

Evil 141

Chapter 141 - 141: Coincidence.

Aris couldn't hear Rasmus's conversation with Kiel because Kiel used magic to prevent everyone from listening to their discussion back then. Rasmus told her everything and he seemed a bit unsure about the deal he made because Kiel wasn't someone he had dealt with before.

"You gain nothing pretty much, don't you?" Aris asked as she got up on her horse. "How are you going to deal with this? You're not even close with Thalior and if you suddenly approached him, he would have suspicion."

"He will approach me, I'm pretty sure of it," Rasmus answered and got up on his horse. "I know too much and he needs every information he can get because he's preparing for war."

"You mentioned your father's diary. Don't you think that will help you in this situation?" Aris asked, following Rasmus.

Rasmus had just thought about that, and as Aris said, it could help him in this situation. The problem was that he didn't have the time to return to Refenus Kingdom, and it would take a full month before he could find it.

"I don't have the time, but that's not what I'm planning to do in the first place," Rasmus responded and watched more and more people come to meet Kiel. "Rather than trying to find out Thalior's plans, I might as well make those plans for him. I can help both Thalior and Kiel at the same time. I'll satisfy both sides even though it costs them a lot."

"What do you mean by that?" Aris rode the horse close to Rasmus and looked at him with a confused look.

"It's simple, I don't give all the plans to Kiel. Kiel can prevent his forces and followers from getting destroyed completely while Thalior can get what he's looking for," Rasmus explained as he trotted his horse. "Let's meet with Carrion and Videl in the capital city."

(At the branch of South Neva Union's quarters in the Republic of Lineva)

Uriel was sent by Thalior to observe all the ministers of Lineva with Harold, a famous bishop because of his gift from God. Similar to mages, priests had the ability to see things that the naked eye couldn't see.

She was also tasked with dealing with bandits that used to be hiding in the wasteland. With Harold's power, they could see if humans were possessed by evil powers or dealt with dark magic. They were also tasked with investigating the wasteland thoroughly.

"My Lady, are we really going to do everything alone?" Harold asked as he followed Uriel from behind who walked at a fast pace. "If the emissary notices us, can we even protect ourselves?" He asked and struggled to keep up with Uriel.

"You should stop talking about this, Your Excellency. We are here without any notice and our presences here aren't known by everyone," Uriel answered as she pulled her hood and covered her face and hair even though she dyed her hair brown. "You don't have to be worried about the emissary because I have sent my trusted people to do the investigation for us."

"When are we going to make a move, My Lady?" Harold asked as he covered his face and hair with a hood.

"I'm not sure, Your Excellency, we will make a move if we are deemed to do so," Uriel shook her head and left the building where her horse had been prepared by the knights of the Union. "Our main task here is to observe the shift in power here over the next few months."

"Right... right..." Harold nodded repeatedly as he climbed up to his horse.

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Rasmus and Aris entered the capital city, and it was nothing compared to the capital city in Cruen where rivers decorated the city. Lineva's capital city looked more separated from one place with the others because the city walls separated the city. The closer to the central, the wealthier the people lived there.

Rasmus looked around for an inn in the second district of the city where important guests or visitors stayed. The inn that Carrion and Videl were staying at was said to be near the gate to the first district.

When they found the inn and were about to walk in, they almost bumped into someone because they were about to enter the inn at the same time. Rasmus looked at the person and he found her face familiar, but then he remembered she was Uriel Goldmane, the 2nd Swordmaster.

Uriel was shocked to meet Rasmus and Aris in the capital city. She knew that he was in Lineva, but she didn't expect to bump into him and rent the same inn as hers. On the other hand, Rasmus noticed how she dyed her hair, and that meant she was doing an undercover task.

"After you," Rasmus smiled at Uriel.

Uriel nodded and hid her face as she entered the inn with Harold. Rasmus and Aris looked at Harold and wondered who he was since he looked old and too weak for a warrior. But then Aris whispered to Rasmus that the man had divine energy around him.

When they entered the lobby, Uriel went upstairs but gave Rasmus a signal to follow her. He nodded and went to the receptionist to rent a room with a double bed before he followed Uriel upstairs. He saw Uriel and Harold waiting for them at the end of the hallway.

Uriel felt a bit of relief when she met with Rasmus for some unknown reason. She thought that it must be because he was a capable man and had the same goal as hers, to eradicate evil.

"Count Blackheart, Lady Aristoria," Uriel lowered her head to respect the figures in front of hers.

"Lady Goldmane," Rasmus nodded and then looked at Harold. "It appears you're here in secret. May I know the reason why you're here in such a manner?" He asked with his brows raised.

"Shall we have a talk more privately? We can use my room if you don't mind, Count Blackheart," Uriel said as she pointed at the door to her room. "Also, this is Harold, the Bishop of the Holy Nation. He's here to assist me with my task," she looked at Harold.

"We are aware. Aris saw his divine energy around him and thought that he must be from the Holy Nation. Nice to meet you, Your Excellency," Rasmus bowed his head to Harold.

"Likewise, Count Blackheart, Lady Aristoria," Harold bowed his head.

"Shall we?" Uriel looked at Rasmus and Aris.

Rasmus nodded and followed Uriel to her room. He didn't want Harold to know about Videl and his powers that might bring problems to his plan.

Uriel walked toward the window and observed every spot outside the building. She made sure that nobody was following her or that there was any suspicious activity. Once she believed it was safe, she closed the curtain and walked toward the chair as she pulled down her hood.

"We both were sent by Archduke Thalior to observe the shift in power here, in the capital city. Since the emissary has already made a move, we expect that the ministers might have already worked with him," Uriel explained as she looked at Rasmus and Aris. "As we speak, I also sent my trusted people to investigate the wasteland and that new cult of the emissary."

Rasmus and Aris shared a look. It was a coincidence and expected, as Rasmus said to her earlier. They didn't think that they would meet someone important from the South Nova Union this soon.

"You should tell your people to leave that place," Rasmus said with a serious expression.

"Can I ask why, Count?" Uriel asked with a confused expression.

"Because we just went there and I met with the emissary and talked with him face to face. He's not a human, he's one of the masked beings that followed Ermaine, the ones that could outmatch the Great Sage and Saint Morigane," Rasmus explained as he looked at his hand. "Another thing, there are hundreds of people like Guile there. The ones who got possessed by demons, and they would try to get a better body and soul to take," he added.

"How do we know this? It's because Aris has confirmed it," Rasmus said as he looked at Aris. "You're dealing with something that you shouldn't. You're playing with fire, Lady Goldmane," he warned.