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"Well, there is one last thing that you need to know. Although you know you can become a Sword King if you control your Sword Domain well, you might only be able to use it in a full fight after your domain reaches a hundred meters.

"Unlike the Sword Intent that had no bound, the Sword Domain is like your Spiritual Energy. At some point, you will exhaust everything and need to recover. After all, the Sword Intent is only the intention you put in your sword.

"It is only a matter of how deep your understanding of Sword Intent. Of course, it also correlated with your current cultivation. Your Sword Intent will get stronger and stronger as you progress in Sword Path. It will be the same as your spear, so good luck. As for the fusion of both like what you showed me in our fight...

"I can't say anything about that since this is the first time I saw something like that. Back then, I saw someone that can use two Intents, albeit the other one was a bit shallow. Anyway, he could not fuse it like you did. Albeit, you do not need to worry if others know about it since they only consider it as a Sword Intent or Spear Intent.

"Of course, it is only if you use a single weapon at a time. But, if you use them simultaneously, they might get suspicious about it."

"Yes, thank you, Senior." Alex nodded.

"Anyway, I am done here. You should start the preparation for your Lightning Tribulation. I will just watch from the side." Mithra said.

Alex nodded. He looked at Anya.

"Everyone will need to search around once more to make sure you don't leave anything," Anya said.

After looking at Mithra one last time, they decided to go back.

Alex then started making a few arrays for himself. He only made two of them though. Rank 4 Gathering Array and Rank 4 Lightning Rod Array.

Mithra did not get shocked by Alex's identity as an Array Master even though she did not see Alex use his Teleportation Array. After all, Maxwell also an Alchemist as well as an Array Master. So, she had expected something like this.

After finishing both Arrays, Alex started cultivating.

After an entire day of cultivating, he finally managed to trigger the lightning tribulation.

Alex frowned as he did not know whether this barrier could really mask his Lightning Tribulation or not. After all, when he tried to use his Teleportation Array, he could only teleport them to a certain high.

When the lightning tribulation came, Alex was wondering which sky turned to dark. He tried to activate his Spirit Eyes, and it surprised him.

Maybe because he finally looked at the barrier carefully from the inside, Alex could finally see the shape of the barrier... No, he should say barriers.

He finally realized there were two barriers that protected himself. One of them looked like the sphere. It must be the one that prevented him from teleporting the undead higher.

And if Alex looked at it more carefully, there was a barrier outside this sphere that stretched far to the sky.

He was shocked by this. Maxwell must use the first barrier to camouflage the entire area, and the sphere was the real wall that separated this place from another world.

But something was bugging him. With this spherical barrier, he was wondering if the Lightning Tribulation would hit the barrier or immediately came to him.

Of course, that question was answered by Mithra. She threw Maxwell's token up high until it reached the top of the barrier.

The token then opened the barrier but only the roof area to let the Lightning Tribulation come. After all, if the barrier prevented the lightning tribulation, Alex might fail in his tribulation as it will count as 'Cheating.'

From outside, the sky would look like normal. But if they came inside this place, they would see the dark and dangerous cloud in the sky.

The glamorous lightning not only echoed through the sky but reverberated the earth. It was far more grandeur than Alex's previous lightning tribulation.

Even Mithra, on the side, could not help but comment, \"Are you sure this is your Martial Lord Tribulation?\"

Her or even that Maxwell's lightning tribulation was not this absurd. She felt that Alex's tribulation was four times stronger than ordinary people's, and even two times stronger than Maxwell's. She just could not believe it.

'What kind of monster that Maxwell brought this time?' She shuddered.

Alex looked at the Lightning Tribulation. He took a deep breath as he took out his Spear and Sword. He even activated his Pure Fire again as he had sealed it in his Phoenix Seed when he was talking with Mithra.

Well, if she watched his previous lightning tribulation, she might not be surprised by this. Or at least, if she could just see the sky turned into golden, then she should have expected something like this. Sadly, she was not.

The first yellow lightning strike came straight at him. He brushed it off easily with his sword. He never got any challenge in the first strike. Well, if he already got challenged at the very first strike, then it would not be good for him.

After all, there was no telling what would happen next.

The lightning tribulation did not waste any time as it immediately sent the second lightning strike to him. Alex wanted to brush it off again with his sword. But when the sword clashed with the lightning, he was surprised that the lightning suddenly got far stronger. Or at least, this was not the usual way of the lightning tribulation.

In his Master's and Grandmaster's lightning tribulation, the second lightning only had one and a half-power from the first one. But this time, the lightning had two times its power.

\\"Immovable Step.\\"

He did not waste any time and used his Immovable Step to get another boost of power to destroy this lightning strike.

The third lightning strike then struck down. Alex did not dare to underestimate this again... No, he was not underestimating it, he was just reserving his power for the rest of the strike.

But at the third lightning, he immediately activated his Sword Intent. He struck the lightning with his sword.

Alex destroyed it with ease this time since he used his Sword Intent.

The sound of lightning then echoed again in the sky as the yellow lightning turned to blue color. Alex took a deep breath as his expression became more serious.

He looked at the fourth strike and swung his sword toward it.

\\"Immovable Step!\\"

He needed his Immovable Step and his Sword Intent at the same time to barely block this lightning strike.

The fifth strike immediately came toward him the moment he destroyed the fourth strike. Alex threw his spear.

\\"Immovable Step.\\"

With that absurd strength of his, coupled with his Spear Intent. Alex managed to destroy the fifth strike. But the sixth lightning strike already appeared and struck his spear.

The lightning continued on its path toward Alex. But, despite losing his spear, Alex did not panic. He did not take another spear out. Instead, he waved his hand toward the lightning, and a Fire Phoenix suddenly came out and flew toward the sky.

\\"Fire Phoenix Art, First Stage. Phoenix Summon.\\"

The phoenix flew toward the lightning and exploded. The flame immediately burned the lightning bit by bit, and it was gone by the time it reached Alex.

When Mithra saw this, she dropped her jaw to the ground. It was already shocking for her to see Alex's talent in sword, spear, and array. To think Alex even had a Pure Fire Element. It was amazing beyond belief.

Because she had accompanied Maxwell in the past, she understood what kind of existence Pure Fire was. And she felt this ferocity from Alex's fire.

She immediately knew Alex's element was Pure Fire Element. There was no other explanation other than that. After all, she did not observe Alex when he was killing the undead at the bottom.

"Haha... That bast*rd does not bring a genius, he brings a monster." Mithra said. There was another thing that came to her head.

Maxwell was also an Alchemist. And that made the possibility of Alex already becoming an Alchemist high.

The sight in front of her even ignited the passion inside her heart. Sadly, she could not leave this place, and even after she left this place. She would not be able to live for so long because of the forbidden technique.

It was such a shame. But she felt very satisfied to see such a monster just before she died. She felt fulfilled.

Meanwhile, Alex was facing his Purple Color Lightning Tribulation. When the seventh strike struck forth, Alex did not dare to touch it anymore.

It was because the ferocity of the lightning surpassed his imagination. He decided to go all out from this moment.

"Seven Stars Cut."

He finally used his strongest Martial Art at the moment, Seven Stars Cut. Although he only produced a six layers Seven Stars Cut, it was enough to face this seventh strike.

At the very least, even if it did not manage to destroy it, the lightning strike would already lose most of its power.

"Boom!"

Alex looked at the explosion because of the clash between his sword wave and the lightning. Fortunately, the lightning was completely obliterated by his sword wave, so he did not need to do anything after that.

He immediately prepared for the eighth strike. The eighth lightning strike was coming down with another boost of power that was far stronger than the seventh strike.

When Mithra saw this lightning strike, she was surprised. Because the power contained in this lightning strike was as strong as Maxwell's last lightning strike when he underwent his tribulation. But for Alex, it was only his eighth lightning strike.

She wanted to help Alex, but she knew she couldn't. If she helped him, he would fail his tribulation. But she also knew that Alex still had a more powerful move. Especially the attack where he combined his Sword Intent and Spear Intent.

It was so strong. She even needed to use her full power to block that attack. She cut it down easily when she used her full power though.

Alex did not cower in this eighth strike. The blade of his sword as well as his spear started burning with flame. He swung both of them, making an 'X' sword wave that flew to the sky.

\ "Seven Stars Cut!\ "

Both sword waves were burning like crazy as it contained his Pure Fire Element.

It clashed with the lightning. The clash this time was far more powerful than the previous one as the moment they clashed, they sent a huge shock wave that could be felt even at the edge of this special realm.

Alex kept observing the attacks with his Spirit Eyes. Luckily, their energy was the same.

After clashing for a few seconds, both the lightning and Alex's attack lost all of its energy and destroyed each other.

On the side, Mithra was frowning. She knew that this was the right time to use the Lightning Rod Array. But something was ticking her off.

She had many experiences with this Lightning Rod Array since Maxwell made this array for her and Skewes when they wanted to advance. So, she knew how strong the Lightning Rod Array was.

After seeing Alex's lightning tribulation, she felt that this Lightning Rod Array could only withstand this lightning strike. The eighth one, not the ninth.

If Alex used his Lightning Rod Array at this particular time, there was no way the array could block this. And if the array broke, the lightning tribulation would send another ninth wave to attack Alex.

It would be such a waste if it turned out to be like that. When Alex wanted to activate the array, she suddenly shouted, trying to warn him.

\ "WAIT!\ "