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Chapter 273 Marcus' Awakening

Kisha scanned the area and noticed numerous baskets filled to the brim with vegetables, neatly arranged at the edge of the farmland. If she were to count them, there would easily be a few dozen baskets. These were not small baskets; they were quite large, nearly reaching her waist in height. Their thickness made them too cumbersome for her to even hug.

Kisha took a sharp breath as she looked around once more, trying to convince herself she wasn't hallucinating from the stress and endless worries. Then, an overwhelming realization hit her like a ton of bricks, prompting her to check Marcus's status window.

[Marcus Wyatt]

Level 0 (Exp: 0/100 X 10.0)

Morality: Good

Strength: 25 (+15)

Stamina: 25 (+14)

Defense: 25 (+20)

Agility: 25 (+18)

Mental Capacity: 25 (+15)

Charm: 25 (+18)

Leadership: 25 (+166)

Title: None

Skills: None

Talent: Farming

Gift: Green Thumb

Ability: Elemental (Earth, Wood, and Water)

Kisha gasped in surprise. It seemed that Marcus had successfully mastered the technique for utilizing the Scarlet Honey and had also awakened. She hadn't witnessed his awakening, but this discovery was significant. It confirmed her hypothesis that consuming the Scarlet Honey could indeed increase the chances of awakening.

This was valuable information for others who hadn't yet awakened and provided solid experimental material.

Kisha glanced at his status window again and noticed it was already at maximum. It seemed Marcus was just waiting to level up to increase his cap. She wondered if he had used the Scarlet Honey continuously, reaching his limit without taking breaks to strengthen his foundation or consolidate his energy core properly.

Had he consumed it without realizing the importance of consolidating his foundation to avoid damaging his future potential? Kisha felt a pang of regret and worry. She couldn't recall if she had informed him about this crucial step before giving the Scarlet Honey to him and his grandchildren before she left.

Although she remembered teaching them the technique for using Scarlet Honey, she couldn't recall if she had emphasized the importance of consolidating their foundation after awakening and gradually increasing their intake. A headache began to throb as her thoughts spun out of control.

'I need to ensure this crucial information is communicated to all warriors and those taking the Scarlet Honey, so they don't jeopardize their potential.'

She had been so absorbed in all the tasks she needed to accomplish that she had overlooked this crucial detail. Especially now, seeing his immense potential and remarkable talent, she couldn't afford to let such a valuable gift go to waste.

She hurried over to Marcus, determined to confirm and understand the situation so she could find a way to mitigate any potential damage. She didn't want to jeopardize Marcus' future potential. As she reached his side, Marcus finally noticed her presence. He looked up from where he was pulling a large cabbage from the ground.

"Young Madam, you're back!" Marcus exclaimed, quickly placing the cabbage into a nearby basket. He then dusted off his pants and wiped the dirt from his hands onto his trousers.

"I see you've awakened," Kisha said, her voice carrying a hint of regret.

Marcus scratched the back of his head bashfully before nodding at Kisha's question. "Yes, that's right. The children and I were working on the farm when I decided to try the Scarlet Honey you gave us and practice the technique. After taking four spoonfuls over a few hours, I suddenly felt a sharp, painful surge in my head, like my brain was about to explode.

I collapsed, and when I regained consciousness, Mr. Sparrow was already there. He reassured the children, showed them how to care for me, and stayed to monitor me. I don't remember much because I was in and out of consciousness."

"After what felt like a day of suffering from a severe fever, I finally managed to get up, and Mr. Sparrow filled me in on the details. Apparently, after I collapsed, my grandchildren found me and laid me down. Mike then ran outside to find help and happened to bump into Mr. Sparrow, who was on a break.

Mike asked him for assistance because the children were flustered and scared, worried that I might turn. Mr. Sparrow arrived and instructed the children to help cool me down, especially my head, to prevent my brain from overheating. Once I survived and woke up, Mr. Sparrow asked me a few questions about how I felt and if I noticed anything new in my body."

"And?" Kisha asked with a mix of anticipation and unease. She had an inkling of what Mr. Sparrow might have been trying to do, and she was on the edge of both hope and disappointment, depending on whether her suspicions were correct.

"After I answered his questions, Mr. Sparrow taught me a series of techniques to control and strengthen what he referred to as the energy core in my brain. He explained that I needed to consolidate my energy core and foundation before continuing to consume the Scarlet Honey to increase my body's capacity.

Although I didn't fully grasp the logic behind his explanation, I followed his instructions diligently. I could feel a significant improvement in my strength, and Mr. Sparrow confirmed that I had awakened an ability."

"But since he wasn't sure what specific ability I had awakened, Mr. Sparrow left me to discover it on my own. He taught me how to harness my internal energy to activate my newfound ability. Because our abilities differ, it took some time for us to achieve the desired results. Once I identified my ability, Mr.

Sparrow advised me to use it as much as possible to become accustomed to it and improve my proficiency. He also instructed me that if my grandchildren experienced a severe fever like mine, I should manage it in the same way and pass on the techniques he taught me to them."

"I also recall you mentioning, Young Madam, that I should inform you if any of the children fall ill. I assumed this might be what you were referring to?" Marcus said, a bit uncertain if he was correct in his interpretation.

Kisha let out a sigh of relief and nodded at Marcus. "So, I take it that you ensured your foundation and energy core were properly consolidated before continuing with the Scarlet Honey?"

"Yes, Young Madam," Marcus replied eagerly. "This space has been incredibly helpful because a day here equates to just over an hour outside. I've been here for a few days now, continuously using my awakened ability to further enhance the growth of the plants. I'm not entirely sure if it's my ability or something else, but the plants have grown significantly bigger and juicier.

It feels like there's an additional boost, though I'm not sure if it's due to my ability or some other factor."

"Oh! It sounds like you're referring to your Gift and Talent. Let me explain further, as it might not be immediately clear. For some superhumans with great potential, they are bestowed with a Gift and Talent that significantly enhances their future development and strength. After your awakening, your Talent and Gift have started to come into play.

Your Talent is in farming, and your Gift is a 'green thumb.' This Gift is likely why the crops you plant and care for are growing much faster and juicier." Kisha explains with a relieved smile playing on her lips.