else, they must have been separated too! I need to... Ungh!"

Shade was perhaps in an even worse situation than Allan, the light weakened his body tremendously, piercing through him... because of his unique physique, Shade had absorbed darkness and shadows until they became at least 70% of his entire body.

As the light continued, his body would begin to burn, and slowly yet steadily, he would fade away. His eyes glowed bright red, glancing around his surroundings, mustering strength and his large quantities of spiritual energy and mana, only to feel like the floor was draining it away slowly.

"Urgh...!"

"OOOOHHHH!"

"AAHHHH!"

"OOOOHH!"

And then, he heard the melodic screams of strange, angelic monsters descending from the light, resembling a mix between howls and men, they were called Fallen Angels, and were monsters that thrived within the eternal light of the "Heaven" where the gods lived.

For some god forsaken reason, Arachne was able to summon only a couple dozen of these strange and powerful monsters... Only about 18, but they were all Tier 9, and held a clear advantage.

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

From a distance, they fired beams of light against him, as Shade desperately started to evade them by running around and jumping weakly.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

"Dammit! I haven't gone through such a challenge ever since that day...!"

Chapter 843 Mist's Resolve

Arafunn found himself in a closed, small place, covered by a toxic smoke, and with no winds and barely any oxygen to breathe. The place was very cramped too, his wind magic would collapse everything and crush him beneath it if he was careless...

"A second ago we entered the dungeon..." He sighed. "I can't believe we were so confident after how we easily dealt with those monsters. Was this Arachne's plan all along? To give us a false sense of security? I have grown dumber instead of wiser, it seems."

He felt ashamed for having fallen in such a cheap trick. It was quite clear Arachne used those overpowered monsters to bait the heroes into fighting them, which would also convince them that they were so strong and mighty that there wasn't anything that could stop them.

They already learned she was a dungeon master in that moment, yet they kept pressing on, believing that no matter what she threw at them, it would be for naught...

"Have we underestimated her?" He wondered, his sharp eyes glowing as he found himself surrounded by enormous and poisonous worms, all of them at least Tier 8.

"GROOOHHH!"

RUMBLE!

And a few huge ones, all Tier 9... All while his surroundings constantly drained away his Mana, and the toxins in the air made it impossible for his melodies to be conjured completely.

Above all, it was also all miasma, deadly for his spirits... He couldn't even bring them out carelessly to deal with the situation.

"GROOOAAARRR!"

"Things are looking quite grim, I would say..." Arafunn sighed, as hundreds of monsters rushed towards him...

Meanwhile, at the same time, somewhere else within the Dungeon that Arachne created, Mist opened her eyes, as she had fallen into the floor and hit it really hard, making her pass out for a few seconds.

"Ouchies... My head..." She looked around, noticing nobody was there. "E-Eh? W-What happened? Where's everyone?! Zack? ZACK!"

Mist started walking around, only feeling more despair as she only found herself within a dark corridor, nowhere else to go than forwards.

"W-What's going on?" She wondered, trembling. "S-Spirit of Light?"

FLAAASH!

Suddenly, a tiny speck of light emerged in front of her, shaping itself into a small rabbit with fairy-like wings. This was Mist's small, young light spirit, which she had tamed just recently, but that she kept a secret from everyone else because she wanted to surprise them.

"Kyuuh!"

The little rabbit, no bigger than her palms, began licking her face, trying to relieve her.

"W-What do you think happened here? Did we got teleported somewhere else? D-Does that means I'm alone?" She sighed. "H-How can I find everyone else now..."

Mist felt hopeless. Since the beginning that she had been a frail girl, despite being of a tribe of strong demons. She was always protected by others and watched over by many of her friends and family.

But now, she found herself completely alone... Well, not really, she had a tiny spirit, much weaker than her that she wanted to protect.

"Kyu?" The little rabbit suddenly twitched its tiny head, wondering what was troubling his master.

"A-Ah, it's nothing Snowflake..." Mist swallowed saliva, her eyebrows furrowed, as she glanced into the distant darkness. "Like Sylphy and Zack, and everyone else... I-I need to be strong too!" She touched her chest, sensing Sylphy's powers.

"After all, she helped me awaken a power I never thought I had within me..." She sighed. "I-I might not be a hero, but I am competent enough to survive a bit, right?"

"Kyu!" The little Snowflake nodded. "Kyuwah!"

Suddenly, Snowflake started sniffing something, and started flying away from Mist!

"E-Eh? Snowflake?! Wait a bit!" Mist cried, running right behind Snowflake, only to find him floating in midair, paralyzed.

"Geez! Why did you run away? What did you find-" Mist quickly felt just as paralyzed as her spirit.

Right in front of them, at the end of the hall, a dark gate had opened, and from within, several insectoids, mostly Tier 5 and only a few Tier 6 had appeared!

"SHAAAAHHH!!!" "I think you should take a look at

The moment they heard her voice, it was already over!

"Uwaaah! Run Snowflake!!!"

Mist grabbed Snowflake with her hands and started running away, as fifty of these giant insects started chasing her around. She was gasping for air, feeling both desperate and exhausted by the whole ordeal!

She ran and ran faster and faster, but her body wouldn't easily let her. Although her dexterity was good and so was her agility, she lacked a lot of stamina.

And the monsters were growing faster as they started drooling, probably imagining tasting her deliciously tender meat!

"D-Dead end?!" Mist arrived at the end of the corridor, just where she had arrived. The wall was completely hard, and she couldn't break through it.

"SHAAAAH!"

"GRUOOHH!"

"RAAAAH!"

"Eep!" Mist cried, sticking herself into the wall as she heard the roars of the beasts approaching, their large shadows already nearby.

"Kyu! Kyu!!!"

Snowflake suddenly started floating in midair, telling her to do something! She simply couldn't be so afraid as to not even try fighting, right?

"B-But what can I even do by myself?!" Mist cried, tears flowing from her eyes. "I'm so weak..."

The traumas of that time in Eastgrain when those thugs abused of her and almost killed her, treating her like utter garbage... They still remained within her heart, even when they were already dealt with by Allan and Shade long ago.

"KYUUUUH!"

Snowflake, however, made her snap out of it, biting her forehead with its huge incisors!

CRONCH!

"Ouchies! W-Why?!"

"KYUUH!"

"SHAAAAHH!!!"

However, it was already too late. The first monster to arrive was a huge spider-like creature, as big as ten meters, which ran straight towards Mist, opening its mandibles and about to gobble her up!

"Uwaaah!" Mist lose focus and couldn't even point her arrow correctly; the jaws grew closer and closer!

CRAAASSH!

"H-Huh?"

However, the moment she opened her eyes, she realized a barrier of light was conjured, Snowflake was right in front of her, mustering all the little strength he had to protect her master...

"S-Snowflake...?! Wait! What are you doing?!"

"KYUUUUGGH...!"

In just a few more seconds, the barrier would break.

Even someone weaker than her had to protect her...

Mist finally realized... That she couldn't stay with such an attitude forever, now that she finally found someone she wanted to protect.

Chapter 844 Celica's Imagination

In that moment, Mist remembered the strange voice she heard when Sylphy entrusted her a part of her powers into her, and awakened her Talents...

Dig!

[Mist] has awakened the [Talents]: [Celestial Light Bow Arts (A)] [Revitalizing Magic (B)]!

Celestial Light Bow Arts and Revitalizing Magic. Both of these Talents were powers Mist has been developing restlessly, but that could had never been able to bring to such heights alone with so little time since she started training for real...

Without a doubt, it was a gift she simply couldn't waste, even more now, that she found the resolve to fight because she wanted to protect someone much weaker than her, that even though was weaker, was protecting her with everything she had!

Memories of when she was even littler, when she was a tiny baby emerged in her mind. When her mother died in front of her eyes, when she was barely two years old...

It wasn't by humans, but by monsters. The monsters that her mother and she encountered when they ran away from the war happening in the human continent.

She remembered the helplessness, and how at the end she was saved by Mary, the nun of the orphanage...

"KYUUUUH!"

Mist could no longer just be a tiny weak girl anymore! Not after she decided to accompany Sylphy, Aquarina, Celeste, and Zack into this adventure.

"[Celestial Light Bow Arts]" Mist's eyes shone brightly with divine golden light, her aura spreading out, as her Beast Aura, in the shape of a beautiful white crane, appeared.

She pointed her bow at the huge spider in front of her, aiming at the legs, and then channeling her magic into a powerful, lightning and light-made arrow.

"[Lightning Flash Arrow]!"

FLAAASH!

The arrow was shoot at an incredibly fast speed, piercing through the gigantic spider's legs, targeting the weak joints, and making them explode right away!

BOOOM!

Not only that, with her mana, she controlled the arrow and made it circle around the entire spider's legs, destroying most of them except two!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

"SHYAAAAARGGHHH...!"

BAAAM...!

The huge spider fell into the floor, vomiting green blood and groaning, it was now unable to move! The arrow disappeared after a few seconds, as Mist quickly ran towards Snowflake and hugged him.

"Snowflake!"

"Kyuuh..."

"I'm sorry! I was dumb... I-I'll fight!"

"Kuwah!"

Snowflake panicked, pointing at the upcoming monsters... Mist thankfully had a lot of Mana, the most Mana out of her friends aside from Aquarina and Sylphy, actually.

"[Multiple Magic Arrow Creation]!"

Mist created a single arrow and fired it against the incoming monsters, which quickly separated into five different arrows made of lightning and light! The arrows swiftly moved and exploded, while flying around and causing even more explosions.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!

"W-Woah..." Mist stepped back, as she saw that her precise and dexterous manipulation of her arrows allowed her to incapacitate the easily by destroying their leg joints, in just a few seconds, most of them fell into the floor. "This power..."

"SHAAARRGH!"

The monsters were still alive, slowly dying out of bleeding. Mist's magic arrows weren't strong enough to pierce through their main bodies' exoskeletons, but they could target leg joints and make them collapse, leaving them completely helpless.

"Kyuuh!"

However, that wasn't all, as Snowflake flew into the still living spider in front of Mist and dug into its open mandibles, reaching its insides, and sucking all the Mana out of its Mana Crystal, coming back empowered with tons of mana!

FLAAASH!

"E-Eh?! Right, Spirits can absorb Mana directly from things...!" Mist was surprised.

"SHAAAAAH!"

However, Mist couldn't celebrate much, more and more monsters kept coming! She had incapacitated at least eight of them, but there were still forty-two more to go.

"Kyu, kyuuuwah!"

FLUOOSH!

Snowflake suddenly flew into Mist's bow, fusing with it!

FLAAAAAASH!

A powerful spiritual light was imbued into Mist's bow, realizing that this was the power of Spirits, Spirit Fusion, and Spiritual Infusion. The ability of spirits to merge with the user or their weapons.

"Snowflake..." Mist felt filled with resolve. "Alright... let's do this!" The girl valiantly pointed her arrows at the monsters, fighting for her life.

Meanwhile, a similar sight could be seen just a few meters away from Mist, on a different area of the dungeon where Celica ended being brought.

"Nobody's here, do you think something's wrong going on, Mister Teddy?" She sighed, as she was being carried by a huge teddy bear golem, while two other golems, one resembling a huge dragon plushie and the other a rabbit were tanking the hits from a dozen giant insect monsters.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

"Mister Dragon, Dark Breath!" Celica commanded.

"ROOOOAARRR!"

The dragon made of plushie opened its huge jaws, unleashing a beam of darkness that threw the insects away...

BOOOOOMMM!!!

However, none died. They were only slightly damaged at most. The same was for Mister Rabbit's attacks, her golems were sturdy, but their attack power left to be desired.

"I think we might've been teleported to separate places..." Celica sighed. "Do you think so?"

"Groooohh..." Mister Teddy groaned, nodding silently.

"I'm scared..." She sighed, hugging Mister Teddy's big body. "Is everyone okay?"

"Groooh! GROAH!"

"We need to fight?"

"Grooh!"

"I guess you're right... B-But can we win?"

"GROAR!"

"You're right! I got those Talents that Sylphy helped me awaken... I am not a pushover anymore, right? After all, I decided to grow stronger to protect mommy, so she would never be taken away anymore! But... now I'm away from mommy... It is because I wanted to be cool for her, I can't take my word back."

Celica had a very different mentality than Mist, it seemed that her life and the loneliness she experienced made her slightly emotionless, at the same time as "strange" by many, as she mostly interacted with imaginary beings, which later on she attributed to the golems she made with her own powers.

However, she was still a good and honest girl, that only wanted the best for her friends... If she had come all the way here, there was no point in not giving it her all!

"T-Then let's do something new..." Celica said, pointing her hands at Mister Dragon and Mister Rabbit, both who were already slowly falling apart. "[Demonic Puppet Creation]"

FLAAAASH!

Chapter 845 Unhinged

It was one of Celica's new Talents, the power of Demonic Puppet Creation, aside from Phantasmal Magic, which were awakened by Sylphy's Heroic Seed Skill. And it was much more than just making the same puppet golems she always made.

"[Demonic Puppet Creation]"

FLAAAAAASH!

Both the Dragon and the Rabbit golems bodies melded together in a split of a second, suddenly catching three of the huge bugs they were tanking the hits from, merging their bodies with them even as the monsters groaned unwillingly.

It was a strange and even bizarre power that she had awakened, something that only a few of the strongest Demons in the Demon Continent could create... The ability to make powerful underlings.

FLUOSH!

The fusion quickly created a different, strange looking creature, resembling a huge humanoid lizard, with clothes resembling those of a jester, red, purple, and white...

"GRYEHEHEHEH..."

It emanated a deadly, demonic energy from within, so powerful that it could even be considered as strong as a Tier 8 monster! This clown-like lizardman creature, amazed Celica.

"Looks like a clown..." She giggled a bit. "I'll name you Mister Jester! Please, can you help us break through?"

"GRYEHEHEHEHEEE!"

The huge Mister Jester nodded, as tall as twenty meters, the huge monster rushed forward, swinging his gigantic claws against the monsters!

CRAAASH! CRAAASH! CRAAAASH!

The insects flew into the skies, their bodies quickly were covered in terrific wounds, some of their legs were torn off. And that wasn't all, as the jester suddenly summoned colorful cards from its hands, throwing them by the dozens at the insects!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!!!

Weakened already, a few insects finally died! Celica was surprised they were making progress, but with a single one, it wouldn't be completely possible yet.

"Mister Teddy, time for you to transform as well." Celica said, stepping down and quickly making him gather the corpses of the insects. "Now! [Demonic Puppet Creation]!"

FLAAAASH!

The same strange and bizarre process happened, where her golem melt into sludge and merged with the "sacrifices", becoming something new and monstrous, stronger than ever, and even more "alive" than before.

FLUOSH!

It was at least thirty meters big, muscular, covered on red and white fur, with big, colorful horns, and sharp fangs and feral eyes...

It was Mister Teddy who had suddenly evolved into an even stronger Demonic Puppet! Overflowing with as much power as Mister Jester, but with even more physical might, he stepped forwards to battle...

"GROOOOOAAARRRRRGHH!"

With his huge, massive metallic black claws, mister teddy charged forwards, Mister Jester barely evaded his crazed charge as several dozens of insects were pushed down, killed one by one with Mister Jester's assistance!

CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! CRAAASH!

"M-Mister Teddy, so strong!" Celica was amazed.

Her childhood friend had become so strong now that he was protecting her from the baddies! However, it wasn't as if she couldn't fight by herself...

"SHAAAAAH!!!"

A few of the insects that sneaked out reached her, rushing towards Celica and trying to devour her! However, before they could hit her, an invisible barrier made out of almost a hundred demonic insectoid souls stopped them.

CRAAAASH!

"GRUUHHH?!"

"SHYAAAARGH!"

"GRIEEHH...!"

Not only the barrier blocked damage, but it caused damage against them, the monsters felt as if their very souls were sucked out of their Mana a little bit, and even their vitality was drained.

"Phew, it was good that I set up a [Demonic Phantasmal Barrier] ahead of time!" Celica sighed in relief. "I-I'm not strong physically, but I'll do my best... Like this, maybe? [Phantom Hands]"

FLUOOOSH!

The hundreds of souls she had captured beforehand when her friends killed many monsters on their way here shapeshifted, generating countless of phantasmal hands that grabbed the monsters and dragged them closer to her barrier.

Slowly, she started to drain away their life and mana, until the monsters dried out and stopped moving... Right after that, she pointed her hands at her Demonic Puppets, filling them up with Mana once more.

"[Mana Transfer]!"

FLUOOOSH!

With enough mana, both Mister Jester and the Super Mister Teddy kept attacking and tanking the army of monsters, fiercely fighting alongside their master for survival!

"I think... I'm handling things a bit fine." Celica smiled a bit, finding more strength on herself than she imagined. "It's all thanks to Sylphy that awakened my Talents... I'll make sure to use this power to find everyone else too!"

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BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

CLAASH! CLAASH! CLAASH!

Several explosions of powerful strikes reached dozens of insectoid demonic monsters at once, as Aquarina and Zack, for whatever reason, found themselves together in the same room.

Perhaps some sort of mistake by Arachne, after all she wasn't perfect, and was an imperfect being just like them... And most likely because she looked down on them.

But now, she would soon begin to regret putting these two monsters together.

"SHAAAAHHH!!!"

A huge Chimeric Insectoid Monsters emanating the power of a Tier 8 Monster rushed forwards, only for Zack to step forwards, his two axes overflowing with tempestuous auras as his spirit imbued even more power into him...

"[Divine Battle Axe Arts]: [Mountain Splitting Axe Strike]!!! [Tempest Magic]: [Heaven's Lightning]!!!"

Combining his massively powerful physical strike with destructive lightning magic, Zack's attacks hit the Tier 8 monster's head, crushing it into the ground!

BAAAAAAAAAMMMM...!

"GRUOOHHH...!"

The beast struggled to move, really damaged, but pushed him away, as it fired several beams of darkness and miasma against him!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Swinging his axes he simply intercepted them and redirected the attacks elsewhere almost masterfully! However, as he was about to try taking it down now, an explosion of ice and water fell from above!

"[Divine Poseidon's Frost Dragon Trident]!"

"ROOOOAARRR!"

Aquarina's combination of her Spirits and her unique Divine Skills created a huge trident made of ice in the shape of a roaring dragon, hitting the chimeric insect beast's head!

CRAAAAAAASSSH!!!

And completely freezing it before shattering the head into pieces!

Crack... crack...!

CRAAASH!

"Done." Aquarina sighed in relief.

"Hey! I was going to take that down!" Zack complained.

"Geez, aren't you more worried about Mist?! We have to find a way out of this damn place!" Aquarina said.

"I know! Do you have to scream at me?! I'm really worried about her!" Zack groaned angrily.

The two glanced at one another hatefully... Whenever Sylphy wasn't around, those two became unhinged.

Chapter 846 Celeste And Luck's Struggles

FLAAAAASH!

Celeste flew across the dungeon at fast speed. Sitting above her Demonic Dark Spear. Her Curse and Darkness Magic weakened her foes while her spear finished them off. Although she was weaker than Sylphy, Aquarina, and Zack, she was still strong enough to do this much after having grown so strong thanks to her friends' help.

"Where is everyone?! I know Sylphy, Aquarina, and Zack should be fine, those guys are monsters but... Mist, Celica! And Luck too, I guess?" She sighed. "This damn spider woman..." She glanced into the skies. "Oi Arachne! Are you seeing me?!"

No response. It has already been a couple of minutes since her voice couldn't be heard anymore. After sending around seventy monsters to kill Celeste, Arachne completely stopped giving her any attention.

"This bitch is really looking down on me..." She sighed. "But I guess... It isn't as if I don't deserve such a treatment, hahaha..."

Even now, Celeste is being slightly tormented by her past. Even after all the awful things she did, she was forgiven by everyone. Although she pretended to be alright, deep down, she still felt very guilty.

She always wanted to help as much as she could, even if it meant risking her life. It was the least she could do for almost killing Sylphy's mother, and through her organization, having taken so many innocent people's lives.

And all of these events regarding Arachne reminded her of her plans in Eastgrain, the awful things she did, and the powers this "Gray" guy gave to her temporarily through the Dimensional Jewels.

The ability to create Dungeon Breaks.

Back then, she felt invincible, she thought that her revenge against her father was within her grasp without a doubt... She was merciless, she thought of disposing of innocent civilians, anything to accomplish her goal.

But without realizing it, she became corrupted, and ended becoming almost as worse as the man that had brought her so much suffering...

Sylphy beat her down until she understood, until she found herself hopeless. She had given away her most precious thing, her soul, to those Evil Gods that manipulated her to do all of this.

That tried to turn her into an utter monster to unleash their own hatred and plans into the mortal world... And almost lost her soul, without even having the chance to have an afterlife.

Yet Sylphy once more saved her even then, somehow... With her incredible strength and powers. And now, not only she had forgiven her, but she also even helped her awaken her Talents.

The very Talents she was using now to completely crush her enemies...

"Arachne... If she's like me, she must have gone through horrendous things." She sighed. "I can't help but see myself within her, even when I've never meet her. Yet... It feels like she's an even worse version of myself, someone that never found a Sylphy to help her, and ended sinking deeper into an abyss. She has gone so deep that it is probably impossible for her to ever return now..."

Celeste's swift and precise movements were almost admirable. Her spear pierced the heads of monsters, her abyssal darkness magic restricted them with chains of curses, weakening them too, all while she flew around with wings made of shadows in the shape of bat wings.

"She doesn't know that she's merely a puppet of the Evil God controlling her, the one that gave her all these powers..." Celeste sighed, glancing into the ceiling. "Arachne, if you continue doing this... You'll soon realize you were merely the puppet, and not the master."

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"[Divine Claw Arts]: [One Hundred Lightning Slashes]! RAAAAAHHH!!!"

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH SLAAASH!

Luck's attack slashed through the legs of the many insects surrounding him. The giant bugs were incapacitated one after another, falling into the floor.

His entire body was overflowing with the might of the Divine Beast Spirit of Light, the Golden Tiger, his appearance having changed greatly through the transformation.

"Lara... WHERE'S LARA?!"

Arachne's plans were going awry, the spiders she sent to him to restrain him and capture him were not working properly at all... No, in fact, he was simply too strong.

She had been told he was much weaker by her servant, but now? It was as if he had become much, much stronger! It was a shift in power of tremendous quality.

"Hahhh... HAHHH... LAAAAAHHH!!!"

With a loud, beastly roar, Luck roared to the heavens, seeking his beloved friend, Lara, the light of his world, the sun of his sky, the one that filled his empty heart.

He had worked so hard only to find himself in the depths of a dark dungeon, fighting against giant bugs endlessly... All of his efforts felt like they were for nothing!

It felt as if fate simply didn't wanted him to reunite with her!

"LAAAAAAA!!!"

A powerful roar akin to that of a divine beast surged from his aura once more, the shockwave of light and electricity hitting all the surrounding bugs, paralyzing them!

TRUUUUUMMMMM...!

"RAAAAH!"

Mercilessly and monstrosly, he started attacking them more and more, tearing apart their bodies and devouring the magic crystals, absorbing their Mana, this was a power usually only monsters possessed.

However, the Beast Hero in their Divine Beast Form were capable of doing the same as monsters, absorbing Mana from devouring Magic Crystals, this way, they were able to keep themselves fighting much longer than most heroes, as they would continue to regenerate as they defeated and extracted more enemies.

"There... A Gate! LAAAA!"

Luck roared, crazed, as he started hitting the gate in front of him with all his divine beast might!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAAASSH!

RUMBLE! RUMBLE! RUMBLE!

The entire dungeon started trembling a bit before his might, however, no matter how hard he tried, the dungeon gate would simply not open.

"No... Why...?! WHY?! ARACHNEEEEEEE!!!"

"Oh my, such an annoying young man... Can't you see that my lady is busy dealing with the heroes?"

Suddenly, a very familiar voice echoed behind Luck. The moment he glanced back at her, his eyes grew red in anger...

"YOU!"

It was her, the one that took Lara away from her.

"You've grown so strong since the last time we meet, little wolf..."

"Give... Lara... BACK!!!"

CRAAAAASSH!

Chapter 847 Dimensional Magician

With my army and my familiars, we kept advancing across the dungeon floor where we were trapped in. Using my sword to slash at the bugs and with my army of monsters, in just a couple of minutes, we managed to make our way through the entire monster army, which I feed to the monsters to grow even stronger.

Ding!

[You and your Party have slain [Insectoid Chimera Demonic Beast (Tier 6 ~ 7)] x138!]

[You earned 4.600.000 EXP!]

[Your Dungeon Monsters have slain and devoured a large quantity of powerful monsters from a rival Dungeon.]

[Their growth has been accelerated and some of them have developed new Abilities and increased their Tiers.]

[You gained 3265 Dungeon EXP.]

[You gained +674 Dungeon Energy.]

"Oh wow, so I can even earn Dungeon EXP and Dungeon Energy like this?!" I was shocked. "Well, there's no time to celebrate though! How the heck do we get out of here?!"

CLAASH! CLAASH! CLAASH! CLAAASH!

I unleashed my strongest attacks against the closed gates, but it was absolutely impossible to shatter. It felt like I was constantly trying to destroy an immovable, indestructible object, not even a few cracks showed up.

"This feeling..." Alice muttered while analyzing the dungeon's structure. "I see! The reason normal blows will never break a dungeon's walls is really easy... Dungeons by themselves are like pocket dimensions. No attack could ever break through dimensional walls. Remember when you got trapped inside one long ago, with that huge skeleton guy?"

"Oh, that... It was impossible to escape. And that was a space the God of Dungeons created!" I said.
"Then Dungeons work by the same principles, by own too?"

"Indeed." Said Alice. "However, it's not as if there's no way to break through space either, right? Like your dad did back then. Like Shade did as well."

"But for that... They were capable because they reached the pinnacle! To be able to cut through space and dimensions themselves... It's not something I could ever achieve yet." I sighed. "Wait..."

"Yep, did you forget already?" Laughed Alice.

"Silly me." I laughed. "[Mana Disruption]! And... This Bracelet too!"

I imbued Mana into my Dungeon Bracelet and then activated the Mana Disruption Skill, a combination between Spacetime Magic and the power of disrupting all magic and elements was unleashed!

TRUUUUUUUMMM...!

Something resembling a huge black hole appeared, attempting to disrupt and temporarily destroy the dungeon walls!

However...

FLASH!

Before it could consume anything, it suddenly and abruptly stopped! Wait, what?! Not enough then?!

"With the bracelet you can unleash a faint Spacetime Attribute Aura thanks to the Dimensional Stones it was made of, and with Mana Disruption, you can disrupt all types of magical constructs, even dungeons." Said Alice. "However, you need much more power..."

"Yeah..." I nodded. "If my base power doesn't work then... Let's modify that too!"

Ding!

[You have exchanged 2.500.000 EXP!]

[The Level of the [Mana Disruption: Lv8] Skill has increased to Level 10, the Max Level!]

[Your Ability to Disrupt Mana has increased greatly.]

[You can now wield Anti-Magic of the Apprentice Level.]

[You have activated the [System Manipulation] Spell.]

[Your Status has been temporarily modified!]

<#23a System>

[System Owner]: [Sylph Natoria Bravo]

[Magic Circle]: [Tier 5: Rank 8: Spiritual Princess Magic Circle]

[Physique]: [Tier 5: Rank 8: Divine Yggdragon Princess Physique]

[Level]: [1/#523a]

[EXP]: [31.285.000/%4g3#]

[Class]: [Master Farmer: ★★] -> [Dimensional Magician: ★★]

[Subclass]: [Alchemist: ★] -> [Anti Magic User: ★]

[HP]: [10/10] (+1000)

[MP]: [20/20] (+1000)

[Strength]: [4] (+4.000)

[Defense]: [3] (+4.000)

[Magic]: [50] (+1000 -> +5800)

[Resistance]: [10] (+1000)

[Agility]: [6] (+4.000)

[Luck]: [-10] (+4.000-> +100)

[Charm]: [20] (+1000 -> +100)

[Skills]: [Royal Elven Lineage] [Agricultural Arts] [Advanced Fire Magic: Petit Meteor] [Mana Usage]
[Hero Seed] [Divine Protection] [Heavenly Sight] [Alchemy] [Heavenly Sun] [Blazing Sunshine Ward]
[Dragon Heart] [Divine Yggdragon's Double Aura] [Lesser Water Magic: Aqua] [Steady Fighter] [Reaper]
[Cooking] [Dungeon Master]

[The Special Effect of the [Class]: [Dimensional Magician: ★★] has been activated!]

[The Effects and Power of Spacetime Attribute Magic has increased by +250%! The Power to shape Dimensions has increased by +100%.]

[The Special Effect of the [Subclass]: [Anti Magic User: ★] has been activated!]

[The Effects and Power of Anti Magic has increased by +150%! You can now naturally control this energy much better. Mana Disruption has become twice as effective.]

FLAAAAASH!

My entire body started overflowing with Magic Power, as I smiled into the gates in front of me, gathering both the gray colored Anti Magic Energy and the black colored lightning from the Mana Disruption Skill, combining them together alongside the power of the Spacetime Attribute Mana emanating from my Dungeon Bracelet!

"[Dimensional Disruption]"

TRUUUUMMMM...!

A huge black hole emerged, this time much stronger than before, which swiftly started generating countless cracks across the gate in front of me. The gates spread further and further, until the entire thing crumbled apart, blue, and purple dimensional energy leaking out of the cracks and being swiftly absorbed by the black hole, as a huge explosion came right after!

BOOOOOOOOMMMMM...!

Once the smoke dissipated, a huge hole leading to the next room appeared. It worked. It actually worked this time! After growing so strong, it finally worked!

"It worked! Amazingly done, Sylphy!" Alice celebrated. "Now let's go inside! Quick!"

"Alright!" I nodded, rushing in with my army of monsters, and quickly finding Mist, fighting alone against over thirty monsters, with several corpses left behind.

"Mist!" I cried. "You're alive!"

"S-Sylphy?! You came through the wall?!" Mist was left shocked.

"Yeah, but that matters lightly compared to what you've done! Have you been alone? Amazing! You did such a good job surviving!" I smiled. "Dungeon Monsters! Destroy the threats!"

"ROOOARRR!"

"GUUUUU!"

"SHAAAAHH!"

My monsters quickly overwhelmed the Insectoid Demonic Beasts while being buffed through the roof thanks to my many Skills, helping Mist relieve her stress.

"A-Amazing...!" Mist said. "You can control so many monsters! How?!"

"I'll explain later, for now, we have to get going!" I said, quickly bringing her over Furoh's back. "Let's go! I can sense everyone's presences through my eyes, they're not that far away!"

Chapter 848 Luck's Rematch Against Asarashk

Asarashk had appeared out of nowhere to deal with Luck. His power and strength went beyond Arachne's wildest expectations. Not long ago, he was so pathetic that even the Tier 6 Monsters of the

Swarm were a deadly threat against him. But against their expectations, Luck had grown in just a couple of days into a total monster.

The awakening of his Heroic Blessings and Powers might have been one, and also inheriting Elise's Magic and her Weapon too... However, the biggest factor that helped on his amazing growth was, without a doubt, the System Sylph gave to him.

Leveling Up by slaying monsters became his true blessing, capable of being able to "catch up" even if a little bit with the strongest of the younglings, such as Zack and Aquarina, gaining unprecedentedly amazing strength with each level, a process that would have taken months or years if done through the conventional ways a person grows their magic circle and develops their physique in this world.

"[Divine Claw Arts]: [Evil-Tearing Celestial Slashes]!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

Through the power of his Divine Claw Arts Skill, his Beast Aura, and his Divine Beast Spirit Transformation, coupled with his amazing All-Gaia Divine Relic shapeshifted into huge golden claws, Luck unleashed a barrage of devastating slashing blows that made his surroundings tremble!

CRAAAAASSH!!!

However, even his strongest technique, the one he had used to even harm the Gray Fenrir before, was almost completely useless against Asarashk, the strongest and closest servant of Arachne, her aura overflowing with the power of someone... at Tier 9!

Her black, insectoid claws easily intercepted his wild and beastly attacks, and her amazing agility effortlessly surpassed his own! Her kicks and claw attacks charged with Darkness Venomous Beast Aura Power were even stronger as well!

"You've grown much stronger than before; I have to admit it." Laughed Asarashk, flying using her amazingly fast insect wings. "However... You have yet to reach the heights we've all achieved. All five of us! [Demonic Insect Queen Arts]: [Abyssal Nether Claws]!"

CRAAASH! CRAAASH! CRAAASH! CRAAASH!

Asarashk's attacks were tremendously strong, three swings of her enormous claws was all it took for her to create tremendous tremors all around her, shattering and destroying all of Luck's golden attacks, and suppressing his aura with her overwhelming Demonic Insect Beast Aura!

RUMBLE! TRUUUUUMMMM...!

"Ungh...! Dammit!!!" Luck roared furiously, his golden fur kept growing more and more across his body, as he grew more furious. "I can't lose... I won't give up... I WON'T!!!" A golden light covered his deadly wounds, swiftly beginning to heal them.

Not only was this the power of his Skills and natural self regeneration, but All-Gaia had the innate ability to heal the user over time, granting them a passive regeneration of all wounds, no matter how lethal they are.

This is why this weapon fitted much better a physical fighter than a magician like Elise. And this was also the reason why Elise could never take full advantage of the relic's powers with her weak constitution.

Luck was finally bringing out the max power of this relic!

"Hoh, so you can regenerate quickly, you're almost like us demons now, boy." Laughed the insectoid demoness, slowly walking towards Luck while her Beast Aura swirled around her body, resembling an endless swarm of mosquitoes. "You know? My siblings and I weren't created by the Swarm Power of Arachne, we are all her faithful servants. We aren't as easily disposable. And also... we aren't as easy to defeat either."

FLAAASH!

Like a flash of black lightning, Asarashk reached Luck in a split of a second, gathering the mighty power she had cultivated for many years, and unleashing it all at once masterfully against the young hero.

"[Demonic Insect Queen Arts]: [Bloodlust Swarm]"

FLUOOOOOSSH!

BBBZZZTTT...!

Luck was quickly engulfed by billions of mosquitoes, all made out of Asarashk's own Beast Aura, which quickly started shredding his body with their small piercing proboscis, draining away his life and blood!

"AAARRHGHHHH...! UNGH!"

Luck screamed in agony as he was completely overpowered, his entire body falling to his knees as the swarm surrounded him and continued to slowly drain his energy! If it wasn't because of his transformation, he would have already been reduced to a dried mummy.

"Do you understand the difference between the two of us NOW?!" Laughed Asarashk, kicking Luck in the chin with all her might, blowing him into the ceiling!

CRAAAAAASSSH!

"G-GRAAAAGH...!"

Luck vomited a mouthful of blood, his energy fluctuation became weaker, Miasmic and Demonic Energies started infecting his wounds, his life was being drained, his mana was beginning to grow lower...

FLAAASH!

"It's a good thing you're a tough kid, because I'll have to beat some sense into you!" Laughed Asarashk, as she suddenly materialized a huge spear out of her Beast Aura and her own Soul Aura. "[Soul Weapon Materialization]: [Vampiric Insect Queen's Spear: Scarlet]!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

Dozens of piercing strikes covered Luck's entire body, as he groaned in agony, his entire body was being covered by horrifyingly deep and bloody wounds! However, his regeneration abilities were barely holding him alive!

"GRAAAAAHHH!!!" A sudden roar of desperation echoed from his jaws, his entire Aura erupting into an explosion of pure golden light, as it shaped into a ferocious tiger attacking Asarashk!

"GROOOOAARRRR!!!"

Anybody would have been intimidated by such mighty power, as Asarashk was engulfed by the powerful beastly spiritual light!

"Heh..."

However, with a smirk, Asarashk's eyes shone brightly, and then, her spear channeled the power of her Beast Aura, as she unleashed a beast of her own.

"[King of Flies, Beelzebub]"

TRUUUUUUMMMMM...!

A huge and monstrous insect surged from her aura, as her spear pierced through the entire tiger's body and shattered it into pieces, all while she kicked Luck into the ground!

BAAAAAAMMM...!

"Ungh... T-This... can't be...!" Luck muttered, groaning in agony as he felt several of his broken bones no longer beginning to regenerate properly. Tears flowing from his eyes. "Lara..."

"No matter how much you train, in this little time frame... There's simply no way you can catch up to us, boy." Asarashk smiled, grabbing him as if he were nothing but a ragdoll. "I hope you understand~"

Chapter 849 The Age Of Heroes Ends Now

Allan found himself trapped in a world of water, where his flames could simply not be conjured. His powers were being slowly drained by the dungeon itself, and he was being constantly attacked by several fierce monsters, coming from the depths of the dungeon's waters.

It was the worst possible case scenario he could imagine! And as the monstrous marine beasts surrounded him and attempted to take bites off him, he fiercely fought back. He was able to conjure a bubble of air to breathe, but breathing or not wasn't really the issue here!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

He desperately fought underwater, constantly being bitten, and slashed by the beasts. His sword, even if it could not unleash flames, fiercely glowed with bright light, slashing apart the monsters one after another.

"RAAAAAH! [Sunlight Blade Arts]: [Piercing Sunshine Slash]!"

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAASH!

Although light could not go water so easily, it was much easier to conjure than flames, as he easily slashed through countless monsters while seeking a way out of this place.

"Tch... There's no way out at all! This is really a dungeon... Can I conjure Dimensional Slash with my current Mana?" Allan wondered, suddenly sensing a stronger presence lurking behind him.

FLAAAAASH!

In a single second, he saw a large figure emerge from behind him, almost cutting him in half with a gigantic black pincer... It wasn't another crab monster though; it was something much bigger and monstrous this time.

CRAAAAASSH!

"Hahaha, I almost got caught! Now, where did you come from?" Allan smiled even before adversities, glancing at the new adversary that had appeared.

A huge, over five meters tall insectoid demon with the appearance of a black mantis shrimp, it held a huge head, with sharp red eyes glaring at him. His two claws were especially designed like those animals, capable of punching anything to pieces.

"It looks like you're not half bad, hero." Laughed the Demon. "My name is Erphemides, an apprentice and former servant of Lord Beelzebub, the man you killed."

"So you're like Arachne..." Allan sighed. "I am assuming I can't talk you out of this, yes?" He smiled hopelessly, as his sword started shining with even more light.

"That shouldn't even be a question that crosses your mind, human." Erphemides spoke. "I will protect Arachne and avenge Lord Beelzebub. My sister has built this world especially for me. As I am much stronger underwater, while you're weaker. We've prepared this for a long time, waiting for you to come here, and-"

"You talk too much!"

FLAAAASH!

Allan swam at a rapid speed, reaching Erphemides and unleashing a barrage of powerful attacks, as his body started overflowing with Spiritual Energy from his many Spirits within his Soul Scape!

"[Sunlight Blade Arts]: [Celestial Sun Slash]!"

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAAASSSH!!!

Each slash left large scars over his opponent's hard black exoskeleton, and constantly pushed him back, but Erphemides simply smiled back.

"I shouldn't had expected anything less from human trash." Both of his gigantic claws moved at super-fast speed, unleashing two tremendously strong barrages against Allan, piercing through his slashing blows!

CRAAAAASSSH! CRAAAAASSSH!

"UNNGHH?!"

Allan felt some of his ribs breaking, as he was thrown down into the waters depths. The pressure was so powerful that his air bubble popped immediately.

"Dammit! This bastard's claws are too strong! What in the world-"

BAAAAAAMMM...!

But before he could even analyze the situation any further, Erphemides' claw reached Allan's neck, hitting it with tremendous strength.

"This might be over faster than I imagined... The age of heroes ends now."

CRAAAAAAASSSHHH...!

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FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

Several beams of pure holy light rained down over Shade's body, as his shadows constantly weakened more and more, his entire body was fading away with each second.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The beams shouldn't even be that strong, but because of the state in which he found himself, they were. His shadows dissipated faster and faster, as he desperately feed on his own Mana to regenerate himself.

"You damn bastards never give up! [Assassination Dagger Arts]: [Element-less Aura Slashes]!"

Shade roared with fury, as he swung both of his knives at once, unleashing two powerful slashes of his pure mana, which he had managed to control so well that they easily sliced through the angelic creatures chasing him down!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAAASSSH!

"GRYAAAAGHH...!"

"GRUAAAHH...!"

"GYEEEEHH...!"

Dozens of monsters died at once against his mighty blows. Even as weakened as he was, he could do as much as this while he sought an exit. However, much like Allan, he started to realize there was no such thing.

"This entire place is encompassed on a pocket dimension of its own. I see. So it is truly that type of dungeon..." Shade thought, running away from more beams of light. "Tch, fuck off!!!"

Shade roared with anger, slashing against the monsters once more!

FLAAAAAASH!

However, his attack didn't hit any of them, and instead, an even brighter light surged from within the pure white skies, Shade squinted his eyes, trying to decipher what in the world intercepted his attack.

A tall, feminine figure appeared, of over four meters of height, with a big and bright insect abdomen resembling those of firefly, her body was elegant, finely covered on black and gold exoskeleton, with long blonde hair, and sharp silver eyes.

"Oh my, what an honor is to see the Hero of Darkness, Shade. Fufufu..." She giggled, waving her six hands, as several spheres of pure light emerged. "It is a pity that I'll have to kill you, you're such a handsome man~"

"Who are you?! Another of Arachne's slaves?" Shade asked.

"Slave?! How rude! Arachne is my big sister." The woman laughed. "And my name is Divinaphiles, as you can see, I've trained all my life to kill you... Does it hurt? My light~?"

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLAAASH!

Divinaphiles unleashed several beams of pure holy light against Shade, piercing through his defensive element-less shields of pure mana and his slashing blows, as his entire body was filled with countless of holes, dissipating faster and faster!

"Ungh?! Argh...!" Shade groaned in agony.

"I expected a bit more, but things might end sooner than I imagined..." Divinaphiles laughed, gathering even more light. "[Celestial Shine]!"

FLAAAAAAAASSSSH!!!

Chapter 850 {New Quest}: [Defeat The Insectoid Queen Asarashk!]

"What an annoying bunch you all are!" Arafunn sighed, unleashing the power of his winds barely, concentrating them into dozens of small blades and cutting down through gigantic earthworms and ants that kept coming out of the crumbling caves.

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAASH!

The huge earthworm's bodies were cut down to pieces alongside the ants, each attack hitting their bodies ended generating quite the loud explosions, however.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!!!

RUMBLE!

And such explosions caused more tremors, the entire surrounding caves crumbled down into the ground, huge stones capable of crushing anything were being constantly evaded by Arafunn, whose body was rather frail compared to Allan and Shade.

The more he attacked them, the more the caves would crumble, leaving even less space for him to move through. Whenever he reached the end of the open areas, he'll be buried alive in stones and dirt that constantly drains his Mana.

"KRIEEEEEEHHH!!!"

"Another one?!" Arafunn heard the monstrous scream of a bug. "Can't you leave me alone while I seek a-"

CLAAAAAASSSSH...!

But before he could even finish his words, a black flash of lightning reached him, a huge claw punching his stomach down into the ground, as his body pierced through countless layers of stone, each hit draining his mana more and more!

CRAASH! CRAASH! CRAASH! CRAASH!

"UNGH...?! W-What...?! A mere... damn bug..." Arafunn gritted his teeth, vomiting blood as he slowly glanced upwards.

In there, a huge, over four meters tall humanoid insect stood. Its body shape resembling a thin and powerful ant, with a huge ant head and an abdomen behind.

"KRIEEEEHEHEHEHEHE! You're way too weak, elf! I thought that because you were a hero, you would be tough! But sister Arachne was right! You're the weakest of all of them! KRIEHEHEHEHEHE!" The ant started laughing grossly, like some sort of street thug.

"Who are you?!" Arafunn muttered, slowly standing back up as he gathered his strength.

"I guess its fine to say my name, hehehehe~!" Laughed the Ant Demon. "I am Herbranpheles, the King of all Ant Demons! I'll crush you and show my tribe that abandoned me that we can beat the damn humans! They'll understand once I bring your head to them that we can still keep fighting!"

"So you want to use my own head to convince your people to continue fighting pointlessly?" Sighed Arafunn. "Maybe you should first find yourself a brain, you're really stupid."

"SHUT UP!!!" The furious Ant flew down with his wings, reaching Arafunn in a single second, a huge kick hitting his face!

CRAAAAAAAASSSSH!!!

"Unnggh...?!"

"I'LL FUCKING KILL YOU! KRIEHEHEHEHE!!!"

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"Now, will you be obedient? Lady Arachne is waiting for you, my dear." Giggled Asarashk. "I am sure she will be pleased to see your growth; you'll make for an even juicier snack. With that little lamb girl... Both of you shall be sacrificed. And your divine blessings will grant her the might of the Saint of Spirits and the Hero of Beasts!" She laughed, while carrying Luck like some wild rabbit she hunted, slowly walking towards the gates.

"Hahhh~ I can't wait until she becomes so powerful! That damn and insolent brat back in the Demon Continent will finally know what true fear is as he's stomped by the true new Demon King- No, Demon Queen!" Asarashk laughed, blushing as she thought of her beloved Lady Arachne.

"La... ra..." Luck muttered, without any strength on his body anymore, as tears flowed from his eyes. "I'm so... rry..."

"Oh my~ Don't cry like that, my dear." Laughed Asarashk. "You will simply become Lady Arachne's strength! Hahahaha! Your soul will live within her, as her power and might! Pfff... HAHHAHAHA!"

As she reached the gates, she called for Arachne.

"Lady Arachne, I've secured the boy, please open the-"

BAAAAAAMMMM...!

"Huh?!"

However, before she could finish her words, Arachne's view of what was happening was swiftly interrupted, an invisible barrier appeared around Asarashk and Luck, inhibiting her view of the scene.

And at the same time, the walls broke open as a huge army of monsters and a group of several young warriors stepped in, led by Sylphy. It was the whole squad! Mist, Celica, Celeste, Aquarina, and Zack!

"Looks like we barely made it." Sylphy sighed, sitting over a huge white Gray Fenrir, Furoh who had shapeshifted into this stronger form than the White Fenrir.

"Is she... the one that took Lara away?" Celeste asked.

"Most likely." Aquarina nodded. "Hey bitch, leave Luck where he is..."

"Or we'll crush you." Zack said.

"P-Please! Don't fight! Lady Demon! We are Demons too! We can't just fight endlessly!" Mist cried.
"Please understand! Let's... get along?"

Asarashk glanced at the scene, as a bunch of children were telling her what to do. She glanced in utter disbelief, before laughing her ass off.

"Ppfff... hahahahaha! HAHAAHAHAHA!" She continued laughing. "Do you pathetic children want to tell me what to do?! Okay, it is impressive that you can break Dungeon Walls, but what about it?! Do you truly... truly believe you can even hurt an inch of my body? It does seem like Lady Arachne has severely underestimated you. But even then, that won't change the fact that if we fight head-on, we can easily destroy you all. Now-"

FLAAAASH!

"?!"

Before Asarashk could continue her words, Sylph appeared right behind her at almost super-sonic speed, overflowing with Draconic Flames and Holy Divine Light, the scales over her body became completely gold, as she grew a pair of fast draconic wings, a long tail, claws, draconic eyes, and golden horns.

"Say that again to my face." She swung her sword, Scarlet at an incredible speed, as Asarashk felt like a whole mountain was falling over her!

TRUUUUUUUUMMMMM...!

"W-WHA- AARGHH...!"

Asarashk screamed in agony as the divine light burned her entire body and then threw her away, covered on countless slashes! It was as if that mere slash contained within hundreds of slashes at once!

BAAAAAAMMM...!

Her huge body fell into the floor, several of her bones broke, as she vomited a mouthful of blood! Her sharp red eyes glanced at Sylph with complete and utter disbelief!

"Y-You...! No... Impossible...! This can't be!" Asarashk screamed, barely trying to stand back up. "Have... the young heroes already attained a similar level than their parents?!"

[A Special [Challenge Quest] has been generated: [Defeat The Insectoid Queen Asarashk!]

[Asarashk is a formidable foe with tremendous strength. Do you think you can defeat her with the combined might of your powers and your friends? After having taken away the lives of many innocents, she doesn't deserve any pity nor mercy. It is now your task and that of your friends to get rid of her before confronting Arachne.]

[Can you go beyond your own limits, Sylphy?]

[Completion Rewards: [10.000.000 EXP] [Divine Strengthening Elixir (A Grade)] x10 [Divine Skill Proficiency Potion (A Grade)] x10 [Divine Grade Rune Potion (A Grade)] x10 [Divine Holy Dragon Flowers (A Grade)] x10 [???]

[Time Limit: 6 Hours]

And in front of Sylphy's eyes, a brand-new Quest has appeared, after so long! One that challenged her to go beyond her own limits and defeat a being beyond Tier 9!

Is such an insane challenge even possible, even while taking into consideration all her friends helping her?

[Do you accept this quest?]

<Yes> <No>

"Yes."