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A few minutes earlier,

Jeanne was facing these two old men with confidence.

"Ethereal Lightning Body Second Charge, Bullet." She produced two bullets that even made the two old men struggling just to destroy it.

"What the heck..." The first elder was frustrated. In these few minutes, they had been fighting in equal terms despite fighting her two on one. They had tried everything from Sword Arts to close combat.

Jeanne blocked their sword arts one by one, not letting even a speck of energy even to reach her small body. As for close combat, it was no better. They used their speeds and numerical advantage to strike at her continuously, but Jeanne used her two swords skillfully and held them back.

It might be because her weapons were Short Sword, it gave her a shorter range to deal with, which meant giving her a shorter swing to block any attacks.

They even tried to hold her back while letting the other one slip, but it also ended in failure. Her Ethereal Body First Charge went around her opponent and struck at the sneaky one. This ensured no one could escape from her.

From Jeanne's perspective, she only needed to do this until she managed to catch them off guard. She did not mean to do it herself as there were four important fights in this place: Her battle, Stina's, Artur's, and Alex's. As long as one of them concluded their battle, an opportunity should arrive, especially when Alex killed Raku.

According to the information, Raku was as important as the sect master, making him the number one target for this operation. She only needed to wait for Alex to kill Raku before making a big move.

"Lightning Spear." She created a lightning spear, shooting it toward them.

"Dual Joy Slash."

The first elder struck the lightning spear at the same time. He managed to destroy it, but it also blew him away.

Finding this opportunity, Jeanne raised her hand toward the second elder. Unbeknownst to her, the first elder sighed, looking at Jeanne with a mysterious expression.

"There is no choice..." His sword started glowing, but his hand began to shake. He bit his lips, feeling the suction force from the sword. The energy started rising, and after reaching a certain point, he disappeared.

"Ethereal Lightning Body First Charge, Spark!" She shot out a lightning strike from her hand toward the second elder.

"Blue Grim Sword." He tried to repel the attack but got electrocuted by the lightning. His hands felt numb, but luckily, the grip was still strong enough to fight. He took a deep breath, pointing his sword at Jeanne.

Jeanne furrowed her eyebrows, wanting to shoot another lightning strike, but...

"Vitality Strike." She suddenly felt death coming from the side and noticed the attack. She used her two swords and created a cross sword wave to counter it.

"Full Body Cross Lightning." The clash between these two attacks created a huge shockwave, but they could only feel this powerful shockwave and keep fighting because they had their own fights.

"Boom!"

The two attacks destroyed each other as Jeanne looked at the first elder. "To think there is a Sword Emperor in this little place..."

"!!!" The first elder and the second elder were shocked to see the powerful attack from the first elder was destroyed just like that. She even managed to discern his power, which was coming from the Sword Emperor's power.

"How can you stop my attack..." The first elder sucked a cold breath. Even the sect master had trouble destroying his attack, let alone this 8-Star Martial Emperor brat who did not even have a shred of Sword Intent. He knew that this little girl only used her element to overcome his Sword Attack from the last attack.

"We have our differences in cultivation. I never care about Intent as to reach the pinnacle of my element." She clapped her hand, creating five lightning spears above her head. She usually used only one spear, but this time, she was going all out after knowing her opponent was a Sword Emperor.

"Lightning Spear."

The first elder sent out the same sword wave, wanting to destroy the spears. Unfortunately, Jeanne's power was beyond their imagination as the attack only managed to break three of her spears, letting the two others slip and fly toward them.

"!!!" Both elders raised their sword, stopping this attack, albeit they were blown away.

Spat They never expected the lightning spears held that much power, as lightning struck their inner strength, injuring a bit of their soul.

Suddenly, the second elder looked at the first elder, sending a thought transmission. 'First Elder... I have a plan... but this will cost us.'

'Plan?'

'Just take a look at that brat. I don't know how she is so strong, but we need to help the young master somehow.'

"!!!" He took a glimpse of Raku's condition and was shocked, never expecting a 1-Star Martial Emperor could bully him.

'His safety is our priority, and I believe he could become a Martial Monarch in the future... might even surpass that 'old man.' Despite his lecherous behavior, he is a prodigy in battle. We can't let him die in this place.' The second elder said with conviction.

'...' The first elder paused a bit before nodding his head. 'Indeed. But this little brat is in our way... If only we have more people, we can capture this brat and make her one of us. This way, there will be two prominent figures in the future...'

'Don't bite more than you can chew. We can only cope with whatever we have now.' He sighed. 'Anyway, I plan to stop her with my life on the line. I want you to use that time to break through and help the Young Master. Break this stupid barrier and escape.'

'She is better than you think, you know...' The first elder pondered for a moment, 'I will blow Young Master's enemy away, allowing us to escape... and I will also be ready to lose a bit...'

'Alright... fine by me... If I die here, I want you to take care of my family.'

'Don't worry, you are my best friend, I will make sure your family won't be bullied inside the sect.'

'Thanks.'

'No, I should be the one to thank you...'

'Let's go.' The second elder looked at him, nodding his head.

The first elder nodded his head with a serious expression, preparing himself for any consequences.

"Good Luck to you."

"You too."

The first elder leaped toward Alex with a furious expression.

Jeanne came to his way, stopping him, but the second elder immediately blocked her way.

"Get lost!" She spun her body, swinging her swords on him.

"Kh!" He felt many painful spots on his body as many wounds appeared on his body. Even so, he abandoned the sword in his hand, and hugged Jeanne, not letting her reach the first elder.

"You Bastard!" The grip was too strong for her to break free with sheer strength alone. She gritted her teeth and swiftly sliced both of his arms before striking her short sword toward the first elder. Unfortunately, because of the second elder's sacrifice, her sword only reached the first elder's right hand, cutting it cleanly.

The first elder slipped past through her, coming toward Alex. At this moment, she realized their true intent was Alex. Without his two hands, the second elder could not stop her anymore, letting her chase the first elder.

Even so, he could only smile as the first elder had arrived beside Alex, swinging his sword.

"You Brat, Die!" He swung his sword. The sword carried a huge amount of vitality, coming from his own very vitality. That energy then absorbed the Spiritual Energy around, creating a move that was beyond his imagination. "Lost Vitality Strike."

Jeanne just made the biggest blunder of this mission, endangering her master life. She could never predict that both elders had prepared to sacrifice their life, gambling just to let the first elder somehow slip her guard.

"Master, be careful! He is-" She realized she was too late and found him being pounced by the attack. "- A Sword Emperor!"

All his spirits and his contracted beasts watched this and felt a sense of loss on their heart.

"Young Master (Alex)!"

Jeanne had no time to relax and made her way toward Alex, trying to help him. Leoz and Anna, who were the closest to him, also leaped toward him, abandoning their fights.

"Boom!" Jeanne, Leoz, and Anna gnashed their teeth, seeing the last clash between Alex and the sword strike. How could they not worry? This was the clash between A 9-Star Martial Emperor in Sword Emperor Stage and a 1-Star Martial Emperor in Sword King Stage. It was even more so when the Sword Emperor used that special technique, creating a colossal gap between them.

After the explosion, they saw Alex was still alive. However, they also saw a huge wound on his chest, dying his clothes to red.

This might be the biggest wound Alex got in his entire life. If not because of luck, he might die because of that attack.

"Master..." Jeanne was devastated, looking at the injured Alex.

Anna's heart beat rapidly, filling her emotion with rage. With the last bit of her rationality, she took out Anya's card and summoned her without warning.

"Anna?" Anya was startled to be summoned without warning, albeit she could not say anything when she looked at Alex. Blood lost, deep wound, fuzzy consciousness, all of those immediately transmitted to her brain. Her staff appeared in her hand as she stomped the ground, creating a yellow sphere to heal Alex.

"He should be fine." Her soft voice filled the atmosphere, halting the battle for a second. The people from Joyful Union Sect were entranced as they never saw someone that beautiful. Even Song Yu or Song Jia could not be compared to her. They somehow glanced at Anna, Jeanne, and Vera, wondering if they had the same beauty.

As for the allies, those words echoed on her ears, snapping them back to reality. Anna turned around, releasing a killing intent that never appeared for a few thousand years. She rose to the air, shouting, "Kill!"

Everyone had the same thought as her.

Leoz raised his sword as he was covered by yellow lightning. Even without Alex's permission, he dared to do it. A pair of horns appeared on his head, making him even more ferocious with the tengu mask. "True Spirit Body, Thunder Berserker!"

Not only him, but even Fabio also enveloped his body with fire, giving him an appearance like a flame elemental. "True Spirit Body, Ifrit Spirit."

A pair of beautiful ice blue wings appeared on Vera's back. "True Spirit Body, Ice Phoenix Spirit."

"True Spirit Body, Fortress." Greg also activated his True Spirit Body despite having no change in his appearance.

"True Spirit Body, Exquisite Water Body." Fish scales started appearing on Jean's skin, and even his teeth became sharp, looking like a Fishman.

Sherry and Kyle also revealed their real form, a celestial fox and a phoenix, but before they could finish the transformation, Stina dove from the sky, crashing their heads on the ground to turn them back. She was also furious about this, but if these two also changed, revealing a whole beast form, they would be very noticeable, unlike the spirits. To prevent any trouble from occurring, she could only grit her teeth and pin them down.

"Uoh! How can this happen..." Artur gnashed his teeth as he raised his sword. "By the Spirit God's Blessing, This body shall become my sword, and my sword shall become my body. Let this entire existence cut through all enemies, Grand Cross!"

"!!!" The elder noticed this and tried to stop him. Unfortunately, it was too late.

Artur stabbed his sword on the ground as the sword rose from the ground, creating a circle of swords with a radius of fifty meters. Their blades extended to the sky, letting anyone see it.