

BloodLine 1361

Chapter 1361: Part 2: Hotel room fight

From MC's Perspective

The flame attack was about to reach me. I immediately thought of the lightning attack. I extended my hand to release the purple lightning force.

"Lightning Cage."

Powerful dark purple lightning appeared in a flash before covering the body of the middle aged man.

"Aaaahhh!"

The middle aged man was getting electrocuted. He screamed out in pain while lightning rampaged through his body.

At the same time, the lightning power destroyed the walls and ceilings. If it went on, the destruction would be greater.

The dark purple lightning was not ordinary. It was powerful to begin with because of the purple lightning seed.

Now, it was even more powerful because of the new lightning method.

So, the destructive power was greater. A normal warrior's physique wouldn't be able to handle it. The person who got struck earlier was still lying on the ground.

The purple lightning charred his body. Now, the middle aged man was experiencing more damage inside the cave.

In the blink of an eye, a black, charred body was in front of me. I removed the lightning power.

Thud!

The next second, the lifeless charred body dropped to the ground. The Gold Mark Warrior was dead.

The other Gold Mark Warrior was half dead. He had lingering vitality left. Seeing that, my eyes flashed with anger.

I walked up to him and saw that he was totally unconscious. At this time, the guests in the nearby rooms were about to come out.

I immediately dragged the two bodies into my hotel room and locked the door.

Creak!

The guests in other rooms walked out and saw the destruction outside. The whole corridor was damaged.

The ceilings and walls were caught in fire. The guests were all terrified. They were not naive; they could tell that someone had used elemental attacks here.

They immediately called the manager and told him about the incident.

The Manager was shocked to the core. He was worried that another incident could happen. He heard that the Trent Family had dispatched a team of warriors.

He was hoping that they would arrive soon so that he could be at ease. But it turned out that people couldn't wait.

The incident had happened. He immediately went with the staff to the spot. A few other killers heard the news.

They hadn't found Zack Lockwood, so they were planning to return to their rooms. But this news shocked them.

They knew apart from them, there were other people who were looking for the target. The next second, they rushed to the same spot again.

Meanwhile,

Inside the room, I put the two corpses on the floor. Then, I sat on the sofa. I didn't expect the killers to find my room.

It was really annoying. I didn't know whether other warriors would come, but I managed to kill the strong Gold Mark Warriors with ease.

They were not weak like the old man. The two killers were at the peak of their strength. But the Lightning Inheritance force didn't disappoint me.

The purple lightning force from the new method was indeed powerful. Since I am a Silver Mark Warrior, I could cross kill Gold Mark Warriors from now on.

I think I could even hurt a Purple Mark Warrior from now on. But I can't say for sure without testing.

Outside,

The crowd gathered in the corridor. Two of the hotel rooms were completely engulfed in flames and destroyed.

The Manager and the staff rushed to the spot. Then they saw the total destruction in front of their eyes.

Shock appeared in the eyes of the manager and staff.

"Who did this?" The Manager asked in shock.

He heard some destruction had happened here, but he didn't expect a fight to have occurred.

The guests outside were already in a panic. They didn't know what happened; they only saw the scene after the incident occurred.

They didn't know who had caused it.

The Manager heard their low voices. He didn't know what to do.

He then urged everyone to come to the lobby. The staff would take care of them until they found out what happened here.

The guests were scared, so they immediately vacated their rooms and left the place.

But the Manager noticed only one of the rooms had not been vacated. He walked up to the room. The destruction had happened near this room.

But this room was fine, without damage. He stood in front of the room. He then noticed the room number.

The next second, a thunderclap struck his head.

He recognized the room number. It was the room where Zack Lockwood was staying. A terrible thought occurred to him.

Don't tell me someone caused problems for him, the Manager thought.

He was about to knock on the door. Then he saw there were a few people in the corridor as well. He recognized they weren't staff, but other guests.

"What are they doing here?"

"I told them to go to the lobby," he stated while walking towards them.

Instead of knocking on the door, he started walking towards the guests.

"You guys come with me. I can't do the investigation with you guys here," the Manager said.

There were four people there. One of them was a Silver Mark Warrior and the other three were Gold Mark Warriors.

They were all killers. The Gold Mark Warriors' eyes signaled the Silver Mark Warrior to deal with the Manager.

They did this because they were going to check that one particular room, now that all the guests had left the corridor.

But that room door didn't open. Even the Manager had tried to check, but they had disturbed him.

The Manager came up to them. Before he could do anything, the Silver Mark Warrior dragged him away. He didn't want to fight here.

More importantly, the Manager was not in the mood to fight. He still failed to identify them as killers.

He didn't know why this person was dragging him away.

The three Gold Mark Warriors exchanged looks. They started walking towards that room. The three of them started circulating their inheritance forces.

Wind, earth, and water elemental forces covered their bodies.

Chapter 1362: The Manager's shock

From MC's Perspective

Boom!

The three Gold Mark Warriors struck the door with wind, earth, and water element attacks. The next second, the room door blasted into pieces.

At that moment, I stood up from the sofa and looked at the three Gold Mark Warriors before they could attack me.

I acted immediately. I used my movement technique.

"Lightning Phantom Technique!"

In a flash, purple lightning arcs covered my legs, and I disappeared from the spot.

The three Gold Mark Warriors recognized their target. They were right; I was hiding here.

"Wind Blade!"

One of the Gold Mark Warriors used his attack technique right away. A powerful blade shot towards me.

At that time, the other two Gold Mark Warriors were not silent. They acted as well.

Boom!

A powerful boulder and water spikes were shot at me.

My perception was active. I evaded all those attacks in succession because of the new lightning method.

My speed was faster than before. In a flash, I appeared before them. Then, I raised my fist and covered it with purple lightning.

I slammed my fist into their bodies, one after another.

The three Gold Mark Warriors were stunned because my speed was greater than they had imagined.

Smash!

Before they could counter the attack, they received fist blows to their bodies, one by one.

Pfff!

Like fast projectiles, they were thrown back by the force of the blows. They crashed into the walls.

Boom!

The room walls were destroyed the next second. The three of them fell to the ground.

A hint of coldness appeared in my eyes. My heart wanted to end their lives right away.

Swoosh!

Just before I could do anything else, someone entered the room. The person was none other than the Purple Mark Guard.

"Elder," I uttered in shock.

The Purple Mark Guard walked in front of them. He saw that all three of them were half beaten to death.

He picked up their bodies and collected them into his storage ring.

Then, he turned towards me.

"Let's go, this place is not safe anymore. We will go to the next city. I have already captured quite a few warriors. We will hand them over to the prison guards on the way," the Purple Mark Guard said.

Hearing that, I agreed to his plan. He grabbed my shoulder and flew through the big window.

Swoosh!

In a flash, we appeared in mid-air. The Elder started taking me away at a fast speed. I could see only a blur in front of my eyes.

A few minutes later, we flew out of Red Ridge City and started going towards the other city.

Shortly afterwards,

The Manager was rescued by the staff. They had come to check on him, seeing that he was being threatened by the Silver Mark Warrior.

They immediately rescued him. The Silver Mark Warrior fled, realizing the situation.

Only then was the Manager able to breathe. He was not alright. He took deep breaths to calm his heart.

The staff surrounded him. The Manager was finally able to recover. He looked at the staff around him and felt at ease.

He then recalled something, and his expression changed drastically. He remembered there were four warriors.

The staff had only driven away the Silver Mark Warrior.

The Manager then said, "Go and search all the rooms. There are three Gold Mark Warriors who were with the Silver Mark Warrior."

Hearing that, the staff were taken aback. A few of them immediately left to search the rooms.

Then, someone brought a water bottle to him. The Manager started drinking it. He then thought of Zack Lockwood.

The next second, he stood up and started rushing towards Zack Lockwood's room. Seeing that, the rest of the staff were confused.

They started following him from behind.

Soon, the Manager arrived in front of Zack Lockwood's room. He saw that the door was open. His gaze then fell on the walls.

The walls had collapsed as well. Seeing that, the Manager was dumbfounded again. He understood that someone had fought here after they left the place.

This room was booked by Zack Lockwood. He didn't know what happened to him. He walked into the room and started looking around.

He saw that one side of the room was completely destroyed. He sensed the elemental attacks there.

But there was no sign of Zack Lockwood. He didn't know where he had gone.

The staff walked into the room as well. They saw the destruction that had happened there. The staff didn't know whose room this was.

Among the staff present, there was one middle-aged man. He had seen Zack Lockwood when he booked the hotel, so he knew it was Zack Lockwood's room.

The middle-aged man quickly went to the manager's side. He could tell that the old man was trembling. Not only had he suffered attacks, but the hotel rooms were destroyed as well.

The Manager saw the middle-aged man.

He asked, "Did you see Zack Lockwood?"

Hearing that, the middle-aged man was shocked. He hadn't seen Zack Lockwood leaving the hotel because everyone was present in the hotel lobby.

"So, where did Zack Lockwood go?" the middle-aged man thought.

The Manager recovered his thoughts. Then, he led everyone back to the hotel lobby. He placed a few staff members there so that no one could trespass.

While walking, the Manager was deep in thought. He thought that among the guests, there might be bad people as well. They might have caused the problem.

He decided to check the guest list to see how many of them were present in the hotel. The missing people must have caused the problems here.

A few minutes later,

The Manager came to the lobby. He needed to report to the higher ups. His whole body was trembling again in fear.

The middle-aged man understood something.

He said, "Manager, we need to report to the higher ups. We can't delay."

When he mentioned the higher ups, the old man collected his thoughts.

Chapter 1363: Dry Summit City

Trent Hotel

The first team sent by the Trent Family arrived at Red Ridge City. They immediately went towards their hotel.

But there, the situation was tense. A considerable crowd had gathered outside the hotel. When the team saw this scene, they were shocked to the core.

The team was led by a Purple Mark Warrior. Then, there were three Gold Mark Warriors and four Silver Mark Warriors.

All eight of them walked into the hotel. The Purple Mark Warrior's face did not look good. He had heard something from the crowd.

He knew something was up. He then saw the Manager and the staff. The Manager and the staff were dumbfounded.

They didn't expect the team from the main family to arrive here.

"Manager, what's going on here?"

"Why is there a crowd gathered outside?"

He asked back to back questions.

The Manager was shocked to the core. He didn't expect the family to arrive. Then, the Manager calmed his heart and started telling him about the events there.

The three Gold Mark Warriors and four Silver Mark Warriors were listening to the conversation as well.

A few minutes later,

The Purple Mark Warrior and the other warriors were shocked to the core. They didn't expect Zack Lockwood to leave the hotel without checking out.

Not only that, but a fierce fight had also taken place. The fierce fighting had caused huge damage to the hotel rooms.

The Purple Mark Elder found it hard to believe. Still, he decided to search the whole hotel.

Swoosh!

The Purple Mark Warrior then left with his team to search the floor.

The Manager and the middle aged staff sighed in relief. They were worried that the warriors would lash out at them.

But the Purple Mark Elder didn't do that. Then, both of them started waiting there.

The Purple Mark Guard arrived at the corridor and saw the destruction there. Then he began to investigate the place.

The Warriors behind him began looking at the place as well.

A few minutes later,

The Purple Mark Guard and the warriors returned to the lobby. He didn't look at the manager.

Instead, he reported the news to the higher ups. They had come here to protect Zack Lockwood. But Zack Lockwood seemed to have already left.

When the higher ups heard the news, they were in shock as well. They ignored the damage done to the Trent Hotel.

Instead, they were worried about Zack Lockwood. The Purple Mark Elder then told the higher ups that no one had seen Zack Lockwood. They could rest assured.

The Trent Family had already sent a second team. Since Zack Lockwood was not there, they decided to use the two teams to secure the hotel.

The Purple Mark Elder decided to find the culprits as well. He could understand that someone had attacked Zack Lockwood in their hotel.

He intended to find them. He then turned towards the Manager and started asking him about the list.

Earlier, the Manager had thought about doing the same. So, he asked the staff beside him to give him the name list of the guests staying in their hotel.

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From MC's Perspective

The following day,

The next day, the Purple Mark Guard brought Zack Lockwood to the next big city. The city was in the totally opposite direction of Red Ridge City.

The city was many times larger than Red Ridge City. It was called Dry Summit City. Before entering the city, both of them arrived in front of the city gate.

The Purple Mark Guard then disappeared from the place.

On the other hand, I raised my head and saw the entrance of another city. There were vehicles parked outside. Warriors were coming in and going out of the city.

The city was surrounded by walls and had watchtowers on four sides like a castle. It was a proper city.

Seeing that, my eyes gleamed with a twinkle. I already found many Gold Mark Warriors outside. The Silver Mark Warriors were everywhere.

Then I guessed the Purple Mark Warriors could be inside. After collecting my thoughts, I walked up to the gate.

I didn't wear my mask. My face was visible. In order to be safe, I activated my perception. My perception covered the area around me.

Not a single detail escaped my mind. When I arrived in front of the gate, I stood at the back of the line. The City Guards were acting as usual.

They were allowing people to enter the city after checking their identity. It didn't take long for my turn to come.

The City Guards saw my face. The next second, their faces changed drastically. They seemed to recognize my face.

Then I signaled them with my eyes not to say anything. The four City Guards nodded their heads. Then they didn't check my identity and allowed me to enter inside.

I nodded to them and walked inside. Then my gaze fell on the busy street and shops on both sides of the street.

The roads were so wide that many vehicles could use the road. Then I decided to find a guide. To my surprise, there were guides everywhere.

They were standing right next to the gate. A blonde haired, middle-aged man dressed in local clothes came to me.

"Young man, are you new to the city?" He asked.

Hearing that, I realized that he didn't recognize my face.

"Yes, first lead me to a good hotel here," I said to the guide.

The guide was excited. He then agreed and started leading the way forward.

A few minutes later,

He brought me to a hotel. The hotel was luxurious. The guide had brought me to a good place. So, I paid the credit points to him before going towards the door.

After arriving in front of the door, I opened it and walked inside. My gaze fell on the wide lobby.

There were sitting chairs. Even the chairs were luxurious. Then I turned towards the admin desk.

There were staff behind the admin desk. I didn't know whether they could recognize my face.

"Hi, can you book a room for me?" I said to the staff.

Hearing that, the female staff turned towards me. There were two males and one female as well. They turned towards me.

Chapter 1364: Manager Maren

From MC's Perspective

Dry Summit City – Front View Hotel

The four staff members continued to observe me. They didn't recognize me.

Cough!

I coughed to attract their attention. Hearing that, the four staff members recovered their thoughts.

"What do you say?" she asked.

"I need a room. Give me a luxurious suite," I said to them.

The female staff member was taken aback.

She said, "Are you sure?"

"Yes, I'm sure," I replied.

I found the previous hotel room to be too small. If a fight were to break out, I would need a huge space for the fight.

The other two male staff members and the other female staff member were listening to this interaction. They were shocked to the core.

They were waiting to see whether the warrior was serious. They didn't dare to say anything because they could tell that the warrior was a Silver Mark Warrior.

Not only that, they saw the Star University uniform and the Thunderflame Faction emblem. Any one of them could shut their mouths.

The female staff member behind the desk began to register the premium suite. When the page appeared, she started asking about the details, including the name.

Hearing that, I started telling her my name and University name.

Gasp!

The female staff member next to them exclaimed in surprise. She recognized the name. She then whispered the name to the two male warriors.

The next second, their expressions changed drastically. Their eyes flashed with fear.

The female staff member who was registering the name was shocked as well. She stopped doing the task the next second. Her fingers trembled.

The whole Star University Territory had shaken because of this name. They didn't expect the person to appear in this city.

"Don't say anything. Just give me the room key," I said with a smile.

The female staff member recovered her thoughts and nodded her head. She understood that her earlier question was funny.

The other three staff members were silent as well. She did the registration and quoted the price.

Hearing that, I paid the price. Then I got the room key from her. I learned that the room was located on the 6th floor.

The 6th floor was the last floor of the building. I walked up to the elevator. The lift door opened, and I walked inside.

Creak!

The lift door closed up. The next second, the lift began to move upward.

A few minutes later,

The lift reached the destination. The lift door opened. Then I exited the lift and went to the door. There were only two premium rooms on this entire floor.

One premium room on the left side, and the premium room on the right side.

I used the key to open the premium room on the right side. Then I walked inside the room and closed the door.

Then I turned on my perception. My mental power covered the place.

Meanwhile,

The four staff members didn't know what to do. Usually, when someone important appears, they need to report to the higher-ups so that the higher-ups can take care of them.

One of the male staff members said, "It's necessary to inform the higher-ups. Let's first tell the manager."

The Manager of the Front View Hotel was female. She was a Gold Mark Warrior.

Because Dry Summit City was bigger than Red Ridge City, there were many Gold Mark Warriors and Silver Mark Warriors in the city. Even powerful Purple Mark Warriors could be seen often here.

Not only that, several warrior families were in this city. So, it was necessary for hotel staff to be strong so that they could handle the guests when a conflict occurred.

The female manager's name was Maren. She was a brown-haired woman. She was on a phone call. Suddenly, the four staff members approached her.

Seeing that, Maren was shocked. She knew these four staff members were responsible for the front desk.

What are they doing here? she thought.

She then noticed the fearful faces of everyone.

"What happened?" she asked.

Then one of the female staff members who registered the room for Zack Lockwood started telling her.

At first, Maren was calm. But her expression changed shortly afterwards.

She couldn't believe what she was hearing right now.

A few minutes later,

Her heart was shaken to the core. She didn't expect a terrifying figure to have booked a room here.

Maren then collected her thoughts.

She said, "Don't tell anyone else."

Hearing that, the four staff members nodded their heads and returned to their front desk.

Now, Maren had a responsibility on her shoulders. She knew what would happen if Zack Lockwood's whereabouts were leaked.

But first, she decided to inform the higher-ups so that they could provide better security here. She thought they needed the help of Purple Mark Warriors as well.

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Meanwhile,

The Purple Mark Guard left the city after seeing Zack Lockwood entering the Front View Hotel.

In a flash, he appeared on a spot miles away from the city. He stood in mid-air.

The captured warriors were lying on the ground below, including a Purple Mark Warrior.

A few minutes later,

A large aircraft arrived at the spot. It bore the emblem of Star University. It landed on the ground. Then the prison cell elders walked out.

There were three Purple Mark Elders. Upon seeing them, the Purple Mark Guard went to them. He greeted them before telling them everything.

The three elders knew the Purple Mark Guard. He worked for Dean Jerome. So, they immediately captured the prisoners and brought them inside the aircraft.

"Do we have to visit Dry Summit City?" one of the elders asked.

Hearing that, the Purple Mark Guard said, "Yes, there are many big fish hiding there."

The three elders understood and left the place on the aircraft.

After sending them off, the Purple Mark Guard returned to Dry Summit City. He came to the Front View Hotel.

Instead of going inside the hotel, he appeared above the rooftop. He landed on the concrete.

His gaze swept across the huge city. It covered a large area of the city in the blink of an eye.

He knew this city was many times bigger than Red Ridge City.

Chapter 1365: The council elders

From MC's Perspective

I found no problem in the room, so I rested on the bed. I thought it would be a matter of time before everyone knew about my visit here.

Meanwhile,

Manager Maren informed the council. The council was made up of many higher-ups. These higher-ups were from different families.

The Front View Hotel was built by 10 warrior families. The 10 Warrior Families were allies of the Star University.

The council elders were shocked to hear the news. For a second, they thought they had heard wrong.

But Manager Maren sounded serious. After realizing she was not joking, the council elders were all terrified.

The 10 elders still decided to confirm the appearance of Zack Lockwood with their own eyes. The 10 Elders were Gold Mark Warriors as well.

They immediately rushed to the Front View Hotel. They knew the identity of Zack Lockwood. If they wanted to report to their families, they needed to be sure.

It didn't take long for them to reach the hotel. Manager Maren was waiting for them. She immediately led them inside.

She then started guiding them towards the elevator. Their arrival caused a commotion because the staff recognized their faces.

They didn't know what the council elders were doing here. If they were here, then there must be some big reason. But they didn't dare to ask or leave their spots.

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On the other hand, the Purple Mark Guard standing on top of the building saw their arrival. His mouth curved into an arc.

"The 10 Warrior Families are as strong as the Klein Family. Some of them have a good relationship with the Klein Family," he thought.

He found it interesting. He didn't know whether these families would take action against Zack Lockwood. He was looking forward to the Klein Family's response more.

They didn't make their move back to Red Ridge City. He was disappointed then. But he thought Dry Summit City was a good place.

He believed that the Klein Family would definitely take the opportunity.

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Meanwhile,

The council elders and Manager Maren arrived in front of the premium room. Manager Maren stepped forward and knocked on the door.

She didn't know the attitude of Zack Lockwood. Since the council elders were there, she was relaxed.

Knock!

Inside the room, I got out of bed. Hearing the knocking sound, I walked up to the door.

A hint of doubt flashed in my eyes. It hadn't been that many hours since I got here. I didn't know who had come.

Creak!

I opened the door. The next second, my gaze fell on the 10 old people and a middle-aged woman.

"Who are you guys?" I asked them.

On the other hand, the council elders were stunned. Even Manager Maren was shocked because they could see the silver aura behind Zack Lockwood.

"So the rumours were indeed true. You have become a Silver Mark Warrior this fast," Maren uttered in surprise.

Even the council elders couldn't believe their own eyes. But the silver aura behind Zack Lockwood was real. There was no faking it.

I furrowed my eyebrows and asked again, "Who are you guys?"

"I don't want to waste time," I added.

Maren cleared her throat before introducing the council elders. Then she introduced herself.

My eyes glinted with understanding. I never expected to meet big shots right away. Then I greeted them and her.

Then I said, "I'm planning to stay a couple of days here. I hope I'm not causing any problems."

The council elders were stunned. Even if they had any complaints, they wouldn't dare to say them.

One of the council elders showed a bright smile on his face. He said, "It's our pleasure to host such a young warrior here. You can stay as long as you want."

"Thank you," I replied.

"Are you alone?" one of the female council elders asked. She was an old woman. Her eyes flashed with a strange glint.

Hearing that, I turned towards the old woman, and I felt unknown malice from her. My heart skipped a beat.

I was wondering who was going to target me. But I didn't expect someone to be present among the council elders.

"No, I'm alone here. I will leave after a few days," I replied to her.

The old woman smiled. But her smile was not good-looking. The other council elders understood her thoughts.

Their expressions changed.

One of the old men said, "Young warrior, then we are leaving. We came here to greet you specifically."

I thanked the old man.

The council elders and the weird old woman left with him. Until she left the place, I was feeling uneasy.

Only Manager Maren stayed back. She found something wrong with the old woman. She knew the background of the ten families.

Her heart was shaken as well. She didn't want anyone to target Zack Lockwood here. If anything happened to him, then she and the rest of the staff would face the consequences.

She decided to monitor Zack Lockwood's every movement. She then turned towards him and said, "Save my number. If you need anything, even if it's a bottle of water, you can contact me."

"I hope you don't leave the hotel without my knowledge," she added.

Hearing that, I was surprised. Then I agreed to her words. She then left the place.

Then I turned around and entered the room. I locked the door and was about to go to the bedroom.

Swoosh!

A gust of wind hit my face. The huge window was open. Someone had opened it. But I didn't do that.

Then I saw the Purple Mark Guard appear in front of me. I put my heart at ease.

"You did great by not revealing my presence here," he said with a smile.

Hearing that, my mouth twitched. I knew I was the bait here. This operation was to catch a large number of spies hiding in the territory.

Then I thought of the old woman and said, "Elder, there is something wrong with one of the council elders. She was an old woman. She failed to hide her malice towards me."

Chapter 1366: The Family Head Cole Lark

From MC's Perspective

Dry-Summit City – Front View Hotel

The Purple Mark Guard had noticed the old woman earlier. Everything was going according to his plan.

"Don't worry. I have been watching everything. Just do what you did in Red Ridge City." After saying that, the Purple Mark Guard left the place.

Then, I collected my thoughts, walked up to the big open window, and closed it.

After doing that, I went back to bed to sleep. I didn't know what was going to happen next. But the dangers in this city were greater than in Red Ridge City.

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Meanwhile,

The Council Elders' faces did not look good. On the way, they couldn't help but discuss the aftermath.

From time to time, they looked at Council Elder Rebecca Lark. She was the one who had asked a question to Zack Lockwood earlier.

Everyone knew her Lark family had close ties with the Klein Family. It was not a hidden secret that the Klein Family was against Zack Lockwood.

Zack Lockwood had killed one of their descendants during the competition. They didn't imagine things would come this far.

"Rebecca, we don't want anything to happen to Zack Lockwood as long as he stays here," one of the old men said.

His family had the major stake in the Front View Hotel, so he was more worried about the current situation.

If something happened to the hotel, then their family losses would be great. So, he didn't want others to scheme against Zack Lockwood using the hotel.

Rebecca's old eyes flickered.

She said, "My family is one of the stakeholders. So, we won't do anything to harm the council's interest."

Hearing that, the elders put their hearts at ease. Soon, the ten Council Elders returned to their families to report. They didn't go to the council building because this matter was urgent to report.

Old woman Rebecca returned to her family as well.

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Lark Family

They were one of the warrior families in Dry-Summit City. The Family Head was a Purple Mark Warrior. Rebecca was part of the family elders as well.

She quickly gained an audience with the Family Head and reported the news to him. The Family Head's name was Cole Lark.

Family Head Cole's expression was calm until he heard the name Zack Lockwood. He immediately thought of the Klein Family.

His expression turned ugly. He was sure that the Klein Family would contact them soon.

"Why has the plague come here?" Cole uttered.

"Family Head, the Klein Family has been following the movements of Zack Lockwood. But they were reluctant to take action."

"This time, they might ask us to help them," Rebecca said.

Cole's eyes flashed with a glint.

He was more afraid of Zack Lockwood's background.

Not only did that young man have the support of Lightning Elder Austin, but the kid also had the entire support of the Thunderflame Faction.

He was also hearing rumors that Dean Jerome was supporting the kid as well.

Any one of them could be harmful to the Lark Family. He didn't want to offend Zack Lockwood right now.

He then turned towards the Elder.

"If anyone contacts you, avoid them. Tell the other elders as well. Until I say so, no one should make contact," Cole said in a cold tone.

Hearing that, Rebecca understood. She then left the place.

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Star University

Dean's Office

Dean Jerome was reading the reports. He got the latest report from the Purple Mark Guard. He had read through the information about what happened in Red Ridge City.

The Purple Mark Guard had already handed over the criminals. They were locked up in the prison cells. The elders were interrogating them.

He also knew about Zack Lockwood's combat strength. He was pleased to know that Zack Lockwood was able to do the cross-kill again.

He thought that if Zack Lockwood's strength reached the peak, he could even hurt a Purple Mark Warrior.

Jerome thought it would be a matter of time before he got the interrogation reports in his hand.

He then shifted his attention and started going through the latest report sent by the Purple Mark Guard.

A few minutes later, his eyes flashed with a glint. He had to say that the Purple Mark Guard was assisting him. Dry-Summit City was one of the dens as well.

He knew some of the families were connected to the Klein Family. So, if the Klein Family were to take action against Zack Lockwood, then they were going to fall into the trap.

He hoped that they would have a similar catch as well.

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Thunderflame Faction

The Following Day

The Main Elders had gathered here for the daily meeting. Faction Leader Clifford was seated at the main chair.

The Main Elders were seated at their places.

Faction Leader Clifford couldn't help but speak about Zack Lockwood.

"Have you guys heard about Red Ridge City?" he asked.

Hearing that, the Main Elders were taken aback. Main Elder Austin and Ann were in deep thought. They had other disciples as well, but Zack Lockwood was someone causing more worry to them.

Austin said, "I have collected information. It appears Zack Lockwood faced some attacks inside the hotel."

Ann's eyes flickered. She said, "I heard that there were Gold Mark Warriors involved in the attack."

Cathy, Leola, and Rosie had been getting some intel as well. They started sharing the news too.

Faction Leader Clifford heard everyone's words.

He said, "I think the Purple Mark Guard is protecting him. So, no one can touch him. But the people behind the attacks will face the consequences."

Hearing that, the elders sighed in relief. Everyone believed that the Purple Mark Guard killed all those attackers.

But they didn't know it was Zack Lockwood who had killed them. If they learned the truth, they would be shocked to the core.

Austin was in deep thought again. He could tell Dean Jerome was using Zack Lockwood to punish the criminals.

But these actions would further anger those families. They might take action against Zack Lockwood later.

He couldn't say anything now. He could only hope that Zack Lockwood would become stronger to take care of the problem.

Chapter 1367: Red Klein

Dry-Summit City,

I got out of bed and started my morning routine. The energy in the environment was not as thick as at Star University.

So, my progress was getting slow. The problem could be solved if the troublemakers came knocking on the door soon.

Then the Purple Mark Guard could catch them. Then I would move to the next city to continue the task.

After collecting my thoughts, I followed my schedule.

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Meanwhile,

Manager Maren and the staff were discussing Zack Lockwood from time to time. They were quite anxious as well.

They didn't know who would come to cause a problem. But the information had not leaked so far.

One hour later,

Just as they were happy, a few guests entered the hotel. They came to the front desk and started asking about Zack Lockwood.

The staff were shaken internally. But they didn't show it on their faces. Instead, they asked whom they were asking about. No such person was here.

At that time, one of the staff went to inform Manager Maren. When Manager Maren heard it, her eyes flashed with anger.

She was sure that someone must have leaked the news. She knew about the staff. They had been under her watch since yesterday.

She could only think of the old woman. She was one of the council elders. Yet her family had close ties with the Klein Family.

She thought the old woman could have leaked the news. Now, she was getting a headache. Then she went to the front desk to ease the situation.

The guests became quiet after seeing her, because Maren was a Gold Mark Warrior. Then the guests left the hotel.

Maren turned towards the staff and praised them. She then told them if someone came and asked the same question, they could inform her right away.

She then left the place.

On the other hand, the guests who left the building came to the next street. They met with a middle-aged man there.

His name was Red Klein, a Gold Mark Warrior of the Klein Family. Manager Maren was right. Someone had leaked the news.

The Klein Family had got the information. They had sent the person to verify the news.

The short-haired middle-aged man heard the information from the warriors. After hearing that, he frowned.

He was sure that Zack Lockwood was staying in that Front View Hotel. The family intel was not wrong. Which meant the management was hiding the news.

He then paid these warriors and sent them away.

Red wanted to go to the hotel. But he was afraid that Zack Lockwood would leave then. The news about his presence here should not be known to everyone.

He then collected his thoughts and decided to enter the restaurant right in front of the hotel. If Zack Lockwood walked out, he would know.

The family gave him the task to verify the news. He needed to get further orders to know how to deal with Zack Lockwood.

What he didn't know was that his presence had already been seen by someone.

On top of the hotel building, the Purple Mark Guard saw Red Klein as well. His mouth curved into an arc. He didn't expect someone to take the bait so soon.

A few minutes later,

The Purple Mark Guard found out the identity of the middle-aged man. He was glad that someone from the Klein Family had come.

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Meanwhile,

After getting ready, I left the room and started going towards the lobby. When I came to the lobby, I came across the staff.

I nodded at the staff. The staff were surprised. But they didn't say anything. If they communicated with Zack Lockwood, it would attract others' attention.

After nodding to them, I started looking for Manager Maren. But she was nowhere to be seen.

Then I turned to the hotel entrance. I walked out of the building. I started going towards the main street.

When I came to the main street, I saw shops on both sides of the street, including a big restaurant.

My gaze fell on the big restaurant opposite the hotel building. Seeing that it was a luxurious restaurant, I decided to try the food at this restaurant.

At that time, Red Klein inside the restaurant saw Zack Lockwood. He was shocked to the core. He was hoping for Zack Lockwood to come out earlier.

But he didn't expect his hope to come true. Then he saw Zack Lockwood entering the room. There were a few empty seats here.

Including the empty chair in front of him. He was wondering what would happen next. To his surprise, he saw Zack Lockwood coming towards him.

Red Klein didn't know what to do. It was a good opportunity to take down Zack Lockwood. Then he saw something which shocked him to the core.

Zack Lockwood came and sat on the chair opposite him. But he saw a dense silver aura covering Zack Lockwood.

"When did he become a Silver Mark Warrior?" Red thought.

Then he recalled the rumours going on lately. It was the rumours about Zack Lockwood becoming a Silver Mark Warrior.

On the other hand, I ordered food from the staff. Then I turned towards the window and looked at the outside scene through it.

There was a Gold Mark Warrior in front of me. But I didn't want to have any conversation with him. If he knew about my identity, then the person could leak the conversation.

And I had a feeling that the restaurant was not ordinary. There could be a Purple Mark Warrior here.

Red Klein was looking at Zack Lockwood from time to time. He didn't know whether to inform the higher-ups or not. But it was not the right time.

If he did something right now, it could alert Zack Lockwood. So he decided to stay silent for now. He didn't get further orders.

His task was to verify Zack Lockwood's presence in the hotel. Since he verified it, his first task was completed.

A few minutes later,

The staff brought the food. I started enjoying the food while listening to the conversation of the people around me.

Chapter 1368: Killing Red Klein!

From MC's Perspective

I was enjoying the food. I found the gaze of the old man sitting opposite me. At first, I thought it was normal.

Since I was someone unknown eating in front of him, the person could have felt curious.

But that was not all. I felt a hidden malicious intent behind the gaze a few minutes later. I had almost finished my soup.

But my heart was stirred. The person seemed to recognize me. Otherwise, there was no need for him to show killing intent.

Meanwhile,

The Purple Mark Guard had been watching the scene since Zack Lockwood entered the restaurant. He almost laughed out loud.

“That kid and the Klein Family person are sitting face to face,” he muttered.

But he thought the kid didn’t know the truth yet. Whereas the Klein Family member was observing the kid. He wanted to see what the Klein Family person would do.

That kid could basically kill a Gold Mark Warrior. This was only known to him and Dean Jerome. If the news leaked to the outside world, they would be shocked to the core.

In the restaurant, I finished the food and decided to leave. I stood up and walked to the exit. The Gold Mark Warrior did the same.

Seeing that, I didn’t show any expression on my face. I left the restaurant and started walking through the crowd on the busy street.

Red Klein’s expression changed. He lost his composure. He rushed out of the restaurant and started following Zack Lockwood.

While walking, he contacted his higher-ups and reported to them. The family elders thought they had a good opportunity to get revenge.

They were shocked to know that Zack Lockwood was a Silver Mark Warrior. There was a rumor going on. They didn’t expect it to be true.

They were ready to sacrifice Red Klein. But they didn’t tell him to his face. Instead, they asked him to kill Zack Lockwood right away, then flee the city.

Red Klein agreed to that. After ending the call, he continued to follow Zack Lockwood.

On the other hand, I activated my perception. I wanted to find a less crowded area to deal with the Gold Mark Warrior.

I purposely walked into the small and narrow streets between the residential areas. I saw that the Gold Mark Warrior was still following me.

After going around a few streets, I came to a small street with no one nearby. I turned around and faced the Gold Mark Warrior.

Red Klein already understood the purpose of Zack Lockwood. He had thought Zack Lockwood was escaping. But he didn't expect he was looking for an isolated area.

He revealed a cunning smile on his face before saying, "Thanks for saving time for me."

Boom!

After saying that, he rushed forward to attack.

A broadsword covered in golden elemental power appeared in his hand. In a flash, he appeared in front of Zack Lockwood.

Swoosh!

He then raised the broadsword and made a cut horizontally. This all happened within seconds. The speed of the Gold Mark Warrior was terrifying.

Seeing the unresponsive Zack Lockwood, he chuckled. He thought Zack Lockwood was petrified in fear.

"Lightning Wheel."

When the broadsword was about to land on me, I executed the lightning technique. The inheritance force of shock force and Purple lightning force was mixed in it.

Boom!

With a thundering sound, a dark purple and gold-silver mixed lightning wheel appeared around me. The broadsword instantly made contact with it.

Boom!

A loud explosion occurred. The powerful lightning blasted away the broadsword. The rest of the energy bombarded the body of the Gold Mark Warrior.

Aaahhhhh!

With a heart-wrenching scream, his body flew backwards like a fast projectile before smashing into the ground.

Thud!

The crash created a deep pit. The Gold Mark Warrior lay unconscious. His body lay exposed. The lightning power had completely charred his body.

The shock force power had smashed his internal organs. He was dead in one strike.

Swoosh!

I appeared before the pit to strike again. Then I saw there was no breath left in the Gold Mark Warrior's body.

My eyes flashed with a glint. The combination of the shock force and the new purple lightning force was deadly.

The Gold Mark Warrior was completely caught off guard. He didn't do anything to protect his body or withstand the attack.

The strike had directly landed on his body.

Swoosh!

The Purple Mark Guard appeared in front of me again. He glanced at the corpse and chuckled.

"Poor fellow from the Klein Family wouldn't have imagined that he would die by your hands," he said with a smile.

"What?"

"Klein family?" I uttered in shock.

"Yes, he is from the Klein Family. They have sent him here to find out the news about your visit to the city. But he not only saw you but sat opposite you while you were having your food," the Purple Mark Guard said.

"He was a Gold Mark Warrior. He must have thought taking me down was easy," I said to him.

"The news about your Silver Mark Warrior strength will reach other forces soon. I think then you will face more attacks," the Purple Mark Guard said.

He then collected the corpse into his storage ring.

"Go back to the hotel. The big fish are yet to come," he said before disappearing from the place.

My mouth twitched. The big fish that he was talking about must be the Purple Mark Warrior. Then I collected my thoughts and left the place.

About 20 minutes later,

I returned to the hotel. Manager Maren was there waiting for me. She came to me and asked if anything was needed. I told her that I was doing fine before going towards my room.

Phew!

Maren heaved a sigh of relief. She was worried that someone might take action against Zack Lockwood without them noticing. But she didn't know Zack Lockwood had eliminated someone already.

The Klein Family had yet to receive the news. They would be furious soon.

She then shifted her attention to other guests and resumed her work.

Chapter 1369: illegal fighting arena!

From MC's Perspective

After returning to the room, I started resting, not caring about who would come next to target me.

Meanwhile,

The Council Elders' reports to their families had a greater impact. The 10 Warrior Families took this matter seriously.

They didn't want anything to happen to Zack Lockwood, whether inside the hotel or in the city. Even the Lark Family, close allies of the Klein Family, had made the decision to avoid the Klein Family's calls.

But they were yet to know that things had gone on behind their backs. Someone had already leaked news to the Klein Family. The Klein Family had already sent someone here to deal with Zack Lockwood.

Time goes by,

The Family Heads of the 10 Warrior Families had an emergency meeting. They made the collective decision not to target Zack Lockwood.

They emphasized this especially to those families who had hostility against the Thunderflame Faction. Head Cole Lark was reminded by everyone not to contact the Klein Family people.

He agreed to that. But what they didn't know was that someone was already leaking intel to the Klein Family.

It had been some time since the Klein Family got updates from Red Klein. They were worried that something had happened to him.

They weren't able to connect with him. They also weren't hearing any news about Zack Lockwood.

If something had happened to Zack Lockwood, the news would have taken the whole Star University territory by storm.

So, they started to think something could have happened to Red Klein. They found that the Lark Family was not contacting them for some reason.

They started to think other families were behind it. If they wanted, they could send another team from the Klein Family.

However, if they did that, they would be getting directly involved, and then they would have to face the wrath of Dean Jerome alone.

Right now, they could only use their spies to get the intel.

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The following day,

After getting ready, I left the hotel again. I planned to try similar methods. Yesterday, I had wanted to explore the city, but things didn't go my way.

After coming to the main street and entering a cab, I asked the driver to show me around the city.

Dry Summit City was a big city. There were many places for sightseeing. The cab driver was talking about the main attractions non-stop.

The main attraction was the fighting arena where the warriors had to fight against deadly monsters. It was a private venue.

Only people with money could watch the show. I had never heard of such a competition before. Not even back in Star City.

Then I told the driver to drop me at the arena. The driver was not surprised. It seemed that after hearing about it, everyone wanted to go to that place.

About 26 minutes later,

We reached the destination. After stepping out, I paid the fare to the driver. I turned around and saw a small dome-shaped structure. The top was closed.

Then I started to observe the place before finding the way to the office desk. I went into the building.

Apart from me, no one was here.

There was an obese middle-aged man sitting behind the desk. He raised his head and said, "10,000 credit points per ticket."

Hearing that, I was dumbfounded. No wonder no one was here. The place looked empty. But my curiosity was piqued.

So I bought the ticket and asked the way to the entrance. The middle-aged man called someone.

A male staff member came to guide me inside. Since it was a private event, nothing could be leaked outside.

"Wait!"

"I'm coming as well."

Just as I was about to enter the gate, I heard a familiar voice. I felt a headache coming on. Then I turned towards the male staff and said, "Someone decided to come at the last moment."

The male staff member turned around and saw someone powerful was coming. He thought he could be a family elder.

The Purple Mark Guard bought a ticket as well.

He then joined us. The Purple Mark Guard waved the ticket at me. My mouth twitched. I didn't understand why he made a sudden appearance.

The male staff then led us inside the building. The next second, we entered dark surroundings with a small arena illuminated in the center.

At the same time, a loud noise hurt our ears.

A few minutes later, we were both seated in our seats. The male staff left the place. My gaze then fell on the Gold Mark Warrior fighting against a Class 12 Snake Monster.

Both of them were deeply injured right now. Yet the fight was going on.

"I didn't expect these families were still conducting these arena fights without the Dean's permission," The Purple Mark Guard thought.

A hint of coldness appeared in his eyes. It showed that there was a flaw in their intel gathering. It needed to be reported urgently.

At the same time, he was curious. Who would be daring enough to break the rules? Their mission was to capture the spies. But in doing so, they had uncovered these practices as well.

From the ticket prices, he knew huge money was involved to keep this practice secret. But it will end soon.

The Purple Mark Guard had already felt the presence of the Purple Mark Warriors here. They were looking in their direction.

His eyes flashed with a glint. He didn't want to cause problems right now. He took his device out and was about to send a message but found out that there was no signal here.

His actions were seen by the Purple Mark Warriors.

They were waiting for the fight to end before doing anything.

The Purple Mark Guard understood that he was exposed.

He then said, "Zack, go back to the hotel ASAP. I have found the big fish here."

Hearing that, my heart was in turmoil. It was dangerous for me if there was going to be a Purple Mark Warrior fight.

So I stood up and started going back to the exit. There were other people here who were getting annoyed. My heart was racing. I was sure he was going to fight against them next.

Chapter 1370: Change of plans

From MC's Perspective

I came out of the arena. Instead of staying close to the building, I went to the open front lot near the parking area.

"What should I do?" I asked myself.

The fighting would continue for some time. Should I wait for the Elder to come out? If the Purple Mark Guard were to fight, then I doubted the arena would remain standing.

Since the event was being conducted illegally, he could destroy the building. After giving it some thought, I left the place.

Soon, I found a cab service and returned to the hotel.

Meanwhile,

The spies were looking for Red Klein everywhere in the city, but there were no traces whatsoever. Instead, they confirmed the appearance of Zack Lockwood.

They had seen Zack Lockwood walk back into the hotel.

Time went by,

The Purple Mark Guard was in the fighting arena. The fighting was going to end soon. The Purple Mark Warriors over there were looking at him as well.

But the Purple Mark Guard sneered. He took his digital device out and started recording the fight.

Seeing that, the faces of the warriors changed. They were doing this secretly; they didn't expect someone to break the rules.

If they did anything now, then the fighting would be stopped. It would cause a loss for them.

While they were hesitating to make a decision, the Purple Mark Guard finished recording.

He sent the video to Dean Jerome. Then, he started texting him about the illegal fighting arena.

After he was done texting, he put back his device and relaxed a lot. He was now ready to go on a rampage.

2 hours later,

The whole event came to an end. The Purple Mark Warriors over there were coming towards him.

Boom!

The next second, he acted. He disappeared from the spot and appeared above them in an instant. He was stronger than those average Purple Mark Warriors.

Boom!

Before the warriors could realize it, they were struck hard. One after another, their bodies rocketed backwards before crashing into the walls.

This all happened within seconds.

The Purple Mark Guard then swept his gaze across the place. He spotted a few other warriors, but they were all Gold and Silver Mark Warriors.

Still, he knocked them out using his pressure. At the same time, those who came to watch the event were fleeing in panic.

The outside dome structure was blasted open. The Purple Mark Guard then landed in the arena. He saw the underground passage and many cells on the sides of the passage.

He quickly scanned the place and found out that monsters were hidden there.

His eyes flashed with a sharp glint.

"It appears families from the council are involved," he uttered.

He didn't move from the spot. Instead, he called the prison elders at Star University. He didn't expect to call them so soon, but the matter was serious.

Meanwhile,

The news about the fighting arena spread like wildfire. It was an event that had started not long ago, but the families behind it hadn't gotten permission from Star University.

They had planned to run it low-key with minimum guests, but they had met with misfortune. When the news reached their ears, they were in shock.

Their illegal activity was exposed. They had their family elders stationed there, but they were all knocked down by the Purple Mark Guard.

Among the families involved, it included the Lark Family. They still didn't know who had done this. Everyone assumed that Zack Lockwood had come alone.

But they didn't know he was accompanied by a powerful elder. That powerful elder had seen through the crimes happening here.

Lark Family

Cole Lark was in his study room. He was walking back and forth. The news came as a shock to him. They had started this event not long ago.

They had decided to get permission from Dean Jerome sometime later, but they didn't expect their activities to be exposed in this way.

They had no explanation for Dean Jerome. They should have gone there to ask for permission.

Creak!

Suddenly, he heard someone standing outside. He then asked the person to enter. The person was none other than Council Elder Rebecca.

"What is it?" Cole asked.

Rebecca's eyes flashed with a glint.

"Someone from the Klein Family contacted me. They are ready to help us get out of the current predicament," she said.

"How did they know?" Cole asked.

Not even 30 minutes had passed, yet the Klein Family had got the news. His eyes then glinted with understanding.

He knew their target was Zack Lockwood, so their entire attention was on the city. He knew the Klein Family was one of the powerful bloodline families.

They were connected to one of the top 10 factions in Star University. If they decided to help them, then the Lark Family could avoid maximum damage.

"It's all because of the kid," Cole uttered.

Rebecca's eyes flashed with a glint.

"Family Head, if not for the kid, our activities wouldn't have been exposed. Now half of the families in the council are caught up in this mess."

"Other families will definitely use this opportunity to grow stronger. We should not reject the Klein Family's help," Rebecca said.

Cole Lark's eyes flickered. He could understand the cunningness of those people.

He then said, "Alright, cooperate with them. But we will not use our men against Zack Lockwood."

Rebecca smiled. She then nodded to him before leaving the room.

Cole Lark went back to the main chair and sat on it. He had an uneasy feeling. He didn't know what was going to happen next.

Star University

Dean Jerome read the text messages. After reading them, he got angry. He didn't expect the warrior families to start their illegal activities again.

They didn't even ask his permission. He thought he did best by sending Zack Lockwood for a mission.

Now, he was uncovering these illegal activities. He didn't know what other cities were doing.

He then ordered the prison elders to go to Dry Summit City as soon as possible.