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Chapter 2031: Evolution! Sky King, Master of Wind and Thunder!

In the wilderness.

Lord Victor raised his hand, and the Star Sword flew into his mind.

Gandaph said:

"Thank you."

Victor replied:

"You're welcome."

Ace said:

"Now that the Flame Demon materials are all collected, next, we must focus all efforts on reaching the seven-circle."

The three boarded the Phantom 60 and quickly headed back to the Midland Continent.

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God-forsaken Continent.

Inside the cave.

"Lord Nova, we just received intelligence—Xi Mu is dead."

The Burning Expedition Army's Commander, Nova, who was bathing in magma, opened his eyes, furious:

"What? Xi Mu is dead? Wasn't he up against a few Sixth-Circle Wizards? Moreover, he had an Early Stage Level-7 Black Flash Dragon with him. With such a lineup, how did he lose?"

The demon reporting the news said:

"This... I don't know. In any case, Xi Mu's Abyss Soul has been extinguished. The Gondor Three Heroes—seems their strength is far more fearsome than we expected."

Nova buzzed:

"Forget it. Stop bothering me with such trivial matters. Continue to monitor the Gondor Three Heroes. Offer a reward—one Level-8 Abyss Core. Whoever kills them can claim the prize from me.

Additionally, issue a separate reward for the Deep Blue Expedition Army's commander Lucy: anyone who kills her will receive a Level-9 Abyss Heart!"

The demon exclaimed:

"Abyss Heart?"

A Level-8 Abyss Core was rare but within understandable limits.

However, a Level-9 Abyss Heart—that was a treasure beyond the imagination of any demon.

Refining it could grant even the lowest-tier demon an opportunity to ascend rapidly, becoming a demon lord.

More importantly, refining the Abyss Heart would draw the attention of the Abyss Will.

From then on, one's true soul would gain shelter from the Abyss Will.

Even if killed, one could be reborn within the Abyss without falling under the jurisdiction of the Underworld.

Of course, with a Level-9 Abyss Heart, memory retention during rebirth wasn't guaranteed, and one might turn into a new entity.

However, if luck prevailed and past wisdom awakened, one might regain memories of a previous life.

As for the Level-10 Abyss Heart, that was the supreme relic coveted by every Abyss Lord.

Consuming it would bestow favor from the Abyss Will, akin to those powerful low-tier Abyss Lords treated as its chosen ones.

Beyond gaining long lifespans, even in death, one could be reborn, free from the Underworld's grasp.

They reached the state of undying and immortal—this was the terror of the Abyss.

Of course, both Level-9 and Level-10 Abyss Hearts were extremely rare treasures.

Their origins and formation processes were known only to the powerful low-tier Abyss Lords, who controlled their distribution.

Only a select few lucky adventurers within the Abyss managed to find an Abyss Heart, bypassing this monopoly.

Using an Abyss Heart as a bounty for Lucy demonstrated her remarkable significance.

Great rewards bring forth brave warriors.

Nova believed that relying on the Abyss's absolute power, it would only be a matter of time before they took down that woman!

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Midland Continent.

Gondor City.

Guillermo's accessory shop.

The white-haired wizard stared calmly at the Fire Dragon Shop across the street. A voice resonated in his mind.

[Guillermo, Xi Mu is dead.]

Guillermo's expression shifted.

"What? Xi Mu is dead? Wasn't he tasked with handling the Gondor Three Heroes?"

[The Gondor Three Heroes are far more formidable than they appear. Stay vigilant—has your identity been compromised?]

Guillermo replied:

"I don't think so. Everything is fine for now... Sir, perhaps you could relocate me elsewhere?"

[Continue monitoring them. Commander Nova has already issued bounties. If they leave Gondor City, inform me immediately.]

Guillermo said:

"Understood. I can't believe someone as strong as Xi Mu got killed by the Gondor Three Heroes—truly unbelievable."

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Deep in space.

Before a crumbling world, the Komodo Snake opened its eyes. Projections of Emperor Dagon and the Nightmare Black Dragon Wizard appeared.

Emperor Dagon said coldly:

"Ha! So the Ancient one has perished at last. Serves them right! Useless fool! If only they had cooperated with the Nightmare Black Dragon Wizard, this wouldn't have been the outcome. These Amethyst Race members are truly arrogant! If they're so great, why don't they just obliterate the Wizard Council? They strut around, looking down on everyone."

The Dwarf King was fuming, unable to hold back his frustration.

The Nightmare Black Dragon Wizard said:

"The Gondor Three Heroes indeed live up to their reputation—it's no wonder they've brought you so many defeats."

The Snake Envoy said indifferently:

"Today's outcome—I already foresaw it. The organization has doubled the bounty on the Gondor Three Heroes again. It's enough to tempt some Level-8 powerhouses. Based on what I know, Blood Vortex Venerable has already taken action."

Emperor Dagon said:

"Blood Vortex Venerable? I've dealt with him before—seems to be one of the generals under some sovereign. His true form is a kind of powerful aberrant insect, specializing in the Path of

Duplication. If he deploys his duplications, there's a chance he could capture the Gondor Three Heroes."

Emperor Dagon, relentless in his pursuit of the Holy Infant, remained steadfast.

He turned his thoughts to striking a deal with Blood Vortex Venerable.

On the other side, the Nightmare Black Dragon Wizard was lost in thought. His hatred for the Wizard Council was stronger than even his animosity towards demons.

The organization's bounty for the Gondor Three Heroes tempted him as well. However, he knew the Gondor Three Heroes must have the protection of a Lord from the Wizard World.

At that moment, he couldn't make up his mind.

If he acted, failure would not be an option, or he would plunge into everlasting ruin.

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Ancient Dragon Continent.

Levi and Elena returned triumphant, while Triss returned to the Witch's Family to restore the rare treasure.

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Going to war with Levi this time, she has indeed reaped a lot of rewards.

That Level 7 magic artifact, needless to say, though wizards cannot use it, it has its own value.

Without a heart and crystal core, Xi Mu's Flame Demon body is still immensely useful.

Moreover, Xi Mu is a mid-Stage Level 7 Flame Demon, a high-priority target of the congress bounty list and a key figure in the Burning Expedition Army.

His value far exceeds the Level 7 Early Stage Flame Demon previously hunted by the Holy Infant and others.

She received 1.5 million war merit points, and Elena received 1.2 million.

So, Triss is in a good mood, and her previous disappointment at losing the Demon Dragon Whip has been swept away.

Although Levi didn't directly kill Xi Mu, he also gained 500,000 war merit points, and combined with 400,000 for killing the Dragon, he earned close to a million war merit points in total.

Tower of Summer Flowers.

Elena said with a smile:

"I'm almost at 5 million war merit points, I can exchange them for a Morning Star-level oddity."

Levi replied:

"I wish you success in randomly getting a water-element oddity."

Elena asked:

"How many war merit points do you have now?"

Levi looked and said:

"Still 500,000, but I learned from Gandaph that after killing the Ancient, you can choose a Morning Star-level oddity directly from the congress, plus an additional Aether Stone reward, so I'm not in a hurry. You hurry and gather 5 million war merit points, exchange for one, and if you can't use it, give it to me, and I'll exchange it for one that can be used."

Anyway, for Levi, as long as it's Morning Star-level, any faction is the same.

Elena was delighted, kissed Levi, and said:

"Thank you."

In the following days, Levi and Elena rested for several days.

The summer flowers swayed, and the spring light was endless.

For Levi, the biggest gains from this battle are threefold.

First, he obtained two Flame Demon Hearts and Flame Demon Crystal Cores.

Second, he got the corpse of a Level 7 Early Stage Dragon Abomination.

Third, he acquired a Level 7 Mid Stage amethyst.

This kind of material has accompanied Levi through long years, the Amethyst Race truly deserves to be his good brothers!

Plus, with the previous hunts, Levi now has the main ingredient for three doses of Flame Demon Potion.

Of course, he still lacks two Demon Dragon Grass powder, and he only needs to get one Demon Dragon Grass from the next Dragon Ruins Mysterious Realm.

In addition, it is now the year 297 of Nora, and Levi calculated that there are only 20 years left until the next opening of the Dark Ancient Tower.

By then, he could enter the seventh floor, and there might be a chance to obtain a Morning Star-level oddity.

Apart from the aforementioned three major gains, there are many valuable materials from within the Dragon Abomination and the Ancient.

Notably, there are quite a few rare minerals not yet digested by the Ancient. These have also brought Levi a small profit.

One day.

The corpse of the Dragon Abomination was placed on the ground, still exuding a terrifying demonic aura despite being dead.

Levi said:

"This sub-dragon type seems to be a Black Flash Dragon, a subspecies of the Black Annihilation Dragon. Speaking of which, I have some affinity with this Black Annihilation Dragon, as it naturally possesses the exotic thunder [Black Annihilation Divine Thunder]. The [Black Oblivion Thunder] I obtained in the ancient tower is exactly a lower version of the Black Annihilation Divine Thunder."

This Black Flash Dragon seems to have awakened the ability of Black Annihilation Divine Thunder, which made it far surpass ordinary Level 7 Early Stage, letting the three avatars struggle for a long time, and was ultimately resolved by Levi's action.

Levi remembered that he still had an exotic flame called [Dark Death Flame]. Although he rarely used it.

Now [Seven Suns Falling Domain] serves as his main Burning Faction spell during the Seven Rings Stage; perhaps it is time to bring back [Dark Death Flame].

As an exotic flame, it shouldn't be left in the corner to collect dust.

"The Black Flash Dragon's dragon scales, dragon skin, dragon bones, dragon eye... all are top-quality materials that can be used for weapon refinement and refining artificial energy cores for the Doomsday Fist."

The ultimate secret technique [Heaven and Earth Destruction Fist] is powerful but too energy-consuming, each use exhausts four artificial energy cores.

If used too frequently, even the natural Earth Element Core might not withstand it.

Fortunately, Levi previously obtained the corpse of a Wind-shaped Dragon and the Snow Mountain Dragon King, sustaining his consumption.

Now with another Thunder Attribute Dragon Clan, short-term, there's no need to worry about the energy issue of the Doomsday Fist.

Six months later.

Levi had fully extracted the bloodline crystal of the [Black Flash Dragon].

In his hand appeared a fist-sized black and red crystal.

Inside the crystal, he saw traces of demonic aura.

"I'll need to purify the demonic aura before using it."

A month later.

Levi, with a solemn face, had prepared all the auxiliary materials for this Sky Dragon evolution potion.

"With the addition of these two Legendary Bloodline Factors, [Wind Illusion Dragon] and [Black Annihilation Dragon], I hope this evolution will not disappoint me."

Levi sent the secret medicine into his body and began the blood refinement process.

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Time flies like an arrow, and the years speed by.

Three years later.

It is now the year 300 of Nora, the 88th year since the beginning of the Blood Battle.

After the battle with Xi Mu, the Gondor City Three Greats never returned to the God-forsaken Continent, focusing entirely on closed-door meditation and spell research.

Their previous kill of the Dragon Abomination earned them another batch of war merit points.

On the Seventh-level Demon Slaying List, Ace has climbed to 80th place with 3.3 million points; Gandaph to 83rd with 3.27 million points; and Lord Victor to 84th place with 3.14 million points.

This ranking is already quite high in the fiercely competitive Sixth-Circle Wizard group, considering the number of participants is many times that of seven-circle wizards.

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Overall, since the Three Heroes rarely take the initiative to challenge demons for the rankings, their positions aren't very high.

But by relying on their hunts of Level 7 demons, engaging in high-tier battles, they maintain steady progress within the top one hundred.

The trio joined forces four consecutive times to slay high-ranking Level 7 Abyssal entities, which has become a celebrated tale in the Wizard World.

If it happened just once, one might attribute it to luck.

But achieving this four times in a row is indisputably a testament to their power.

This indicates that these three prodigies, working together, are already unstoppable below Level 7 Mid Stage.

Truly deserving of the name "Gondor City Three Heroes"!

Publications like the Middle Earth Rule of Law Newspaper, Blood Battle Daily, and even the influential Sorren Daily have all reported on the Gondor Three Heroes.

Among them, the magical forms and Soul Artifact rankings of Holy Infant and Gandalf have steadily advanced, reaching toward the top five hundred, surpassing many average-performing seven-circle wizards.

As for Victor, up until now, he hasn't revealed his magical form in public nor aimed for rankings. With the fame of his "Dawn Divine Sword," he doesn't need the exposure from such lists.

Taking advantage of this publicity, Fire Dragon Shop, Gandalf Pharmacy, and Dawn Tower have been appearing more and more prominently.

Fire Dragon Artifact has undoubtedly become one of Gondor City's top industries, benefiting many wizards across the Midland Continent.

During wartime, the rate of damage to non-consumable items like Wizard Tools far exceeds that of peaceful eras.

As a result, demon-hunting wizards, especially in Gondor City, have increasingly visited Fire Dragon Shop.

They've noticed that although Fire Dragon Shop's Wizard Tools are slightly more expensive, their durability and performance on the battlefield easily surpass those of cheaper alternatives, truly living up to the saying "you get what you pay for."

This is something that can save lives on the perilous Blood Battle Battlefield.

When faced with such stakes, wizards' choices are self-evident.

Fire Dragon Shop has flourished, yet its commitment to producing top-quality items has never wavered. It refuses to compromise quality by expanding production recklessly, even amidst surging demand.

After all, its secret competitors are waiting for an opportunity to topple Fire Dragon Shop from its pedestal.

At times like this, caution is imperative. Any product with quality flaws would rather be hidden away than sold.

If reparable, it is repaired. If irreparable, it is promptly fed to Levi's "Sword of Victory."

Supported by their respective industries, the Three Avatars can consistently channel resources to their original selves while also meeting their own cultivation needs. Additionally, their employees earn substantial income for their own cultivation.

Take Fire Dragon Shop as an example. Anyone capable of crafting Wizard Tools that qualify as top-quality or above is included in the year-end performance review, earning substantial bonuses on top of their base salary.

Dwarvish artisans Copperbeard and Iron Teeth are beneficiaries of this system, leveraging their crafting skills to earn enough to break through to Sixth Ring Senior status. While not overwhelmingly wealthy, they can comfortably afford meditation supplementary potions for cultivation.

Moreover, Fire Dragon Shop has signed a collaboration agreement with Gandalf Pharmacy, offering small discounts on Wizard Tools and potions purchased by their respective employees, reducing cultivation costs further.

Overall, while ensuring the organization earns profits, there's also an emphasis on giving employees a sense of belonging, akin to Levi's past "Fat Donglai" philosophy.

This word-of-mouth spreads quickly, attracting talented weapon craftsmen, pharmacists, and various job seekers from far and wide to apply nearly every day.

However, only the most outstanding candidates have a chance to be included.

It was also this year.

Toby, at the age of 230, achieved Perfection in Six Talents and exceeded the general spiritual force limit by 20 points, successfully crystallizing and stepping into the Fifth-Circle Wizard Realm. He became the shop's outstanding Fifth-Circle weapon craftsman, with a rate of top-quality tools surpassing many veteran Fifth-Circle craftsmen.

In gratitude for the past generosity of the Fire God's Hammer, Holy Infant naturally does not hold back, paying close attention to nurturing Toby to reach the Sixth Circle Realm as soon as possible to ease his burden.

Both Alexandra and Elsie have also been diligently cultivating these past years, striving for the Sixth Circle Perfection Realm. Currently, their rankings on the Demon Slaying List are just outside the top two hundred.

They're quite philosophical about this, reasoning that as long as they survive, slow and steady progress will eventually secure enough war merit to redeem Morning Star Artifacts or even Bright Moon Artifacts. As for the Sun Refining Artifact, that's clearly reserved for a select few, and satisfaction is key.

Meanwhile, a rising star has emerged on the Seventh-level Demon Slaying List.

[Demon Tears Divine Sword·Link].

This Child of the Metal Element has been active in demon-hunting across the God-forsaken Continent, wielding his signature [Eight Stars Demon Slaying Sword Formation] to slaughter countless demons, becoming a prime target for the Burning Expedition Army's reward system. During this time, demons have repeatedly attempted to hunt Link, but he's miraculously escaped death every time, evidently due to his extraordinary fortune.

Though he ascended to the Sixth-Circle Wizard Realm relatively late, he has already slain five Level 6 demons consecutively, with astonishing battle achievements. Among these, two were Level 6 Mid Stage demons.

Demon Tears Divine Sword is widely regarded as one of the rare Secret Sword Flow prodigies who have risen after the era of Dawn Divine Sword, rapidly growing through slaughter.

In truth, his success is deeply tied to his [Golden Spear Iron Heart] talent, an extraordinary Qi Sect Talent that thrives on proving one's path through battle. In the "Golden Spear Iron Horse," an iron-boned sword heart is forged!

This enabled Link to accumulate 2.3 million points and rise to rank 150 on the Demon Slaying List. As things stand, entering the top one hundred is only a matter of time.

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After all, most high-ranked Sixth-Circle Wizards only occasionally participate in demon slaying. He, however, resides directly on the God-forsaken Continent, rushing toward danger wherever it arises. Ordinary people wouldn't dare to imitate such behavior.

Meanwhile, the twin stars of knights and wizards on the Ancient Dragon Continent, the [Fire Dragon Knight] and the [Shadow Queen], also achieved excellent battle merits, securing spots within the top 300 of the Demon Slaying List. It wasn't that their strength was inferior to Link's—they simply weren't as relentless. After all, their primary duty was to protect the Ancient Dragon Continent.

On this day.

The coastline of the Ancient Dragon Continent.

Another Sixth-level Mid-stage Bottom-dwelling Fish Demon led an army of Aquatic Demons in a surprise attack.

Suddenly.

A brilliant Star Ring descended from the sky, imprisoning the invaders and landing atop the wizard tower that materialized in the void.

It was Elena, standing with her hands behind her back. With a single spell, she extinguished the demon's life.

She gazed at the coastline, the surrounding sea, and the dense demonic aura lingering in the area, her brows furrowing.

"Even though we've been attempting purification, the speed of purification clearly cannot match the rate of demonic pollution."

For nearly a century, the battle with the demons had been a standoff. The demons hadn't launched a full-scale invasion of the Ancient Dragon Continent, seemingly cautious, but they never ceased sending Aquatic Demons to harass the area.

"Currently in the Wizard World, the methods employed to purify demonic aura primarily rely on treasures and spells from the Bright Faction, or the spreading of specialized Demon Purifying Potions to dissolve it entirely. However, these methods are only effective for small-to-medium-scale battles. For prolonged blood battles like this, if a better solution cannot be devised soon, one day this place will inevitably become a weakened version of the Abyss."

On the Ancient Dragon Continent, purification of demonic aura involves two primary methods: [Purification Potions] and the cultivation of fungi.

The former is costly, even with the widespread availability of Saint Fruit. The latter is limited in applicable scope.

Elena turned her gaze to the flourishing Green Tribe by the shore and the swaying seaweed seedlings sprouting in the seawater.

"If the traits of the Green Tribe and fungi could be combined, would it be possible to develop plants that can absorb demonic aura across land, sea, and air? Large-scale seeding of grass and trees on land, and deployment of algae spores into the ocean. Once Levi and Triss complete their trials, we can discuss this idea. Such research would require the support of the Wizard Council; relying solely on the Ancient Dragon Continent might prove insufficient."

Elena glanced at her wristband, noting the 5 million war merits she had already accumulated.

But she looked toward Levi's closed-door training area—it was clearly not the time to redeem oddities.

Several days later.

Deep in the heart of the Ancient Dragon Continent.

An uninhabited mountain valley.

The wind and elemental power of thunder began to churn and surge through heaven and earth.

Layer upon layer of stormy black clouds pressed heavily against the Sky Dome, suffocating all who witnessed it.

The most startling sight was the bolts of lightning weaving through the clouds—not the usual purple hue but an ominous black, radiating an eerie aura.

BOOM!

Levi's figure appeared. Three Thousand Wind Thunder Feather Blades swirled around him.

The buzzing of wind and thunder resonated across the skies.

The legendary beings known as Masters of the Blood Tribulation revealed themselves one after another.

Silver Mountain Dragon, Maya, Black Flash Dragon, Wind Illusion Dragon.

These Legendary Creatures, each wielding their unique skills, emerged onto the stage.

The Silver Mountain Dragon wielded lightning, Maya controlled storms, the Black Flash Dragon transformed into black lightning capable of tearing everything apart, and the Wind Illusion Dragon became an intangible breeze, soft yet unyielding... But all of it was futile against Levi!

He activated [Sky Dragon Path], unleashing the power of the Sky Dragon within him, igniting flashes of lightning and roaring thunder. Then, the Three Thousand Feather Blades assembled, merging into a colossal Wind and Thunder Giant Sword!

With the Ten Evil Martial Arts unleashed, none could stand against him! Levi transformed into the Dragon Emperor, terrifying Sword Qi erupting from the wind and thunder blade. Sword light tore through the void, shattering ancient silhouettes that traversed the expanse of time—all succumbing beneath Levi's sword.

Before long, the Blood Tribulation was overcome with ease.

Elena, witnessing Levi's effortless triumph over the Blood Tribulation, finally breathed a sigh of relief.

"Let's hope the Dark Tribulation isn't too insane."

As her words fell.

The Ancient Dragon Continent's sky suddenly fissured.

A monstrous, earth-yellow dragon claw rent the heavens apart. Its thousand-meter-long body descended into the Wind Disaster Stratum, unleashing a terrifying aura of a Level 7 Mid-stage entity.

The creature's soil-yellow scales rustled softly in layers, while its pitch-black horn atop its forehead emitted a haunting glow. Shaped like a dragon's head, its gaze locked onto Levi.

Behind the creature, an army of thousands of demons appeared, including numerous Sixth-level demon lords, their deafening roars spreading unparalleled murderous intent.

With a thunderous, low voice reverberating like a storm, the creature spoke, shaking the heavens.

"So, you are Levi, the Golden Dominator?"

As soon as the beast appeared, reconnaissance creatures hidden across the Ancient Dragon Continent immediately sensed the intruder and relayed the information to various organizations.

Across the Ancient Dragon Continent, Sixth-level entities erupted with their power, faces grave as they gazed in the direction of the enemies.

"Alert! Seventh-level creature has suddenly appeared on the Ancient Dragon Continent!"

"The [Sky Dome] defense system has been activated! All Demon Extermination Shuttles are en route to the battlefield!"

"All battle groups, stay vigilant and prepare to confront the formidable enemies!"

"Mobilize all organizational Guardians to provide support! Don't forget to summon Andreas from Giant Beast Paradise—he's a Level 7 Mid-stage sub-dragon breed!"

"Contact the Flower Knight!"

Various departments responded swiftly, executing operations with exceptional efficiency. This was thus far the most powerful external invasion event the Ancient Dragon Continent had faced.

From numerous launch towers across the land, streams of silver light shot forth, representing [Sky Dome]'s defense system: the "Demon Exterminating Divine Shuttle Formation."

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Tower of Dawn.

The Ghost Bone Dragon soared skyward, a Death Storm swirling around it, with countless Undead wailing behind.

Dusk Holy Temple.

The Giant Elephant King roared, surrounded by golden clouds, charging forward relentlessly.

Giant Beast Paradise.

The Earth cracked and shifted, cold air surged into the heights, and the most imposing Frost Dragon rose into the sky, snowflakes dancing and icy winds howling behind it.

"Hahaha! This is the moment for me, Andreas, to showcase my talents!"

Andreas's heart raced with excitement.

His master was in seclusion, and this Level 7 Middle Stage sub-dragon—this was clearly his destined opponent.

Amid the gaze of countless onlookers, he would freeze, crush, and utterly destroy this foe, showcasing the grandeur of the Snow Mountain Dragon King!

When his master emerged from seclusion, wouldn't the Fate Coins be raining down as rewards? He'd count so many he'd cramp his own hands!

Watching the Level 7 Guardians rushing out, the Blood Knight team breathed a sigh of relief.

"Thankfully, our commander left these Guardians behind before retreating into seclusion. Otherwise, facing Level 7 enemies, the losses would have been catastrophic."

Level 7, in some sense, was the pinnacle of combat power during the early stages of Blood Battle.

After all, even in the Abyss, beings of Level 8 weren't as numerous as most imagined—they were frequently under military scrutiny.

Therefore, for an organization with Level 7 Guardians, surviving the early stages of Blood Battle was practically guaranteed.

Elena, who had delivered her protection to Levi, was stunned.

"Level 7 Middle Stage... Is this Levi's Dark Tribulation? Or some other unforeseen calamity?"

Levi's heart remained calm.

He understood that the demons before him represented calamities from the Land of Darkness—ordeals that had been destined for him.

"Elena, inform all departments to hold their ground. This Dark Tribulation is mine to handle alone."

The most powerful beast, a dirt-colored giant creature, was the sub-dragon known as "Earth-splitting Dragon." Judging by the demonic aura emanating from it, it appeared to be a Demonized Species. However, the degree of demonization didn't seem very profound—likely it had only recently defected from the Dragon Clan amidst the Blood Battle.

The Earth-splitting Dragon resembled a Stone Lizard in form, elongated, with only a pair of sturdy forelimbs and no hind legs. It was a dragon of the earth attribute, and the element of earth countered the attribute of wind and thunder.

"I am the mighty Earth Splitter·Earthquake Dragon·Quinn—you shall perish!"

Quinn's terrifying Dragon's Might swept across the battlefield. Its elongated body dived downward toward Levi, its earth-shattering claws fiercely slashing, sending two Void Blades flying forth, cutting through everything!

Since it was a Dark Tribulation, Levi naturally went all out. Facing a Level 7 Middle Stage powerhouse, respect had to be given.

Sky Dragon Path!

Red Emperor Domain!

Whale Emperor Power Book!

Strength Rune!

Holy Image Law!

BOOM!

Within Levi's body, countless divine palaces roared in unison. Crimson Emperor Dragon Flames intertwined with the pitch-black thunder born from his latest breathing technique, releasing a cacophony of explosive sounds!

Of course, Levi didn't use Doomsday Fist this time. This beast before him, while seemingly intimidating, was inferior to the Amethyst Race. If he were to pulverize it entirely with one strike, it would be a waste.

Besides, the demonization of this sub-dragon wasn't deep—similar to Diya Bo, whom he encountered previously in the Dragon Ruins Mysterious Realm. If captured directly, it could serve as excellent secret medicine material for the Brilliant Golden Dragon Armor.

BOOM!

Levi unleashed a punch—a fusion of red flames and black thunder, forming an overpowering red-black fist wind!

The giant beast's attack was obliterated effortlessly, as the fist wind barreled onward without pause.

Before the Earth-splitting Dragon, mountain ridges emerged, overlapping to form a natural protective barrier.

The beast moved its iron claws to shield itself, performing a "Divine Dragon Tail Sweep" aimed at Levi!

CRACK!

The red flames and black thunder exploded, the red-black light illuminating the heavens. The mountain ranges disintegrated into powder, scattering stones and dust that drifted with the wind. Following this, the sound of bone fracturing rang out—the iron claw of the giant beast shockingly cracked open. The remaining fist wind struck its chest, allowing the pitch-black thunder to creep across its surface like a bone-leech. It seeped into its body, poisonously corroding its flesh and blood, while the red flames on its exterior caused unbearable agony.

This punch wasn't just raw physical power—it was also imbued with Levi's spell-like abilities of fire and thunder.

The sheer force was unimaginable.

It was Levi's newly created technique: Thunder Flame Charge Punch!

Under this tremendous impact, the Earth-splitting Dragon was sent flying into the distance, its body tracing a parabolic arc before landing in the wilderness ahead.

"Ow, ow, so painful!"

The Earth-splitting Dragon wailed in agony.

BOOM!

Like a superhero making a dramatic landing, Levi descended heavily to the ground, raising his serene, lake-like eyes as he stared at his still-smoking fist. He spoke faintly:

"Right—you said your name earlier. Could you repeat that?"

The Earth-splitting Dragon's heart swelled with fear as it gazed at the man who had toppled it with a single punch. Trembling, it faltered:

"I... I am Quinn. I was forced by the demons—I didn't want to come here!"

Levi let out an indifferent "Oh." Then his fist struck another blow, knocking the Earth-splitting Dragon completely unconscious.

His plan was to first imprison this demon dragon using restrictions and arrays, then attempt to subdue it with Dragon's Might. If that failed, he'd wait for the Scarlet Dragon's evolution, utilize Crimson Enslavement to forcefully claim it, and begin purification afterward.

Having dealt with the Earth-splitting Dragon, Levi didn't rest. Instead, his gaze turned to the high heavens, where demons stood frozen in shock.

"Commander Quinn—is he dead?"

"What happened? One punch... and he was killed? This isn't an illusion, is it? That was a Level 7 Middle Stage sub-dragon..."

What greeted them next was Levi's Sea of Fire and lightning strikes.

Without Level 7 combat strength, nor the wizard-trained battle groups or arrays, these demons stood no chance before Levi—they were utterly powerless!

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He activated the Sky Dragon Path, his longsword pointing forward. With him guarding the pass, no one could break through; under the sweep of Sword Qi, the demons fell from the Sky Dome like raindrops.

Regardless of whether they were Level Five or Level Six, none were Levi's equal in a clash. Once he unleashed his full firepower, all were made equal!

Below, the various battle groups and Level Six experts stared, shocked and dumbstruck, at Levi battling thousands of demons single-handedly in the high heavens.

"The commander is just too damn fierce!"

"Yeah, he's not even giving us minions a chance to earn War Merit."

Soon.

The world grew quiet.

The ground was littered with demon corpses.

This, despite Levi's fire having directly burned away a portion of them.

Levi descended, glancing at his wristband as his points continued to rise incessantly.

Because he had killed far too many demons just moments ago, the points had yet to be fully calculated. After all, the Heart of Skynet had to tally not only Levi's individual kill count but also take into account the entire Wizard World.

Levi calmly said:

"Clean up the battlefield. Send the corpses of low-level demons to the Fungus Base. Keep any useful materials and deal with the demonic aura here."

The Blood Knight said:

"Commander, you should go rest first. Leave the aftermath to us."

Far away, Andreas, who had just arrived from Giant Beast Paradise,

looked at the enemy lying on the ground, hanging by a thread.

The Ghost Bone Dragon laughed and said:

"It's already over!"

Being a Guardian on Ancient Dragon Continent is truly a cushy job.

With a master who personally handles everything, there's no need for it to act.

Having failed to show its strength, Andreas was internally aghast.

"In less than a hundred years, he has already reached a level where a single punch could kill a Dragon Clan member like me... Thank goodness I foresaw this and submitted early. Otherwise, the next time he enters the ancient tower, I wouldn't even have a chance to beg for mercy before being killed."

On the battlefield.

Organization members were attending to the cleanup when suddenly an official airship broke through the Void and flew over. Standing aboard was a towering man with purple hair.

Lightning coiled around his body, his gaze sharp as blades, his aura overwhelming, and his bearing extraordinary—he was none other than a Seven Rings Perfection powerhouse.

"I'm Harvis, head of the Thunder Light Wizard Group and master of Annihilation Realm Thunder. Passing through, I detected a gathering of demons here. What's the situation now? Do you need assistance?"

The Blood Knight's heart skipped a beat. Though not a Level Seven, he had heard of the renowned Annihilation Realm Thunder.

"Senior, the demons have already been dealt with by our commander, Levi. The crisis is resolved."

Harvis's expression shifted slightly.

From detecting a massive demon presence until now, the time had been brief.

To resolve so many demons, especially when one among them was suspected to be a Level Seven Demon, Levi's strength was far greater than Harvis had imagined.

However, given Levi's rank, always trailing at the bottom of the Demon Slaying List, Harvis hadn't paid him much attention before.

Harvis nodded.

"Then it's fine. Should you need support, you may contact our Wizard Group."

The Blood Knight smiled and said:

"Many thanks, Senior!"

Harvis replied:

"No need for courtesy; it's just a part of our military duty."

With that, he led his disciplined and battle-ready group, breaking through the sky and disappearing into the distance.

In the Land of Darkness, Harvis sat alone at the prow of the ship, gazing in the direction of Ancient Dragon Continent.

The vice commander was a capable Seven Rings Perfection witch named Thunder Fox Lela, also from the Lightning Faction.

Carrying a goblet, she walked over, arms folded across her ample chest, and said:

"I've long heard of Levi from the Twilight Knights, known for advancing the path of knights to a level rivaling wizards. Seeing it firsthand, his reputation is indeed well-deserved."

Harvis replied:

"Indeed. Based on the traces of battle, it seems he has also mastered a powerful exotic thunder, which piques my interest. I'd like to spar with him; however, given his realm is too low, I can't bully the weak. Hopefully, in the upcoming Blood Battle Battlefield, I'll have the chance to test myself against him."

Lela chuckled and said:

"Few people can catch the commander's eye."

Harvis mused:

"Now that the blood battle has commenced, reclusive prodigies emerge one after another. We can no longer view the world through the lens of old perspectives. My current top ranking is merely a result of my position's advantage. Certainly, within the Wizard World, there are Seven-Circle Wizards stronger than me, silently preparing for their moment to shine. Lela, when you've witnessed more sights, you'll understand my mindset."

Lela laughed:

"Commander, the way you speak makes it sound like you're older than me. I'm a two-thousand-year-old woman, five hundred years older than you. But, Commander, with twenty Seven-Circle Witch Marks already branded, why haven't you ascended to Eight Rings yet? With your talent, you should've done so long ago."

Harvis responded:

"Lela, what's the 56th rule in Sorren Quotations?"

Lela said:

"Haste makes waste."

Harvis laughed heartily and said:

"Haha, amidst the chaos of a world in strife, how could I, Harvis, not long to strive for the legendary!"

As he spoke, he exuded an irresistible confidence and charisma that left Lela momentarily dazed.

"I understand. Alas, I cannot wait any longer... If I delay further, I'm afraid I may miss the chance at Nine Rings."

Harvis replied:

"Hmm, everyone walks a different path. Just do your best."

The Thunder Light Wizard Group vanished into deep space, continuing their hunt for new targets.

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In the Emperor's Palace.

Quinn, the Earth-Splitting Dragon, gazed at the man before him. Behind him, six terrifying Dragon's Might swirled together, triggering an instinctual fear within its bloodline. In the end, Quinn lowered its proud head.

Levi felt a surge of joy in his heart. As expected, the creature's level of demonization wasn't deep, and its Dragon's Might could still be subdued.

He asked the Earth-Splitting Dragon some questions, and the Dragon provided answers without reservation.

Clearly, it was merely a temporary recruit of the demons.

Although it appeared powerful, it was practically oversized cannon fodder, holding no critical intelligence.

It was purely leading a suicidal squad to contaminate Ancient Dragon Continent, inadvertently becoming Levi's "Dark Tribulation."

Levi sent the Earth-Splitting Dragon to Giant Beast Paradise for Purification Healing.

"This 'Dark Tribulation' was truly exhilarating. Getting a free Level Seven Middle-Stage sub-dragon and earning over four million points—is there anything sweeter?"

Levi opened his wristband. His points had now surged to close to six million, ranking him at 81.

With the reward for slaying the Ancient entity earlier, he could redeem two Morning Star-level oddities.

One could be selected; the other would be random.

However, the most important thing was...

After fusing the Black Flash Dragon and Wind Illusion Dragon, he had finally achieved his fourth Mythical-level Breathing Method!

Sky King, Master of Wind and Thunder. Levi straightforwardly named it:

"Sky King Dragon."

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Actually.

Before naming it Heavenly King Dragon, Levi considered many other names.

For example, [Heavenly Emperor Dragon].

However, he felt that the current endurance breathing technique was not sufficient to bear the weight of the word [Emperor], nor could it stand alongside [Crimson Emperor Dragon].

He also thought about names like [Wind Thunder Dragon], [Sky Crying Dragon], [Sky Thunder Dragon]... but they lacked a certain grandeur.

In the end, he settled on the simple and forceful name, [Heavenly King Dragon].

The Heavenly King Dragon's abilities were far superior to the Sky Dragon's.

Levi

Heavenly King Dragon Breathing Skill: Level 19 (1/10 million), Special Effect: Heavenly King Dragon Body·Mythical Level (Level 7 Early Stage), Bloodline Dharma Idol: Wind and Thunder Surge; Blood Source Armor: Storm Dragon Armor; Exclusive Weapon: Wind Thunder Wings (Level 7), Bloodline Divine Patterns: 0/66.

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[Heavenly King Dragon Body·Mythical Level:

1. You possess the extreme endurance of a Sky Dragon.
2. You have exceptionally excellent wind and thunder elemental affinity talents.
3. You've mastered [Black Oblivion Divine Thunder], [Wind Illusion Realm], [Silver Mountain Skyfall], [Summoning Maia], and other spell-like abilities.
4. You've comprehended a 12-kilometer-wide "Storm Domain."
5. You can undertake long-distance [Traveling the Void] journeys.
6. You can transform into the Heavenly King Dragon...]

Firstly, the word "extreme" was added before the description of the endurance attribute, making it concise and comparable to other mythical-level breathing techniques like the Brilliant Golden Dragon.

Next, the wind and thunder elemental affinity talents became "exceptionally excellent."

And then came the main event.

Following this evolution, Levi mastered the special ability of the [Black Oblivion Dragon], [Black Oblivion Divine Thunder]. This is an even stronger exotic thunder compared to [Black Oblivion Thunder], serving as its higher-grade counterpart. What's more, this exotic thunder can be incorporated into the spells of the Thunder Faction that Levi masters. In other words, Levi's [Thunder Dragon Skill] can now be called [Black Oblivion Thunder Dragon], and [Thunder Dragon Flash] can be called [Black Oblivion Thunder Flash].

[Black Oblivion Divine Thunder] is a malicious thunder with potent adhesive and corrosive properties—the perfect villain skill. When unleashed, torrents of black lightning surge forth, akin to an apocalyptic demon god.

[Wind Illusion Realm] is a special ability of the [Wind Illusion Dragon], forming a vast, large-scale wind barrier. The barrier can control enemies while continuously generating illusion-like wind creatures to attack them.

[Silver Mountain Skyfall] manifests a giant silver thunder mountain. It is similarly focused on control, with supplementary attacking capabilities. This large-scale skill can be used in tandem with [Wind Illusion Realm], sealing off the void to prevent enemies from fleeing.

As Levi's power grows, relying solely on techniques like Struggle of the Trapped Beast or Frost Sword Realm to counter higher-realm adversaries and lock down increasingly versatile enemies has become more challenging. This pair of spell-like abilities, when combined, ensures that enemies cannot escape Levi's grasp—except for those with powerful rare treasures or a considerable realm advantage.

[Summoning Maia] gathers ferocious winds to form a [Maiya Spirit] of the same realm as the Heavenly King Dragon Breathing Skill to attack enemies. At the current level, Levi can summon a Level 7 Early Stage Maiya Spirit.

With this addition, coupled with [Ten Thousand Dragons Birth], [Giant Whale King], and [Nightmare Avatar], Levi can now surround and assault enemies more effectively, breaking their will to fight.

Moreover, Levi can now cultivate the more advanced spell [Summon Hell King]. However, he hasn't had the time to study it yet.

Once mastered, the resulting scenes would be unimaginable.

Additionally, the scope of the [Storm Domain] has been greatly expanded, matching the scale of Levi's [Primordial Magnetic Field].

Finally, there is the critical skill [Traveling the Void].

At the current realm of the Heavenly King Dragon, Levi's traveling speed through the void is 30 times faster than conventional flying speed.

Places that would take others 30 years to reach, Levi can arrive at within one year.

This is the difference. Time is money.

Naturally, [Traveling the Void] is also a strong escape skill in its own right.

Levi visualized his body internally, focusing on one particular cell. Beside the Power Divine Palace and the Palace of Control sits the Heavenly King Divine Palace, representing endurance.

On its surface are the [Wind True Rune] and [Thunder True Rune], intertwined with wind and thunder, commanding extraordinary power.

"I've already mastered the true runes of fire, water, earth, wind, and thunder. I'm only missing the true runes of metal and frost to gather all seven elemental runes together. For my next evolution, I should consider dragons corresponding to these two elements."

As a perfectionist, Levi feels incomplete unless he gathers all seven elements.

Moreover, he already possesses the Snow Mountain Dragon King related to frost, which would be a waste not to utilize.

Originally, the Frost Giant Breathing Technique had a frost attribute.

However, it was eliminated during the fusion process with the Red Lotus Dragon.

In addition, Levi thought:

Since I've already mastered the seven elemental factions on the path of the wizard,

The path of knights should similarly involve mastering the corresponding seven true runes.

This may greatly benefit the future unification of wizards and knights.

Otherwise, it would lack symmetry—how could they be fully merged?

Two years later.

Nora Year 302, the 90th year of the Blood Battle.

Only 15 years remain until the next activation of the Dark Ancient Tower.

Even the Dragon Ruins Mysterious Realm has less than 50 years left.

Levi stabilized the realm of the Sky Dragon Breathing Skill.

Additionally, he mastered [Thunder Beast Technique], though he still needs more experience to cultivate it to the seven-circle level.

The spell [Summon Hell King] is similar to [Summon Hell Lord], but it has a higher rank and greater complexity. For Levi, cultivating it isn't difficult, and he has already inscribed Witch Marks for it.

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The most difficult one is "Micro Lysis Technique," which I have been cultivating for years and have only just begun to grasp. As Levi predicted, this spell is achievable by only a very small number of people.

It is perfectly reasonable that the Hundred Flowers haven't mastered it yet.

Regardless, Levi has now successfully branded four Seven-Circle Witch Marks.

He only needs his spiritual force to reach 9000 points to advance to the rank of Seven-Circle Senior Wizard.

Currently, his spiritual force is at 8180 points. At his pace, it won't take a century for him to progress.

On this day.

Hundred Flowers dressed beautifully and came to the Emperor's Palace.

"Levi, let's quickly go redeem the Truth Oddities so the good ones aren't snatched up by others."

Levi replied:

"Alright."

The two set off together, instructed the Guardians to watch over the Ancient Dragon Continent, and traveled to the Central Earth Realm.

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Blood Battle Temple.

Established during the Blood Battle, this wizard organization was jointly prepared by the Blood Battle Command Center and the military.

The temple's main responsibility is to issue various bounty tasks targeting demons and to exchange spoils of war.

The arrival of Levi and Hundred Flowers, this pair of Seven-Circle Wizards, immediately caught everyone's attention.

Whether it was the staff or the Sixth-Circle Wizards in the hall, their eyes turned to them. After all, Levi and Hundred Flowers rarely appeared in public.

"It's true, the rumors are real—the Dusk Palace Master and the Flower Witch are together."

"Sob, sob, such a perfect match, I envy them."

"Both of them are Seven-Circle Wizards, and Senior Levi is even a powerful knight—they're not ordinary people."

As the leader of the organization, Levi was already accustomed to such reverent gazes. He approached a female staff member and politely inquired:

"Hello, I'm here to claim the bounty reward. Here is the proof."

After verifying the documentation, the staff member looked at Levi with unconcealed astonishment. After all, Taigu was a well-known figure in her circle.

Taigu had repeatedly eluded the military's capture and even killed several Primordial Soul Wizards, causing significant damage.

Having remained free for so long, Taigu was finally slain by Levi, who had recently advanced to the rank of Seven-Circle Wizard. This was a massive shock.

"Hello, Senior. Here is the list of available oddities for slaying Taigu, along with the bounty of 8 billion Aether Stones."

Levi was delighted.

Taigu had indeed been quite valuable. Not only did he provide Morning Star-level oddities, but the official bounty of 8 billion Aether Stones also showed how formidable he must have been.

With this, Levi's cash reserves reached the "alert threshold" of 20 billion, sufficient for extravagant spending for a long time. Many high-level wizard organizations didn't even have as much liquidity as him.

Very soon, Hundred Flowers received her randomized Morning Star-level oddity.

[Scattering Eyes].

This was an eyeball-shaped oddity, blinking continuously, sealed within a glass vessel. Its sacred and gentle radiance emitted a sense of warmth, and pearly white Truth Runes flickered across it.

Upon seeing this oddity, information from the "Illustrated Guide of Strange Items" immediately surfaced in Levi's mind.

"It's actually a Truth Oddity from the Bright Faction. This item is incredibly effective against demons and extremely rare, but unfortunately, Hundred Flowers is the Water Element Child, solely cultivating the Ocean Faction."

Randomly obtaining a suitable oddity is truly challenging.

However, this was good news for Levi because oddities from the Bright Faction are undoubtedly rarer than those from conventional Elementalist Schools.

Elena asked:

"Levi, what do you think? Is it useful?"

Levi nodded.

"Very useful. I'll help you exchange it for a water-element oddity, and we can trade."

He opened the list of oddities available for claiming from the Taigu bounty and found three choices: [Amber River], [Flame Medal], and [Wind Chaser].

[Amber River] was a stream of white water sealed in a small bottle. It displayed faint traces of four claws, with a mane encircling its neck. Misty droplets dampened the bottle's walls, and lively eyes stared at Levi. It bore some resemblance to the Divine Dragon of Levi's previous life but had a wolf-like head rather than a dragon's. Its forehead featured elegant antlers, and its scales were composed of shimmering Truth Runes.

[Flame Medal] appeared to be an ordinary medal within its box, yet it emitted extreme heat, distorting the surrounding space. Truth Runes formed the medal's emblem, depicting an imposing scarlet lion.

The final choice, [Wind Chaser], was a miniature abstract figure draped in a white cloak. It floated aimlessly in its vessel, surrounded by swirling currents of air. Truth Runes wove a highly mysterious pattern onto the cloak.

"Not bad at all. [Amber River] is a water-element oddity, and based on previous cases, it appears to have a considerable likelihood of birthing a companion spiritual creature named [Amber Dragon]. It's worth considering. [Flame Medal] and [Wind Chaser] are also excellent Morning Star-level oddities... Damn, why do I want them all?"

Levi cursed his greed internally.

If it weren't for Lucy gifting him the full "Illustrated Guide of Strange Items," even a Primordial Soul Wizard would struggle to identify these three oddities accurately. The versions available on the market were heavily abridged and lacked comprehensive information.

Nonetheless, he didn't rush into redeeming but instead used his own randomized oddity chance. Finally, after a fair drawing process, Levi's result emerged.

"Senior, this is the oddity you drew."

The female staff member cautiously held a glass vessel and approached Levi, her heart racing.

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Are you kidding? The value of this item, with her five-ring cultivation, even working here for a thousand years wouldn't earn enough.

Yet, this elder in front of me can get two in an instant.

The gap between people is wider than that between humans and ants.

Levi smiled and said:

"Thank you."

He took the oddity.

In the container was a long snake as black as ink, with wisps of black water swirling around it, emitting a hint of sinister aura. Truth Runes carved grid-like patterns on its scales. For some reason, to Levi, the snake's head looked delicate and charming, almost like a Beauty Snake.

"The 'Black Queen Snake', an extremely rare Ocean Faction Truth Oddity. After refining, it can transform the water elemental power within the body into the poisonous 'Black Queen's Water'. Tsk tsk tsk, it's such an oddity... I don't know if my luck is good or bad..."

The reason Levi said this was because the 'Black Queen Snake' was very precious, not inferior to the 'Amber River' he just took a liking to, and in some ways, even superior. After all, it could produce Exotic Species Water, just like Levi's 'Black Annihilation Divine Thunder' and 'Dark Death Flame', both extremely rare. But the 'Black Queen Snake' had a fatal restriction: only women could refine it...

Some might say, that's simple. As the saying goes, to practice this skill, one must first self-castrate, change gender.

But in reality, those who change their gender later in life cannot refine it. Otherwise, with wizard technology, becoming female would be too easy.

It is one of the few oddities with innate gender restrictions.

However, Levi was not discouraged. He put it away with a smile, then exchanged for the 'Amber River', reluctantly glanced at the 'Flame Emblem' and 'Wind Chaser', and then left with Hundred Flowers.

The female staff member stared blankly, full of envy.

"This is the life I've always dreamed of. Miss Elena is so fortunate."

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Emperor's Palace.

Levi and Hundred Flowers looked at the three oddities in front of them.

He said:

"The 'Amber River' and the 'Black Queen Snake' are both Ocean Faction oddities, but the former is relatively easier to give birth to a special spiritual creature, while the latter can produce exotic species water. You choose one."

Hundred Flowers didn't hesitate and chose the container holding the 'Little White Dragon', smiling:

"This one is cute, I want it. I haven't had a special spiritual creature until now!"

Levi inwardly remarked.

As expected of Hundred Flowers, when choosing an oddity, the first thing she looks at is the affinity.

But it's understandable, since both oddities are excellent, it ultimately depends on luck.

Hundred Flowers had also refined a lot of oddities before, including two Morning Star-level oddities, one she found in the Dark Tower, and the other was a gift from Ms. Lucy.

It's just a pity that although these two oddities enhanced her water talent, they didn't result in the birth of a special spiritual creature, which was a kind of regret.

Triss had the special spiritual creature 'Blue Knight'.

Levi was surrounded by a bunch of special spiritual creatures, like Long, Ah Kun, Jin, ABiao, and the like.

Ace had a cute 'Snow King'.

Gandaph had a majestic 'White Elephant'.

Victor also had Levi's 'Sword Spirit' sister.

Looking around, the only one without a special spiritual creature was Hundred Flowers... How could she not envy!

Levi said:

"Then I'll trade the 'Black Queen Snake' with Madam Triss. Ace really needs the 'Heart of Flame King'. Your 'Scattering Eyes' is mine."

Hundred Flowers nodded.

"Yes, yes, that's the best. Everyone's happy."

If it were other wizards, trading unsuitable oddities would undoubtedly lead to intense machinations or even danger. In Levi's case, it didn't exist; everyone was on the same side, circulating internally. If others didn't want it, he could keep it.

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Witch's Family.

Triss' beautiful eyes were surprised as she looked at the 'Black Queen Snake' in Ace's hand.

"Is it really such an oddity?"

Ace smiled.

"Yes, madam, I want to exchange it for your 'Heart of Flame King'. I wonder if that would be possible."

Triss said:

"Of course, thank you!"

Transaction complete, Ace left, and Triss examined the elegant black snake in the container, growing more fond of it.

She murmured to herself:

"This oddity must have been procured by Levi for Ace..."

Only someone with Levi's skills could so easily acquire a Morning Star-level oddity.

Without delay, Triss immediately began refining.

Half a year later.

Nightmare World.

Chaotic Wilderness.

Triss rarely wore a black robe, made of silk, like a veil woven from the night, draped over her shoulders. The beautiful scenery was faintly discernible, carrying an exotic beauty.

Compared to half a year ago, her spiritual force had increased significantly, naturally thanks to the Morning Star-level oddity. It had increased her spiritual force by 60 points in one go, saving a long time of cultivation.

Ahead, a wandering Nightmare Lord, who lost his territory due to locust plague and the Eight Kings chaos, was fiercely battling the Black Dragon Territory's garrison, brutally dispatching several waves of Apostle Groups. Judging by its aura, it was clearly at the Level 6 Peak.

The close aide of Lust, dressed provocatively with boundless charm, giggled and asked:

"Madam, shall I take action?"

Triss shook her head.

"I'll try a spell myself."

The Nightmare Lord, filled with a strong desire for slaughter, fiercely charged at Triss, the stench filling the air.

In a single thought, Triss...

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"Primordial Soul Wizard Form: Medicine Girl!"

Boom!

Behind her, a black-veiled girl towering a thousand meters high, rivaling the heavens, descended with a majestic blast. She exuded an icy, aloof elegance. On her head rested a herbal crown woven from black flowers, and her long jade arms were adorned with a black scarf as thin as cicada wings. In one hand, she carried a medicine basket. Most striking, however, was the shadow of an enormous black serpent coiled behind her, spanning a thousand meters and exuding an eerie mix of sacred yet demonic terror. Its crimson, forked tongue flicked as black water flowed around its body. The fluid dripped to the ground, instantly corroding deep craters.

This was none other than the Black Queen's Water. While possessing water attributes, it carried the same corrosive negative energy effect as the Black Annihilation Divine Thunder, akin to venom.

The Medicine Girl gestured, and the black serpent shrank automatically, transforming into a long whip crafted from snake scales!

Crack!

The whip tore through the air, lashing out with immense force. Wherever the Black Queen's Water touched, all matter corroded, and even the void dissolved!

Boom!

The Level 6 Peak Nightmare Lord was instantly struck, sent flying. From the whip's tip, a phantom serpent's head emerged, biting down on its neck and swiftly entangling it. As it coiled tighter, it simultaneously injected Black Queen's Water, performing a lethal constriction.

"Primordial Soul Skill: Sky Water Stingray!"

Triss murmured an incantation, and a colossal stingray-shaped shadow of black water a thousand meters wide burst forth. Boom! Accompanied by the roaring echoes of magic, the sky itself darkened under the influence of the ink-like water.

After the clash, the Level 6 Peak Nightmare Lord had been reduced to a disheveled heap of remains, horrifying in its grotesquery.

Triss couldn't help but remark with amazement.

"Such potent Black Queen's Water—truly worthy of its reputation as Exotic Species Water! And this Black Queen Snake fits me perfectly. Though it's only a Morning Star-level oddity, it has significantly boosted my combat capabilities."

The battle groups stared at the lady who had obliterated her enemy in mere moments, their faces filled with awe. Fear and reverence alike gripped them.

Even Lust, the Nightmare Lord who teetered on the verge of the Level 7 Realm, involuntarily let her lips part and her chest tremble.

"If Lady Triss had lashed me with her whip, I wouldn't stand a chance either... But why do I feel a peculiar desire to be hit by her? Could I have some unusual proclivities? Or is her allure simply too overwhelming?"

Lust pondered in bewilderment.

Elena materialized, flashing a gentle smile as she said:

"I knew I'd find you here. It seems congratulations are in order for your leap in power... By the way, is that black serpent a companion spirit creature?"

Feeling the surge in her Hundred Flowers spiritual force, Triss chuckled and replied:

"Your strength has grown considerably as well. No, this black serpent isn't a companion spirit creature—rather, it's akin to Levi's Thunder God or Simon's Fire God. It's a projection of a power similar to wizard forms, which can be paired with wizard forms. I call it the Black Queen.

It serves multiple roles: assisting in combat, functioning as defense, and even transforming into a whip to act as my wizard form's weapon."

Elena commented:

"I see. Given that you now possess the Blue Knight and the Black Queen, you must rank among the finest Senior Seventh Ring Wizards."

Triss shot her a glance and replied:

"What good does that do? I still can't beat your Levi."

Elena laughed and said:

"Then simply don't compare yourself to him."

Triss asked:

"Has your oddity birthed a companion spirit creature yet?"

Upon hearing this, Elena stretched out her palm, causing wisps of white water to coalesce. They gradually took the form of an elegant creature cloaked in pure white scales, serpentine in body, wolverine in head, and adorned with deer-like antlers.

"This is Amber, my companion spirit creature."

Elena pointed to the sky. Amber let out a resonant cry and shot upwards, weaving into the clouds. In its perch among the heavenly layers, it emanated a formidable, draconic presence, its clear eyes surveying all beings below.

Triss cast the Black Queen's projection outward, and soon both creatures—a black serpent and Amber's white-scaled form, each spanning a thousand meters long—soared through the skies. They spiraled and intertwined, stirring the winds and clouds to form an enormous Taichi Yin-Yang Fish that traversed the Sky Dome, an awe-inspiring sight.

Applause erupted nearby.

"Fantastic!"

Levi clapped, praising them.

These two ladies had oddities perfectly suited for themselves.

Though Levi's Scattering Eyes didn't appear particularly remarkable, it proved extremely effective under the special conditions of blood battle.

The oddity enhanced his spiritual force cap by 50 points, raising Levi's maximum to a staggering 13,079.

Additionally, it bestowed upon him a talent known as the Eye of Light, which facilitated the cultivation of Light Faction Magic for Levi.

Moreover, the artifact enabled him to unlock a unique physique, the Great Light King Body, which significantly amplified his damage against darkness, the abyss, and nightmare creatures. Its effectiveness was akin to the Sin of the Non-human feature of cultivating the Human King Seal, but in Levi's case, it delivered a high-level enhancement. Compared to the current Levi, the augmentations from seals were modest at best.

With the Great Light King Body, even Levi's ordinary attacks became imbued with Light Energy, turning each strike into a critical offensive against demons. If he were to deploy Light Faction Magic, the effects would be even more pronounced.

Lastly, the oddity possessed a somewhat nebulous feature, which Levi named Mirror of Light. Within his consciousness, Levi's primordial soul appeared with a single golden-framed monacle over its left eye.

Levi was still exploring the monocle's functions. So far, he had discovered its capacity to release Light Attribute rays, but he suspected there was more to its potential.

For now, Levi planned to venture to the God-forsaken Continent to hunt demons and climb the rankings.

After all, the Winter Emperor's Hand, a Bright Moon Artifact, awaited his redemption.

Encountering Levi, Triss remarked: