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Chapter 841 A Quick Visit To The Forest Of Beginnings

After leaving the Domain, we landed back on the Druid Guild's interior with the rest of the Druids, which swiftly went on their own ways separately from us for the moment. Most of the used the Transformation Spell "Wild Shape" which allowed them to take on the form of animals to infiltrate easily.

They became mostly birds or rodents, and scattered around from the windows, unsuspected by anybody. Meanwhile, with Austucia and Johanna, I asked them if they could allow me to grow a special tree here.

"A Teleportation Tree?" Austucia was surprised. "Is there such a thing? I have never heard of any spell like that before! Is this something unique to Dryads?"

"It is part of the Abilities I have through my "Heart of the Forest"..." I explained. "I don't think anybody else possess it. In resume, it will allow us to go back to the Forest of Beginnings at any time, as long as I allow for it."

"I see!" Austucia was really excited. "Very well, come with me, the roof has a big garden I've been growing to pass my time."

"...Just how many abilities do you even have?" Johanna was unable to find enough words every time I introduced a new ability.

"If you'll be accompanying us in a few missions, well, you'll get used to it." Rita laughed rather graciously.

"Lady Planta is just that amazing!" Acorn said happily.

"Enough with over praising me, I haven't done anything to be praised so much..." I sighed. "I just happened to be in the right place and had the right abilities... Several times."

"That's not just coincidence..." Lily giggled.

"You're being too humble, my lady." Said Nieve. "Don't let the annoying Druid make you think your accomplishments and feats are lesser because she dislikes you or can't believe them. The only failure I see here is her own inability to mature as a person."

Nieve was as cold as you would expect from an Ice Fairy...

"W-What did you said?!" Johanna got very furious. "I-I will accomplish great things! E-Eventually!"

"It's fine, Johanna." Austucia giggled. "Be a good girl and open the door for your grandma."

"Y-Yes." Johanna nodded, opening the big door and presenting us a giant garden at the roof of the druid guild building.

It was rather beautiful although small, full of all sorts of flowers, herbs, and fruit trees, they all were spiritual plants too, none of them was a mere grass in here!

"This is where I grow a lot of my medicinal herbs and some poisonous ones too." Giggled Austucia. "Our Green Magica can only be properly used if we have the proper materials! However it seems it is different for Dryads or Treants, whose entire bodies are nature. You can easily grow plants, seeds, and wood for your Green Magic, us of other races need these materials to conjure them properly."

"I-I had no idea Green Magic was that complex." I was slightly surprised.

"Makes sense I guess; a human druid can't simply grow seeds or wood out of their own body so easily." Said Mark. "Though, I'm still thinking you can do it eventually, right?"

"Only the oldest of us who have cultivated a powerful Physique by absorbing Nature can to an extent, but not to the level you, Spirits of Nature, can do so." She explained. "Now, to the meat and potatoes of the whole thing, this space here should be enough for another tree."

"I see..." I nodded.

Kind of similar to our bodies back on Earth I suppose and yeah, we are more limited there than the limits of our Dryad and Treant bodies.

"Yeah, this space should be enough." I nodded, placing my hand on the empty dirt. "[Spiritual Checkpoint]!"

FLAAASH!

My power emerged out of my hand and surged inside the dirt, quickly manifesting into a giant tree growing upwards, glowing brightly with green and golden spiritual essence.

A large gate opened in the middle of the tree trunk, leading somewhere else...

Ding!

[You have created a [Spiritual Checkpoint] within the Druid Guild's Rooftop Garden!]

[You can now teleport back to the Forest of Beginnings from within this Checkpoint and invite anybody you want as long as they have your permission.]

It might be dangerous to leave a portal leading to our home here, but because it requires permission, I can easily make sure nobody sneaks inside.

"It's done!" I said with a nod. "Now, wanna come inside? I need to go look for a few friends to help me out in a couple of things. So it's going to be a short visit of a couple of minutes."

"T-The Forest of Beginnings! Can we go?!" Austucia asked.

"Can I?" Johanna's eyes were shining very brightly.

"Of course, let's go everyone is invited." I smiled.

We walked through the portal, quickly arriving at the Spiritual Checkpoint I had left inside of my small village. Many people of all races gathered around us the moment they saw us coming.

"Lady Planta is back!"

"Lady Planta and Lord Titan!"

"Nieve!"

"Acorn! Are you doing fine?"

We were swarmed by them, some interested in the Druids accompanying. Us, these two in particular were very surprised to see many Races not seen at all in the luminous kingdom or elsewhere.

"Lady Planta, I am happy to see you have come back." Sporegon, the Leader of the Mushroom Brigade, stepped in. "Are these some of your new friends?"

"Is this a Myconid?!" Austucia cried. "I thought they had gone extinct long ago!"

"A talking mushroom!" Johanna was dumbfounded.

"Ahem! Yeah, they're some new friends, please treat them well if possible..." I giggled a bit. "I've come for a quick visit, I need to talk with Hammer and all his blacksmith, craftsmen, and alchemist available. Can you quickly make me a small meeting with all of them?"

"Of course! We'll get that done within five minutes at most! In the meantime, I hope you can enjoy any place to take a break." Sporegon swiftly ran away to set up a meeting.

However, as we moved to my castle to relax, I suddenly heard a little fairy flying to my side.

"Lady Planta, Nieve! I'm glad you're back!" It was Florie. "Big news! Some strange people trespassed the forest some hours ago!"

Chapter 842 Mysterious Visitors And A Strange Idol

Florie brought some interesting news, apparently, some people had trespassed the forest out of nowhere, literally spawning inside and then disappearing not long after.

"Did you see how they looked like?" I asked her.

"T-They seemed human-like..." Florie said, while munching on a big cookie. "But they weren't physical, more like ghosts made of spirit energy. They were amazed of the forest's beauty and were too timid to approach us for some reason! They left behind this weird thingy."

Florie handed to me a small figurine or statue made out of wood, in the shape of those ancient fertility symbols from archaic cultures on Earth.

It had wide hips, enormous breasts, long hair, and dragon-like tail and wings, with scales and sharp claws... I didn't want to admit it, but it looked like my Draconification form, but very exaggerated in proportions.

"W-What in the world is this thing?" I tried to analyze the statue.

[Idol of the Divine Yggdragon Mother (??? Grade)]

An item created by otherworldly lifeforms that has been shaped after their Goddess and Idol.

It might seem like they were praying to this figure, which they call the Yggdragon Mother.

Usually, Idols like these are made by Druids or other Nature-loving cults.

This Idol has been imbued with their affection, faith, and magic, making it a mildly strong artifact.

Has the special effect of slightly increasing the growth speed of your Domain by +20% when placed inside of it.

"Wait, what the hell?" I couldn't help but react in the only way I could right now...

"W-What is it?" Mark asked me in disbelief.

"This is an Idol made by people from Earth, which somehow entered the Forest of Beginnings and... just left this." I said. "And Druids, no less."

"There are Druids in our world?!" Rita wondered, feeling as surprised. "No way..."

"Well, if there are Demons, Angels, Magicians and Vampires, I wouldn't really doubt the existence of Druids there as well..." I sighed. "But still, its weird. According to the description, there might be Druids close to my Domain, worshipping me as their Goddess or something. I-I don't know how to feel. I feel disgusted and at the same time flattered, wow, this is a very weird feeling."

"So they're like stalkers?" Mark got slightly mad. "Perhaps we should find them and tell them to fuck off if they're creeping you out."

"W-Well... I would gladly do that, but I would feel a bit bad too. Maybe they don't have bad intentions?" I wondered. "If they're worshiping me and respecting my boundaries- But then again, they somehow got inside of the Forest of Beginnings, they could be a bit dangerous."

"Druids in the World where Players come from..." Austucia muttered. "Interesting, and they seem to be worshiping you? Even more amusing. Perhaps you could use their help you grow stronger. After all, the faith and magic we possess is transferred to the figure we worship. Lady Verdant has grown so strong thanks to us too, not just her own natural growth."

"You're being worshiped as a goddess?!" Johanna was even more shocked. "W-What in the world..."

"It's weird, I know." I giggled slightly. "I guess I'll let them be for now. If they ever try anything bad, I'll find them and kick them out."

"I suppose that's the best course of action at the end." Mark agreed. "I'm still worried though... Tell the Fey serving you to not let them get close to your home at least. It's a bit creepy if they're always watching us."

"Yeah, I'll tell them that." I nodded, saving the Idol inside my Inventory.

That Idol was still a strong artifact I could use to accelerate my Domain's growth, so it does have its uses. I appreciate the gift, I suppose.

Though, it is interesting too, if they really managed to temporarily step into Arcadia, it means that the people from Earth could naturally discover this world one way or another.

And I can't do much to stop them from doing so... I just hope we don't get invasions from Earth's Military or something, that would be a bit too much.

With our SWORD connection, I guess I can learn a bit of that, but for now, it still seems like they have little idea about Arcadia for now.

The Druids are probably a separate and secret society of their own, so I don't think they will divulge any information, even less if they're crazily faithful worshipers.

"Lady Planta, I've gathered everyone you requested." Sporegon entered the throne room. "May I invite them to the throne room?"

"Sure, bring them all along." I nodded.

"Very well" Sporegon swiftly opened the gates, letting in dozens of people.

From Gnomes, to Brownies, Fairies, and Myconid, there were a few members of the Mushroom Brigade in here too.

"Lady Planta! It is good to see you again!" Hammer, one of the Mushroom Brigade members that was an expert Blacksmith, spoke. "Is there something you need from us? I've gathered all the Craftsmen, blacksmith, and alchemist we had, even the newbies could be of some help."

"Yes, there's a few things I need to explain first, but I'll make it quick." I nodded.

I explained them about Hephaestus Inheritance, the Divine Smithy, the Spirit in there, and the Trial mission I needed to complete.

To go to the point, I was asking them to help me do this while I was busy elsewhere. I'll leave, of course, one of my Avatars working with them.

This way I don't have to force my friends to help me do this all the time, and we can concentrate in doing more important things as well.

They all agreed without even rejecting my offer. I offered them good payment with gold and any materials they would want from me.

Even the newbie blacksmith and craftsman could be of some use, helping alleviate the entire process by doing it by steps, to the point even novices can aid in certain very basic things.

"Very well, we're ready any time! It would be an honor to gaze upon the Divine Smithy of God Hephaestus!" Hammer was very excited.

"Then we're going back!" I nodded, quickly walking to the tree again and bringing with ourselves a whole team.

Chapter 843 Meeting David And The Young Knights

After that was decided, we moved out of the Druid Guild with everyone else, Rita used her shadows to bring them along so they wouldn't make a fuss in the streets, and once we landed at Ambil's Smithy, we explained to him we've brought a whole army of workers.

"Y-You what?! You brought all these freaks here to work with us?! Are you out of your mind?!" He was really shocked.

Nonetheless, once we walked back inside the Smithy, Ignis greeted them with a surprised but happy smile, and allowed them to work along us.

After introducing them to the many tools and the working process, I left an Avatar with them, sharing my own mind, and then decided to move out while they started working.

My friends, however, were slightly disappointed, to my surprise they kind of liked working in the Smithy, because they were gaining new skills and also some bonus equipment.

"It's not like I'm saying this is bad, but I would like to continue working in here..." Mark sighed.

"Me too, even though I hated it. If I can craft my own stuff later with these skills, I can earn a lot of money by selling them off back on Earth!" Rita was only interested in the money.

"Although I want to go on adventures, working on the workshop is also important!" Acorn complained.

"I don't mind either way..." Nieve didn't actually mind.

"I want to keep polishing my skills in here too! ...But also fight to grow stronger." Brisingra said. "Ah, I wish I could divide my body like Lady Planta."

"Well, let's do it like before then. Let's divide our group, one will remain here and the other will come to an "adventure" in between." I said. "Is that alright? Right now I was planning on moving to the noble district to seek the traitorous noble."

"Our group would stand out too much if we are too many." Acorn said. "I'm not that good at sneaky stuff either... I'll stay and work in the workshop then!"

"I can accompany you then, my small body and ice magic should be of some use." Nieve smiled.

"I'll stay too, I ain't good at sneaky stuff either." Brisingra said. "I want to polish my skills here so I can eventually make something for my dad. We're also all working to open the way to the Fragment of Cloudia, to find out about my mom's past, so I feel obligated to help."

"I don't know if I can be sneaky... I would like to stay too, for now!" Lily smiled gently.

"Alright."

At the end, we made a team with Mark, Rita, Nieve, and Jenny. Johanna would also join us, she said she was good at camouflage with her ability to use a chameleon beast spirit.

"Then you're off! I wish you good luck." Said Ambil. "I've heard rumors about the Queen's Shadows, if they're your allies, you might meet them soon enough."

"I see, I'll keep that on mind then." I nodded. "We'll come back for dinner!"

"Sure!" Ambil waved his hand as he saw us off.

Before leaving, I set another Ward Barrier like the one I put on before, which shone brightly and resembled a giant temple made of pure light.

"This one should last 24 hours." I nodded with a smile.

"You can make Divine Wards like Barrier Masters or Clerics?" Johanna once more dropped her jaws in surprise. "Y-You're... Okay, I admit it, you're alright."

"Only alright?!" Rita facepalmed. "Grrr! This girl really needs some correction!"

"It's okay, haha." I giggled, shrugging it off. "Let's move. David should be waiting for us in the noble district, he and the detectives have found enough clues. The Shadows of the Queen must be around too, they are investigating the area where the suspect must be."

"Alright." Jenny nodded. "I'm glad I'm finally part of the big team! I'll do my best! I hated working in the workshop, honestly, my tummy always hurt..."

"Despite saying that, you were the most useful with your abilities." Mark laughed. "The power to forge and melt items inside of your own body and then reshape them was amazing... A pity you dislike it."

"Well it hurt! Of course I wouldn't like it! Grr!" Jenny was sitting over Mark's head in her purple-colored slime form, hitting him with tiny arms.

We walked through several streets filled with people to the brim, until we finally arrived at the noble district, which was guarded by gates that only allowed authorized people inside.

David was waiting for us right at the other side, we showed our Emblems, and we were immediately allowed to the other side.

"Lady Planta, everyone! I'm glad you're here! We've been waiting for you." David gently greeted us, he was being accompanied by a small squadron of knights, five Elite Knights whose levels ranged from Level 140 to 180. I had never appraised David before, but I took the opportunity of doing so now.

[NPC Name]: [David Luminary]

[Gender]: [Male]

[Title]: [Luminous Kingdom's Paladin Squadron Captain]

[Guild/Affiliation]: [Luminous Kingdom's Knights]

[Guild/Affiliation Alliance]: [Luminous Kingdom's Paladin Squadron]

[Race]: [Human]

[Job Class]: [Holy Luminous Sun Paladin Captain]

[Level]: [264/300]

Oh wow, he's unexpectedly very high level! I guess he'll be a good ally to have around when fighting the Cultists. The knights he brought cannot compare to his strength though, I wonder why he brought them? For training, maybe?

"Oh, hello David, nice to meet you." I smiled, everyone else also greeted him.

"Hey, you guys! Come on, have some manners and greet them politely." David asked his five knights, who all seemed to have distinct appearances and personalities.

"N-Nice to meet you, Lady Planta. I have heard great things o-of you." A young-looking knight with blonde hair and glasses spoke timidly. He looked like the youngest.

"Nice to meet cha!" A tall, muscular red-haired boy greeted me.

"It is good to see you all."

"It is an honor to meet the King's new allies."

A pair of twins, two girls with long and silky, azure-colored hair greeted me, they looked almost identical if it wasn't because the first had gold eyes while the second silver eyes.

"Hmph... Why should I greet with manners these commoners? They're not even from our country!" A dignified lady with pink-colored hair made into twin tails said, crossing her arms with a rather prideful demeanor similar to a "young lady".

"Patricia! You can't just say that in front of Lady Planta! Do you want me to kick you off the squadron?" David said furiously.

"A-Ah! B-But Captain!" Patricia cried, acting like a spoiled brat.

"You should be more like Joustin, Heshmerie, and Emerette and Juliette, they are very well behaved!" David sighed, crossing his arms. "If you do this again, I will have to reconsider having brought you along..."

"T-That's... Ugh, I'm sorry." Patricia apologized, her purple-colored eyes glaring at me with a lot of anger for some reason.

"I hope we can get along..." I sighed. "Why is there always someone problematic in these lands?"

As I whispered that to myself, I looked at Johanna, who only glared at me with a slightly angered expression, very similar to Patricia.

"Whatcha lookin' at?!"

Chapter 844 Moving To The Noble District

"Lady Planta, who is this lady?" David wondered, admiring Johanna's beautiful appearance and strong demeanor.

She was actually taller than him by a bit, and was very muscular and strong looking, something that seemed to attract David.

Patricia looked to clearly have some crush on her captain, because she was glaring at me and Johanna with a lot of jealousy.

"Oh, her? She's Johanna, the granddaughter of the Druid Guild's master. Granny Austucia told us to bring her along so she can gather experience and behave better." I explained. "I apologize in advance for her demeanor or her personality, she's actually a really good girl deep down."

"What?! I can introduce myself; you know?" Johanna only grew angrier. "Not nice to meet you at all! I HATE knights and all of you people of the Luminous Kingdom. If it wasn't for my granny I wouldn't be here!"

"Hah?! How DARE you say that in front of our captain?! Do you want me to teach you some manners, filthy tree-hugging Druid?!" Patricia instantly jumped into the fray, about to unsheathe her rapier.

"Huh? Wanna go, pinky twin tails?" Johanna smiled furiously, cracking her knuckles. "I don't have any problems teaching YOU some manners!"

David glanced at me while panicking, he seemed to have little experience teaching new knights, I believe he had been only promoted to captain recently.

"That's enough." I said. "No infighting, Johanna, she's our ally. Patricia, I apologize for her demeanor. I promise you I'll punish her myself for that."

"Hmph..." Patricia crossed her arms and sheathed her rapier. "You better do!"

"What? How are you even punishing me?" Johanna asked with a cocky smile.

"Like this." I smiled, waving my hand to summon a tiny flower spirit, which spoke with Austucia's voice.

"Hm? Did I hear Johanna misbehaving?!"

"EEP! G-Grandma?!"

"Apologize right this instant!"

"S-Sorry!"

Johanna quickly apologized, this was a neat trick I made, it was called a "Voice Mimicking Flower Spirit" that I could create now thanks to my advanced Green Magic powers.

"Hmph, alright Planta, if the girl ever misbehaves again, just call me."

"Okay, thanks, Austucia~"

Like that, the fake call ended, and Johanna was very frustrated...

"Now you know your granny will be watching over you at ALL times, so behave, alright? I'm not asking you for anything other than having some basic manners. Don't attack people, and don't insult them, that's all!" I sighed. "Alright?"

"...Fine." Johanna sighed, looking elsewhere to not look into my eyes.

"This girl's a handful, if I as in charge I would have already pulled her ears apart." Rita sighed.

"Now, now, let's just move to our destination." Mark tried to cool down the heat of the moment. "We don't have all day after all."

"You're right!" David nodded very happily, he also just wanted to move on. "Let's go then! The district where lady planta sensed the demonic magic must be Magica Street, known for the Magica Family of Wizards to live. They have several houses there. The King suspects that this family, or a few of their members, could be cooperating with the Cult."

"More like they could be cooperating with the Magician Guild, if they're all wizards... But we have yet to discover if they're related." Rita pointed out. "Though, I bet all those aristocrats are into this shit."

"The Magica Family..." Sighed Joustin. "I have a few relatives from that family, I really hope they're not involved..."

"Well! If that ever happens we'll have to simply pick the traitors, its not like the whole family is at fault, right?" Heshmerie smiled, patting his friend's shoulders.

"Even then, Joustin, you mustn't hesitate. These people are evil and have tried assassinating the King and the Prince."

"Don't have mercy."

The blue haired twins had very cold demeanors and were decided to slay. Their bright eyes showed a lightless hue. Whatever lives they lived, they must have been trained to become ruthless knights since a young age.

"Y-Yes, I understand..." Joustin sighed, tightly and nervously grasping the handle of his magic sword.

"Hmph, I still can't believe a noble would betray the King... Are we sure this is true and not some sort of scheme from this woman trying to deceive us into attacking our own?" Asked Patricia, being rather skeptical about me.

"You'll see for yourself once we arrive. The scene of demonic energy is getting stronger." I said, ignoring her remark. "The Spirits seem afraid of this place."

We finally reached the place in question, a huge, blue-colored manor. At plain sight, it looked normal, but with my Spiritual Sight, I could sense an enormous force surging from within.

One very much connected to that Demonic Book, I could also sense Miasma and Nether there... There's definitely something happening in that house.

"I can sense something as well..." Mark agreed.

"Me too." Rita nodded.

"I can't sense a thing!" Jenny sighed.

"There is something malicious brewing in this house..." Nieve said. "Sir David, does the people inside know we've come?"

"No, this is an undercover mission, so we haven't revealed anything yet." David said. "We will try a simple approach first and ask them to let us inside politely to talk about other things. Joustin's connection to the family will be a good reason to enter without them being too suspicious."

"I see how it is, quite an alright plan." I nodded. "Did the detectives find anything else?"

"We've gotten some information, yes. They said that the members of this house in specific always leave the house around midnight and come back at four in the morning." Said David. "Every single day, almost religiously."

"Where do they go?" Asked Mark.

"They haven't found out yet, they apparently walk into an alley and then disappear. Perhaps they use some sort of concealment magic or teleportation magic." Said David. "They're a famous wizard family after all, I wouldn't doubt the possibility they have strong magic and magic tools at their disposal."

"Hmm, I see how it is." I nodded, rubbing my chin. "We'll have to prepare for the worst then. Joustin, are you okay with this?"

"I-I am! I've already made up my mind. Thank you for being so considerate, Lady Planta." He said.

"Then let's go."

Chapter 845 The Suspicious Magica Family

After deciding to move on, we meet the guards of the residence, with David and people bearing Heroic Emblems, and the excuse of Joustin being slightly related to the Magica Family, the guards were forced to tell their Lords instead of just rejecting us.

The Lords surprisingly agreed to let us in very quickly. We walked through the slightly lugubrious and badly taken care of front garden, making our way inside the fancy manor.

We were quickly greeted by many maidservants and manservants, alongside a head maid and a head butler.

"Welcome to the Magica Family third residence, everyone." The Head Butler spoke, with a dry tone of voice, his eyes seemed devoid of light, and he was giving off a very strange aura...

"Our Lords... are awaiting for you in the living room." Spoke the Head Maid, with a dry voice as well. Her eyes were lightless, her aura... dark.

The other servants all aligned together into a line around us, as we made our way to the living room. The entire manor seemed badly taken care of, there were spiderwebs everywhere and a lot of dust, despite there being many servants to take care of it.

We walked into the living room, where there was the Lord and his wife, alongside their only son, who was roughly on his early twenties.

The Lord and his son had short purple hair, with crimson eyes, the wife had brown hair with silver eyes. The lord had a long mustache and wore a black suit with a hat and a monocle, while his wife a crimson dress. Their son was wearing a gray suit.

They seemed normal, but my Spiritual Sight never failed me, their Auras... All three of them exuded powerful Auras, even if they were trying very hard to restrain it themselves.

In fact, there was little normal about them, they were all standing and glaring at us with rather... weird expressions, as if they were very fake.

It made me wonder if they were even alive...

"Welcome, everyone." Smiled Lord Jeremias Magica. "Isn't this a surprise to be visited by my distant relative? I have not seen you in ages, Joustin!"

"U-Uncle Jeremias... It is nice to meet you as well." Joustin timidly said, bowing slightly to him.

"It appears you've brought a lot of friends though, Joustin." Said the Lord's wife, Emilie Magica. "What is the reason of your visit? If you wanted to come see us, you could have simply come alone!"

"I wanted to introduce you... My friends, these are the friends I've made in the Knight School, we've recently ascended our positions to Knights after being Squires for a while!" Said Joustin. "We directly serve under the King now."

"I am David, you might already know me, but I've been taking care of Joustin and his friends since they started out as Squires." Said David. "It is an honor to meet you, Lord and Lady Magica. Oh, and of course, the young lord Magica."

"It is... indeed quite amazing how you've grown, I still remember when... you were still quite small and afraid of every single thing, Joustin." Said young Lord Jestin, son of Jeremias and Emilie. "But... Who are these other people behind you?"

"They look... quite odd." The Lord said. "Why did you bring complete strangers now, Joustin?"

"Isn't this a bit... Quite weird?" Giggled the Lady.

They were definitely creepy! The way they talked, the way they moved their arms and legs, their red eyes...

And how they haven't blinked since we entered the room at all.

These people were not normal.

"I am Planta, nice to meet you." I bowed slightly. "I belong to this small group of Adventurers that have been recruited by the King to join them in this little thing. You see... The reason we've come is different, actually. We've received reports of strange things happening here, and how you always religiously walk out of your houses at midnight and come back at four in the morning."

"What's wrong with a little midnight stroll?" Giggled the Lady.

"Why have you been SPYING on us?" The Lord asked. "Don't you think that's VERY rude? Especially when we are NOBLES..."

"..." Patricia, who was saying it was impossible for them to be suspicious, was already stepping back.

She could sense their Aura with those special eyes she had, the girl immediately noticed there was something wrong with them too.

"That's not all." David smiled gently. "We've used advanced magic to detect a huge trail of demonic, nether, and miasmic energies gathered here. A demonic artifact we secured some days ago has led a path towards this house, in specific. Planta and her friends here have the special ability to sense auras and energies."

"Is... that so?" Asked the Lord. "We know NOTHING... of demonic artifacts, good sir."

"Joustin, we are... VERY disappointed for what you've brought upon this house." The Lady said. "Please, all of you, LEAVE our residence..."

Everyone looked at once another. They had not attacked either, they were simply staring... They were all raised as nobles in here except David, so they immediately thought it was better to just leave.

However, now that we were here, I wasn't going anywhere without results. I quickly stepped forwards and touched a nearby lamp, suddenly, a black spark of miasmic energy erupted.

CRAAASH

"W-What the...?!" Patricia cried, stepping back. "What was that?!"

"I knew it." I smiled. "This entire house has been infected with Miasma to the brim. You've made this your little Domain, isn't it?"

The lords, their son, and all servants immediately fixated their crimson eyes towards me...

"Do you... have ANY other proof of such FALSE statements?" Asked the Lord.

"Yes." I nodded, pointing my hand into the ground and then waving it.

FLUOOOSH!

Miasma, Nether, and Demonic Energy surged endlessly from the ground, seeping everywhere...

"These deadly energies can only be properly controlled by high-ranking dark magicians, and last time I checked, your family specialized on Ice Magic! And that's without even mentioning that all of your hearts are not beating anymore." I said. "You're from the Cult, we know it. Enough with your farse."

"..."

"..."

"..."

The three lords stood there, glaring at me dead into the eyes...

And then.

"Kill them all."

He gave an order, as all the servants around us twisted their bodies, morphing into monstrous creatures and leaping towards us!

"GRYYEEEEH!"

Chapter 846 A Battle Breaks Out!

"Kill them all." Lord Jeremias gave a single, coldhearted order.

And once he did, all the maidservants, manservants, and the head butler and head maid immediately started moving strangely.

Crack, crack...! CRACK!

Their bodies started cracking and twisting around, their arms and legs grew longer, their jaws opened to reveal countless sharp teeth, eyes popped around their disfigured faces.

Their skin quickly turned gray colored, very pale, as if they weren't already all as pale as they could be. Pitch-black auras surged from their bodies...

They completely morphed into aberrant monsters, all while our surroundings changed, a huge sphere of Miasma and Nether formed around the house, expanding a Domain to trap us inside.

"You have to be kidding me!" Heshmerie screamed, the red-haired boy quickly taking out his large two-handed sword.

"N-No way!" Not even Joustin expected things to escalate so quickly.

"Undead!"

"Be careful!"

The twins swiftly unsheathed their spears, wielding small shields in their left arms.

"So she was right at the end! You're all corrupted monsters!" Patricia was very frustrated for what was happening, swiftly unsheathing her single magic rapier.

"Everyone, stay by my side!" David roared, his Aura of light surging from his body, as he unsheathed his golden sword.

Ding!

[The Servants of the Magica House have transformed into [Chimeric Undead Homunculi: Lv200]!]

[Due to being within a [Domain of Miasmic Nether], All Their Stats have increased by +100%, and their Skill Power and Range of Effect has been boosted by +200%!]

[Their Health and Mana Regeneration Speed has been further enhanced by +300%!]

They were definitely prepared for this, trapping us in the Domain and ambushing us with all their servants from the get-go.

We stepped into their house after all, the most dangerous place to confront them!

"TEAR THEM TO SHREDS!"

Lady Emilie screamed with a guttural cry, the entire manor trembled as the Chimeric Servants leaped towards us, roaring furiously.

Dozens of them leaped towards me, the lords were directly aiming at me because they knew I was the one that discovered them.

If possible, they would love to get rid of someone like me so the cultists wouldn't get caught so easily!

"SHYAAAGH!!"

"ROOOAAR!"

"SHAAAAH!"

The Undead roared, opening their jaws and firing their giant tongues, probably attempting to trap me with them or immobilize me with the paralytic saliva they had.

However, I swiftly summoned Gram and my Gaia's All-Purpose Creation Tool, wielding both in my hands, and quickly swinging them vertically and horizontally in a split of a second.

"[Rudra's Blazing Winds] + [Demon Killing Blade] + [Celestial Slash]!"

I combined the ability of my Gaia's All-Purpose Creation Tool [Rudra's Blazing Winds] with two Legendary Heroic Sword Arts together.

"[Rudra's Demon-Slaying Blazing Holy Cross]!"

SLAAAAASSHH!!

An explosion of flames surged from both weapons, as a cross-shaped slash of blazing holy winds erupted, exploding in front of four Chimeras at once.

Their bodies disintegrated once they were hit, immediately turning into ashes as I went all-out from the beginning!

The attack not only disintegrated Level 200 foes like nothing, but it continued moving towards the three lords, who quickly conjured a powerful barrier, resisting the attack.

BOOOOMMM!!!

Smoke slowly faded away to reveal the barrier having gained several cracks, which quickly regenerated back to normal.

"You must be the rumored Dryad that has been delaying the progress of the Cult." Jeremias spoke. "We will take you down no matter what."

"Disgusting demi-humans like you belong in the trash!" Cried Lady Emilie.

"I'll froze you and break you to pieces!" Their little son barked.

"It's funny that you call me disgusting when you're the ones who have turned yourselves into Undead." I laughed. "Fine, say whatever you want... I'll purify your souls and force you to go to the afterlife."

"INSOLENT LITTLE INSECT!"

The Lords roared in unison, their hands pointing at me as countless magic circles appeared. Swords, spears, axes, halberds, and other weapons materialized, made of purple-colored ice.

"[Miasmic Ice Demon Magic]: [Frozen Pandemonium's Armory]!"

The hundreds of projectiles quickly flew towards all of us, while everyone was already clashing against dozens of monsters at once.

Countless explosions of purple ice spread around the entire house, freezing whatever they touched!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

"Hahahah! Freeze to death!"

"This ice is special too, it is cursed. Once a tiny bit of your body is frozen, it will quickly spread!"

"And reduce all of your strength while draining your- Huh?!"

The family trio were left speechless to find large green and golden colored barriers encompassing everyone, Mark and I had quickly conjured our respective Spiritual Barriers of everyone, leaving them two layers of them to protect themselves.

Naturally, this was more than enough to stop this third-rate magic... We've fought worse things by now, this magic is strong, but nothing we cannot purify either.

"[Phoenix Flames]!"

Mark roared, hitting the ground and furiously releasing shockwaves of Phoenix Flames that took the shape of roaring giant birds.

They spread around the house, without setting it ablaze, and quickly began purifying the miasma and nether, while melting the ice.

At the same time, the knights, David, and our friends were battling the Homunculi that were constantly trying to swarm us.

"RAAARRR!"

"Uaagh, there are too many!" Joustin panicked, swinging his sword and using his shield to protect himself from the attacks barely, his magic sword absorbed his element of winds, releasing storming slashing attacks against his foes.

SLAASH! SLAASH! SLAASH!

However, our foes were Level 200, even with his abilities, they were not dying any time soon, only growing weaker as their bodies were covered by wounds... which quickly regenerated.

"T-This is hopeless, they regenerate too quickly!"

"RAAARR!"

Another one leaped behind him, aiming at his head!

"RAAAH!"

However, using the spirit shield we conjured, Heshmerie bravely leaped in front and tank the attack, the barriers gaining more cracks.

"Come on Joustin, you have to keep on fighting, don't be a coward!" The red-haired knight roared.
"Channel your Ki and release it through your Aura!"

FLUOOSH!

The brave knight released a powerful Aura blast from his sword, cutting through the weakened chimeras and killing one of them, while weakening the rest.

SLAAAASSH!!

So this is the power of Aura and Ki the knights of this world cultivate!

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Heshmerie had managed to slay a Level 200 foe, naturally, he felt incredibly happy.

"I-I did it! I took one down!"

The red-haired knight celebrated, but was quickly swarmed by more, his barrier slowly breaking apart and exposing him.

"Ah, shit!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

As their claws reached him and he defended with his huge sword, he was constantly pushed back. However, David swiftly stepped in front of him.

"My young apprentices, watch closely! This is the height you must strive for!"

His sword glowed with divine light, as he swung it several times, vertically and horizontally, slashing through the bodies of the chimeras like a warm knife through butter.

"[Holy Paladin Swordsmanship Arts]: [Shining Blade Rain]!"

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH!

David's amazing slashing attacks were like something we had never seen before, his attacks were incredibly precise and deadly, the Level 200 foes fell like flies before his attacks.

"Amazing!" Said Patricia. "Captain David is truly the strongest knight of our kingdom!"

Patricia distracted herself by watching David, making her foes move closer to her again. She lacked a lot of focus, this girl.

CLAASH! CLAASH!

However, two spears, both imbued with water-like Auras defended her from the attacks, the blue-haired twins stepped behind her and managed to protect her.

"Patricia, be careful!"

"Don't distract yourself and fight."

The twins had an Aura of the Element of Water, apparently, which allowed them to summon sea wave-like attacks with their spear techniques.

They worked together amazingly well too, pushing back any foe that drew closer thanks to the ability of spears to keep foes at a distance.

"A-Ah! Right!"

Patricia quickly woke up from whatever dazzling spell David had conjured upon her young heart, the pink-haired girl swiftly imbuing her Aura into her rapier.

Her Aura color was pink, and when she conjured it, pink-colored flower petals surged from within.

Her Aura was certainly much more unique, especially with those Magic Eyes she had.

"Let me show you what the Rosen Family's Swordsmanship is all about!"

With a proud smile, she flashed through the battlefield like a pink blur, leaving behind flower petals everywhere.

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

Her rapier moved at lightning speed, piercing the zombies one after another, leaving hundreds of holes on their weakened bodies that the twins had attacked beforehand.

"[Blossoming Lotus]!"

With a mighty and lady-like roar, the young girl unleashed countless explosions of pink light, three homunculi were slain in that moment!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

"A-Amazing... Patricia is really the most talented of our class!" Joustin gasped in surprise.

"She's really a monster..." Heshmerie himself recognized her.

"Ohohoho! You're nothing before the swordsmanship my family has polished for many generations!" She laughed. "Now, begone from the face of the- Eh?"

CLAAASSHH!!

However, three more homunculi stepped in front of her, tanked her hits, and then pushed her away, throwing her several meters from her position and making her land rather roughly on the floor.

BAAAMM!!

"Uggh...?!"

She ended breaking all the barriers set on her, as she looked while gasping for air at the homunculi approaching.

"Foolish disciple, why did you step into the middle of the battlefield like that?!"

David roared with anger, flashing through the homunculi and appearing before her, his sword slaying the ones that pushed her away, cutting them into countless pieces.

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH!

As he did so, Patricia only blushed more...

"Uwaah! Captain, you're so awesome!"

She was cheering for him while sitting on the floor...

David only grew more furious; this was the first time we were seeing him so angered.

"You foolish disciple, Lady Patricia, you've done it now!"

He quickly started reprimanding her as his divine aura purified the surroundings.

"You will be grounded from doing any activities aside from missions or training!"

"Eehh?!"

Patricia immediately broke down her illusion, crying in disbelief...

The twins continued pushing the foes away with their special abilities, while Joustin and Heshmerie attacked them with their Sword Auras.

At the same time, Johanna stepped forwards with Nieve, fighting the head butler and head maid, both were stronger than the Level 200 servants, at Level 240.

And because they were considered "Leaders" of the pack, their stats were much higher even considering their stats.

Nieve and Johanna taking them down would usually be too much...

If it wasn't because the Miasma-ridden Domain was already falling apart!

"My Miasmic Nether Domain! No! Stop!"

Lord Jeremias screamed in utter disbelief as Mark's flames purified over half the surrounding domain already, without burning or setting ablaze anything.

And while he did that, I spread out my Domain of Nature and Spirits, plants of all sorts popping inside the house, the walls were covered by moss, mushrooms, and vines, and the furniture made of wood gained life, growing into the trees they once were.

This was a new strange ability I learned, I could quite literally revive dead plants, even the wood that made furniture, the floor, the ceiling, anything, could be regrown into their former plants.

And as they were all boosted by my many skills, they evolved into spiritual plants, spreading and attacking the homunculi.

Their roots, branches, and vines stopped them from freely moving, and whenever they tried leaping from the ceiling or the walls, they would get caught by the many vines.

This naturally overwrote the overpowered Domain, and quickly set up my own, boosting everyone's stats to a ridiculous new level, enough for Johanna and Nieve to be just enough to be at the same level, if not slightly higher than the head butler and head maid.

"What is this Aura of power? I feel so reinvigorated!" Johanna said.

"Admire it!" Nieve smiled. "This is my liege's amazing Domain of Nature and Spirits! Any ally that steps in it becomes several times stronger...!"

"Hoh... Not bad!" Johanna laughed, her muscular arms growing scales as her nails became wolf-like claws and her legs became like those of a rabbit, helping her leap towards her foes. "Then I will use it well to tear these monsters to shreds!"

"Don't you dare steal my foes!" Nieve smiled, rushing towards the two bosses to take them down herself, her rapier overflowing with her Spiritual Aura of Ice.

CLAAAASSHH!! CRAAAASSHH!!

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"Don't you dare steal my foes!" Nieve smiled, rushing towards the two bosses to take them down herself, her rapier overflowing with her Spiritual Aura of Ice.

CLAAAASSHH!! CRAAAASSHH!!

Nieve unleashed her icy powers and her rapier techniques together, two powerful attacks landed on both the Head Butler and the Head Maid monsters, their entire bodies freezing on an instant.

Her thin rapier pierced the ice and quickly generated countless cracks over their frozen bodies, provoking their body parts to fall one after another.

However...!

Crack, crack...!

CRAAASH!

Both freed themselves, nonetheless, furiously leaping towards Nieve. The fairy evaded their attacks with her flight and fired spears made of ice against them.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Explosions of ice stopped them, pushing them back, but these bosses seemed much tougher than the rest of the monsters, tanking the hits and then aiming to retaliate by leaping towards her.

She was constantly forced to evade their attacks and move around the battlefield; her rapier could not touch them as much as she would have wanted.

Nieve was strong and fast, but her defenses were very low, coupled with her small body, if she took two to three hits, she would surely die.

This is the reason why she can't risk taking hits and has to evade as much as possible for her own survivability. This is something that has been ingrained on her fighting style since her early years, I would assume.

"Okay, let me join too, you can't do all of this on your own!"

Johanna stepped in, recognizing Nieve's talents as she rushed towards the two foes. The burlier Head Maid roared, rushing towards her with a missing arm.

"SHAAAH!"

Her head resembled a snake, opening its jaws and releasing a toxic and venomous substance! However, Johanna conjured a ward around her.

"[Nature's Ward]!"

FLUOSH!

The ward covered her body and protected her from poison easily, as her fists grew into gigantic gorilla-fists and smashed the Head Maid's monstrous face.

"RAAAH!"

BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAAMM!!

A barrage of hits pulverized her head, which blew up into pieces, her entire body collapsing after finally dying from all the accumulated damage.

"I won't let you take the other one!"

Nieve was unusually competitive against Johanna, perhaps because she had offended me too much and she was rather angry at her, as my knight.

Her rapier harnessed her Magical Spirit Frost Aura, forming the illusion of dozens of blue butterflies flying around her majestically.

"[Spirit Frost Rapier Arts]: [Divine Frozen Garden]!"

FLAAASH!

She rushed through the Head Butler beast, who had three lizard-like heads and gigantic arms, only missing a part of its shoulder.

The illusion of a garden made of blue roses and frost plants appeared surrounding the beast, quickly exploding on quick succession accompanied by her stabbing strikes.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOMM!!

"Gruuuarrgh!"

The Head Butler beast was torn to pieces with each explosive hit, while the frozen garden continued spreading, creating Frost Fairy Summons that attacked the other monsters, lessening the pressure the Knights that David brought had to bear.

BAAAM!

The beast she fought was swiftly defeated, as Johanna opened her eyes wide in shock over how far her strength could reach.

"Okay, you're not bad!" Johanna smiled.

"Hmph, I don't need the compliments of someone that would disrespect my liege!" Nieve only gave her a cold stare before helping out the Knights against the rest of the monsters.

"Sheesh, she's sure serious about the whole liege thing..." Johanna sighed, laughing afterwards. "Oh well!"

Surrounded by more Miasmatic Undead Chimeras coming from different rooms, there was little time to chat, as everyone, me included, continued fighting against them all.

"I won't let you make another step!"

The Lord roared, stepping forwards as he continued absorbing the Nether and Miasma in the surroundings.

Several magic circles of intricate runic arrangements were formed, showing how this man was an expert at Classic Magic and not the one fueled by the System Skills. His wife and son, both looking just as zombie-like as him, fused their magic powers with Lord Magica.

"[Miasmic Ice Demon Magic]: [Hades' Cold Fingernails]!"

TRUUUMM...!! TRUUUMM...!! TRUUUMM...!!

Suddenly, gigantic finger-shaped black pieces of ice surged one after another, whatever they touched ended becoming completely frozen and infected with miasma.

It was amazing how they had managed to transform and evolve their magic with the power of the Miasma and Nether they were given, and that they had most likely absorbed into their bodies.

"Don't let the fingernails touch you!" I roared, as I quickly swung both of my swords at once, releasing countless [Rudra's Demon-Slaying Blazing Holy Cross] on quick succession.

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

Mark helped me as well, pushing forwards with his bulkier frame, covered on phoenix flames and swinging the titanic sword he had.

CLAASH! CLAASH! CLAASH! CLAASH!

The consecutive attacks slowly broke through the fingernails deadly touch, shattering them into pieces, only for the Lord to smile.

"Good, you've spread my ingredients a lot!" He laughed. "Now, my son!"

"Yes, father." His son answered with a plain voice, as he raised his hand. "[Miasmic Ice Demon Magic]:
[Corrupted Frost Golem Summon]"

FLAAASH! FLAAASH! FLAAASH! FLAAASH!

The thousands of pieces of black ice spread everywhere quickly fused together with the endless source of Miasma and Nether coming from what remained of their domain, forming titans made of black and purple frost, golems.

"GRUOOOHH!"

Ding!

[The Magic Family Lords have summoned the [Corrupted Frost Golems: Lv220]!]

[Due to being within a [Domain of Miasmic Nether], All Their Stats have increased by +100%, and their Skill Power and Range of Effect has been boosted by +200%!]

[Their Health and Mana Regeneration Speed has been further enhanced by +300%!]

"Level 220!" I said. "And they're a dozen! Watch out!"

I quickly stopped a handful of them with my Dragon Spirits, which appeared around me and swarmed the golems with breath attacks of fire, wind, and light, while I handled them as they were weakened with my double sword arts.

However, several of them managed to get past me and Mark, rushing to crush our friends behind!

Chapter 849 David's Paladin Strength & Nieve's Elemental Awakening

"You're not going anywhere!" David roared.

He rushed forwards and protected his knights while we were with our hands full handling the bosses with Mark, his shining divine sword released a wave of light.

"I am the Kingdom's strongest Paladin!" He roared. "As long as I am here... Nobody will be harmed!"

Before the Golems could touch his precious students, which were already busy fighting the zombie-like chimeras, he released countless slash attacks with his sword.

Each slash released vertical and horizontal waves of divine light; his technique seemed slightly similar to the Heroic Swordsmanship I inherited from the Hero Sigurd's Legacy.

"[Holy Paladin Swordsmanship Arts]: [Celestial Sun Slash]!"

SLAASH! SLAASH! SLAASH! SLAASH! SLAASH!

Each wave of light burned and melted the golems like warm knife through butter, reducing them into pieces of ice that quickly melted into water and then evaporated completely.

His attacks were so strong and precise, and his footwork so masterful that he resembled a flash of light in the battlefield.

Three golems were destroyed in a matter of seconds, and then another two which threatened his students were swiftly blasted into steam.

"[Holy Paladin Swordsmanship Arts]: [Sunlight's Beam]!"

Using his sword as if it were a staff, he released a powerful beam of light from it, piercing two golems' bodies and blowing them up.

BOOOOMMM!!

"How strong is that Paladin?!" The young lord groaned angrily, continuing to summon more and more golems. "No matter. Thanks to that fairy, there's plenty of ice."

Due to Nieve's attacks leaving everything covered with ice, they used this to their advantage, using the frozen bodies and body chunks as materials.

FLAASH! FLAASH! FLAASH!

And more and more golems were born. As if the chimeras weren't enough, now we had to deal with golems endlessly appearing.

"This is going to go on forever!" Johanna muttered, punching away a golem with her giant gorilla arms and then shapeshifting her legs into sharp clawed legs like those of a raptorial bird.

CLAASH! CLAASH! CRAAASSHH!!

"My ice is only making things harder for everyone...!" Nieve hesitated. "W-What do I do now?!"

Nieve seemed to have been hit hard by the fact her magic ended making it easier for our foes to summon their creatures. She panicked, stopping her movements for a second, making it possible for the golems to chase her from behind.

"GRUOOHHH!"

"Ah!"

"NIEVE!"

I rushed to her side, as my Aura spread out countless vegetation around, shaping it into gigantic swords made of green essence and wood.

"[Verdant Green Domain Connection: Gaia's Emerald Sword]"

I decided to channel the new powers I had acquired, connecting my essence with the Verdant Green Domain, and conjuring these beautiful Emerald Swords.

They were Level 10 Spells, each one costing 3000 MP per conjuration, but it was worth it!

CRAAASH! CRAAASH! CRAAASH!

The three swords I conjured were much faster than my slightly sluggish movements, piercing through the bodies of three golems and shattering the black crystals in their chests, their cores.

"Mark! Don't let them be revived!" I called Mark for his assistance.

"Leave it to me!" Mark roared, his entire body beginning to harness tremendous quantities of flames all at once. "[Blazing Spirit Totem Magic]: [Infernal Dragon's Stigmas]!"

He conjured stigmas made of red flames, covering the golems pieces and then swiftly setting them ablaze, combusting on small explosions that did the least damage to their surroundings.

FLUOOOSH!

"My liege... Sorry, I panicked foolishly." Nieve apologized. "But if they benefit from my ice, then I should have probably not come here to begin with..."

"Nieve, your element is not Ice." I answered to her, touching her head as blue colored spiritual essence surged from my hands.

"It's not?" She wondered. "But I have... I was born a Frost Fairy."

"Ice and Water are the same, it is simply the same element, on a different form." I explained to her. "If you can conjure Ice Magic, then you can surely conjure Water as well! Let me help you in that regard, dear. [Ocean Spirit Call]! [Divine Spiritual Fusion Synthesis]!"

I summoned dozens of small Ocean Spirits, which emerged out of the blue-colored, water attribute spiritual energy I exuded naturally from my body.

"Let me give you a small help so you can figure it out on your own!" I smiled, as Nieve's eyes shone brightly.

FLAAASH!

The Ocean Spirits harmonized with her right away, some of them being Water Dragon Spirits of the Lesser Kind, enough to fully transform her equipment, rapier, and even her appearance slightly.

"T-This power... Water, this is... This is my element too?!"

FLUOSH!

Her cold aura quickly changed its form, becoming a beautiful azure color that flowed endlessly around her body.

Her pointy ears transformed, resembling fish fins, her skin turned slightly pale blue, her eyes glow with golden light, and her wings became larger, resembling the "wings" of flying fish.

Ding!

[You have successfully blessed [Nieve] with dozens of Ocean Spirits and Water Dragon Spirits!]

[Nieve] has undergone a temporary transformation, becoming a [Divine Nymph Spirit Knightess]!

[Her Elemental Affinity with Water has been increased by +500%!]

[Nieve can now control the Element of Water with much more ease, Proficiency of Usage and Mastery have increased by +300%!]

[All other Stats have increased by +100%!]

[Duration: 30 Minutes.]

FLAAASH!

With the almighty transformation, Nieve's clothes transformed into a beautiful dress, decorated with clams and sea dragon scales, sea stars, and a beautiful conch decorated her head, turning her blue hair into twin tails.

Her rapier had changed as well, transforming into a large and sharp trident, overflowing with spiritual energy! I always knew Nieve could reach further lengths if she tried using her elemental affinity with more flexibility.

And I think this might do it!

"I can't believe this is me...!" She said. "I have to quickly harness this power while the Blessing lasts! Thank you so much, my beloved liege! Now, leave the rest to me!"

She valiantly flew in front of me and unleashed a wave of holy spiritual water from her trident, which she swung horizontally.

"[Ocean Dragon's Wave]!"

The water quickly threw off all the chimera swarming us, it moved on countless ways, wrapping itself around their bodies like ferocious sea dragons.

SPLAAASH!

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"[Ocean Dragon's Wave]!"

The water quickly threw off all the chimera swarming us, it moved on countless ways, wrapping itself around their bodies like ferocious sea dragons.

SPLAAASH!

Several of our foes had their bodies torn apart by the violent oceanic waves. And it didn't stop there, as her trident swiftly reached their heads, impaling them one after another.

CRASH! CRASH! CRASH!

"Fool! It doesn't matter what you do, this water is also an excellent material for- Gyaaagh!"

The young lord attempted to use the water by infecting it with his Mana and Miasma, only to feel agonizing pain as his hands started to burn the moment he touched it.

FRSSSH!

"H-Holy Water?!"

"Son, don't touch it!"

The Lord quickly rushed towards his son's aid, it seemed that despite having turned into malevolent zombies that turned all their innocent servants into monsters, they did care for one another.

FLAAASH!

His father quickly conjured another barrier, as the Miasma and Nether harnessed and hardened in front of them, forming a huge purple and black barrier.

It seemed Nieve's water wasn't just any water, perhaps because it was made of spirit energy, it counted as Holy Water, causing damage to demons and undead.

The barrier they erected was resisting it, but even that was beginning to grow weaker...

"Get rid of the chimeras and golems!" I ordered. "We'll take care of the rest! Jenny, you come with us!"

"Me?!" Jenny was busy using her slimy body to entrap many chimeras, making it easier for the young knights to stay safe. "But I'm helping these kids over here!"

"Don't worry about us, Jenny!" Said Heshmerie. "You've helped us enough!"

The red-haired boy said those words as he swung his giant two-handed sword, a blazing Sword Aura surged from it, cutting through the weakened Chimeras and slicing them up.

SLAAASH!

"Thank you for the help, but go help Lady Planta, Jenny!" Joustin said while gasping for air, each of his sword slashes released cutting waves of Wind Sword Aura.

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH!

"This water is alive... We feel stronger here, like never before!"

"Like this, we can fight even better, don't worry about us, Jenny."

The spear-wielding twins Emerette and Juliette, whose Aura Attribute was Water, felt at home as Nieve spread her powerful Domain, their movements became several times faster, and their spear attacks pushed foes even further, with explosions of water vortexes added into the mix.

SPLASH! SPLASH! SPLAASH!

"Hmph, maybe demi-humans aren't half bad I suppose! Now go, I am sure you're useful elsewhere." Patricia said with a prideful tone of voice.

She moved at the same lightning speed as before, her pink-colored aura surging from her body, each of her attacks releasing explosions of pink flower petals.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

"Ugh! Alright kids but take care!"

Jenny had ended bonding a bit with them, as she has been protecting them, even when she didn't really intend to, since the beginning of this battle.

She quickly swam across the water and reached us in a second, wondering why we needed her so much in specific.

While we left Johanna and Nieve taking care of the other monsters with the young knights and David, the rest of us quickly decided to fight the bosses head-on.

"So you can absorb the Miasma and Nether, you're good with those, right?" I asked with a giggle.

"Eh?!" She got shocked. "Seriously? I'm just your vacuum for poisonous things at this point!"

"Hey, I'm also considered that most of the time." Rita sighed, her dark elven avatar releasing a powerful aura, her shining purple and black scales glowing brightly at the same time. "But there's no point in complaining at the end!"

As she laughed, she pointed her hands at the golems that surged around the barrier, trying to protect it. The Miasma and Nether surrounding us condensed into spheres around her.

"RUOOHH!"

The golems charged towards us, with the intention to quickly smash us into smithereens with their gigantic bodies.

However, Rita utilized the absorbed power she took from them, against them.

"[Malice Abyssal Darkness Magic]: [Abyssal Poisonous Dragon Claws]!"

The power condensed on her own hands, as they transformed into gigantic claws made of darkness and poison, which she used to claw her way through.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

The golems blew up into pieces one after another, and what followed was her claws piercing the barrier in front of us with lightning speed.

CRAAASH!!

"I won't let you take another step."

The Lord desperately screamed, his magic quickly acting as several swords made of black and purple colored ice appeared around Rita!

However, that's where we entered. Mark, Jenny, and I leaped into action, destroying each projectile with our swiftest blows, allowing Rita to continue.

"Well, you were unable to stop me."

Her darkness changed shape, quickly transforming into a potent and highly concentrated mass of darkness, so pure on its power that it started distorting space and absorbing the colors around it.

"How about this?" Achlys smiled. "[Dark Void Nova]"

FLUOSH!

The darkness hit the barrier and quickly became a black hole, absorbing it all while distorting space, the barrier melted away, black lightning sparks surging from within...

Until it exploded.

BOOOMMM!!

The explosion was powerful enough to shake the entire manor and, if it wasn't for my reinforcements using my wooden body, it would have easily fallen apart by now.

"T-This can't be...!"

The Lord found himself on the ground, his wife and his son were also in a similar situation, all gazing at us with furious and angered eyes, glowing with malicious crimson light.

"Now, are you going to tell us about why you're allied with the Cult, and what did they offer to you, Lord Magica?" I asked. "And, by the way... Are you related with the ones that attacked the royal family at the Banquet Hall?"

"T-Tch... As if I were to ever tell anything to you, monsters that don't deserve to learn the forbidden knowledge!" Lord Magica seemed completely insane.

"Are you calling us monsters when you're the one that turned yourself and your family into Undead?!" Asked Achlys furiously, pointing her staff at them. "I'm going to beat some sense into you!"

"I don't care about the words of some ignorant fools! With the power they've given me... I will NEVER be humiliated ever again!" Laughed Lord Magica, suddenly ripping apart his shirt to reveal a black and red jewel glowing beneath. "Hahahahah! Demonic Crystal! Give me your power!"

FLAAASH!!!
