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Chapter 1111

But after a moment of anger, Dina directly calm down.

Because she knew very well that with her current strength, it would be absolutely impossible for her to do anything to the Green Planet's Consciousness.

In fact, Dina didn't even realize the Green Planet's Consciousness's existence from the very beginning until the end.

It was as if there was an unknown figure watching over them but they couldn't even sense that figure. No matter where they looked at, they couldn't catch on where the Green Planet's Consciousness was watching them.

If Dina had to describe the feeling, it would be somewhat eerie.

And she honestly didn't really want to think too much.

Because even without the Green Planet's Consciousness's arrangement, she never liked her life that much.

Mostly because many people in her life were those whom she hated.

Her so called family members were big b*stards whom she only wanted to beat up and torture if possible. The other demonic magicians were all people without any moral bottom lines who only liked to commit crimes.

But these demonic magicians have all left.

Is it all the Green Planet's Consciousness's arrangement?

Dina didn't dare to think about it.

Because she could remember the hopelessness and despair that she felt when she realized that no matter what she did, she couldn't do anything.

One step wrong, every steps are wrong.

She could never change anything.

It was infuriating.

But Dina didn't dare to think deeply about how much the Green Planet's Consciousness was involved in this matter.

Because Riya did say that the Green Planet's Consciousness was making arrangements but would not directly get involved in their lives.

So on a personal level...

Their actions were still something that they decided from the bottom of their hearts.

"Only those two from Continent Y are the most miserable if I have to think about it." Dina remembered hearing Peter said that there was a shield around the passage's entrance on Continent Y.

The three returnees from Continent Y were basically forced to stay on the spot to fight against the magic beasts.

That level of control...

If there was no Green Planet's Consciousness's hands on them, Dina would never believe it.

But it also showed that most of the time, the Green Planet's Consciousness would not interfere with their own decision.

And the Green Planet's Consciousness seemed to have known what their answer would be from the very beginning.

So it was only guidance.

Still...

Dina still disliked the Green Planet's Consciousness greatly.

Who are you to control our lives and made us live the way you want?

She didn't like the fact that the Green Planet's Consciousness was actually making her suffer so much.

Even if some of these should be attributed more to her own life choice....

But for some reasons, when Dina heard about the Green Planet's Consciousness's involvement, she couldn't help but want to shift all the blame to him.

This is normal operation.

In fact, many other people would probably do the same as Dina.

Because there were too many unsatisfactory things in their lives and when there was someone whom they could blame... they just want to put their blames on the other party.

The Green Planet's Consciousness's existence was not something that could be mentioned lightly either.

When they were on the Green Planet, Dina didn't like the Green Planet's Consciousness.

But she didn't say much.

Now that they were outside the Green Planet's Consciousness's range, Dina really wanted to find a place and curse the Green Planet's Consciousness so loudly until she emptied all of her curse vocabulary.

Since Dina has been living among many wicked people due to the influence of the demonic magician's characteristic and the type of people they attracted... Dina had absolutely no problem to curse someone without repeating the same word for an entire hour.

And this was precisely what Dina was thinking right now.

She wanted to curse the Green Planet's Consciousness.

If possible, curse it for at least half a day.

Only then would she feel a bit more satisfied.

"Hmm?"

Dina saw Riya suddenly turned her head to the back as if sensing something, but she just glanced to the back and couldn't see anything.

Perhaps for Dina and Samuel, the passage was very confusing.

There was no clear direction nor any clues.

It was all black, grey, and the color just twisted together messily. It just gave them impression that they had descended into a chaotic space.

"Is there anything wrong?" Samuel also stopped and asked Riya. He held her hand tightly, worrying that there was something bad that happened.

"No... I just sense that the passage seems to be forcefully terminated on one side," Riya said. "It's a strange feeling and it seems that we would arrive on the other side soon enough."

She had the feeling that the one that was being cut should from the Green Planet's side. The Green Planet's Consciousness had made its move and cut off their connection.

They couldn't return.

Riya blinked her eyes, suppressing the feeling of loss in her heart as she looked at Samuel. "Get ready."

"Ah..." Samuel nodded.

Dina pursed her lips when she heard that and collected her mind as her gaze become sharper.

But when she saw the two people who were still walking leisurely and even chatted calmly...

Dina: "..."

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Green Planet

The aftermath of the battle was immense.

No matter which continent it is, they were all busy with various matters and had to take care of the families of the people who have fallen on the frontline.

Yes, the returnees were taking the hardest brunt.

But this didn't mean that there were no other soldiers who fought on the frontline. Many of them were not even soldiers and only members of the association.

Such as the Magic Association or the Martial Arts Association who also joined in the battle and war.

Even if many people were already prepared....

When they received the news of their family passing away, many couldn't stop their tears from pouring down.

Chapter 1112: Amelia

Amelia was looking at the people who were busy in front of her with a dazed look.

The passage was closed yesterday, but she felt as if it had just happened not long ago, which diluted her joy of reaching rank 7.

She should have been happy.

But instead of happy, Amelia was simply sitting on the verandah of the Jones Family's Residence with her hand holding the necklace that Riya had prepared for them.

When did Riya prepare it... Amelia had no idea.

Perhaps when she was still in another world or before her departure.

As for when she had come back...

That's absolutely impossible.

Amelia didn't believe that Riya would have enough time to make these trinkets when she was busy with the preparation for the grand magic beasts' tide.

Riya didn't tell the others about the Green Planet's Consciousness's matter.

Not even through any message.

So they couldn't understand why Riya and the others chose to leave through the passage at the last moment.

Perhaps, they thought that this is the way out.

Or they thought that this just a stopgap measure.

None of them truly explained.

And the Green Planet's Consciousness clearly didn't want Riya to explain clearly about the future. It wanted the people to wonder about the future and didn't try to self destruct.

Because magic will change many things on the Green Planet.

Without the Green Planet's Consciousness's supervision, it didn't know whether the Green Planet would be able to survive long in the hands of humans.

The good things is that those real high ranked magicians were all people with good self awareness aside from the few returnees.

After all, the government basically invested most resources on the soldiers who could help them to defend against the magic beasts. They were also the most talented ones and everyone had passed the screening before being selected.

No one wanted to let people with dangerous thoughts to become the strongest person on the Green Planet.

That's why the Green Planet's Consciousness believed that there wouldn't be any major problem on the Green Planet in the recent period of time.

As for the future....

That's not something the Green Planet's Consciousness would concern itself with.

How humans eventually destroyed themselves were not something the Green Planet's Consciousness was interested in to watch.

The Green Planet's Consciousness also didn't care about the people who were left behind by the returnees.

Granted, most returnees no longer have any family members.

But they still have some friends and others who might have some connection with them, left behind on the Green Planet for they were unable to go along with them.

Riya and Samuel might be the one having the deepest connection with the people here.

The Green Planet's Consciousness did nothing to stop them.

No, rather than stopping them, the Green Planet's Consciousness even let them interact with their family members more before Riya truly realized what the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted them to do.

Now, Amelia was at loss.

She has the power that she wanted.

But she was no longer in the mood to appreciate it.

She didn't want to train either, feeling that it would be pointless and that blindly training wouldn't result anything.

Besides...

Even if she were to do something, can she change the past?

Change the fact that her brother and her best friend had left her behind on the Green Planet for some reasons.

Faintly, Amelia could hear the sound of laughter and crying from outside.

Some soldiers and others still lost their lives in the grand magic beasts' tide.

It was inevitable.

Riya, Samuel, Dina, and even Peter were working hard to take on the greatest burden and protected the people behind them as much as possible. But it was impossible for them to take care of others all the time.

At the end of the day, they had to save themselves.

If they were not strong enough then they could only accept this fate.

Pssh...

"It's cold!" Amelia jumped back and glared at Arnold, who had come to her back with a can of juice in his hand at some point of time. He pressed the cold can of juice on Amelia's cheek, letting the cold startle her.

Arnold smiled. "This is the new type of juice that the research institute made. Try it?"

Amelia looked at the bottle and saw that it was indeed a new brand that she had never known before.

Then again, there were a lot of new brands rising in the past few years after the destruction of the old society.

"Okay." Amelia pursed her lips and took the can before she looked at Arnold up and down. She could see that there was a huge black circles around his eyes, indicating that Arnold hadn't actually rested properly.

For them who were fighting on the back, they were basically working in three shifts, so everyone were only responsible to fight every eight hours. This would guarantee that they could replenish their strength in time and would not have to fight to their death.

It was a humane system.

But this could only be given to those who supported from the back while the returnees have to fight 24 hours a day.

They have no break whatsoever.

And it was because they have the ability to fight that they were given the position to fight on the frontline like this.

"...What did the people from the research institute made every day?" Amelia couldn't help complaining after she tasted the juice. It felt quite good, but she didn't understand why they would even compete jobs with the businessmen.

"You have to ask your friend for this." Arnold had no idea about it and he sat beside Amelia, looking at the people walking back and forth on the street.

At this moment, Arnold was relieved that he had no work to do.

Otherwise, it would have been impossible for him to be able to stay here and accompany Amelia.

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"Hmm..." Amelia thought about Ruby and finally decided against asking the other party about it.

The girls were basically crying all night long yesterday.

Ruby had to postpone her works because she kept on making errors and didn't want to waste more resources. Her state of mind was clearly not in the best situation for her to work.

Claire also found out about this, but Amelia hadn't handed over the necklace that Riya entrusted her to pass to the other party.

But she had already sent the message in their chat group.

Sophia was still in City A Base temporarily.

But right now...

None of them really wanted to see each other.

"There are not many high ranked magic warriors by now," Arnold said while sipping the drink. "Uncle wants me to ask you whether you're planning on entering the military or the government."

Amelia's face twisted when she heard Arnold's question and she immediately answered, "Neither."

She disliked the military's rigid nature and the strict regulation there.

As for the government....

Just remembering how dirty it was with so many scheming people around, Amelia felt that it would be better for her not to get involved in the slightest bit. She might not be stupid, but she didn't think that she could possibly compare with those old foxes.

Rather than putting herself in difficult situation, Amelia felt that it would be better for her not to make trouble for her family.

Because Amelia knew that if she ever got into trouble, there would be many people who would help her to get out of it.

She didn't want to increase their burden more than this.

"Then I'll tell uncle." Arnold nodded.

Amelia turned around and pulled Arnold's hand, her eyes narrowed dangerously. "Why did my father not come back to ask in person?"

"Because he had to deal with the aftermath of the grand magic beasts' tide," Arnold replied unhurriedly. He rubbed Amelia's head and then said, "Your father had no time to go home temporarily."

"...No wonder Mom is so angry." Amelia pursed her lips.

The fact that Samuel and Riya left suddenly was not exactly a secret.

Mrs. Jones also found out about it.

But unlike Amelia who was crying, she showed none of her emotions on the surface and still acted normally, helping City A Base to treat the injured and also count the resources that they have lost and have gained.

The magic beasts' corpses have to be divided by several city bases and it would take a long time for such difficult work to be done.

After all, everyone just wanted a share of the pie.

But it had to be divided in accordance to their contribution, especially because many magic beasts' corpses have been processed on the scene and then delivered to the returnees. What was left would have to be sorted out carefully.

Hmm...

But the most powerful magic beasts' corpses that was dealt with by Riya and Samuel were nowhere to be found.

Only a few that was left from Dina and Peter's battles were left.

But the remains were not much.

After all, Peter asked his team to process it on the spot for him while Dina's magic made it difficult to leave an intact corpses.

"Is that so?" Arnold looked at Amelia helplessly and felt that he really didn't need to hear about the interaction between Mr. Jones and Mrs. Jones in private. While he was not really associated with the government nor the military, he was still working from time to time under Mr. Jones.

It wouldn't be good to know so much gossip about his superior.

Though, this superior is also his father in law....

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"Mhm... I don't know what to do now," Amelia muttered.

In the past, it was not like she was always accompanied by her brother and Riya either. But even if they were not present on the scene, Amelia knew very well that no matter what she did, her brother and Riya would support her.

Well, a scolding was inevitable.

But that didn't matter.

These two people basically pampered Amelia so much that it was almost impossible for her to forget about it.

She had gotten used to it and didn't want to forget either.

Now that she knew her brother and Riya were gone, Amelia really didn't know what to do in the slightest bit.

"Perhaps you can help your father a bit?" Arnold recalled the meeting that Mr. Jones had to attend last night.

He himself was not present on the scene, but he saw Ruben's dark expression when he mentioned about that meeting.

The grand magic beasts' tide had just ended and every continents were busy with the follow up matters. The fact that the returnees were missing or perhaps dead had made many people's hearts moved.

Magic on the Green Planet changed many things.

People were getting used to the new power they had in their hands and it would be difficult to extricate themselves.

Arnold knew this very well.

Many people who suddenly gained power would use it for crooked means and even committing crimes. Coupled with the demonic magician paths that were fully available, it would be difficult for the law enforcement to handle these people.

Even if many of them had died in the repeated magic beasts' tide and so on, it was impossible to remove all of them.

Arnold knew that humans would have to face their greatest challenge yet.

It was the aftermath.

Fighting and wars were done, but the aftermath... the loss and devastation that followed them were still here.

It was absolutely impossible for them to recover right away.

And this time....

There would not be any returnee' deterrence.

Or well, Peter is still here but with just one person, the deterrence would not be as big as it used to be.

Just thinking about it gave people a lot of headaches.

As for other rank 7 magic warriors, magicians, and so on.... There were only a handful of them in each continent.

Chapter 1114

"How can I help?" Amelia asked quickly.

"Just stand beside your father and it would be a great help," Arnold said with a smile. He knew that Amelia was not suited for anything that was too brain consuming because it would be too tiring for her.

Not to mention, whether Amelia could understand or not was another question altogether.

With her intelligence...

It was actually a bit worrying.

But as long as Amelia did nothing but to stand beside her father, it would already stop many people from trying to take advantage of their current situation. After all, City A Base's strength would decrease without Riya and Samuel's banner.

The two people might not be here often, but just their names and the fact that they were the strongest in the entire world had made people unwilling to be on the bad side of City A Base.

Now without them, Arnold knew that some people had already started to make a move.

Besides....

"Did someone make trouble?" Amelia asked.

"Ah, some magicians from the Magic Association who are still alive are now accusing City A Base for abusing their power and forcing them to fight," Arnold replied and remembered how Ruben was already thinking about sending some specially made evil formation on their direction.

There were not many magicians from the Magic Association left after Riya and Samuel threw them to the magic beasts during the grand magic beasts' tide.

But it didn't mean that there were none at all.

Some people were still annoyingly jumping up and down as if they were thinking that this will make people favor them.

"I'll go there." Amelia's face darkened.

She didn't have any good impression of those magicians from the Magic Association... no, wrong, she didn't have good impression of the higher ups from the Magic Association because many of them were cowards who only knew how to hide behind people's back!

They didn't even dare to fight against the magic beasts and purposely sending the weaker magicians from the Magic Association to fight.

While they themselves hid on the back.

What the hell are they doing, huh?

You want the biggest share of the pie, but you're not willing to take responsibility and shoulder the burden?

How could there be such a good thing in this world?

"I'll go with you." Arnold held Amelia's hand to stop her from suddenly going on a rampage. Thanks to the teleportation formation that Riya left behind, it was easy for these people to come from one base to another.

In the future, this would be their trump card when facing the magic beasts' tide.

...That is if there were other magic beasts' tide.

Because based on the current situation, it was almost impossible for more magic beasts' tide to happen again on the Green Planet.

But who knows what would happen later?

The crack had only decreased but didn't disappear.

And without someone like Riya who could make formation to block the advance of these magic beast, they could only work hard on their own to make sure that they would not be overwhelmed by these magic beasts.

Thinking about Peter's hot blooded personality, he might even personally go to guard the crack on Continent Z for his entire life.

Arnold sighed.

Then again, everyone had different pursuit in life.

What they wanted would not be the same as others, so it would be difficult to push one's idea to other.

And it would also be a disrespect to the other party.

Arnold definitely wouldn't do something like that.

He silently watched as Amelia headed over to her father's office and there were many people who were guarding the place. His eyes narrowed slightly because he could tell that it would not be peaceful.

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Mr. Jones was indeed having a headache. These magicians from the Magic Association were really annoying and they pinned the blame on his son.

But how could he accept it?

"If the Magic Association can't accept it, then you're free to file a complaint," Mr. Jones finally took on a strong front and then tossed them all out.

He didn't want to entertain these magicians from the Magic Association in the slightest bit.

When Mr. Jones saw that some magicians from the Magic Association actually came to City A Base through the teleportation formation, he just marveled at how stupid these magicians from the Magic Association were.

The fact that the mana concentration had decreased was something that everyone noticed.

Even lower ranked magicians and magic warriors could sense that the world was different from how it used to be.

Magic still exist.

But for them to reach the same height as those returnees and those who were already at the forefront would be extremely difficult.

Even if the number of the real powerful people had decreased after the grand magic beasts' tide, it didn't mean that they didn't exist.

Last night, Mr. Jones didn't even have time to grieve before he was plunged into another round of work.

These people would not let him rest.

And he himself also chose to continue working and made his mind busy so that he could forget about all the unpleasantnesses. Even though he knew that his son would definitely know what would happen after he sent such a message and that his decision would affect other people...

But this is something that Samuel had decided.

And perhaps Riya also made the same decision.

Mr. Jones sighed and felt that all children were debts. But this is also the debts that he's willing to carry on.

Now, he just had to continue protecting his other two children so that they would not end up like Samuel and Riya.

It's enough for him to lose one child.

He didn't want to see his other children having to sacrifice for the sake of the greater good again.

Perhaps for other people it was good that they only needed to sacrifice one person.

But for the relative of that person, it's a pain that couldn't be described in words.

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Proud but painful.

Because if possible, they would rather it not have to happen to their families.

And thinking about those magicians from the Magic Association were still thinking of making trouble, Mr. Jones felt that Samuel and Riya were too light when dealing with these shameless people.

It would have been better to throw them all to the magic beasts.

After he finished sorting out the late night's work, he was disturbed by the uninvited guests this morning and Mr. Jones felt headache.

"Are there still any powerful magicians from the Magic Association?" Mr. Jones asked Ruben, who was helping him from the side.

Ruben looked a bit tired, but this much work was nothing much for him who had already reached rank 7. With Riya's help yesterday, he reached rank 7 smoothly and was much more powerful than many other rank 7.

Because the runes that Riya engraved for him helped him to increase the mana inside his mana heart and many others.

To be honest, Ruben felt somewhat at loss for a moment.

But Riya had left behind a lot of things for him and he didn't want to disappoint this teacher of his. Besides, Samuel also left him a message, asking for his help to manage City A Base afterwards.

He had been friends with Samuel for a long time.

Even though his status was more of an assistant in front of Samuel, Ruben knew very well that he loved his work.

And it was thanks to Samuel that he could study it in the first place.

Now that he had the chance to help, he will naturally do so.

It was just....

Ruben didn't know how to feel when he thought that his future paths would have to be explored on by himself. Without anyone to guide him, Ruben knew very well that it would be much more difficult.

But it was absolutely impossible for others to guide him for the rest of his life.

So Ruben slowly but surely accepted this arrangement.

"Hmm?" Hearing Mr. Jones's question, Ruben frowned and then said, "Most of the magicians from the Magic Association have been thrown to the magic beasts by Riya and Samuel at that time."

While Ruben was only watching from a distance, he could still see that Riya didn't hold back at all and all the higher ups from the magicians from the Magic Association were thrown there.

But Riya would not purposely send them to their deaths.

She just wanted them to fight.

So some magicians from the Magic Association were still able to survive through one way or another.

But thinking that some of these magicians from the Magic Association were basically throwing away their so called comrades to cover up their retreat, Ruben's face contorted slightly in disgust and dissatisfaction.

He disliked these magicians from the Magic Association.

But it was also the fact that these magicians from the Magic Association were still important for Continent Z on a whole.

At least, before the entire association was erased, they were still important people on the surface.

"So..."

"There are no rank 7 magicians from the Magic Association anymore," Ruben said calmly.

The rank 7 magicians from the Magic Association was forced to work until his death by Riya and Samuel from the very beginning. Later on, it seemed that he used some kind of forbidden magic in order to get away from the magic beasts but failed.

Well, the situation was a bit miserable.

Ruben didn't watch the scene himself but he heard many other people discussing this matter and they all felt that Riya and Samuel were truly ruthless and cruel.

Though, not many people truly pity the higher ups magicians from the Magic Association.

Because they could tell that these powerful magicians from the Magic Association were actually planning to run away instead of fighting.

Getting such a high strength in such a short period of time meant that they had wasted a lot of resources.

But instead of coming forward to help, they ran away and tried to avoid fighting.

It looked like a waste of resources.

Even though some people were really angry at them, they didn't really say anything and only looked at these people coldly.

No matter what, these people's statuses were indeed higher than theirs.

So they had to remain respectful on the surface.

Thought, many of them didn't really seem to like it that much.

"Hmm..." Mr. Jones glanced at Ruben, feeling that this young man definitely hadn't finished speaking.

"But there are still some rank 5 magicians from the Magic Association. I don't think that there's any rank 6 either, but there are more rank 6 magicians from the Magic Association and I don't have the complete list." Ruben shrugged.

He did try to check out this matter, but he didn't exactly get the chance to do so. After all, the magicians from the Magic Association would not be willing to disclose their entire member lists.

Especially after they offended Riya and Samuel some time ago.

These magicians from the Magic Association were afraid.

Only after they found out that Riya and Samuel would not come back did they start to jump around.

...No, these two people had only left for a day and these people had already raised their chin to the sky.

"I get it." Mr. Jones sighed.

For a moment, he really felt that his son was leaving him a lot of troubles when he decided to leave the Green Planet.

Then again, Mr. Jones also knew that the clash with the magicians from the Magic Association would be inevitable.

Because they and the magicians from the Magic Association have different stance.

It was not impossible to cooperate during emergency but when things calmed down, it was time to settle the score.

"Uncle, I don't think this will trouble you that much." Ruben looked at Mr. Jones calmly. For a man who taught Samuel to become a black hearted businessman... how could Mr. Jones be defeated by those magicians from the Magic Association?

He didn't believe it.

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Mr. Jones gave a cheerful smile.

Of course, he could still work hard and deal with those annoying people, but Mr. Jones didn't really want to move his old bones right now.

He pushed his son to inherit his business because he wanted to retire in the beginning.

But who made Samuel become a training and fighting maniac due to his experience in Afirer Kingdom?

When Samuel came back, Mr. Jones had already sensed that his son was different.

But he didn't ask.

Because he knew that his son had grown up and it was absolutely impossible for Samuel to tell him everything that happened to him all the time. Thankfully, Samuel still came clean to him later on, allowing him to know what had happened.

And the reason why Samuel came to him was because he wanted to hand over the Jones Family Corporation to his hand again.

Mr. Jones: "..."

At that time, he felt helpless towards his first son, but he could only agree in the end because there was nothing much that he could really do otherwise.

Could he force his son to continue managing the company?

With the way Samuel has been trying to steer away from the company and even slowly handed the business back, he could only take it back and manage it again.

Even though Mr. Jones felt a bit painful, he still choose to agree in the end.

After the earthquake happened...

Mr. Jones just felt relieved that he had allowed Samuel to focus on training and didn't have to manage the company. He reached an agreement with the higher ups to set up City A Base and become its leader.

Samuel should have been the leader because they trusted his ability and strength more, but Samuel has different aspiration.

He wanted to become stronger more than managing a city base.

So Mr. Jones could only step forward and take the charge.

Managing a city base was tiring, but it was worthwhile.

At the very least, Mr. Jones felt that it was not a bad job and he was also enjoying his life greatly. He still has to practice under his son's strict arrangement, but it was also for their own good.

After all, if they didn't get stronger, what if they were bullied when Samuel was away.

The logic was sound but Mr. Jones had the feeling that his own son was deliberately making things difficult for him?

This made him remember that when he was young, he also forced Samuel to train hard in order to succeed him.

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Samuel rarely went back after he met with Riya and the two of them were almost always together. This made Mr. Jones wonder if his son wanted to stick around and become a pendant for that woman.

But while speechless, he could also see that the two of them were cooperating together very well.

This made Mr. Jones also happy.

The higher ups were not very happy, though.

They all thought that these returnees were all talented people from various fields. Peter, Dina, Samuel, Riya, and even Murin were people whom they paid great attention after they found out about their status as returnees.

So they had long wanted to make arrangement for these people's lives.

At least, make sure that they would not be used by other continents and all.

If possible, some people also hoped to get closed to these returnees and have their descendants.

With their high talent and inheritance, it was guaranteed that their future children would definitely be as talented as them. No, even if it was not as talented, but the base minimum of talent would have long been guaranteed.

Mr. Jones could see their calculation.

Samuel could also see it.

But they didn't care.

Who would dare to propose in front of these returnees?

Those who dared would have long been sent packing away to their home without delay. Staying here was just polluting the air and taking unnecessary space.

And the problem of the magic beasts hadn't been solved yet.

The higher ups wanted to make trouble but when the magic beasts' tide happened, only these returnees were capable enough to step forward and deal with them. So these people had no choice but to shut their mouth.

They had to take care of the big picture first.

So in this way, no one dared to make trouble and everyone was 'harmonious' to a certain extent.

When the returnees were leaving the Green Planet one after another for their training in another world, each of the continents were also quiet. They were only silently competing against each other in some fields.

Mr. Jones could see it clearly.

But he was too lazy to mention about this matter and he didn't want to get involved either.

Without his son, he would not have the qualification to get to know these people and participated in these things.

So Mr. Jones stayed low key.

He kept on developing City A Base to the extent that it surpassed how it used to be before the earthquake ever happened. While the situation was still not very optimistic in the defense side because there were still many refugees coming from time to time, but things have already improved a lot.

Mr. Jones had gotten used to this kind of life.

But everything was clearly for the preparation of the grand magic beasts tide's arrival.

He didn't fight on the frontline.

What he did was to watch as his own son and daughter in law bet with their lives again and again while they fought on the frontline without stopping in the slightest bit.

It would be a lie if he said that he was not worried.

But Mr. Jones could see that these two people had long made the determination to fight on the frontline until the very end.

So what he could do was to support them.

He just didn't expect that this support would end up with them leaving forever.

Chapter 1117: Aftermath on the Green Planet (3)

From the moment Mr. Jones received the message from his son, he knew very well what Samuel actually meant.

That stupid boy had made his decision.

He could only respect his son's wishes and let him know that his old man was still doing well behind.

"That's right." Mr. Jones chuckled. "But I really want to see my other children's growth."

Ruben heard Mr. Jones' words and silently looked outside.

At this moment, Amelia had arrived with Arnold and then she directly confronted the magicians from the Magic Association. The moment Amelia burst out her strength as a rank 7 magic warrior, these magicians from the Magic Association had turned into a husky.

The arrogance and fierceness directly disappeared.

What was left was nothing more than a group of people who tucked their tails behind their backs and acted like a quail.

To be honest... the scene was a bit hilarious.

Ruben, who had already seen how arrogant and annoying these magicians from the Magic Association were through the video, was speechless.

"Her temper hadn't gotten better," Ruben muttered.

He originally thought that with Arnold around, Amelia's temper could become a bit more gentler.

Just a little bit.

Because Ruben had no hope to have Amelia become such a gentle and soft woman.

It would be nothing more than a dream.

This woman has always been fierce when she was angry and this time was not an exception. These magicians from the Magic Association who came with their heads held high were now shivering under Amelia fierce outburst.

"Well, it seems that the one responsible for intimidation next could be done by Amelia." Mr. Jones nodded in satisfaction when he saw this.

Even when he was with Samuel, he would let Samuel play the bad guy while he played the good guy to control the annoying people under him. Otherwise, City A Base would have been thrown into chaos a long time ago.

Samuel was also very smart and understood what his father wanted very quickly.

As for Amelia...

Mr. Jones believed in Arnold who was staying beside her. He's smarter than her and naturally knew what to do when he didn't do anything to these magicians from the Magic Association.

Sure enough.

Arnold told Amelia and she came with full forces, ready to tear apart anyone who dared to stand in front of her way.

"...Mr. Jones, I'll go back first."

"Hmm, Ruben?"

Bang!

"Dad! What the hell are you doing? You can't even let these magicians from the Magic Association know their places? They're just some weak magicians from the Magic Association who only know how to bark without biting...."

Mr. Jones saw the furious Amelia and then glanced at Ruben who kindly closed the door and black lines appeared on his forehead.

Very good.

Even his own subordinate didn't want to help him.

"My daughter, it's not like that, I..."

"Dad! Do you think I can believe it?" Amelia was still furious. Seeing those magicians from the Magic Association were jumping around like monkeys made her very angry. Her brother had already taught these magicians from the Magic Association a lesson.

And now her father was actually letting these magicians from the Magic Association do whatever they wanted?

She's angry!

"That's..."

"Dad! You're..."

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Arnold and Ruben silently looked at each other and shook their heads tacitly.

They have known the three siblings for a long time and naturally also knew Amelia's personality very well.

When Amelia got angry, whoever stood in front of her way would definitely suffer.

And it was rare for Amelia to truly get angry.

After all....

She's a real troublemaker.

Knowing that she was the one who was at fault, Amelia usually didn't dare to get angry at her brother and would cower in fear. In some cases, she even tried to run away only to be dragged back by her own brother.

sigh

What a handful.

"She's so childish like that and you will have to clean up her mess," Ruben reminded as he looked at the beaten up magicians from the Magic Association.

While it was nothing for Amelia to scold these magicians from the Magic Association, but beating them up might escalate into another problem.

After all, some people were good at using laws to their convenience.

These magicians from the Magic Association would definitely do the same.

"Don't worry, they wouldn't have the chance." Arnold smiled brightly. As a mercenary, he knew the laws like the back of his hand because he had to operate in the grey area to make sure that he would not be caught accidentally.

Some of his actions were not within the legal compliance of law and he naturally knew how to make full use of this.

These magicians from the Magic Association would never say anything after they went back.

Ruben arched his eyebrows and chuckled. "Then I'll leave them to you. I have somewhere else I have to be."

With that, Ruben left without hesitation and Arnold shook his head, knowing where Ruben wanted to be without the need to think too much.

But even if he knew, Arnold didn't care that much.

He simply glanced at these magicians from the Magic Association on the ground and then smiled. "Let's have a proper talk."

The magicians from the Magic Association already felt their entire body hurt from the beating that Amelia gave to them. Now that they saw Arnold smiling and saying that he wanted to invite them for a talk...

For some reasons, their bodies shivered even worse as if they were in the middle of a blizzard.

Help!

The people on City A Base are devils!

...

Ruben walked along the road and greeted the few people who were working along the way. City A Base was not destroyed but many people were injured due to the battle. Not to mention, the resources would be split into the hands of many city bases and City A will definitely not let go of their share.

Soon, he arrived in front of the research institute.

Chapter 1118: Ruby

The research institute has always been researching various things.

From items that could be used for daily lives to items that could only be used during war time.

Their scope was really wide.

Of course, as time passed, Mr. Jones also expanded the research institute into several sections. In this way, the experts could focus in the area they were good at and would not be disturbed by others who came from a completely different area.

Ruben often came to the research institute in the past year and he walked down the road familiarly towards one location.

"Professor Brown," Ruben greeted the old man in front of him kindly. Professor Brown was one of the best biological researcher in the entire City A Base and he was also someone who always kindly share his result with others without any airs.

It could be said that many people on City A Base deeply respect this professor.

Ruben was not an exception.

Right now, Professor Brown had taken a few more students and were teaching them some things related to the magic beasts' parts that they were studying. These students were all very talented and Professor Brown hoped that they could realize what they were envisioning from the beginning.

When he heard his name called, Professor Brown raised his head. When he saw Ruben, his eyes widened slightly in surprise.

"This should be all for the time being. I'll see you all after lunch," Professor Brown said.

The students looked at their watch silently and saw that there was still an hour before lunch time. But since Professor Brown had said that, none of them refuted him and agreed to Professor Brown.

"Yes, Professor Brown!"

With that, the students quickly leave.

Professor Brown sighed and glanced at Ruben in front of him. "That child is still in the laboratory. Your access should allow you to enter the laboratory."

There were several layers of access for the laboratory and Ruben's access was naturally limited because he was not exactly a member of the research institute. But since he worked as Mr. Jones assistant and also has a lot of knowledge of runes that were useful, he was given special access.

For some laboratory that didn't really require high confidential level, Ruben could still come in and take a look from time to time.

"Thank you, Professor Brown." Ruben was grateful to Professor Brown's kindness.

"It's nothing." Professor Brown shook his head. "I should be the one thanking you for always protecting the people in the city."

He knew very well that the grand magic beasts' tide was already over.

For people in the research institute, they could still hear news from outside but many of them didn't usually pay that much attention. Because they were too busy with their own project to care about those commotions.

But this time, Professor Brown had to pay attention.

Because Ruby always looked up at the news from outside.

And when her friends came to pay her a visit last night, Ruby completely understood what had happened.

"It's our job," Ruben replied helplessly.

From the moment he decided to become Mr. Jones assistant, he knew very well that he could not shy away from this responsibility.

Even if he actually wanted to go back and not manage such things anymore, Ruben knew that it was absolutely impossible.

There were too many things that he had to personally oversee because he had been in this position for a long time.

sigh

Sometimes, Ruben even wondered whether it was worth his time to work so hard.

"Yes." Professor Brown was leading the way and then stopped. "She's inside and was busy with her new project. I think it's related to some high ranked magic beasts, but I don't ask the details."

After Ruby completely proved her worth, Professor Brown no longer carelessly enter the laboratory anymore.

He knew very well that his student had grown up and no longer need his tutoring. So it would be better to let her imagination and creation lead her further towards the future rather than following his old fashioned idea.

It would be more meaningful to teach more students and let them soar on their own.

"Thank you, Professor Brown."

Ruben knocked three times before he used his card to enter the laboratory.

From the moment he walked in, he could see Ruby was standing in front of the computer in front of her. But the other equipment was still neatly arranged on the side and there was no sign of use.

It seemed that while Ruby was staying in the laboratory, she was not exactly in the mood to continue working.

"Ruben." Ruby raised her head and pursed her lips. "I'm fine."

She will be fine.

It was not like Riya often came back either.

For some reasons, she and Samuel often went out on their own and would not go back for months. It was not like the others were not worried for them, but they knew that it was useless to worry.

They should believe in Riya more and trusted that she would go back.

In the past, no matter how long Riya left, she would always come back safe and sound. They could have a gathering or just joke around in their chat group, feeling that the days were really fun and fulfilling.

After a short gathering, everyone would be busy with their own life and Ruby was clearly not an exception.

She likes being in the laboratory.

Staying here and working hard on her own or with other researchers gave her a strong sense of fulfillment and perhaps also a sense of missions.

Because she knew that what she made might be useful for the future generation.

Ruby was very happy for that.

When the grand magic beasts' tide first happened, she was a bit nervous and worried but she could only stay in the laboratory. She will pay attention to the news from the frontline and when she received the news that Amelia passed back... Ruby felt that the sky was truly falling down.

Chapter 1119: Ruby (2)

Ruby came from an ordinary family.

To be exact, it was an ordinary patriarchal family that cared more for their son instead of their daughter.

If she wanted something, she would have to work hard to obtain it because her parents would not let her have anything so easily. This allowed Ruby to become an excellent student and earned scholarship.

With the scholarship funds, she did little research on her own that she loved and also saved money for her university.

That's how she managed to enter the same university as Riya and the others.

Otherwise, her parents would never let her go to such a big city on her own and entered a relatively prestigious university.

Other people in their small group didn't have this problem.

First of all, there were a few rich girls in their small group and their family could easily fund their schooling. They didn't need to work so hard for them to enter the university and everything would have been given to them.

It would be a lie to say that Ruby was not jealous at all.

But she knew her family situation and will just work hard to make a difference for herself instead of wallowing in sadness over something that she couldn't change.

Secondly, Riya might not come from a rich family, but her two parents were still sending her money for her living. It was also enough for Riya to study in this university and because of her situation, she applied for lower tuition, which was approved.

This was how the six of them managed to stay in the same university.

Besides...

Ruby also made good friends when she was in this university and she would always be grateful to these people who were willing to be her friends.

After all, not many people liked her rigid personality.

Four years passed by quickly and before they could graduate, the world had already changed first.

Ruby would be lying if she said that she didn't feel at loss.

She was truly confused.

The world she used to know was no longer there and she had to face a completely brand new world that was very unfamiliar to her.

Ruby didn't know what to do.

In the midst of the changing world, Ruby found out that things were not as bad as she thought it would be.

With the help of Riya and Amelia, she quickly settled down in City A Base and managed to live peacefully. While Riya was still out there, fighting against those strange magic beasts and working hard, she was also working hard in the lab.

She couldn't do what her friends did.

Her physical strength was definitely the worst among them and Ruby also knew that it would be difficult to force herself to train.

So she could only follow the magician's training and meditate from time to time.

And the meditation was indeed very useful.

She felt that she had become smarter after practicing and it might be related to the fact that her own concentration had increased and she could focus on her research for a much longer time than before.

Ruby was satisfied.

She hoped that this kind of life could last forever.

But when she heard about what happened out there...

Ruby belatedly realized that her dream could never come true.

They were all fighting a fierce battle with the magic beasts, working hard to ensure that everyone behind them could live safely and peacefully.

But what about themselves?

When there was truly a situation that other people could not handle, they ended up being the one who had to sacrifice themselves.

This made Ruby feel at loss.

She didn't have many good friends.

Riya and the others were among the few people whom she was close to and their relationship had been maintained ever since they were in the university.

Losing even a single one was painful.

And among the five of them, it was obvious that Ruby was closer to Sophia, Amelia, and Riya.

She felt at loss.

Things changed so quickly.

"Even if you can't get used to it so quickly, it's fine," Ruben said as he sat down beside Ruby while looking at the computer in front of Ruby. There was a file filled with nothing but numbers there, making him feel headache just looking at it.

There were also many terms that he could not understand and Ruben didn't try to comprehend it.

Anyway, this is not his job.

"Don't ask me to cry." Ruby didn't want to cry again.

She felt that what she should do was to cherish what Riya had won over for them.

These returnees were all people worthy of respects because they had closed down the passage that brought countless magic beasts to them.

Though their methods might cause sadness for the people who cared for them....

But they could only accept it.

Who made these returnees to be stubborn b*stard one after another?

Once they had made their decision, it would be extremely difficult for others to make them change their mind.

This was something that many people had long realized.

For these people to be selected, each and every single one of them had to be people who would not give up so easily. They had their own stubbornness and things that they would want to achieve no matter what.

Because of that, no one could say anything to these returnees.

Each and every single one of them was simply too stubborn.

"I won't," Ruben said. "But grieve is a privilege that every humans being have, so you don't have to force yourself to work when you're not ready."

Ruby glanced at Ruben and then asked, "Is it the same for you?"

She knew very well that the one who left not long ago was not only Riya but also Samuel. From what she knew, Ruben and Samuel's relationship with each other was really close and it was impossible for him not to feel anything.

Chapter 1120: Ruby (3)

Ruben just let out a faint laugh.

"Having such a selfish friend is really difficult, but it's not like we can't do anything," Ruben said as he took out a space storage scroll.

This was the space storage scroll that Riya gave to him before she left.

As Riya's disciple, Ruben had obtained a lot of advantage and there were even some records of runes at rank 7 and rank 8 written here.

As for runes rank 9....

It was estimated that Riya, who had only reached rank 9 when she came back to the Green Planet, had no time to record the new formation and runes that she made and arranged. After all, those that she passed to Ruben had to be things that she had tried on and mastered.

Otherwise, the record would be incomplete and it might waste their times learning.

Only Riya who has the most profound knowledge of runes would be able to sort out the existing runes so quickly and efficiently. The other rune masters were basically learning Riya's legacy.

What they could do...

She could do even better.

And from what Ruben knew, many records that she gave to him had never been publicized to the public. Because the higher ups could only trade a limited amount of resources for Riya and most of them were donated by her.

Otherwise, it would have been impossible for Continent Z to produce even a single one rune master.

"This is..." Ruby saw the space storage scroll that Ruben took out from a space storage scroll and her lips twitched.

Even though Riya did say that higher level space storage scrolls could contain lower ranked space storage scroll, but most people didn't even have enough money to buy the higher level space storage scroll.

Because only Ruben could make it.

Other rune masters had studied it but even after more than two years, no one could make it yet. Not to mention, they had to suspend the training because the higher ups wanted them to focus on making protection magic scrolls and also attacking magic scrolls.

These were the few magic scrolls that were more important for the grand magic beasts' tide and it had protected many people in a life and death's battle.

"It's from Riya," Ruben replied as he took out another space storage scroll from the second space storage scroll calmly. Only Riya could possibly stack so many space storage scrolls together like this.

So while she looked like she had only given him one space storage scroll...

There were actually a stack of them inside the space storage scroll itself.

"She must have prepared this for a long time." Ruby was surprised when she saw the space storage scroll had her name written on it.

"I found this when I sorted the content this morning," Ruben explained.

He was too busy helping Mr. Jones yesterday that he had no time to sort out the space storage scroll, so he failed to find it. Besides, Ruben knew that Riya had already handed over space storage scroll to Amelia.

He thought that she would put everything she needed to tell them there instead of handing it over to him.

But he found out that there was one for Ruby inside his space storage scroll.

So Ruben took his time to find Ruby.

This was one of the reasons.

Another reason was naturally because Ruben was worried for Ruby's condition. She has received bad news yesterday and didn't have much time to adjust her mental state. Because of this worry, Ruben came over to take a look.

Using what Riya left behind as excuse seemed to be a good idea too.

"I see..." Ruby pursed her lips and then she opened the space storage scrolls. Inside the space storage scrolls were some magic beasts' corpses that were still relatively intact. With Riya's fighting skills, she could easily make sure that her attack would preserve these magic beasts to the fullest.

This also meant that Riya must be much stronger than these magic beasts.

Ruby glanced at the notes that Riya left, mentioning the name of these magic beasts and their ranks. Most of them were only rank 7 magic beasts, but for Ruby, they were all valuable resources that she couldn't get easily.

Even with her current status as a talented researcher with some results, not many people were willing to give Ruby so much resources.

After all, her status was not high enough.

Many of her resources before were also specifically approved by Ruben because he could see the result.

Or it was just to help her.

Aside from Ruben, there was also a large portion of magic beasts' corpses from Riya who was kind enough to help her from time to time.

Even before she left, Riya was still leaving more than enough resources for her.

Ruby felt touched.

And at the same time, determination surged in her heart.

Riya might not be here, but she had to work hard and made sure that she would not disappoint the other party's expectation.

She had to continue her research and if possible... come up with some results that were good enough for the entire world to see.

Thinking about this, Ruby smiled slightly.

"Thank you, Ruben."

Thank you too, Riya.

Ruben saw Ruby getting more energetic and he heaved a sigh of relief secretly. Seeing Ruby's eyes were filled with fighting spirit once again meant that he didn't have to worry about her spirit broken anymore.

She will still continue to produce good result.

Thinking about this, Ruben couldn't help but smile sincerely. "You're welcome. I hope you can achieve your goals."

"Um."

Ruby smiled and then rubbed the space storage scrolls. She looked at the other things that Riya left behind and her face suddenly flushed.

"Ruby?"

"Ah... it's nothing!"

"Your face is red..."

"It's nothing, ah."

"Be careful!"

Ruben saw that Ruby almost fell down and quickly held her. When he saw the thing that Ruby took out from the space storage scroll, he also froze.

In his heart, he screamed, "RIYAAAAA!"