

BloodLine 701

Chapter 701: Part 1: Truth comes to light

From MC's perspective:

Goodwill City,

"Is it real?" Rebecca asked.

Hearing that I replied, "It might be possible."

Rebecca's heart shook for a second.

How do I say this?

At this point, her nerves quickly become numb after hearing such shocking news.

She then looked towards me and asked, "Care to tell me why?"

"Dean, I think you should visit the arena first," I said to her.

A look of realization dawned on her face before leaving the place.

Meanwhile,

The 2 Supreme Elders and the other deans of the academy are standing high in the sky above the destroyed arena.

Supreme Elder McCarthy looking at the damage.

The Supreme Elder Marlene remained silent.Â

She came before him.

But she didn't ask any questions.

She silently stood in the mid-air.

Like she had figured it out that it was the work of someone stronger than her.

The Dean Lily Smith of the Red Moon Tower.

The Dean Edgar of the Eclipse Academy.

And the Red Elder of the Giant Tower is waiting for the 2 Supreme Elders to speak.

Dean Lily Smith was in shock.

When she received the news.

She made some judgment.

But after looking at the neat and clean destruction.

She doesn't know what to say.

Except for the open ground, someone removed the structure surrounding it including the block they used to stay and watch the duel.

Now the debris of the structures is placed here on the ground.

Dean Edgar and Red Elder look at each other from time to time.

Like they are comparing it with some other bad incident.

McCarthy, on the other hand, was thinking about someone.

The same person who warned him not to go against the Viper Academy.Â

That person treated him like a child.Â

“Only that person can do something like this,” His eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

“But what’s the point of destroying the arena,” He said in his heart.

Swish!

Suddenly, one more person appeared.

The person is none other than Rebecca.Â

Rebecca stood in a daze looking at the situation down below.Â

Dean Edgar, Red Elder, and Dean Lily Smith saw her.

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The Supreme Elder McCarthy's expression turned solemn.

If it was before, he could have used this chance to grill the Viper Academy.

But he doesn't dare right now.

He knows that person might be still here.

Dean Edgar's eyes flash with a complicated glint.

He doesn't have the guts to ask either.Â

Suddenly, everyone noticed something.

Because all of them are at some point looking towards her.

Like they are expecting some kind of explanation from her.

"Why are they looking at me like that?" Rebecca said in her heart.

The organizers down below are controlling the situation.

They don't want the guards to escape and leak the news.Â

On the other hand, Jonathan, who is hiding in the dark, decides to address everyone.Â

"Alright, stop wondering!"

A mental voice reached everyone's mind.

McCarthy almost scared the sh!t out of himself.

Marlene also widened her eyes in disbelief.

The next second, she starts panicking as well.

Her old hands are trembling.

Seeing the condition of the 2 Supreme Elders and hearing the mental note, Dean Lily Smith, Dean Edgar, and Red Elder's expressions turned pale with fright.

Even Lily Smith tried to stay calm but fear appeared in her eyes.

She thought some Supreme Elder was making trouble.

But looking at the expression of the 2 Supreme Elders here.

She realizes that things are not simple.

The only person who was calm and composed was Dean Rebecca.

Now she can firm that he was the person behind Zack.

She sighed in relief.

But she was confused by his actions.

Her behavior didn't go unnoticed under the eyes of others.

McCarthy also confirmed his doubts.

He became more restrained the next second.Â

“Who are you excellency?” Marlene asked.

She also cleared some doubts in her heart.

She heard the mental voice but she wasn’t able to find the source.Â

Jonathan revealed a small smile on his face before saying, “My name is not important right now.”

“But you guys have to listen to what I’m going to say,” He added further.

The next moment, everyone became attentive including Rebecca.Â

“Listen, I’m the one who did it.

Because I find the duels boring and a waste of time.”

“The academies behind you are wasting piles of resources for producing such weak warriors.”

When mentality reached everyone’s ears.

They felt like someone slapped them hard.

McCarthy’s mouth twitches.

He knows that person didn't put anyone in his eyes.Â

Marlene furrowed her eyebrows.

She thinks that person is deliberately humiliating them.

Rebecca is doubting in her heart.

She thinks it's related to Zack Lockwood.

Otherwise, it doesn't explain the reason.

Dean Lily Smith got irked.

She opened her mouth to say, "Lord, this event is related to all of our academy's future.

Don't you think you are causing an unnecessary problem?"

McCarthy was dumbfounded.

He wanted to punch that girl.

"Does she think the old women back in her academy can save her?" He said in his heart.

Marlene felt her tone was rude as well.

At this point, she understood that whoever it is the person is not from here but from the inner post.

It's normal for the person from there to have this kind of attitude.Â

Dean Edgar'd heart skips a beat.

He remembers the last person who came to help them ran away in fear.Â

He is thinking about the crazy possibility.

But unless the person admits it.

He won't know it for sure.Â

Red Elder's heart is racing fast.

He doesn't know what's going on here.Â

"Red moon girl, don't act brave.

I'm telling the truth.

The year-end competition is a waste of time.

Your academies should give them hard training."

"I heard that the Red Moon Tower at the inner post is facing a lot of troubles.

Do you think your talented warriors can help them?"

Jonathan's voice again reached everyone's ears.Â

This time Dean Lily Smith shut her mouth after knowing that person was from the inner post.

She also understood that people were not afraid of their academy name.

Chapter 702: Part 2: Truth comes to light

From MC's perspective:

Everyone realizes that the person is not humiliating them.

But he was just stating facts.

"I know this competition was important for selecting the top students.

Based on the ranks you guys can split the results between yourself."

"So you guys have no choice other than to stick with Elite results.

After training some good Super Elite Warriors, you guys can continue it from next time onwards."

"Right now, you guys can go back.

And don't think about asking for help from the Inner Post.

They won't offend me for stopping some insignificant event.'

"And one more thing, don't target Viper Academy, and stay away from the Hunter League."

"Otherwise, you guys will face the same fate as Cameron."

The mental voice reached everyone's ears.

At first, everyone was feeling scared except Rebecca.

When they heard it till the end.

"Cameron," McCarthy felt his legs go weak.

He then turned towards Dean Edgar.

There was lots of information.

Supreme Elder Marlene saw Rebecca's calm expression.

As she had guessed earlier, the Viper Academy was common among all the doubts.

Dean Edgar felt someone squeezing his heart.

He felt it was difficult to breathe.

The person admitted to himself that the Supreme Elder was killed by him.

Edgar doesn't know what to do now.

His heart tells him to leave right away.

Red Elder sighed in his heart.

He suspected something was wrong with the Eclipse Academy.

Because their injured Supreme Elder wasn't able to contact the Supreme Elder Cameron.

But now he knows the reason why.

Marlene was shocked to the core.

A dignified Supreme Elder like herself lost composure many times today.

She then looked towards Dean Edgar.

Seeing his fearful expression, she doesn't have to ask.

She realized the news must be true.

Dean Lily Smith was hit with a realization as well.

She came to this city without their Supreme Elder.

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Because she was so confident that no one would offend their academy.

Even if something happens, she can ask her to come.

But now she feels scared and helpless.

The person who was speaking to them was not joking at all.

If he can take down Supreme Elder Cameron, then their Supreme Elder poses no threat to him as well.

Suddenly, she regrets her impulsiveness.

Jonathan, who was observing everyone, sent a mental note to Rebecca.

“Dean Rebecca, you can return to the mansion.

I want to tell you something about Zack Lockwood.”

Dean Rebecca is acting like a bystander.

Suddenly, she looked behind her for a second.

Then she nodded her head at the space before leaving the place.

Others didn’t stop her.

They know that person is related to the Viper Academy.

Marlene and others understood why Hunter League backed off.

“I’m leaving.

You guys should not forget my words.

I’ll be visiting the Viper Academy from time to time,” After saying that Jonathan left the place.

The other 5 people remained in the same position before bowing their heads.

Today, they learned a lot of secrets.

Many of their doubts were cleared.

Which has been bothering me for a long time.

None of them left immediately.

After a few minutes,

McCarthy asked, "Dean Edgar, is this true?"

After saying that he turned around to look at the surroundings.

He fears that the person might be around here.

Hearing that everyone turned towards Dean Edgar.

Sigh!

Dean Edgar let out a long sigh before replying, "Yes, our Supreme Elder is dead.

Last time, he went to check out the Viper Academy.

But he never returned."

The words fell like thunderclaps in everyone's ears.

McCarthy felt his legs were getting weaker.

He was so close to death because of his reckless actions before.

Marlene is going through a lot of emotions at the same time.

Her old heart is getting weaker by this shocking news.

She should have listened when Linda said something wrong with the Viper Academy.

But fortunately, they don't have any issues with the Viper Academy.

She didn't expect stupid Cameron to act like this.

He must have done something there to meet with death.

She knows he didn't go there for a casual chat.

Everyone knows about the bad blood between the Viper Academy old man and him.

Dean Lily Smith finds it hard to digest.

She looked towards Edgar with a complicated emotion.

"How could someone kill like that?"

"The victim was none other than a Supreme Elder of a certain Academy.

This action is tantamount to hitting someone's face," She said.

“Little girl, think before you speak,” Marlene quickly reprimanded her.

She didn’t know how a fiery girl like her became dean.

She likes Linda a lot more now.

Linda is obedient and kind.

Whereas Dean Lily Smith is fiery like the red moon energy.

McCarthy said, “Don’t casually speak like that.

For people living in the inner post.

Our existence doesn’t matter to them.

”

“It’s thanks to those academies who have set up a branch here.

Because of them, we got a chance to reach a higher level and train the next generation.”

Dean Lily Smith bit her lips.

She can understand the words of 2 Supreme Elders.

She said, “Thanks, Supreme Elders.

It's just that I got angrier because of this killing."

"Didn't you get help from your headquarters," She asked Edgar.

Hearing that everyone turned towards him.

A Supreme Elder got killed.

How come their Headquarters do not know about this news?

Dean Edgar revealed a bitter smile on his face before replying, "Actually, help came.

But the person who came to help us got injured and ran away in fear."

He didn't explain after that.

This was enough.

He doesn't want to say embarrassing things about his academy.

McCarthy's mouth twitches again.

"He was not shi!!

ing at all.

He didn't care about our retaliation," He said with some foul words.

Marlene sighed.

She shook her head before adding, " Maybe his background is not simple.

He might be related to one of the bigwigs in the federation."

McCarthy nodded his head in affirmation.

He had the same conclusion as well.

Dean Lily Smith became silent.

She doesn't want to talk anymore.

Red Elder simply wants to go back to the academy.

Chapter 703: Goodbye

From MC's perspective:

Goodwill City,

I was waiting in the lobby.

I don't know what happened to Dean Rebecca.

But one thing was certain.

Jonathan was determined to take me back to the Inner Post.

A few minutes later,

I saw Dean Rebecca come back.

But her expression was not good-looking.

I asked, “Dean, what happened?”

Rebecca doesn’t know how to explain.

She has experienced so many things in a few minutes.

She then looks towards Zack before start explaining.

At first, my expression was calm.

After hearing out everything, I sighed inwardly.

Jonathan destroyed the arena to stop the competition.

In this way, he can take me back to the inner post.

If the competition comes to an end, then I don’t have any personal commitments to fulfill here.

Then both of us remained silent.

Shortly after,

Jonathan arrives at the spot.

This time he didn't hide himself and appeared before us.

I guess it's the first time Dean Rebecca to met him personally.

"He is not an old man," Dean Rebecca said in her heart.

Her heart set off storms.

She always imagined this person to be an elder-like figure in the 50s or 60s.

She had thought the person who could take down the Supreme Elder must be elder like a figure.

But she doesn't know what to say right now.

Suddenly,

A realization struck her.

She recalls Jonathan's earlier words.

Where he said that warriors in the inner post are strong at a young age.

They can even fight across ranks.

Now looking at Jonathan, she thinks it must be true.

Jonathan, on the other hand, went straight to the point.

"I'm taking Zack Lockwood to the inner post.

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So his studies at the Viper Academy come to an end," He said in a solemn tone.

"I knew it," I said in my heart.

A hint of disbelief flashes in Rebecca's eyes.

In the next second, her surprise was replaced with a fear quickly.

"If you guys are gone, then what will happen to the academy?" Rebecca asked with concern.

Hearing that I turned towards Jonathan.

The academy currently lacks the Supreme Elder.

I don't know about other academies.

But still, there are considerable threats when it comes to the Hunter League.

Jonathan has said it before but he still decides to convince both of them.

"After going to the inner post.

I'll send one or two people here.

They will be here until one of your own attains the position of the Supreme elder," He said.

Hearing that Rebecca let go of her hanging heart.

She worried about the academy's safety.

But this news gives her peace of mind.

She didn't doubt Jonathan's word for a bit.

Because Jonathan was the one who saved the academy from many threats.

When it comes to Zack.

She doesn't know how to react.

The news came too suddenly.

She knew one day Zack would leave for the inner post.

But she didn't expect it to happen within a year.

"Are you sure?"

"Zack is just Super Elite Warrior.

He got plenty of time left in the academy," Rebecca asked.

I saw Jonathan looking towards me.

I knew it because of the teacher.

He wanted me to go there as soon as possible.

“Dean, it’s important.

I should go there early.

Because this place is not suitable for lightning cultivation.

My progress is hindered by the lack of lightning resources here,” I answered her.

A look of realization dawned upon Rebecca.

She almost forgot about this issue.

If Zack had access to similar resources to others.

Then he could have reached higher levels by now.

Jonathan looked at her and didn’t say anything.

He knows Zack has brought a lot of changes to the academy.

Not only the corrupt Supreme Elder and the Vice-dean were dead.

The rival academy’s Supreme elder was dead as well.

At this point, the Viper Academy doesn’t have any threats except the Hunter League.

Others don't know about it.

He had made it clear to the Head Manager.

The Head Manager won't be able to trouble the Viper Academy again.

Even if something unexpected happens, the people he will be sending here.

They will take care of it.

On the other hand, Rebecca accepted the reality.

It's better for Zack's future.

She then said, "Alright, I wish you luck.

But I hope you will stay in touch."

Hearing that I smiled in response before saying, "Don't worry, Dean.

I'll be visiting the Academy from time to time."

"Then shall we go," Jonathan asked.

Hearing that I thought about meeting Ernest and Laverne one more time.

"I want to say goodbye to Ernest and Laverne," I replied.

Jonathan nodded his head.

Seeing that I turned around and went to their room.

A few minutes later,

I arrived in front of Ernest's room and knocked on the door.

Creak!

Ernest walks out carrying a questioning look on his face.

Seeing Zack outside the door.

He was stunned.

He asked, "Zack, what happened?"

"Ask, Laverne to come here as well.

I have something important to talk to you guys," I answered.

Ernest frowned before nodding his head.

Meanwhile,

The Supreme Elder McCarthy and Marlene looked at each other.

"Looks like he has left the place for real," McCarthy commented.

“What about the competition?” Dean Lily Smith blurted out.

McCarthy looked at her and replied, “Little girl, you still haven’t figured it out.

Right now, the competition is not important.

But region’s safety matters..”

“He is right.

You can go back.

I’ll speak to your Supreme Elder,” Marlene said.

Dean Edgar and Red Elder decided to leave as well.

Dean Lily Smith sighed before leaving the place.

Seeing that Dean Edgar and Red Elder left next.

Right now, the 2 Supreme Elders remained in the place.

“Don’t you think this person has a connection to the lightning kid Zack,” Supreme Elder McCarthy asked.

Marlene’s eyes flickered.

She said, “I think the same as well.

Which explains the retreat of the Hunter League.”

“What a kid!

Next time, I’ll be focusing on recruiting more special element warriors.

Who knows which force wants them,” After saying that he left the place.

Marlene was left alone.

But she is thinking about something else.

“Lightning kid is a friend of Maria Frazier.

Don’t whether he was close enough to meet the Frazier Clan,” She said in her heart.

She knows about Maria Frazier and her Frazier Clan.

When she came to know about them.

She was shocked.

One day, a small group of mysterious people appeared in this outer post.

And they established a family on the outskirts of this region.

Later, she came to know that this family has a connection to that one in the inner post.

She doesn’t know what kind of bad blood is between them.

So she has been paying close attention to the people around Maria Frazier.

So when it comes to Zack.

She doesn't know what the future holds.

After calming down her heart.

She disappeared from the spot as well.

Meanwhile,

Laverne came down below.

Looking at Zack and Ernest together she was confused.

"What's so important to talk?" Laverne asked.

She stood cross-armed while looking at them.

Hearing that I looked at Ernest and Laverne before saying, "I'm leaving."

"What do you mean by leaving?" Laverne asked.

Ernest furrowed his eyebrows before asking, "Are you going to a secret place to cultivate lightning method?"

He knows Zack has consumed purple essence in his previous duel.

Only after getting back to the peak, you can be confident about the next duels.

On the other hand, I revealed a bitter smile on his face.

Then I looked at them and said, "I'm going to the inner post."

My words fell like a thunderclap in both of their ears.

"What?" Laverne exclaimed in disbelief.

"What are you talking about?" Ernest asked.

Then I took a deep breath before started explaining to them.

But I decided to hide some important information from them.

A few minutes later,

Laverne and Ernest looked at each other.

They couldn't believe what they were hearing.

The atmosphere remained solemn.

Ernest knows Zack is special.

Especially the Warrior with a lightning element is favored by many organizations.

But now they feel unreal.

It took some time to digest the information.

“Are you going to come back or not?” Laverne asked.

Hearing that I nodded my head before saying, “I will be visiting from time to time.

So don’t worry about me.”

“Ernest you?” After saying that I turned towards Ernest.

He is showing an unwilling expression.

Ernest was shocked.

But he knows this is not the time to feel sad.

“All the best luck, Zack,” Ernest said.

Hearing that I assured them again.

Then after speaking to them, I returned to the lobby.

Ernest and Laverne went back to their room.

When I returned to the lobby.

I saw Jonathan and Rebecca are discussing something.

Seeing me coming, they stopped talking.

On the other hand, Jonathan turned to Zack.

He asked, "Can we leave now?"

Hearing that I nodded my head.

Rebecca let out a sigh before saying, "I'll inform others."

I nodded my head at her.

Chapter 704: Smart gift

From Mc's perspective:

Goodwill City,

After bidding bye to the dean Rebecca, I packed my things before leaving together with Jonathan.

Instead of using the airship, he started carrying me toward the Viper Academy.

While flying in mid-air, Jonathan turned towards me and said, "You can see your Uncle later.

It's an emergency.

We have to enter the inner post as soon as possible.'

Hearing that I asked back, "Are we not going back to the Viper Academy?"

Jonathan looked at me with a strange gaze.

“Did you leave anything important there?” He asked back.

I shook my head in denial.

I used to carry all the important things with me in the storage ring.

Looking at his firm gaze, I sighed inwardly.

Then I said, “Alright, we can leave right away.”

Hearing that Jonathan smiled before rushing towards the space barrier.

The space barrier between the inner post and the outpost is a special place.

But it’s a dangerous one.

Last time, someone decided to tamper with it.

That person had met with a grave end.

Time passed,

Both reached the place a few hours later.

Jonathan was doing fine.

I started to feel a sense of threat all around me.

Like if I make any wrong move here, I might end up dead.

Jonathan saw through Zack's worries.

He started to observe his reaction for a few minutes.

Seeing that Zack quickly accepted the reality.

He nodded his head.

"If you have this mindset, you can easily adapt in the inner post as well," Jonathan said.

"Now you can relax.

I'm going to open the barrier," Jonathan added further.

Hearing that my heart starts to race all of a sudden.

I don't know whether it's because of this place or the inner post.

I'm experiencing quite an up-and-down mood.

Jonathan, on the other hand, takes out a disk-like thing to open the barrier.

He did something secretive in front of Zack's eyes.

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All of a sudden, a black portal opens before them out of nowhere.

“Let’s go, this gateway attacked close to the master’s castle,’ After saying that he grabbed Zack’s shoulder before jumping into the portal.

Meanwhile,

All the 6 big academies left Goodwill City right away.

Before leaving the 2 Supreme Elders warned the organizers not to reveal anything.

And let them have year-end conferences conclude based on Elite-level performances.

The deans and the Supreme Elder earlier on the spot decided to be tight-lipped regarding the year-end conference.

Even the 2 Supreme Elders decided to hide the information from their dean for the time being.

On the other hand, most of the residents have spotted big airships leaving their city.

The first thing that came to their mind was the year-end conference.

But unfortunately, they don’t know what’s happening.

Those who are influential and have contacts were unable to contact the organizers.

Only the organizers can tell them what’s going on.

But the organizers have decided to inform the public a day later.

In the meantime, they can come up with suitable lies.

Meanwhile,

On the Viper Academy side, Dean Rebecca,

Ernest, and Laverne know the truth.

But they can't reveal it.

Others are warriors because of Zack Lockwood's absence.

Some are spreading false rumors that Zack has gone alone to cause some trouble.

But these people are supposed to be Dean Rebecca.

They don't know that the Hunter League has already caught wind of the news.

"Viper Academy and others have left?" Manager Shaw raised his eyebrows in surprise.

"But why?" He muttered.

He knows that the competition is not over yet.

There are still some duels left for the Super Elite Warriors.

He also received the news on Viper Academy.

But he didn't know that his targeted person was not on that big ship.

Because of the head manager's order, he can't take action against them.

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Inner Post:

Lowell Castle,

The master of the castle, Lowell McClain was in his study room.

He is waiting patiently for them to arrive.

He knows that Jonathan won't delay after seeing his emergency message.

He would do anything to accomplish the task.

He can already imagine that Zack is being dragged by Jonathan.

On the other hand, the Portal on the inner post side appeared.

Tud!

I feel like drowning in the deep ocean before landing on the ground.

Jonathan touched the ground like a feather.

In the inner post, it's nighttime as well.

Right now, Jonathan felt a sense of relief.

From next time onwards, he doesn't have to worry about Zack Lockwood.

Feeling a sense of ease, he relaxed his eyebrows.

"Hmmm," I cursed inwardly because of the hard landing.

The next second, something amazing happens in my body.

Both the runes in my mind start to shine brightly.

Right after, 2 different kinds of energy were drilled into my body.

It feels like someone injected me with an adrenaline potion.

The next second, I sat cross-legged on the ground.

Then I started to inspect my body.

Jonathan wasn't surprised by the scene.

Rather a mysterious smile appeared on his face.

He said, "It's a good opportunity for you.

Try to experience the feeling."

When Jonathan's voice reached my ears.

I realized what was going on.

The environment has world energy many times that of the outer post.

I can't explain the feelings.

I'm seeing thick purple energy which has a dark outline entering my body organs.

At the same time, a thick blood-red energy with a dark outline entered my bones.

This situation shocked me to the core.

"What kind of energy is this?"

"Wasn't it supposed to be the blood element?" I screamed in my heart.

So far I had thought only the monster core could supply me with the red blood energy.

But in the inner post, the blood energy is abundantly present in the atmosphere.

This means I don't have to solely rely on the monster cores for cultivation.

One more thing I noticed was the difference in elements.

Both the elements are different and stronger compared to the environment in the outer post.

I feel the lightning element is more destructive here.

The blood element must be more murderous as well.

Then I shifted my attention to the runes in my mind.

Meanwhile,

Jonathan is reporting back to the master.

Slowly, the purple essence in my dantian starts changing into dark purple.

At the same time, the red bones of mine are changing into dark red.

Both these transformations are giving me a powerful feeling.

As if I can fight and kill anyone across the ranks.

When the 2 elements are changed.

The healing energy is also changing into milky white from the dark green.

An hour later,

The changes come to an end.

When I opened my eyes.

The bad smell attacked my nostrils.

Then I noticed a large layer of black impurities covering my skin.

“What surprised me?”

“This was a special gift given to the outer post warriors who came to the inner post for the first time.

It makes it easier for them to adapt to this region,” Jonathan said.

Hearing that a look of understanding dawned on me.

This change alone shows the difference between the outer post warriors and the inner post warriors.

“Let’s go, it’s time to meet your teacher,” After saying that Jonathan grabbed my shoulder before I could say anything.

A few minutes later,

We landed in front of a medieval castle.

Seeing the architecture, I stood in a daze.

Because it brings back memories.

Back in the Hansen Academy library, I saw similar images in many old books.

But most of them are images of ruined structures.

But in front of me was the real one standing.

It feels like I have gone back in time.

“What happened?” Jonathan’s voice reached my ears.

Hearing that I turned toward him and asked, “How old was this castle?”

A hint of surprise flashes in Jonathan’s eyes.

“Looks like you haven’t wasted your time in the library,” Jonathan said.

He wasn’t that shocked.

There are ruins in the outer post.

But apart from interested people, no one paid attention to it.

The ruins information was recorded in the form of books and paintings.

They can be only found in libraries.

“Let’s enter inside,” Jonathan said.

Hearing that I nodded my head.

This time he didn’t grab my shoulder.

He patiently led me inside.

We then entered the castle.

The castle was gloomy and dark.

I don't because it's nighttime.

I'm also looking for modern-day items.

But they are nowhere to be seen.

"First, I'll show you your room.

So that you can clean yourself," After saying that he guided me towards the room.

Soon we arrived in front of one big brown door.

There are patterns drawn over the surface.

"You have 20 minutes.

Then I'll come and get you," After saying that Jonathan left the room.

Seeing that he has gone.

I walked forward to push the door to open.

But the door was heavy.

It needed a heavy push."

Creak!

The door opened.

Then I walked inside.

Chapter 705: Lowell's shock

From MC's perspective:

As I walked in, I was greeted by old-age lamps and household items.

For a second, I thought about what happened to modern-day lights.

Then I put these thoughts back off my mind.

Right now, I need to freshen myself.

I quickly found the bath and went inside.

I brought all of my clothes with me.

There is no trouble for the necessities right now.

Meanwhile,

Jonathan arrived at the study room.

Which was located in the deeper part of the castle.

Creak!

The door opened automatically.

Seeing that Jonathan understood that the Master was inside.

His expression turned solemn.

After taking a deep breath inside, he walked in.

Lowell McClain who is going through the old book paused his actions for a moment.

He sensed when they got closer to the castle earlier.

His earlier tense face was replaced by a calm one.

Jonathan then arrived before the study table and started to report.

Lowell didn't say anything but perked up his ears to listen to everything.

Jonathan started to include the events of the Hunter League and the year-end competition as well.

He didn't hide anything.

He even started to spill about the Supreme Elders.

15 minutes later,

The explanation comes to an end.

Lowell let out a chuckle.

At the same time, his eyes flash with a glint.

He didn't expect that little post had so many things going on.

But he appreciates Zack's will to support the Viper Academy to the end.

Which shows that he didn't pick any wrong person.

When it comes to the Hunter League.

An interesting glint flashes in his eyes.

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He looked at Jonathan and said, "The Hunter League people are a nuisance even there."

Jonathan smiled in response.

The Hunter League is known for troublemaking.

Then Jonathan thought of something before saying, "Master, young master received a successful special gift."

Lowell carried a knowing smile on his face.

"I knew," Lowell replied.

When Zack walked into the Castle.

Lowell has sensed him.

At that time the energy around and inside his body is different compared to the outer post environment.

If anyone local sees him, they would see him as people of the inner post.

Normally, it would take a few weeks for average warriors from the outer post region to adapt and change.

But Zack's change shows that he is extremely talented.

"Master, is there any news from the Eclipse Academy?" Jonathan asked.

He has been thinking about them for some time.

"Well, I did hear their complaint.

But they didn't report to me directly but to McClain House," He said in a normal tone.

But it felt like a thunderclap in Jonathan's ears.

His heart set off storms.

Before he could ask further.

Lowell raised his hand to stop and said, "Let him come as well.

I'll explain everything."

Hearing that Jonathan nodded his head and knew it was time.

He left the room to bring Zack Lockwood here.

On the other hand, Lowell had made up his mind long ago.

When he first met Zack in his hometown.

He wants to tell him everything right now.

So that he can be better prepared for the future.

Meanwhile,

I walked out of the room and changed into comfortable clothes.

It's just a T-shirt and trousers.

I know I'm going to meet the teacher after a long time.

More than excitement there is also an uneasiness in my heart.

Knock!

Suddenly, I heard the knocking sound.

I let out a sigh before going to the door.

Creak!

When I opened the door.

I saw Jonathan standing before me.

“You are ready, let’s go then,” Jonathan said.

Hearing that I started following him to meet the teacher.

Soon, we arrived in front of a door.

It appears to be a private area.

Because this place is located in the deeper part of the castle.

It must be important.

Before I could ask, the door in front of us opened.

There is a leading path inside.

Jonathan walked into the room.

Seeing that I followed him inside.

Creak!

Then the door behind me closed automatically.

Seeing that my eyes flickered.

The only modern tech I saw today was the automatic opening and closing of the doors.

I wonder what type of air travel in this region.

Then I closely followed Jonathan before I realized what place it was.

It appears to be a study room.

Not that I have imagined.

Including books, there are many items here.

But all of them are placed on wooden shelves.

Anyone can touch it whenever they want.

It's a total contrast to the transparent glass protected by an alarming system.

"Master," Jonathan said.

His words brought me back to reality.

When I turned around, I saw the room was wider than before.

And I saw a familiar face sitting behind the desk.

The middle-aged man with black hair and blue eyes.

He is wearing black clothes with blue patterns.

“Zack Lockwood, you are here finally,” Lowell said.

Then he started to observe Zack from top to bottom.

Like Jonathan said, Lowell is seeing the changes for himself.

Suddenly, a quick gleam flashes in his eyes.

His pupil changes for a moment.

The next second, he saw something different in Zack Lockwood.

Zack’s body, mind, and soul have become transparent under his runic eyes.

Lowell saw something shining in Zack’s mind.

When he started to observe closely.

He sees a star-shaped runic pattern glowing brightly.

And they are purple.

“Cultivation Runic Mark,” Lowell uttered with a surprise in his heart.

This pattern only appears while practicing certain top and ancient cultivation methods.

He knew Zack's lightning techniques were given by him.

Including the cultivation method, the attack, the defense, and the soul technique.

But he knows that technique was not ancient.

It was a modern cultivation method created by researchers and they got it from the incomplete ancient lightning technique.

For a second, Lowell doesn't know what to think.

He had given him a modern-day one.

The ancient cultivation methods and techniques are well-kept secrets.

Even for people living in the main house.

It was not easy for them to access.

What's more shocking is that he saw another 3 shining dots in Zack's mind.

This also shows Zack is practicing not one but two cultivation methods.

His heart set off storms.

Lowell's calm face broke for a moment.

He then looks at Jonathan before turning towards Zack.

“He didn’t see it or his strength is not enough,” Lowell said in his heart.

A look of understanding dawned on Lowell’s face all of a sudden.

“Jonathan yet to accept any inheritance.

His general rank strength is not enough to see through Zack,” Lowell said in his heart.

He knows if Jonathan had seen anything then he would have reported back to him.

On the other hand, my heart is beating faster.

I thought the teacher would ask me questions.

But he is observing me from top to bottom with his strange eyes.

Those strange pupils are giving me a sense of danger.

I wonder what it is?

Jonathan, on the other hand, was surprised.

Because he knew what those strange eyes were.

“Is he observing the changes brought down by the special gift?” Jonathan asked himself in his heart.

Lowell then shifted his attention to other runes in Zack's mind.

One of them knew it was a lightning technique.

The other two are new to him.

So he started focusing.

Then he spotted a red color ring-type rune.

He immediately recognized it.

Which brought another shock to him.

"Blood method," He said in his heart.

He looked towards Zack's face before focusing on the blood rune.

The blood method is even rarer than the lightning method.

That too ancient one is hard to find.

He knows only one or two houses have ancient blood methods in their hands.

Most warriors practice modern-day methods created from researching ancient blood methods in their hands.

Lowell is experiencing a different feeling right now.

He finds Zack is better than those young warriors in the main house.

Especially those who practice ancient methods.

After calming down his mind, he starts focusing on the last rune.

The last rune was dimmer.

If you don't focus on it properly, you will miss it.

The last rune is like a white dense cloud.

He recognized the rune as well.

Which is a healing method.

But it's not ancient.

Even in the ancient ones, there is a hierarchy between them.

Zack's healing method just touches the boundary of the ancient one.

But it's still better than many modern-day healing methods.

Then he started to go through body and soul.

20 minutes later,

Lowell's condition was different than before.

His expression was a mix of excitement and seriousness.

It's like having something great happen to you.

But you can't tell it to others.

Lowell is surprised after observing the body and soul of Zack.

Because he found out that the blood method practiced by Zack is a blood-bone method.

But not a blood essence method.

He remembers none of those Houses have blood-bone methods.

Which immediately separates Zack from others.

He also saw the blood energy in the surroundings entering Zack's body like lightning.

This shows that blood-bone methods don't have the problem of observing the blood energy of the world.

Chapter 706: Too hard to digest

From MC's perspective:

Lowell then saw something in Zack's dantian.

Which further confirms his assumption.

The mysterious totem standing inside the dantian which was the result of practicing the ancient method.

He had heard it from others.

Each ancient method can bring different changes to Dantian.

When he paid attention to Zack's soul.

He saw a tower had taken shape.

Which was the result of practicing the soul defense method.

A hint of appreciation flashes in his eyes.

Finally, he took back his gaze, and his pupils returned to normal.

He said, "Jonathan, you can wait outside.

I have something to talk to him about."

Hearing that Jonathan nodded his head before leaving the room.

On the other hand, I don't know how to react.

The teacher's expression tells me that he has found out something.

"Zack, what do you know about the inner post?" Lowell asked.

Hearing that I sighed in relief before shaking my head.

Lowell smiled before saying, "Alright, let me give you the details."

"You know there are many outer posts there.

The total number is 1012.

And you came from the last outer post among them all," He added.

Hearing that my eyes flickered.

But I wasn't surprised.

Because I have heard it from Uncle James and another resource before.

But still, the number of outer posts makes me feel unreal.

"Seeing that you are not surprised.

I believe you must have heard it from somewhere," Lowell asked.

"Teacher, my uncle said to me before that the world is big and ours is only a tiny bit.

So I have imagined this might be the case," I replied to him.

Suddenly, I thought of something.

I don't know whether it's good to reveal the news about my parents.

Then I decided not to tell him.

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There is a high chance that Uncle James is misunderstanding something.

Lowell continued to say, "Since there are 1012 outer posts.

Not many from those posts can enter the inner post."

"The inner post land size is big.

But the numbers are small.

There are 112 inner posts.

Among the 112, the 92 inner posts come under certain organizations.

The remaining 10 are special.

The public can enter and exit freely.

They don't control the outer post."

"The remaining 92 inner posts are controlled by many medium and small-sized forces.

Among them are alliances.

These 92 inner posts each control 11 outer posts.”

“So all 1012 outer posts are under influence,” After saying that Lowell stopped.

He wants Zack to take in all the information as soon as possible.

On the other hand, my calm expression finally breaks.

A total shock and disbelief appeared on my face.

I know that the inner post is big.

But what’s it about controlling the outer post?

There are 92 inner posts here.

I don’t know whether they are separated by a boundary or not.

But what’s more shocking is that these 92 inner posts are controlled by forces.

Then what about the big forces?

My heart is racing fast.

I had thought about it after entering the inner post.

I can meet the top level of the big forces.

For example, the Army Federation.

Which played a huge part in my life so far.

Here there are 92 inner posts which seems to be many.

I had thought the inner post was in one region.

But from the looks of it, there is something above it.

Because these 92 inner posts are under medium and small forces.

Which means the big force is handling something.

“Do you have any other questions?” Lowell’s voice reached my ears.

Hearing that my thoughts returned to reality.

“Teacher, how many small and medium-sized forces are out there?” I asked back with a solemn expression on my face.

“Looks like you have digested the information so far.

There are 23 small and medium-sized forces.

Depending on the size and population of the inner post.

Each of them controls 4 inner posts,” He added further.

On the other hand, I remained in the same position.

But my brain is processing the information.

Which means small-sized forces control small inner posts.

And medium-sized forces control larger ones.

Back in my outer post, there are 6 big forces which are academies.

Here, there are 23 of them.

But my doubt is not over yet.

What about the big forces above?

“Teacher, what about big forces?” I asked, looking at him.

“Big forces?” Lowell revealed a mysterious smile on his face.

“It’s too soon to tell you about them.

When your strength reaches a certain level.

Then I can tell you,” Lowell said.

Hearing that a hint of disappointment flashes in my eyes.

But a sense of curiosity appeared in my heart.

I can't wait to access the library to get to know about them.

Lowell saw the change in Zack's expression.

He can't tell him about them.

Because he was not qualified.

Even the McClain House is not authorized to reveal the news.

Then he thought of something before saying, "Zack, let's focus on the things before you.

The big forces are too far away from you.

But I can tell you about these 23 forces.

You know some of them."

"Hmmm," I raised my eyebrows in surprise.

When the words reached my ears.

"I know them?" I asked back in a surprise.

Lowell nodded his head before asking, "What?"

"Do you forget about the Army Federation?"

"What?" His words fell like a thunderclap in my ears.

"Federation is one of the 23rd forces," My heart set off storms.

I lost balance in one of my legs.

So I bent down gently.

"F@ck," I muttered to myself.

If the federation is one of them, which means the Hunter League, the academy institutions are among them as well.

Which tells me that big forces are a separate category.

Huge above the federation and Hunter League itself.

What kind of strength is required to make it into those big forces?

I thought the Supreme Elder's level of strength was the ceiling for the federation.

It may be true but what about the big forces?

Lowell's eyes flickered.

He saw Zack's reaction was too strong.

"What happened?" He asked.

Hearing that I calmed down before standing up firmly.

Then I asked, “Teacher, are the other academy institutions and hunter league among the 23 forces?”

Lowell nodded his head in affirmation.

Then he asked, “What else is bothering you?”

I replied, “Division of warrior’s cultivation stage?”

Lowell understood something.

“He is still thinking about the big forces and their strength,” He said in his heart.

But unfortunately, he can’t tell him.

He also saw how earlier information shook his heart and mind.

The information about big forces involves world secrets.

If Zack learns at this stage, he might lose his mind.

“You are a Super Elite Warrior.

Above Super Elite Warrior, there is SS- Elite Warrior and SSS – Elite Warrior, Commander and General level,” He said.

“The Supreme Elder in your outer post has the power of Commander level,” He added further.

Hearing that I am slowly processing the information in my mind.

It's not as shocking as before.

So I was right above SSS-Elite as the Supreme Elder whose strength was the Commander stage.

But if the commander stage is the ceiling in the outpost, then what about the General stage?

I looked at the teacher before asking, 'Teacher, are you at the General Stage?'

"Ha...Ha...Ha...", Lowell let out a small laughter before saying, "I'm way above the General Stage."

"But there is one familiar person who is at the peak of the General Stage.

You know him as well," he added.

Hearing that my pupil shrinks.

"Above the General stage?"

"What is the concept?" I said in my heart.

My mood has been going up and down.

I need time to rest right now.

Suddenly, someone's image comes to mind.

"Jonathan has dealt with those Supreme Elders like toys," I said in my heart.

Then I looked at the teacher and uttered, "Jonathan."

"You are right!" Lowell said with a smile.

Before I could ask something, the teacher stopped me.

"You are being overwhelmed by the information.

You can rest tonight.

The rest of it we can discuss tomorrow.

Now you can go," Lowell said.

Hearing that I sighed inwardly.

But I didn't protest.

Because the teacher's words are true.

The information is too shocking for me.

"Thanks, teacher.

I'll see you tomorrow," After saying that I left the room.

When I went outside.

I saw Jonathan waiting outside the door.

After nodding at him, I returned to my room.

When Zack's back disappeared.

Jonathan was called by Lowell.

Jonathan saw Zack's tense expression earlier.

He didn't know what the master had told him.

After arriving at the study table, he asked, "Master, what happened to Zack?"

Lowell smiled before saying, "I told him about the divisions of factions here.

And I cleared his misunderstanding about the big forces."

"He has been considering the federation as one of the big forces," He added.

Sigh!

Jonathan let out a sigh before answering, "For the outer post people, the federation has been their big force and belief."

"I know.

He should digest everything and adapt to this place as soon as possible.

Before the people from my family visit here again," Lowell said in a serious tone.

Chapter 707: Mid-level- Super Elite Stage (Lightning Essence)

From MC's perspective:

Castle-Study room,

Jonathan didn't expect that Master's family members are still visiting the castle.

Lowell then said,"But I'm not going to worry about my selection.

Because Zack has surpassed my expectations.

He is a Super Elite Warrior despite coming from that outpost."

"If he had been born here, he would have reached at least the SSS-Elite stage by now," He added.

He didn't want to reveal about Zack's ancient practice methods.

It's better that less people know about this information.

Jonathan nodded his head in affirmation.

He knows that warriors in Zack's stage right now are either SS -Elite or SS-Elite warriors.

That's the advantage of being born here in this inner post.

Then Jonathan thought of something before asking,"Master, what about the Eclipse academy?"

"Did McClain House demand anything?"

Hearing that Lowell raised his eyebrows.

He looked at Jonathan before saying, "Yes, there are some people there who wanted to take advantage of the situation to slander me."

"But I won in the end," He added.

The politics inside the McClain House is not simple.

Then they discussed a few other things before Jonathan left the study room.

When Jonathan left the place.

Lowell turned his attention back to Zack.

Earlier, he had worried that Zack won't be able to step up to the challenge of his family's young generation.

Many of them are SS-Elite and SSS-Elite Stage.

Only a few of them are still at the Super Elite Stage.

But they are considered average.

Sooner or later, Zack is going to face them.

When it happens.

There will be a conflict.

But he is confident in Zack's strength right now.

Those 3 ancient methods are not ordinary.

Ancient methods can directly lead you to the Peak of the General Stage.

Which reduces his burden of finding one separately.

He hopes that before his family members visit him next time.

He wants Zack to be at least Peak of the Super Elite Stage.

Which is considered to be good for someone comes from the outer post.

Then he thought of something before tapping a circular disk on his desk.

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The next second,

a black screen pops up.

The next second, he began to go through the list shown on the screen.

Those lists are his personal inventory.

Then he selected the section of concealment method.

He can tell that Zack doesn't have a concealment method.

If anyone with his strength comes across Zack, they can easily see Zack's ancient method.

Which will then put his life under risk.

Several conceal techniques pop up on the screen.

Among them are top grade methods.

Unfortunately, he doesn't have ancient methods.

The ancient method of concealment is especially rare.

He doesn't know whether anyone has it with them.

As he was going through, an interesting technique caught his eyes.

But he frowned.

This technique is good.

But he doesn't know whether Zack can practice it in a short amount of time.

There are also other ways where he can find something to cover Zack's secrets.

For example, artifacts.

Tud!

The next second, he stood up from the seat and walked to the near wooden cupboard.

When he opened the door.

There was a locker inside made up of the unknown element.

He scanned his retina before opening up the locker.

Inside there was a golden key placed on the cloth..

After picking the key, he closed the locker and the door.

Then he walks up to the wall to go to the secret basement.

He touched one of the black stones.

The black stone went deep inside before showing the secret opening to the basement.

Seeing that Lowell entered inside before closing the door.

Inside the space was dark.

He tapped the communication watch and passed some commands.

The next second, modern day lights lit up the stairs.

Like a star shining in the night sky.

Several lights illuminate the place.

If Zack was here, he would be delighted for sure.

As he was the one who is learning to see modern day tech here.

When he comes down to the floor of the basement.

There are several containers made up of unknown elements.

There contained the items which were his lifetime collection.

If any of these items appears outside, it might cause a battle among medium and small sized forces.

It can be called a treasure house.

But it's the personal treasury of Lowell.

The treasure House of the McClain might be larger than this one.

After glancing at the room, he walked up to one of the containers.

He then puts the access code to open it.

Creak!

The container opened.

Many items stored inside were revealed.

Seeing that Lowell frowned.

One of these items can be given to Zack.

But the problem is these items are external means.

If anyone notices it, this will increase their curiosity.

Especially his competitors and enemies will pay extra attention to Zack.

After weighing the pros and cons, he decided to give both concealment techniques and artifacts to Zack tomorrow.

Meanwhile,

After coming back to the room, I laid down on my bed.

Looking at the ceiling, I have slowly lost in thoughts.

Teacher's words are coming back to mind.

I'm getting this feeling of losing control.

It's all uncertainty.

Which gives me an uneasy feeling.

Back in the outer post.

I'm not afraid of other influences.

As I knew Jonathan was there.

He had overpowered those Supreme elders easily.

Like an omnipotent.

But here I'm afraid to say that Jonathan can't protect me all the time.

The General level stage is not the ceiling here.

Which means among 23 organizations.

There are many people who are stronger than the General Stage.

Otherwise, it's impossible to run the organization.

So what's the stage above the General Level?

The next second , I shook my head.

It's really dangerous to think about that.

Right now, there are four levels above me.

I don't know how long it's going to take me to reach there.

Suddenly, something struck my mind.

“Jonathan told me that the teacher wanted me here earlier for some reason.”

“What it might be?” I asked in my heart.

Slowly, I started to get a headache.

Seeing that I closed my eyes and unknowingly fell asleep.

The following day,

I woke up earlier.

When I opened my eyes.

I saw the ancient ceiling before.

The next moment, memories of the last day’s memories flooded my mind.

“New place,” I muttered before getting out of my bed.

Then I went to complete my morning routine.

20 minutes later,

I came to the living space in my room.

The living room was spacious, comparable to one single room.

I can feel the world's energy around me.

It's dense and abundant.

Crack!

"Hmmm," I raised my eyebrows in surprise.

As I felt the feeling of breaking through.

Then I sat down cross-legged and closed my eyes.

Then I started to run the celestial lightning scripture.

The next moment the star rune in my consciousness started to flicker more brightly compared to the outer post.

Then I noticed the swirling of purple essence around me.

The dark purple essence enters my body.

Like they were attracted by something.

While observing, I also felt a similar type of lightning energy around me.

But they are golden, red and green in color.

From them I'm getting a lightning elemental feeling as well.

But they weren't able to enter my body.

Seeing that I know why.

The dark purple energy can enter my body because of the ancient method.

Yet I'm still shocked that there are other kinds of elements in the world energy.

Which I failed to notice yesterday.

It looks like my body has adjusted to this place after last night's sleep.

Then I guided the energy according to the lightning scripture.

After circulation, the refined energy enters the dantian.

The next moment, I felt the barrier weakening.

I guess it needs 2 or more circulation to break the barrier completely.

Seeing that I continued to repeat the process.

A few minutes later,

Crack!

The barrier starts to break.

In a blink of an eye, the barrier disappeared completely and I broke through to the mid stage.

The next second, the changes take place.

The dantian starts to expand in size.

The space becomes wider and larger, capable of storing more dark purple essence.

Soon, the expansion stopped and dantian space was stabilized.

The next second, the refined dark purple essence starts to settle down in my dantian.

Then I continued to cultivate to stabilize the new base.

A few hours later,

I opened my eyes after stabilizing the new base.

“Mid-level, Super Elite Stage,” I said to myself.

A hint of surprise flashes in my eyes.

Back at the outer post, I have been putting efforts for many weeks.

But still it was not easy to get a breakthrough there.

But here, the situation is different after getting the special gift.

He immediately got the opportunity to break through.

Then I began to look inside to see the changes.

The inside of Dantian looks like a dark purple ocean.

Chapter 708: Recruitment

From MC's perspective:

Apart from the dark purple essence, I see there was no change in the majestic totem.

It appears to be the same.

It wasn't affected by the change in environment.

Suddenly, I felt something.

I looked at my hand and muscles on my body.

Boom!

When I clenched my fist.

A small shock force appeared.

Seeing that a hint of surprise flashes in my eyes.

A realization struck my mind.

“There is an improvement in the overall physique.

This will take me one step towards the eligibility to accept the ancient inheritance,” I said in my heart

“That voice and the information uttered by it was the utmost secret of mine.

The voice said that when my overall physique reached a certain stage.

Then my body can bear the power of the ancient inheritance.’

“Since then I haven’t heard the voice again.

Don’t know whether the voice will appear when I get to the peak of the General Stage,” I said to myself.

After pushing down these thoughts, I noticed one more chance.

Which is an increase in the range of the perceptual ability.

I activated my perceptual ability.

The next second,

I can see everything around me without needing to turn my back.

The range has increased compared to the last time.

When the perception touched the room walls.

A sense of crisis hit me all of a sudden.

The next second, I stopped using the perception.

A quick gleam flashes in my eyes.

Looking at the wall, I feel I was careless just now.

It is an unknown place.

It is a little presumptuous of mine to use the perception here.

Who knows what kind of dangerous travel is hidden here?

After signing myself, I stood up and went to take a bath.

20 minutes later,

I changed to fresh clothes.

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Then I didn't go immediately outside.

Rather, I started to look around the room.

Yesterday, I didn't have much time.

While I was looking around.

I heard knocking on the door.

Hearing that I walked to the door.

Creak!

When I opened it, a person was standing in front of me.

The person is none other than Jonathan.

“Good morning, let’s go to the dining hall,” Jonathan said.

Hearing that I nodded my head and started following him.

But there were faint glint flashes in Jonathan’s eyes.

He said, “You made a breakthrough.

Which shows that this place is suitable for you.”

“Yes, the special gift’s benefit was bigger than I had thought,” I replied to him.

Jonathan didn’t doubt for a second.

Soon, we reached the hall where breakfast was served.

Finally, I saw staff working here.

Someone is setting up the plates.

The other one is bringing the food.

It's a round wooden table and chairs.

Both of them are dark brown.

Seeing that I decided to sit.

Jonathan sat opposite me.

There is one empty chair next to me.

I knew who it was for.

The maids left after making the arrangements.

The aroma of monster meat starts filling the place.

The smell was so nice and powerful.

For a second, it was lost in thoughts.

A strong desire appeared in my heart to swallow the food.

On the other hand, Jonathan saw through Zack's urges.

He revealed a small smile on his face before saying, "Master will be here in any minute."

Hearing that I stopped showing emotions.

Then I took my gaze away from the food and looked towards Jonathan.

“What kind of monster meat is this?” I asked him.

Hearing that Jonathan looked at the meat before replying, “It’s the meat of a sharp fin sea monster.”

“Sea monster?” I uttered in surprise.

Then I recalled fighting against one in one of the special monster zones back in the outer post.

Jonathan saw through his thoughts and said, “The region here is big.

All kinds of monsters can be found here.”

Hearing that I nodded my head in understanding.

Shortly after,

Lowell McClain came.

He greeted us before sitting beside us.

“You broke through,” Lowell said.

He had expected this to happen.

But not by the next day itself.

Then he thought of something before saying, "Zack, I want you to reach the Peak Stage in a couple of days."

My heart set off storms.

I couldn't believe my ears.

Back in the outermost, it had taken a week or at least months to touch the barrier.

Here the environment is different and has an abundance of world energy.

But I don't know whether it's possible to touch the peak stage in a couple of days.

Jonathan, on the other hand, looked at his master in surprise.

"Are they coming?" He said in his heart.

Lowell saw the change in expression on both of their faces.

He said, "It's important.

It's the reason why I have asked you to enter the inner post early."

Hearing that a look of understanding dawned on me.

Lowell shook his head before saying, "We still have time.

Let's have breakfast first."

Then we started to dig in.

I took the knife and sliced the piece of mana meat.

The next second, I placed the meat on the plate and made a further cut.

After dividing it into a few more pieces, I started to eat the food.

On the other hand, Jonathan didn't say anything.

He can tell that the next couple of days are going to be busy for Zack.

20 minutes later,

After having breakfast, Jonathan left the place.

Seeing that, I thought he had some important work.

"Come to the study room," Lowell said before leaving.

Hearing that I stood up and started following him to the room.

Soon, I came to the same door again.

Creak!

The door opened.

The teacher walked inside.

Seeing that I followed his back.

After coming to the study table, Lowell sat on his chair.

I stood behind the table.

“Take your seat,” Lowell said.

Hearing that I sat on the chair.

Why do I feel uneasiness all of a sudden?

Lowell looked at Zack before asking, “Have you digested all that information regarding the different factions here?”

“Yes, teacher.

I have understood it completely,” I replied.

“Then it’s time to tell you about the force I belong to,” After saying that Lowell took a sharp breath.

Then he said, “My full name is Lowell McClain.

The force behind me is McClain House.

It’s one of the 23 forces controlling the inner post.”

“The name McClain comes from one of the powerful clans in the inner post.

I come from one of the branch families of the McClain House,” He added

Hearing that my heart was in turmoil.

“He comes from the branch family,” I said in my heart.

Lowell saw through his thoughts.

He said, “I know what you are thinking about?”

“I’m from the beach family.

But it doesn’t mean that I’m weak.

I’m the strongest in my branch family.

And I’m also one of the powerful warriors in the McClain House.”

“Not only that I’m also holding an important position in the Army Federation.

The 2 identities coupled with my strength makes me someone not to be trifled with,” Lowell said with a smile.

It’s not boasting about oneself.

But it will give a clear perspective of his strength to others.

On the other hand, I gulped saliva in fear.

As expected, the teacher is not an ordinary person.

He can send someone like Jonathan to the outer post whenever he wants.

Not only that he also holds the position in the Army Federation.

Suddenly, I thought about something.

“Teacher, can you help my academy?” I blurted out.

Lowell’s eyes flickered.

He thought Zack would ask about the McClain House.

But instead, he is asking about that little academy in that outer post.

He looked at Zack and replied, “I have instructed Jonathan about this.

He will send 2 helpers there.”

Hearing that I sighed in relief.

Lowell added further, “Right now, the McClain House is recruiting the next generation of warriors.

For that, the branch families are selecting their younger generation.

”

“There are 2 ways to enter the McClain House.

First, there will be internal competition.

The young generation sent by the branch families will participate in that competition.”

“Those who perform well in that competition can enter the McClain House.”

“The 2nd way to enter the McClain House is to be recommended by someone.

Not everyone can recommend someone.”

“Only a few of the McClain House members can recommend someone including me,” Lowell said

Hearing that a look of understanding dawned on me.

No wonder, he wanted me here urgently.

The main house recruitment is going on.

I don’t know how to react.

I can see that he has an idea of recommending me.

But if he recommends me, then what about his family members?

I can see some problems there.

“Looks like you have understood something.

Yes, I’m going to recommend you.

Which will anger my family members.”

“So they will send the younger generation to challenge you.

For that you have to be ready,” Lowell said.

Hearing that I sighed inwardly.

As expected there is going to be some conflict.

Chapter 709: New storage ring

From MC’s perspective:

Study room,

“Are you confident?” Lowell asked.

Hearing that I immediately thought of the environment.

Here the younger generations are strong.

I don’t know the strength of the younger generation in the teacher’s family?

“Teacher, what about their strength,” I asked back.

Lowell wasn't surprised.

He is glad that Zack is attentive to the information.

"My family's youngsters are strong.

Some of them are SS-Elite Warriors.

And few of them are Peak Stage of Super Elite," Lowell said in a calm tone.

Hearing that a hint of shock and disbelief appeared on my face.

"SS- Elite?" I uttered in a surprised tone.

Lowell nodded his head then he thought of something.

His expression turned solemn.

"Oh yes, there is one more thing," Lowell said.

Then he added further,"As I said before the main house recruitment is going on.

The McClain House requires talented warriors."

"My branch family wanted me to recommend someone.

His name is Clay McClain.

He is the strongest among the younger generation of my family.

His current strength is SSS-Elite Early Stage.”

“Everyone is hoping that Clay will succeed in getting into the Main House.

But still there are others in my family who don’t want Clay to go through the competition.”

“Since I’m eligible to recommend one.

They want me to recommend Clay to the main house,” Lowell added.

Hearing that I remained in the same position.

But there was a turmoil in my heart.

I was already shocked because of SS- Elite Warriors.

Now there is one with SSS-Elite strength.

I thought his main family alone had a younger generation with this kind of strength.

Looks like the teacher’s family is not simple either.

“What to do?”

“If Clay wants to challenge me, it will be fine if he picks the 1st path.

But if not I would be in trouble,” I said in my heart.

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What is SSS-Elite strength?

It's like fighting against someone like Dean Rebecca or Carlos.

I have seen Carlos's attack before at the twin mountain.

All of a sudden, I feel powerless.

Earlier, I knew there was some kind of emergency.

There will be a task given to me.

But I didn't expect the challenge to be this difficult.

It's almost unthinkable with my current Super Elite Stage.

Lowell saw Zack was in a state of shock.

But he didn't stop.

He wants Zack's mind to prepare and adapt to more information like this in future.

So far he has only told about small and medium sized forces to Zack.

But not about the large forces.

That information would be many times shocking to Zack.

A few minutes later,

I was able to calm down my nerves.

The challenge seems to be unreal.

But I can fight across ranks.

If I go all out with both blood power and lightning essence strength.

“What happened?”

“Have you accepted the reality?”

“Look Zack you have to forget about the outer post.

You have to adapt to the situation that exists here,” Lowell said.

Hearing that I looked at him and asked, “I need resources.”

Only the resources can assist my growth here quickly.

Lowell thought of something before placing a silver ring on the desk.

The silver ring looks beautiful and is carved with strange symbols and ruins.

“Take this and wear it,” Lowell said.

Hearing that I picked the ring and wore it in my right hand.

I have my own black storage ring in my left hand.

Then I looked at my teacher.

He signaled me to check the ring.

When I spread my consciousness into it.

I saw that there is a big white room with a huge space inside.

Suddenly, the piles of the items in the middle of the room attracted my attention.

The things are glowing with dark purple in color and some of them are exhibiting dark red light.

Among them I have spotted a few things glowing with white light.

A hint of curiosity appeared in my heart.

When I looked at those items closely, A look of realization dawned on me.

The dark purple light comes from the affinity stone.

Where among the piles of stones.

Some of them are dark purple.

I can feel the lightning energy from it.

Similarly, the dark red light also comes from the affinity stone.

My heart set off storms the next second.

I'm getting a strong sense of blood energy in it.

Then I looked at the last mysterious white glow.

It's a small bottle with white liquid squirming in it.

This I don't have to ask.

If my assumption was right, it has something to do with the healing element.

"How does he know?" I was shocked to the core.

The second most hard kept secret known to someone outside.

Whom I had just met yesterday after a long time.

"Ha...Ha...Ha...," Lowell let out a laugh.

He said, "What?"

"Are you shocked?"

"Let me tell you.

I was deeply surprised.

When I spotted 3 ancient runic marks in your mind," Lowell said.

Hearing that I widened my eyes in surprise.

"I remember his pupils changing last night.

So it was at that time,' I said in my heart.

I had a small realization last night but the suspicion quickly disappeared.

Seeing that Zack is slowly used to the shocking information.

He nodded his head in appreciation before saying,"As I told you before I'm stronger than Jonathan.

Jonathan doesn't know about your secrets.

He might be suspicious.

But he won't rudely pry into other's secrets."

"Yes, he told me before.

But how strong is he to see through me?" I said in my heart.

"Inheritance!" Lowell said with a sigh.

But I heard the thunder clap when I heard the familiar name.

"Inheritance?" I asked again.

"That's right, that's the stage above the General Stage.

It has something to do with the large forces."

"So you are fortunate, the large forces didn't exist here.

Otherwise, someone with my strength and above can easily know your secrets," Lowell said.

"So there is a stage that exists above the General Rank.

Now all the pieces fit into the puzzle.

People with such strength can see through Super Elite Warriors like me," I said in my heart.

The next second, my heart rate is rising faster.

"Zack, calm down."

"I know the information is too large for you.

But it's the only way.

When you go to the main house.

You can hear this kind of news and information all the time."

“Just prepare yourself,” Lowell said.

Then he saw the thirst of knowledge in Zack’s eyes.

He can’t tell him right now.

At least he has to reach the Peak of the General Stage or to become someone important in the Main House.

“Zack, you can leave and focus on getting a breakthrough.

Your first task to defeat the younger generation from my family,” Lowel said.

“And one more thing, don’t tell anyone about your secrets.

Especially about the ancient methods.

I don’t know how you get your hands on it.”

“But don’t tell anyone including Jonathan.

Even the small and medium forces don’t have more than one or two ancient methods.

But you alone got three.

”

“Only in the big forces where you can find these ancient methods.

These 3 methods can take you to the Peak of the General Stage.”

“So when I first saw it, I became more confident in you than Clay.

Because Clay also practices the lightning

method.

But it was not ancient.

It was a copy of the modern method that I gave you back then.”

“Try not to expose your strength too much.”

“The silver ring in your hand can also be used as a concealment artifact.

When you drip your blood on it.

You will become the owner of it.

No General Stage and below can pry into your details.”

“When you become ready to go to the house.

I’ll get actual concealment techniques for you.

Because in the Main House.

There will be more people like me.”

Hearing that my thoughts came to reality.

Then I looked at the teacher's face.

Seeing that he was serious, I nodded at him before leaving the room.

After leaving the room, I looked at my silver ring.

"He spoke all of those in one single breath," I muttered to myself.

Suddenly, I felt a huge weight lifted off from my shoulder.

My mind and body become a lot more relaxed.

Which made me think.

Whatever happened was good.

Carrying too many secrets is too much of a burden for the mind and soul.

Now I feel relaxed all of a sudden.

There is still one secret that exists in me.

It's about the ancient bloodline.

"He has seen through me except for that one," I said in my head.

Then I shook my head before removing the unnecessary thoughts from my mind.

Then I started walking towards my room.

Meanwhile,

Lowell fell into deep contemplation.

He gave a big task to Zack.

Even he is not sure whether Zack is able to get breakthroughs in a short time.

But he thinks Zack's bone strength can make a difference.

And he is also not sure about his family member's plan either.

Chapter 710: Clay McClain

From MC's perspective:

One of the outer posts under the McClain House.

One of the branch families residing there.

Which is the branch family of Lowell McClain.

At the courtyard/ training area of the family.

Several young generations split into teams and went to train alone.

There are many training rooms built as well.

Ever since the news was released from the main house.

This particular branch family is excited.

As one of their young generation has high chances to get into the main house.

The person is none other than Clay McClain.

Deep inside the family, there is a meeting hall.

Where everyone discusses the important matters of the family.

Right now, there are people wearing white clothes assembled there right at this moment.

Among them, there are elders who had met with Lowell earlier also present there as well.

All of them are gathered here to discuss the Main House's recruitment.

Suddenly, the old woman stepped forward and looked around her.

There are many elders here with Commander and General Stage Rank.

But few of them are above the General Stage including the old women.

That's why they can pressurize Lowell McClain with their strength.

Sensing the gaze of the old women.

Faces of other elders turned serious as well.

They know that old women are going to discuss something serious.

“Lowell is taking too much time to recommend Clay.

I don't know what's on his mind?” The old woman said.

Gasp!

A small gasp sounded inside the meeting hall.

The old woman's name is Claire McClain.

She is highly respected in the branch family.

But when it comes to comparison with Lowell McClain.

She is slightly weaker than him.

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Lowell is one of the strongest in the Main House.

That's why the branch family is not ready to turn their face against him.

On the other hand, the commander and General Stage Warriors remained silent.

They don't dare to pass comments on Lowell McClain.

The middle aged man gained similar strength as Claire said, "Does he have someone else in mind?"

His words fell like a thunder clap in everyone's ears.

The Commander and General Stage looked at each other.

It's a high level accusation.

If someone from the McClain's house hears it, it would lead to chaos.

Quiet!

For a second the atmosphere turned pin drop silence.

Claire's eyes flickered.

She couldn't help but think about Lowell's recent events.

She has noticed in the past year Lowell hadn't gone anywhere except the Army Federation.

Lowell's connection to the Army Federation also makes them wary.

"I think we should go and see him once again," Claire said in a calm tone.

The middle aged man is one of the elders.

His name is Ollie.

"I agree," Ollie said.

He is also growing suspicious regarding Lowell's activities.

Hearing that the other warriors didn't have much opinion.

They are weaker in strength.

They are just there to mark the attendance.

Claire thought of something before saying, "Tell Clay to prepare for the competition.

Don't get his hopes up for the recommendation."

Her tone was cold.

She didn't expect they were put into such a situation.

One of their own is hesitating to recommend the next generation of their family.

"I have told you before.

Senior Lowell has grown attached to the Army Federation.

He is thinking less about the family these past few years," Christie said.

She appears to be a young woman but her strength is not lower than that of Ollie and Claire.

“Watch your tongue?”

“Lowell is still a member of the Main House.

If another family finds out something wrong, then they won’t hesitate to attack our branch family,”
Claire said.

There are so many things on.

A fierce rivalry exists between the branch families itself.

The branch family also needs the name of Lowell to deter others.

So they are using the name and prestige of Lowell McClain rather than Lowell uses them.

Christie clicked her tongue.

She knows she was abrupt.

“I’m sorry.

But what can we do?

If Senior doesn’t want to recommend Clay,” Christie said.

Claire shook her head before saying,”We will decide our next plan after meeting him.

At the end of the day, he is still a member of our family.

Better than outsiders.”

Sigh!

Her words broke the ice and everyone felt relief.

The Commander and General Rank elders are especially happy in their hearts.

They don't want to get into the bad side of Lowell.

They have been going everywhere inside the territory of the Main House.

It's because of the Lowell.

Otherwise it's nor easy for branch family warriors to roam everywhere.

Their expression didn't go unnoticed under the eyes of Claire, Ollie, Christie and others.

Their strengths are above the General Stage.

They can see their details easily.

Christie's eyes lit up.

She said, "You guys can leave."

Hearing that the Commander and General Rank Warriors left the place except a few of them.

Seeing that others are gone.

“What about you guys?”

“Do you have something to say?”

There are others as well.

A young person similar to Christie asked, “I don’t understand.

Why are guys forcing Senior Lowell?

He must have his own difficulties.”

“And it’s not like Clay doesn’t have ways to enter the Main House.

He is among only a few who are at SSS-Elite Rank at this young stage.”

“On top of it, he is a lightning element warrior.

The lightning element warriors are preferred by the Main House.

So I think it’s unnecessary to trouble Senior Lowell,” He added.

Christie chuckled before replying, “No wonder Morton, you didn’t agree to come with us last time.”

Morton’s eyes flashes with a glint.

There are competitions inside the family itself.

It's even common among the elders.

So it's rare for everyone to be on the same page.

There are two or more who took the same stance as Morton.

They don't want to offend Senior Lowell for this reason.

"Alright!" Claire said.

"There is no need to fight among ourselves.

As I said before we can discuss the next thing after meeting him," She said in a firm tone.

Hearing that everyone else backed away.

They know there is no point arguing here.

Outside,

A young man with black hair and eyes watching near the courtyard.

He is standing 6ft tall in height.

He has a fair skin tone.

His physique is a little bit leaner.

But there is strong lightning energy coming from him.

The person is none other than Clay McClain.

“Why is he taking so much time?” Clay asked himself.

He got an insider in the elder meeting.

One of the Commander Rank Warriors is close to his father.

He is one who tipping off the news from time to time.

Ever since he knew that the Senior Elder of their family can recommend someone to the Main House.

He was elated and wanted to meet the person.

As long as he gets the recommendation,

he can enter the Main House.

There is no need to go through the competition.

That’s what his father and everyone else in the family thought.

But lately he has been receiving bad news.

That even the family elders are having a hard time convincing that person.

It made his night sleepless.

So when he heard there was another meeting earlier.

He asked that Commander rank elder to collect the news.

Tap!

Tap!

Suddenly, he heard footsteps nearing him.

He is standing in a rather secluded spot behind the building.

When he saw the person who was appearing.

He relaxed his eyebrows.

“The elder finally came,” He said in his heart.

The Commander Rank Warrior is an old man with white hair and beard.

He looks at Clay with a complicated expression.

The meeting was not good in his opinion.

Nobody talks about Senior Lowell’s opinion.

Everyone there was quick to judge him.

“Young master Clay, you should be prepared for the worst,” He said.

Clay's eyes turned cold.

He turned around and asked,"What do you mean by that?"

"I think Senior Lowell is not willing to recommend you.

There is something else going on.

That's why the high ranking elders are planning to meet him," He said.

Clay clenched his fist in anger.

"Why?" He gritted his teeth.

He knows there is no one better than him in the family.

Then why is he not recommending him?

"Are there any other candidates?" He said in his heart.

The old man sighs.

Then he walked away from the place.

Nobody wants to offend Lowell McClain for the sake of recommendation.

The old man has a different opinion.

He thinks that Clay should fight like anyone else.

There is no point in using the shortcut.

In his opinion, if someone uses a shortcut, they will use the same path again in the future.

Clay McClain's eyes reddened in anger.

"No, this can't go on.

I should ask my father.

Maybe he has ways," He quickly calmed down his troubling heart.

Then he looked in the direction of the meeting hall before leaving.