

Master 1001

Chapter 1001 Throwing Rot

The entire group was silent. None of them had any idea how they would handle such a massive monster. Current had said that the dragons would handle the mother kraken but that was too much. It was massive and could easily gulp down an adult dragon in a moment.

"If they weren't water elemental dragons I would think we were doomed." Since Gil had food solace in this fact, Walker chose to as well.

"They will be able to deal with a thing like that much more easily than fire or earth dragons would. I doubt they are lacking a plan. But we should push forward and try to get to the port town today. The sooner we are there to explain what we just saw, the better" Walker didn't feel like leaving everyone in the dark. Even the smallest piece of information could change the outcome of a battle.

Even Midnight had stopped her eating after seeing the massive kraken tentacle. They all knew it was able to reach right up on shore if it so desired. They would need to push on to a place where they could be safer. The number of crabs was also increasing. The rock crabs were clearly coming to land to hide from the kraken and her spawn. If they did not they would easily go extinct in this area if not the entire ocean.

"Do you think it is heading toward the port town like us?" Su was sure that the way the tentacle was facing was indicative of the way it traveled. It was in search of food and there was an entire port that it could hunt. Especially seeing that there were pieces of a ship washing up on shore here.

"Let's just hope that the mother kraken being down here means that the merfolk city is safe as well. It might not have been attacked yet and we can handle the baby kraken before they get to it." The underwater was still a mystery to the party. They had maps of the surface but knew that the maps of the underwater were the same kind of mystery as the caves the dwarves roamed. They would need constant guidance when they went for the plunge.

"Between the lizardmen and the kraken, we really have no choice but to move fast. I feel bad for the rock crabs. They are in the same position as us." Gil doubled his effort to move forward. He didn't like the feeling of being trapped between two enemies. Plus the rock crabs were not exactly harmless either. Some of the larger ones could easily take a snip at them with their claws if they so desired.

"From what I can make out, that up ahead is the sand bar that starts the harbor. Around the bend we should be able to see the docks. I just don't like that it seems too quiet around here." Walker was glad that it appeared the party had come out near their destination. However, that meant the mother kraken was also near their destination and where she was her young would not be far. Overall they needed to be ready for a fight in an instant.

"Duck!" Su jumped in front of Alice as a pointed rotting stick flew at them from the swamps. The marshy land had come closer due to the bend in the sand bar up ahead. This gave the lizardmen the chance to fire back at them.

The rotting stick hit Su's twin shields and bounce to the ground without any damage to her, However, Su knew that this couldn't be the only one. "I will raise an earth wall as we go. It will be made of sand but it should work." Walker used the eternal orb staff form to channel the earth elemental mana faster and caused a sand wall to rise just as another pointed rotting stick was thrown near them.

"I can't even see them through their camouflage. If I could see them I could snipe them down." The annoyance that Gil had was mirrored by Midnight who wanted to sneak there and take them out. But they both knew that they were not well equipped to deal with monsters that ad the swamps as their best possible fighting territory. The lizardmen could blend it almost perfectly to the swamps. They could also take advantage of them in any battle in any number of ways.

"Walker, I am switching shields. We will make an earth fortress. You will need to move it while we go around the bend and get near the port." Su swapped her twin shield on to the back with the earth dwelling shield. Alice and Remy were right next to her so that they remained in the range of protection.

The earth spirit was pushed awake within the shield and used the stored up earth elemental mana to force the sand in to a round dome. With the push from Walker, it expanded more and easily covered the entire party. Alice had not been inside the earth fortress and was caught off guard slightly by the change around her. However, they still could tell where the rotting sticks were shitting. This encouraged them to move faster.

"Fleur, I will rely on you to help me guide us. I can't leave an opening or else we might get hurt." Since Fleur could sense the mana the best she was more than happy to help. She felt the urgency and hated the rot that was attacked to the sticks being thrown. She had no ill will toward the lizardmen except for the fact that they threw things that increased the rot and decay of the swamp lands. Some rot was necessary for nature but the excessive amount in the swamp lands was painful and ugly.

Chapter 1002 Nature Spirit Mysteries

"To the right a little more. We are getting too close to the water." Walker still had some sense of where the salt water was. But he was relying on Fleur to pull on his hair slightly. The rock crabs that they passed also added to their trouble. When they would be buried in the moving sand, which Walker found easier to move with his mana, they would break up the wall and cause there to be weak points. But if they got inside they would snip at their feet with their claws.

"Midnight, Get those two crabs!" Gil had taken the job alongside Midnight of ending the crabs that got inside their earth fortress. Mostly because they became aggressive in the confined space. Also because Walker was still able to store them away with one free hand. Multitasking was a skill that not many could pull off but one that Walker was glad he could manage.

Midnight was gladly taking care of the rock crabs because she knew they would be a meal. But more so she could feel the annoyance that Walker had with every single one that would interrupt Su and his focus on defense.

It was not that the party wouldn't be able to beat the lizardmen. But they would not be able to beat multiple in their own territory. The lizardmen were larger than the party had realized along with the fact that even Gil's sharp eyes couldn't see through their camouflage. They were dangerous for that very reason. Being able to win in a fair fight was one thing, being able to win when there were only disadvantages was another.

"Wait, I think the attacks stopped." The entire group stopped and listened like Remy was. The sand around them was not moving at all.

"Su, take your shield and hold it to the sand. I will use my mana to open a small hole and you put your shield where it p[opens]." Walker wanted to make sure they had defended against the danger. He had the feeling that as much as people said that lizardmen didn't have intelligence, that it was false. They just weren't intelligent like the other monsters or races around.

Without any question, Su followed Walker's idea. In just a second of opening the sand, a rotting stick hit the earth dwelling shield and splintered in to pieces. "I don't think I would have been able to notice that and hit it so fast." Gil was astounded as Su pulled back and Walker fixed the hole at the same time. He was sure that his own skills with bow and arrows were higher than most people. Yet, these lizardmen were so accurate that they had noticed the smallest start of a hole in their defenses leading to a perfectly thrown attack.

"They have pure instinct. I wouldn't be surprised if they follow us until we near the edge of the swamplands and begin to see the town. But we need to move faster. There is only so much mana that my partner can use." Su was feeling the lack of mana in the earth dwelling shield. The longer they had to be in this position the more it would put pressure on the earth spirit. She didn't want to exhaust it and end up getting any of them hurt.

"I can try to pull more earth mana this way too." Walker put some of his mana to work and tried to help the earth spirit dwelling in the shield to fuel their skill. But before he could he felt that Fleur had begun to act with him again. She had caught on to the situation and knew that they were not going to fight the lizardmen. But that didn't mean that she would just sit there waiting.

There was a small pulse of natural mana and the earth elemental mana below them rose from the depths. It was a small amount of natural mana but due to the one using it and how concentrated Fleur was in her control, a lot of earth elemental mana responded. This was the difference between an elemental spirit and a nature spirit that would one day be a true world spirit. Not only was the potency of mana and control higher, but the results of their actions resounded much clearer in the area.

In less time than they could blink, the sand walls became much more solid and easily moved with them. Su's shield felt heavier and she could see small pieces of the sand forming bridges to it. Fleur collapsed back on to Walker's shoulder and he realized that his control was no longer needed at all. There were also muffled hissing sounds from the lizardmen at the edges of the swampy forest area.

"We need to move now!" Su began to push forward at a voracious pace. She could feel the strength that the earth spirit was using and she did not want to stress it any longer. She could also tell that the earth spirit was absorbing all the excess earth elemental mana and she did not want any of it to go to waste. It was a feeling right in her gut that told her they needed to get to safety immediately.

After about five minutes of nearly running in the moving earth fortress skill the sand collapsed around them and Su dropped the shield to pull the twin shields out and defend the party. But instead of the edge of the swamp lands and the beach, the group only saw the rounded bay along with the nearby village guarded by many more people than they had expected.

"That was crazy. I didn't know Fleur could do that!" Gil and Remy were oddly in sync as they exclaimed this. But when they were about to start arguing the earth spirit from the shield materialized outside of it and quickly melted in to the spirit mark on Su. They were dumbfounded by the high earth mana that every single one of them could feel.

"I think the earth spirit is growing to become a high earth spirit...Fleur...you can do that?" Walker was just as stunned as the others.

Chapter 1003 Wreckage

"Fleur, you and Midnight need to learn to speak soon alright?" Walker gave Fleur a small pat on the head while also giving Midnight a slight smirk. He was most excited for them to learn how to speak themselves. Fleur was most likely going to be able to speak completely whereas a regular elemental spirit would be able to speak with mana only. It was mostly a feeling but with all the elemental mana combined in to natural mana, Walker couldn't imagine Fleur wouldn't be able to speak.

Midnight just needed more time. She had long heard the party speak but she had never spoken a word. It was foreign to her since she had just gained the ability to shift in to dragonkin form. But again, she needed to get used to that form first.

"I want to keep understanding what happened with Fleur, the earth spirit, and just everything but..." Remy trailed off while looking at the mounds of destroyed wood on the shore and even some larger pieces floating about the harbor. Every once in a while a ripple would show smaller tentacles from the kraken young.

"I don't think any ships are even left at this rate." There were none on the water from what Gil could see and the docks had been barricaded so anything inside the village was obscured.

"I wonder what the golems are doing?" Walker found that there were a group of golems digging a little ways from the water. They seemed to be commanded by one of the dwarven royal guard that had been at Genesis before.

"I think it is some kind of trap maybe? I don't know. Let's go look before we enter the city." Su took the lead again in her curiosity after brushing off her thoughts about Fleur and the earth spirit. She was also trying to distract herself from the exhaustion she felt from maneuvering away from the lizardmen attacks.

"Alice, how are you feeling?" Walker was sure that Alice was tired. She was walking slower but it appeared that she was still able to keep going. Her eyebrows were furrowed with determination and he could only hand her some water before he continued on. If he mentioned that he was proud of her or that he could carry her he was sure that she would be angry. This was her first real adventure with them and they were just getting to their goal. They had people to help.

"Brother, sister says she can smell pepper and garlic." This was an off mix of smells but as Walker began to sniff the air as well he picked up on it. His eyes drifted to barrels floating in the water that were partially broken open.

"It looks like the ships were carrying goods. I hope we can help any survivors. Maybe they can come to Genesis and grow their business again?" Walker wanted the best for people and knowing that there were many most likely hurt and at a loss because of the kraken spawn made him furious.

"Alma!" Remey took off in to a run as she recognized the familiar face. "How long have you been here? I thought we would beat you."

"Remey? I was surprised that we did beat you but we have only been here a few hours. The enforcers are traveling through the village to help out with injuries and set up sentries. I was about to start growing some razor whip weed so I can seal off the bay. If I can manage that then we can prepare for the trip in the water." Alma had it all planned out but was thankful that the party was here to help as well.

"We were wondering what the digging was about. You are making your own underwater greenhouse. Very smart." The compliment was slight but it was enough to make Alma hold Gil's gaze for a short while.

"Did Current and his elder dragons arrive yet? I thought they may have already started the battle." There was no sign of any dragons around and it was worrying.

"Not that I know of. But there has been some dragonkin that arrived and wandered down the beach to scout. I would assume they are preparing just like me." Even though Alma had just shown up, it was good that she had been able to figure so much out.

"We are going to enter the village and see what we can do. Alice, Onyx, and I need some rest after cutting through the swamp. Between the purple blood worms and lizardmen, we used a lot of mana." Su knew that they would need to be at their best and was forcing herself to rest. She could also feel the unusualness from the earth spirit residing in the spirit mark and needed time to relax.

"I will scout a good vantage point and try to take a few long shots at the young krakens. If we are going to cut them off with the razor whip weed then we should be able to lure more in." The idea seemed

crazy but with the help of the dragons, they might be able to take down a large chunk of kraken spawn at once. It was a simple work smarter not harder idea.

"Good luck. My enforcers will help with whatever you need. The dwarven golems have been an excellent help. There are more inside the village as well. Apparently, some of the kraken spawn attempted to get on shore but were forced back." This was a bad sign to hear but it could be remedied with the help that was arriving and still would arrive.

"I will ask you about your new plant later. I want to see what alchemy ingredients there are around here. Maybe I can make something useful." Remy followed Gil ahead toward the makeshift walls that blocked off the village from the danger in the waters.

Chapter 1004 Makeshift

The walls were roughly thrown together wood from shipping crates and other dock tools. There were guards patrolling it that were wearing various merchant symbols. This was normal for the hard bar village since it was mostly owned and run by merchant groups so that they could send their goods farther away. The northern city across the desert was only accessible through the desert and most people would not risk such a dangerous journey.

There were many homes that had been dismantled to keep up the wall but more interestingly there were many places where damage from water or force had been repaired. It was clear that there had been multiple instances of the kraken spawn attempting to get on shore to eat the residents of the port town.

Another notable activity came with the people rushing around. There were many that were sailors or merchants that appeared very muscular from the constant work transporting goods and moving things around. With them, there were many merfolk as well. "I see you have arrived. One of the merchants' guard came to tell me as soon as they saw a group near the port. I hope you can help us. Miss Alma had already begun her preparations." Leon rushed over brandishing a long blue spear with many carvings and a heavy sense of water elemental mana around it.

"We ran in to some minor troubles in the swamp lands but managed to make it here. We thought it would be faster but apparently, everyone else arrived about the same time as us." Walker knew that it was them who had left a little later and had to push themselves to arrive on time. If they had not cut through the swamp lands they would have been a day or two later than the others and there could have been a worst case scenario they would have been too late altogether.

"You are here and that is what matters. As you can see there are not many places to rest. Please do as you wish. The merchant groups have banded together to protect this place at all costs. Many can not take their families away to start over elsewhere. Too much is invested here." Leon knew full well that this was also one of the major points of communication with the surface for the merfolk. That and the merchants often hired the merfolk to help protect ships on their travels.

"Some of the party will rest while I get a feel for things. Gil is going to meet with the enforcers and find a spot to start picking off and attracting more kraken spawns. But notify everyone that we saw the mother on the way here. There was one much larger than a whale which seemed to be eating some parts of a ship it destroyed." The warning was important but caused a great look of despair to grow on Leon's face.

"We tried to stop them but there was one group that wished to flee back to their northern home. They left without anyone being able to stop them and their guards. If you came from the south beaches they were most likely driven that way by their fear. They didn't even bring a proper captain." This was not something Leon was proud of. It was his failure not stopping them and as far as he was concerned their lives were on him.

"It happens. We all have the choice to do what we want. If they had stayed who will never know the outcome. There are more important things to worry about now." Walker gave his condolences before Remy split off from them completely with Gil also leaving.

"I will leave you to it. We are preparing to cut off the harbor altogether. My father has sent a small school of mages." Part of Walker wanted to go meet the merfolk mages but knew that he had to focus on other things at the moment.

"Alright. Let's go over there. It appears to be a small chapel. I doubt there are residents but since Alice can heal it might be best." Su and Alice both nodded. They could rest then start to heal those injured. It would be better for them to do this than just sit around waiting. "Onyx, stick with them for now. Midnight and I will take a walk around to figure some things out." The lethargic Onyx barely responded before slithering on to Su's shoulders. He needed rest more than he expected after the swamp lands. Using his newer skills was something he had not been ready for.

Alice didn't seem to want to wait but knew she would be a burden instead of a help at the moment. Instead, she chose to stick close to Su. She had a great many questions about some things she had noticed while they were traveling thus far that she had not wanted to burden Walker with. Su on the other hand appeared to know this was coming and had prepared herself for such a situation.

"Midnight, I know it will be hard to resist while we wait, but don't practice trying to breathe fire with Su and shifting in to your dragonkin form. I don't know when we might be attacked but it could be very dangerous if you and Su are tired when something happens." The slow nod from Midnight was all Walker needed to know that she was taking his words with the utmost seriousness.

There was a lot of tension in the air. Many people paced around and fidgeted through things they had with them. It was clear which families had used their homes for walls or given up their beds for some safety. Walker hated it. He knew this should be a safe and bustling town full of promise and growth. His resolve to save and protect only increased as he headed toward the makeshift walls that overlooked the waters.

Chapter 1005 How To Sew The Seeds

The view that Walker saw when he climbed to the top of the makeshift walls was not one he wanted to see or even remember. There was a lot more damage than he could see when they were nearing the port town. Many ships that had once been the pride and joy of merchant groups were now half sunk or broken and floating about.

There was a heavier and heavier smell of herbs and spices for burning in the air. There was also a small layer of oils from some of the torches being transported. But the most gruesome were the parts of animals and foodstuffs floating in the water. "This is not good.?" Walker could only imagine how much money was lost and how many people had already lost their livelihood from this damage.

"This isn't even the least of it. We didn't even know what was going on until the merfolk pushed through and warned us. The first attack was enough to take out the small fishing vessels. But they struggled for weeks before they started to disappear." The merchant guard standing at watch heard Walker mumble to himself and responded.

"How have the attacks gone? What do I need to know for later when we close off the bay. Alma should be able to trap them and we can exterminate and make a safe area." Walker wanted the inside information. These merchants had been dealing with attacks and such for days now, if not longer.

"The small ones are really soft and weak. We can easily chop off tentacles and their siblings will eat them. It's a disgusting thing. But what they really have at their disposal is ink and water. They shoot blinding inky mist that makes you unable to see the water and even the air sometimes. Then they use water to shoot in a line like a fire breath. It can cut through the wood we use for the walls. That's why there are so many layers that have been patched." The merchant guard was looking exhausted from all the attacks and the stress of watching.

"You have done well so far. Just give everyone time and we will start to get this problem under control." The guard gave a nod before he started another lap around the walls.

Knowing that the younger krakens could send out water spray strong enough to cut through wood walls was very important. Su should be able to block it with her shield but if it came from the mother kraken then they would have to dodge no matter what. But hearing that they had more attacks to stop them from seeing made the situation much more dangerous. The possibility that the mother kraken could completely blind the town without any issue.

"Walker!" Gil called out from one of the higher points on the makeshift wall. In just a few moments Walker was able to run over and take a look. "There are a lot of them in here and they keep eating the food from the ships. If we drop in a little more we might be able to get a frenzy going. One of the guards said that when they sank the larger ship with fresh cattle in it they were ferocious."

Since Gil had gained his own information and was able to make a lot of progress on the plan to attract more. "If Alma can grow a lot of the razor whip weed then we will have some passive damage. The with the dragons joining we might be able to do a lot more. But the few dragonkin I have seen around are surveying the area. They have not spoken much." Walker had not seen the dragonkin warriors much but was surprised that Gil had made out what they were up to.

"It's a good plan but she needs the roots and seeds for them first. Once she has them you can fire them on your arrows to get them to come over." Walker knew that the wither spike arrows would be able to hold a lot of seeds if used right. Ten or fifteen of the arrows would be able to cover the distance." It was sure that Gil would be able to cover the distance in quick succession. But with the enforcer's help, it would be done in one wave of arrows.

"We can work really well together. I am jealous though. They have some arrows that were inspired by the water elemental arrows I made back in the forest. They gather water elemental mana from the air and create a long ice javelin while flying. I want to know how it's made but they refused to give them to me until I traded some of mine with them." There was a childish annoyance in Gil's voice but it was lighthearted compared to the seriousness of their plan.

"It won't be too important what arrows we use when things get messy. I have a feeling that the dragons and dragonkin will have some serious attacks that will start things off heavily. But we just need the path cleared so that we can head in to the water. I won't lie, I am worried about being able to swim and breathe. But there are spells that the mages can use on us." It was rare to be able to use underwater breathing skills and swimming skills but having said skills to cast on others was a massive boon for this battle.

"At least I know I can take out enemies in the water." Gil demonstrated and shot one arrow in to the water causing a flurry of bubbles to rise. There were some tentacles that shot from the water proving the cannibalistic nature of the young kraken.

"Well, Let's see about gathering that food. I can use some from my storage but we might be able to take a lot more if it is offered." The next step was to get the bait they needed from the village. Neither of them was sure how it would go since the merchants had already lost a lot.

Chapter 1006 Head Merchants

Walker and Gil had made the move toward the larger group of families searching for those who would be in charge of the merchants. Leon was already there speaking with a group of five men and one woman that appeared to be guarded more heavily than others. "Ah, Walker. I take it you have seen the current state of the bay? What do you think?" Leon was sure that hearing Walker's analysis would lead to a better plan no matter what.

"The mother kraken doesn't seem able to come in to the bay. I guess it is her size. That's good for us. We can lure in the young and trap them. Then we exterminate them and head toward the mother to defeat her." Walker was sure that the plan sounded simple but that was because he didn't feel the need to explain every little detail with the seeds and how Alma would make them grow perfectly.

Excuse me. Sir Walker. How would you lure them in?" The man that asked was one of the ones that Leon had been speaking with.

"Before that. These are the six merchant heads that own this town. They are responsible for the order and the trade here. They upkeep everything. There are no taxes here since everything and everyone is part of the effort to make a living." It was clear that everyone took pride in this too. Even those that seemed fearful and injured sat up straight when they heard these things. There may have been injured and fearful people around the leaders of the town, but they were still ready to show their pride.

"It is nice to meet you and just calling me Walker is fine. I plan to use food. They have been attacking shops for food. I was told that they even killed off their fellow krakens to eat a ship with cattle on it. If we have more food and start to attack them we will start a frenzy. We trap them and we can slowly pick them off until we are ready to march on the merfolk city to back them up." Walker was sure it would work and he looked forward to seeing the new merfolk city.

"Just take our food to feed those things? That sounds great. We will have the children eat the water and drink the air. That sounds right, doesn't it?" The woman that was part of the group was furious. She didn't see it as the overall greater good to defeat the enemy. Instead, she saw it as taking from those in need. But Walker was ready for such an argument.

"You're right. It would be a shame if there was a small, investment in this [port town's future. Who cares about the value of hundreds of trapped kraken young that could be sold for food and ink used for other things." There was an exaggerated shrug from Walker before he turned to pretend and leave. He had played his card perfectly.

"Now, don't let one rude merchant ruin a good deal. The young kraken bodies are perfect to fund the rebuilding of the docks and boats along with many other things. How about I give you my personal food stores? That should work and I will deal with the bodies." This was the first falling piece that knocked over the entire tower. The merchants started in to a furious debate on using the bodies for rebuilding and money making.

"It's always like this when we have sent my people to make deals. Just give it a few moments and there will be an answer." This was a normal occurrence for the group of merchants. They wanted the rights to sell the kraken and supply their stored food. But they also needed to hold some food for the people left behind in case this didn't go well and they needed to flee.

' Chain quest: Kraken menace- link one

The kraken have taken over a small portion of the ocean. The merfolk came to ask the other races who have joined together for assistance. The heroes have answered and brought themselves to the port which is the most dangerous.

Requirements:

-Defeat the kraken spawn responsible for destroying the docks and countless ships.

-Create a safe area within the port to progress the mission

Reward:

-Second Link

-9 heroic points

- 15000 experience-

The quest that Walker had known would come appeared as soon as the merchants went silent and looked at him. Walker had expected the quest sooner but saw that there was a part about the heroes making the journey to the port. This could mean that the quest really had not begun until they committed to saving the port and had met with the people that lived there and were in danger.

"We accept your terms and will equally hand over food from our stores. But we will require you to abandon your attack on the kraken if it appears the battle will be lost. We lack the carriages to evacuate everyone. If the heroes can stand up and escort them on foot there should be a chance to save everyone while we stay and hold the kraken spawn off longer." The resolve in the merchants' eyes was more powerful than Walker had noticed before. Each one of them was willing to bet their life on this.

"That's what we shall do then. Gil will get the dwarven golems. They will carry the food and throw it in to the water when necessary. Please prepare the guards that will join the attack on the walls and with long range weaponry. I will get everyone else on the same page. We will attack in a few hours when everyone is properly prepared." There were collective nods as the merchants called over their head guards to begin the preparations. It had finally made it to their time to act.

Chapter 1007 Three Hours

"Is there anything at all you wish to ask of me? I know you have taken a great deal of time to come here for my people. I do not wish to burden you constantly." Leon was swelling with pride after seeing Walker work so smoothly with the merchants. He knew that they had come to help and that the party would keep pushing with every ounce of strength.

"I know we will enter the water shortly after the battle concludes and the port is cut off. Can you set up maps of where we will go and any supplies we may need as land dwelling races? I want to make sure my party and the others that volunteer are able to do their best." There were many that had come to assist. Some dwarves were safe inside their leading golems while other golems were autonomous. The enforcers had some mages that would protect them but still, it was better to have more protection than none.

"I will have another word with my water mages. We should be able to perform some large spells after the battle. But we will perform some small water breathing and water pressure protection spells before as well." Leon had already thought of this but would double his process just to be safe and certain.

"I will head toward where we saw the elite guard. There should be more golems around than we think. They can also be the first to enter the water and start the main extermination." Gil was off without a response from Walker. He already knew the gravity of the situation and that they had to split up to make sure every piece of the puzzle came together at the right time.

Since Gil was already off, Walker decided that he should look for the dragonkin that Gil had mentioned were around. He knew that when they joined the little things would massively change. They were most likely the top warriors here and would be better able to take on the kraken spawn. He also wanted to let Current know what he had seen on the southern shore. They may not have spotted the mother again but Walker had the feeling that it was still around waiting for the right prey.

"Midnight, have any idea where the dragonkin have gotten to?" Since Midnight had been fairly silent and carefully watching, Walker relied on her to guide him here. She hadn't just been looking around idly. She had been watching for things that she knew would help them and wanted to take this as seriously as possible.

It took her only a few seconds of looking around before she found the blue scaled dragonkin she had spotted earlier. Her head turned and she growled softly. The dragonkin seemed to hear this even from the distance they were at and stood up straight. They were examining the sword they had been carrying but now they were standing and waiting.

"Come." It was a simple command that Walker knew the royal dragons would use instead of being too personal. The seriousness and high demeanor needed to be used here to maintain the powerful drive for the battle that the dragonkin were used to.

"What can I do to serve you, my lord." The dragonkin began to kneel slightly as he recognized Walker and Midnight from what he had been told.

"Tell Current that the mother kraken was spotted off of the southern shore and that the first step is cutting off the bay. Then we will exterminate the kraken spawn here and move in to the water. It will happen in three hours." Walker turned away and left the dragonkin who jumped to his feet and moved

with his highest speed outside of the town. He knew where Current was and would deliver the information without fail.

"Let's go to the chapel and let Alice, Su, and Onyx in on what we plan to do." Walker hadn't even entered the chapel before. However, he was sure he would be able to do some healing while there. The damages around the town were clearly more than they could deal with. The only problem was that he needed to conserve mana. However, he did not forget that the high priest had sent some of the battle healers with the enforcers. That would take a major weight off of him and Alice who would be joining the main fight.

The chapel in the port town was much smaller than the cathedral. It was used for dock injuries and some illnesses. But most importantly, it acted as a safety net for each ship. If someone were to become ill on a ship then the entire crew could perish because of it. The job of the chapel was to ensure that everyone was fit and well to travel for weeks and months on the ship. The reason the chapel was so small was because it was only a base for the healers that lived here. They would mainly be on the docks and ships to check things.

There were tents put outside the chapel for the injured but it appeared that there were not as many as Walker expected. The door to the chapel was gone and most likely used for the wall. This was to be expected of the church pews as well. It wasn't even a surprise when Walker saw that the long candlesticks were gone toward the wall effort.

The hustle and bustle was the same as the cathedral though. Many people moved and the main injured were toward the front. There was a small crystal emanating a healing aura there that didn't even extend to the entire cathedral. But it was enough for those that were injured and clearly pulled from the water at some point. Walker wasted no time sending a calming wave from the eternal orb staff form. He had healing to do.

Chapter 1008 Start Time

"Walker. You should be saving your mana!" Su found him immediately recognizing the calming waves skill. It was not some small skill that just anyone could use. Her stern expression almost made him feel bad but he responded by drinking a low tier mana potion and looking around more.

"How are things? Are Alice and Onyx resting?" They were the two who had needed rest the most. Walker had definitely been impressed by them but he also knew that if Alice was hurting she might not say anything so that she could keep helping others.

"I forced Alice to sleep and Onyx said he would rest and watch her. Their joint skill on top of the traveling did more to them than I expected. Alice is not used to harsh travel like that." There was audible worry in Su's voice. It was clear that she had seen more of the exhaustion than Walker had imagined would be there. But this was to be expected from constant moving with the minimal rest they took.

"Some of the people that were injured have no way of escaping. They will be left behind. We can not let those things get in here." Based on some of the injuries that Su had seen she knew the dangers of the kraken spawn. Not only were there crushing injuries from the tentacles that grabbed at people but the injuries that came from the water they shot was too brutal. They needed to be exterminated as soon as possible. They could only fear what one of the fully grown adult kraken could do.

"In a few hours we will be attacking them. Alma should have her seeds ready to be planted. It will take a lot of mana for her to control it all so I want you to be there to protect her. The water the kraken shoot should be blocked by your shields and your defenses." There was a confidence in Walker's voice that made Su want to stand there right that second and defend everyone. She knew just how valuable protecting Alma would be since it was on her to keep the kraken trapped using the razor whip weed.

"What about Remy's potions? Will we use those?" Both Remy and Walker had forgotten the new potions she had made. Remy had assured that they would have a big bang similar to the potions that Trish had used. If they dropped them in to the densely packed kraken spawn then there would be a lot of them defeated.

"Yes! I forgot about those! Where is Remy? I need to ask if we can set those up on the arrows too." Walker wanted to get them as spread out as possible. Remy had made a great many potions for their journey and they were ready to be used. The only problem was that there were limits to what could be used since this was just the start of the battle. They would need to head under the water and start the hunt for the mother kraken. This also came with getting to the new merfolk city.

Before Walker could actually listen to Su he had run out of the chapel and was heading toward where Remy was last. He knew that she must have been with Alma and entranced by the growing of the razor whip weed. Walker was so caught up that he did not notice that Midnight had stayed behind with Su. He also didn't notice the flying figures in the sky.

The water elemental mana had been growing in the sky for some time. The elder dragons had been maintaining their altitude above the clouds Current had been preparing to make it rain and increase their power before their dragonkin warriors entered and dealt with the spawn. The hope that he had was that the mother would be attracted by the commotion and there would be a chance to get her on

shore during rain. This would slow the attacks and also make the mother kraken believe that it was safe on land.

"Adair. You did well accepting that boy as a royal, he may be a baby but the events that surround him are more than many royals like myself have completed." This was high praise. Royals rarely ever told their elders such things.

"Thank you for the honor my lord. I believe that they will accomplish a great many things in their lifetime." There was no way for Adair to bow and accept the praise but she was sure to voice it. Mentally she wanted to go down and see just what Walker had done to get this much attention from the royal she served who rarely could be found anywhere but deep inside a pool of pure water elemental mana.

"That little champion he is raising as family will exceed any champion ever to exist within our race. She has already discovered the way to shift in to a dragonkin. I expect her to be able to take a fully human form if she desires within another year or so. Then her guardian. Her guardian is more than meets the eye as well. Even I can feel that she would be able to defend against my attacks."

The dragons flying through the clouds almost shivered hearing this from their royal that was much more powerful than them. They may be purely focused on water elemental mana and understanding so other places suffered. Yet, they had power that surprised any water mages there were.

The last of the three hours passed faster than anyone wanted. But it was enough for Alice and Onyx to recover somewhat. Soldiers, guards, healers, dragonkin, enforcers, and even able bodied family members stood at the ready by the makeshift walls. The enforcers that had left with Su and Alma were the only exception. They would start their first phase of the plan in moments.

Chapter 1009 Save The Bay

Alma and Su stood together as they looked out at the bay. They had snuck to the edges and could see the enforcers signaling with a torch on the opposite side. "Are you ready? It will be a lot at once but Walker gave me some mana potions to help." There was a lot of mana that would be required for Alma to grow so much razor whip weed at once.

"I'm ready. We just need to wait for the signal that they have dropped the bait in the water." There was a tense aura around Alma. She was preparing herself to potentially pass out after using all of her mana. But she would need to make sure that the razor whip weed line was strong enough to hold while Su guarded her.

A slight blue light was visible under the water as a symphony of slashing began to sound across the water. "That is the lure orb skill and the bait. Here we go." Su raised a torch to show that they were on standby and waiting for the kraken spawn to be lured in.

"They really are rushing over..." It was a scary thing. The high number of kraken that were rushing toward the bay. Between the two sides, they enforced could see there were smaller ones that had recently hatched and the slightly larger ones that had been eating for some time. Luckily there was not larger one meaning that the mother kraken had not actually been able to have multiple generations of eggs.

The bubbles that rose from the waters only began to increase. Some kraken spawn fought over the food while some just fought to fight. "Alright. It only took a minute but I don't see anymore trying to push their way in." Alma could tell the water around where they were had calmed. Not a single kraken spawn had noticed the enforcers silently waiting around the waters' edge to fire their arrows.

"I'm ready when you are." Su felt a tap on her shoulder and waved the torch before dropping it. The enforced pulled back the wither spike arrows which had been filled with the tiny seeds of the razor whip weed. The process that Gil had set up was perfect. When the arrows hit the water the force would cause the arrowhead to fall apart. The idea to cut away the pieces just a little was what had spawned the seed releasing arrow head.

Since Alma was going to be manipulating the seeds as they grew faster than normal, she had infused them with her mana. She had also done some minor crossbreeding to make them sharper. This would deter the kraken spawn even more. Every single ocean monster and animal had the instincts to protect themselves. Especially from the painful seaweed that had evolved to be able to resist them.

The pause while the seeds sank was making every second feel more and more tense. The enforcers watched as the kraken spawn attacked where the arrows had fallen only to find nothing there to attack. But the impressive part came when Alma raised her hands.

A pulse of Alma's mana went out in to the water disturbing the kraken spawn even more, But what resulted that everyone couldn't look away from was not the kraken spawn, but the growth. Green razor thin pieces of seaweed sprouted up and were covering a large surface of the water between the two ends of the bay.

The alight waves were enough for the seaweed to whip back and forth. The thin size of it made it move much more violently and made Su understand why it was known as razor whip weed. Alma stumbled a

little and Su was quick to lift a mana potion to her lips. The process of making all of the razor whip seeds grow even faster than the blue ivy she had was fantastical.

What was really drawing their attention was the new sounds of pained screeching and red water that was coming from the kraken spawn. It was clear that they were not happy to find that they were not able to escape the way they came with the food they had caught. But even more, they were starting to realize there was blood in the water. Food was food. The kraken spawn did not care about what kind or where the food came from. Now they were able to feast and rushed to get to the hurt and dead kraken spawn.

Alma looked to have finished setting up what she needed and started to fall. Another enforcer came and held her up while Su prepared her shields. They were going to be rushing back to the docks where the main attack was beginning. The razor whip weed would be fine for now.

Walker dismissed the lure orbs he had made to add to the attraction of the bait. He saw the massive amount of razor whip weed form and was glad that Su and Alma succeeded. "Gil, it is time to get Remey's potions going. Remey! Now!" Walker shouted to the opposite side of the docs and saw Remey shouting in turn to some of the merchant guards.

In the next second the sky was filled with arrows, javelins, spears, and even more or Remey's potions. The calm set in for just a breath before they hit the water and the kraken spawn screeched out in pain. This wasn't the end through. Remey's potions burst in to an orange light that caused the saltwater to foam and froth. Large waves grew around and came up to the makeshift walls. Everyone ducked to hide from any retaliation that could be coming from the kraken spawn.

Before anyone else could move for the second wave of long range attacks, there was a battle roar from above. A familiar pure water dragon elder plummeted from the sky with her mouth open and water elemental mana surging around her.

Chapter 1010 Organized Attack

The onlookers did not expect an elder dragon to be diving from the sky. However, Walker knew exactly what was going on. The water elemental mana that had gathered and focused in Adair's maw was enough to tell him what would happen. "Get down now!" The warning was loud enough that no one dared disobey.

The concentrated mana left Adair's mouth as soon as she neared the water. The small kraken spawn had sensed her and tried shooting beams of water at her. Yet they fell short as she used her powerful wings to arc back up in to the air.

The breath attack hit the water and the reaction was instantaneous. The water began to bend and fluctuate causing sharp currents and spikes of water to dance around. The kraken spawn within the water were viciously torn to pieces while whirlpools formed. A simple breath attack had sent the entire bay in to turmoil and caused many of the kraken spawn to be defeated.

This was not the end. Once the waters appeared to be losing their ferocious fluctuations the long range attackers started again. "Onyx, see what you can do with your new light spike skills." Walker knew that Onyx was waiting for Walker to give him permission to use the skill. The light spike sent in to the water would be a great way to illuminate any surviving kraken spawn.

"I will sing too." Alice did not wait for Walker's confirmation to begin her song of swords. She wanted to make the best of the situation. Walker had used his multi buff skill earlier which put everyone a little ahead. Now that Alice was actually attacking she was going to make the best. She had already been gaining experience since she had received a quest for slaying kraken and healing others. Yet, this was nothing compared to the experience she was gaining now.

Alice had helped to heal many people before thins. A lot of them had joined the battle so that they could take back their town. This connection was considered as part of Alice's contribution to the fight the same way as the party would receive experience that was split between them since they worked together. Therefore, the fact that she had been able to drink the remaining experience potion Walker had given her before was all the more valuable.

There was intense determination in her eyes as she matched Onyx and let blades of light fall with her song. The growing experience she was gaining along with the light elemental runes on her armor and clothes worked to make the entire environment denser with light elemental mana. This further helped Onyx attack.

The dragonkin warriors were using their skills to throw ice javelins that the water mages had created. They were sharp enough to pierce through the soft skin of the kraken spawn and the speed at which they were thrown often caused them to pierce multiple kraken spawn.

The most impressive show was actually from Gil. He had realized that the kraken spawn were trying to use their ink to blind them but he had acted quickly. The seafoam arrows he had made were being fired at a rapid pace. The foam caught the ink before it was able to dye the water or be shot in to the air to blind anyone. The avoidance of this problem was enough to give the extermination a leap ahead.

"All golems forward march! All Kraken spawn within this area must be destroyed and extracted!" The golems that had been at the edge of the water began their march in to the water. It was a sight, to say the least as their hands had been exchanged with bladed axes and some spears. The kraken spawn remaining had no chance as the golems entered. Every few moments there would be a shift in the water showing the defeat of another spawn.

The merfolk that were above the water entered as well and the speed at which the bay was cleared only increased. The long ranged attacks were left to the enforcers and Gil who were better shots so they could avoid the damage that could come to those in the water. The water mages started to cast spells on those that wanted to enter. One of which was a water breathing spell and the other a swimming speed spell.

However, with the sheer amount of concentrated attacks, there was no need for anyone else to enter the water. Walker was soon watching as body after body was taken from the water. The merchants were not even cheering. Their job was not done. They had made the deal that they would be processing the kraken meat and use it to rebuild the city after its sale.

"Walker, can you help me get Alma to a bed?" Su came back with Alma and the enforcers that had gone with them. She had rushed as fast as possible to meet them and was met by Gil in just a few moments.

Out of the sky came another water elemental dragon which slowed itself and changed its form in midair. Midnight watched carefully as Ciel landed with a soft step. "My lord sends me to notify you. We have sighted the mother kraken offshore. She has caught an electrified eel. The bay attack did not draw her in. But she is distracted for some time giving us the time to prepare and enter the water. We will be ready in one hour."

"I will notify the otters. The merfolk will be guiding us. The path is simple and we will be ready. Tell Adair that it is good to see her again. I will be sure to look for her in the royal court in the future." Walker was not sure if he would have the time to speak to Adair and wanted the message passed on before they were back in battle.