

World Plot 1631

Chapter 1631 - 22.18 Third Red Star - Mermaid King's Punishment

A flash of news was spreading throughout the whole federation about the unchangeable channel that was live-streaming the appearance of the mermaid king in a small noble family's mansion. This small clan is under the influence of the second prince, and the normal one wouldn't dare to move them at all. Even the military wouldn't have dared to do so when the general wasn't around.

However, not only is the Starweb, which is said to be hard to hack and cannot be repaired from the main system, leaving the whole thing stuck at the stream that was currently happening in that small clan's territory. The police had also sent people to head to the said territory, but a towering wall of ice that could not be melted or destroyed blocked their way.

Even the path through the sky was blocked, as anything trying to pass through the wall would be shot down by an ice shard. This wall of ice is a living thing.

With no outsiders capable of entering the small clan's territory, the others can only watch the live stream. In the video, they watch a recording of the young master of a certain family cruelty. He ripped apart the limbs of the little mermaids like a madman holding a doll.

Little mermaids are extremely fragile. They cannot stand being tossed around, and they couldn't be too far away from water or they would dry up. Much less a simple pull of their limbs, it will definitely cause them great harm.

This human young master had been intentionally harmed, and he didn't even feel any remorse for doing such a cruel thing. The people who were watching were enraged by his actions and were now watching him get punished live on the screen.

The father and mother of the young master didn't even expect that the first one to summon the mermaid king was their son. Now seeing the mermaid king themselves and with their own eyes, they are supposed to be filled with delight, but under the cold eyes of the mermaid king, they couldn't help but tremble in fear instead.

Those inhuman silver eyes were looking down on their top, and as if staring down at a bug, the mermaid king was almost expressionless, and there was a calm rage hidden within the depths of those eyes.

The God of Destruction had spoken.

{Humans, I have only asked you one thing, and this is something you failed to do so.}

{My kin are indeed born weak, but the reason for that is because of your doing. Using genetics and playing with it until the little mermaids were born. You intentionally made them weak so they couldn't fight back, even though you had retained their abilities to sing. You made them possess smaller and weaker bodies.}

{This is because you are afraid.}

{Afraid that the little mermaids will become like real mermaids. It is as large as humans, undefeatable in the sea, and much more powerful than humans.}

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{I know how weak humans are and also know that they break so easily like the little mermaids. That's why I gave you a warning. Which you failed to heed.}

{Then, no matter what happened next, something you humans deserved. It's time to receive your punishment.}

Everyone was listening to the words of the Mermaid King. Whether it was humans before him or the humans beyond the screens, they were all watching him. Under the eyes of millions of humans, Hei Anjing removed the waterball he used as a way to float.

Once the water ball was removed, his small figure slowly fit the group, and a white mist covered him all out. Everyone watches the mist and sees the silhouette of a human being inside. The humans were all dumbfounded by that scene.

Until the white mist dispersed and revealed what was inside of it. They saw a humanoid mermaid with a silver tail. His size was as big as that of a human adult. The only difference is the heavenly, defying beauty he possessed.

If you are small, having this kind of face is like having a gorgeous and limited edition toy. A large mermaid gives them a different feeling. It's a fairy that lives in the water. The most beautiful and mysterious of them all.

The young master with a swollen face looked at the large mermaid before his eyes were shocked. Such a large mermaid, everyone who sees it cannot help but want me to reach out and touch one.

He said, "Y-You can... you can get... larger!? As large as human beings?"

{Mermaids are originally on this side. The little mermaids had their original size sealed by you humans after making them. Because you are afraid of our bloodline, which was originally born from the sea.}

{We are originally sea monsters. Have you forgotten about that? Moreover, among the mermaids in my race, I am the most special.}

Under the naked eyes of all the humans in the federation, the God of Void changed his silver tail into a pair of human legs. Long and slender, as if it were a pair of legs made of precious jade. The King of the Mermaids finally stood up before all the humans.

Hei Anjing said, {Mermaids are capable of turning humans.}

This fact brought shock to all humans in the world. They had never expected that the little mermaids they looked down upon would show such a kind of ability, which they could hardly accept.

"Imp... impossible! That's not real! There is no way you can have legs! You ate a fish! A damn fucking fish!!!" The young master with a swollen face screams in disbelief.

All of a sudden, Hei Anjing appeared before the young master and kicked him to the ground, and with a cold face, he stepped on his face directly and started screaming like a dying pig. The weight of the soft foot on his face was real. It was a real human leg on this mermaid king.

Hei Anjing asked, {Feel it. Does my foot feel fake? Either way, you must pay for what you have done to my kin.}

A death sword appeared in the hands of the mermaid king. Right now, despite his beauty, he looks more like a God of Death coming for the lives of the humans in the area. Ice spread in the whole courtyard, preventing any humans from escaping.

{A'Ming.} The Mermaid King called.

Yun Ming, in his little mermaid form, appeared beside the king, carrying on his arm a water ball filled with broken limbs and the lifeless bodies of the three little mermaids. Seeing these scenes, more humans feel the cruelty of this small clan. Based on the expression of these dead little mermaids and their state, they must have died miserably.

{Look at what you did to them. They are small and weak. You ripped off their limbs, pulling them until they were detached from their bodies. You must have enjoyed it well, huh!}

{Your sins only deserve death! You and your clan shall suffer as punishment!}

Sensing the aura of the God of Destruction, he immediately stepped away from his range, and he knew that his master was about to make his move. After disappearing beside the mermaid king, Yun Ming and the bodies of the small mermaids appeared a distance away from the sinner.

The God of Destruction grips his death scythe and swipes it casually as if it were weightless. One swipe had cut off all the humans except the young master in front of Mermaid King in half. Their upper body was completely sliced off from their lower bodies.

It was such a clean cut that blood spurts slower than experience. Hundreds of human fountains were made. Blood covers the whole front yard together with human internal organs coming out of their cut bodies.

Weak humans beyond the screen run out to puke. Some children who failed to escape watched all vomit and were terrified by the scene. They didn't expect such a gorgeous mermaid to be so ruthless and merciless.

The young master watches as his family—his father, mother, siblings, the servants of his clans, and guard—die immediately with one clean cut. They all died in one slash, and they didn't even feel the pain.

He was so scared that he peed on the spot while looking at Hei Anjing, who was looking at him with his beautiful face. If not for the fact that a human blood rain had fallen on that gorgeous beauty, it would even be more beautiful.

Even so, despite being covered in blood. The mermaid king only had his eyes on him, this young master. A playful smirk surfaced on his exquisite lips, and those eyes that are usually cold were now filled with mirth.

{It is now your turn~}

The mermaid king said while covered in human blood. His long, silver hair was soaked in red blood, making it a bit pinkish. Such a girly color was created from a cruel scene. One couldn't enjoy the color and could only shiver under the playful smile of the mermaid king.

{This time it's your punishment~}

AHHHHH!

The young master screamed in extreme fear, and in panic, he tried to run only to twist his foot.

"No. No. Save me. I was wrong. B-But it wasn't me. It wasn't me who wanted to meet you. I was only following orders. That's right. It's an order from the Royal family. I am only a mere puppet who is following the second prince's command!".

Chapter 1632 - 22.19 Third Red Star - End of Livestream

The sudden confession of the young master mentioned the royal family and directly pointed out the second prince. This is a live stream watched by most people, and those who heard the confession couldn't believe what they heard, especially the commoners.

After all, in their eyes, the second prince had always been a good person. He gives away charity to those who are in need. Help those who can't afford little mermaids and make a free Little Mermaid center to cure those whose soul domain's pollution is beyond the average, and so on. Your journey continues on NovelBin.Côm

In short, he is a good guy. At least, that's how his persona was laid to the public. Only those who were from the side of the second prince, the royal family, and the military knew what the true kind of person the second prince was.

The Second Prince Rion, in reality, is a tyrant. The order he gives is a must and cannot be rejected. If the family or clan fails to do so, they can only be exterminated. Within the royal family, the second prince's greatest backer is the first princess, his sister.

The first princess is the king's favorite after the crown prince. After all, she is the first-born princess, and the king spoils her a lot. Thanks to her, all the bad reputation of the second prince was buried, and all his secrets were hidden as well. Because of her, the second prince was capable of fighting against the crown prince.

However, the rule of the royal family cannot be changed so easily. According to their family law, only the crown prince will be the heir to the throne. Unless he dies, he will be the only legible person to take the crown. This is regardless of how many princes were born after him or no matter how talented the other princes were.

Because of this rule, the royal knights were directly under the control of the crown prince, even if the favorite princess didn't receive the protection of the royal knights. That is a troop exclusive only for the future king.

The Second Prince was so envious of this power, and no matter how many assassins he sent to kill the crown prince, no one was able to achieve it. As for why he is interested in the mermaid king, there is only one reason. He wanted him to take command of all the little mermaids and made it so everyone in the federation leaned to him when they needed their healing.

With the mermaid king's authority, that is a vision that he wanted to achieve. Unfortunately, he didn't expect that the mermaid king was an even tougher nut to crack than the crown prince. It's an existence that even the human laws can't control, and with the overwhelming power, he is someone the humans should revere instead unless they want to lose the little mermaids in their families.

As expected, the cold-faced yet exquisite face of the mermaid king remains calm even after learning about the royal family involved.

Hei Anjing said, "The Royal Family's second prince is it?"

"Very well. He also deserved punishment. My brethren do not heal the second prince of the federation without my command. This is... a royal decree!"

The silver eyes of the mermaid king glow with golden shade. Under the live broadcast of the video showing the punishment for the small clan who dares to kill his kind, his royal decree was heard by all the little mermaids in the federation.

The little mermaids received the decree through their race's bloodline, and those who owned or were just beside their little mermaids at this moment saw their mermaids salute the mermaid king after his declaration of royal decree.

They all responded, {As his majesty decree!}

It was only at this moment that everyone in the federation believed that the mermaid king had connections to all little mermaids in existence. Their pain and suffering can be felt by their king, and the king can come over to their side anytime.

"Y-your... Your majesty! I told you everything! It's all true; I am not lying. Please... Please give me a reward. Spare me, I beg you!"

The young master, covered in blood, tears, and snot, was kneeling before the mermaid king. He felt that with the confession he made, he could be spared. He felt relief when he saw the mermaid king smile gently at him.

The God of Destruction gave him a gentle smile that soothes his nervous nerves and smiles with him. He believes that he has been pardoned by telling the truth and will be spared in the end.

Hei Anjing said, "Good job in telling the truth. You have done well~" even gently patting the head of the young master as if giving reward to such an honest child.

The ones watching the livestream gasped, as they didn't even notice when the mermaid king summoned that death scythe. In contrast to his gentle face, his next move was full of cruelty. He beheaded the young master, and the blood spurts from his detached head.

It was done in an instant, and even the young master was still smiling even after dying. The gentle smile on the mermaid king's face faded, and he looked at the head in his hand with an expressionless face.

Hei Anjing said, "You killed my brethren and wanted to be spared? Am I stupid?"

He nonchalantly threw the head in his hand and controlled the water in the air to clean himself up. In just a few minutes, all the blood on himself, even on his clothes, was removed. Hei Anjing returned to his clean and elegant self. If not for the fresh blood on his death scythe, everyone wouldn't have known that this beautiful bring had just massacred a whole human clan.

The God of Destruction called, "A'Ming, come over."

Yun Ming appeared before the mermaid king. He is still in his little mermaid form, hugging a ball of water with a dead little mermaid inside. The mermaid king hides his death scythe and hugs the waterfall. Under everyone's sight, a trident insignia appeared on his forehead, and a golden light surrounded the three dead little mermaids in the water.

No one knows what happened under that golden light, but when the light faded, what was left behind in the water were three various colored eggs. The color of the eggs is the same as the color of the fishtail those dead little mermaids possessed.

The Mermaid King passed them back to Yun Ming and said, "Bring them to incubation. Once they have hatched, they can choose another human to cure and live with."

Sigh~

"It's time to go home," said Hei Anjing as he looked at the blue sky above his head. It's different from the blood and dead covered land under his foot.

Zhi Yue's voice was heard announcing the ending of the livestream.

[The livestream will shut down in 3 minutes.]

Those who were watching the live show couldn't move their gaze to the screen of their devices. Despite the ruthless war and cruelty of the mermaid king, they couldn't move their gaze away from his beauty. A heavenly-defying appearance, one that can match the gods in the myths.

Before the live stream completely shut down, they saw soldiers coming over to the scene. Obviously, after the massacre was done, the ice wall that blocks the outsiders had melted, and everyone could come over. The military waiting outside had taken over and immediately came in the moment the ice wall was gone.

Holding guns and weapons in their hands, they approached the mermaid king and surrounded him. However, no one dares to point their weapon before the king of mermaids. In the end, General Ye appeared, and the whole video was cut off.

Screams of disbelief and dissatisfaction resound all over the houses in the federation. They wanted to know what happened between the mermaid king and General Ye, their War God.

What they didn't know was that after the video was cut off. The General comes over personally not to capture the mermaid king but to pick him up so they can go home. The God of Void carried his wife in his embrace. Hei Anjing turned back to his little mermaid form, looking so tired. With a clean handkerchief, Ye Xiajie wipes the blood in his soles gently.

Under the shocked gaze of the soldiers of the federation, General Ye kissed the head of the sleepy mermaid king.

"Baby, good work. Leave the cleanup to me. Go ahead and sleep," Ye Xiajie said.

Yawns~

Hei Anjing said, "Okay. Those three eggs, I will also leave them in the care of the military. A'Ming will teach you how to care for and hatch them properly."

"Please leave it to me, Master," Warden Yun Ming said.

Colonel Lou took the three eggs in his little mermaids' embrace and said, "I will carry them for you. Do you want me to carry you back home, Ming'er?"

"Don't go back home. We need to arrange things for incubation of the mermaid eggs in your headquarters," said little mermaid Yun Ming.

"Alright. I will listen to Ming'er."

Colonel Lou, this expressionless man, suddenly showed a smile, leaving his soldiers dumbfounded.

No one from the military had expected the Mermaid King to be the little mermaid of their general, and the other talking little mermaid is the little mermaid in Colonel Lou Wuye's family. They didn't know when the military had this big shot joining them.

Seeing his Jing'er asleep, Ye Xiajie's smile faded when he looked at his subordinates and made them flinch. It was only when Colonel Lou voiced a command that they woke up from shock.

"What are you guys still doing? Clean up the place!"

"Yes, sir!" The soldiers collectively responded.

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General Ye and Colonel Lou removed their lovers from the scene and left the leadership to Lieutenant Shaka, who was the next in command after them. Lieutenant Shaka, who knew more about the relationship between those pairs, was calmer than the others.

Gossiping while working.

"Hey! That's the King of Mermaid, isn't he?"

"Yes. He is much more beautiful in person than in the video!"

"How can someone look so amazing in this world?! It's true that as a mermaid, he should be gorgeous like all other little mermaids, but it's a cheat that he can turn human!"

"I know, right? When I saw him on the video, I thought it was some AI with beautifying filters. But meeting him in person, he looks more exquisite than on the screen."

"Moreover, is he the only one who can turn big as a human? Or all little mermaids do?"

"It seems they can speak our language as well. I've met that little mermaid of the Colonel before. But who would have thought that it could speak? The Colonel hid such a big secret."

"Speaking of secrets. The General is still the General. His little mermaid is the king of all mermaids. Is the mermaid king the reason he woke up from his slumber?"

"Only Colonel Lou might know. He visited the hospital where the general was in a coma before he woke up."

"Wait, isn't Lieutenant Shaka with them?"

All of a sudden, the gaze of the soldiers couldn't help but move to the young lieutenant from the Shaka Clan. Seeing his comrades' eyes on him, Lieutenant Shaka trembles unconsciously.

Lieutenant Shaka said, "Alright! I will tell you everything I know. Let's finish the cleanup and return to the headquarters!"

"Yes, sir!" The soldiers said.

They are smiling, unlike the seriousness they had when the general and the colonel were around. After all, the young colonel is closer to them and treats him more as an equal than a superior.

Meanwhile, at the Starweb Network, some parents were offended by the livestream started by the mermaid king. This is because the channel cannot be changed, and there are some children who watch such a gruesome scene, which is bad for their educational development.

"What is the Mermaid King thinking!?"

"How can he show such brutal scenes for children to watch!?"

"Thank god. I covered my baby's eyes before the scene appeared."

A father was complaining loudly with his obedient daughter in his lap. He didn't even notice that his baby girl watched the whole thing from the slit of his fingers.

The mother said, "You didn't even cover her eyes properly! She saw everything."

"Eh? Really?" The father asked his daughter, who showed no fear at the merciless scene of the mermaid king killing a few humans as punishment for killing his brethren.

"Baby, did you watch the whole thing? Aren't you scared?" he asked.

However, his daughter gave her mother and father a bewildered look. She then asked, "Mommy, Daddy, what are you watching? How come there is only a white and quiet screen? I saw nothing but that."

The parents of the little lady were stunned, and they couldn't believe what their daughter had just said. They almost couldn't understand what she was just saying. After all, they clearly watched the live video, and it was even something that could not be excited or changed.

Now, their daughter is saying that what she saw was just a clear white screen and nothing else.

"Baby, you only saw a white screen the whole time? Nothing else?"

The little girl nods her head, and she looks innocent as always. No fear or terror in those clear eyes.

"Yes, only white. Was there something in there? But Nana saw nothing."

The parents were shocked. They immediately checked the starweb that returned to normal and asked if the others had experienced what they had just felt. Finally, a trend was that the live stream was off-limits for minors and children, and all they saw was a white screen with nothing else.

Almost all viewers with children responded with the same answer, and at this moment, everyone feels how meticulous the mermaid king is and how mysterious his powers are. He was even capable of placing an illusion so the children would not have to experience such a massacre at such a young age. Even though everyone didn't know how the mermaid king did it, they still felt amazed by such a discovery.

Trending News: "The Mermaid King is using spells to hide cruelty from the eyes of the children!"

Trending News: "The Mermaid King loves children and doesn't want them to see blood."

Trending News: "Mermaid King's Punishment. Little Mermaid's must not be abused!"

Trending News: "The Mermaid King has been caught by General Ye! What happened to him after the Live ended?"

Trending News: "General Ye brought back home the Mermaid King. What is their relationship?"

The top five trending news stories are all about the mermaid king, and even the last two trending news stories involve the general of the federation. It is because the general was involved that the humans weren't overreacting about the actions the mermaid king had done.

Moreover, with all the clear proof and evidence shown in the video, most owners of Little Mermaids felt that the small clan and that young master deserved that kind of ending. This includes his clans and those servants who turn blind eyes and dead ears to the cries for help of the little mermaids. They all deserved such death.

Don't they know that the reason they didn't die from mind pollution was because of the little mermaid's singing? That's why these precious little ones must be treated with love instead of disdain. After all, they can be considered the human race's savior.

Actually, there are a lot of humans who saw the little mermaids as tools before the mermaid king appeared. Because they didn't show much intelligence, the humans treated them more like pets instead of a companion. They only woke up in reality at the first appearance of the king of mermaids.

On the other hand, at the first princess's palace...

After watching how his hard-earned reputation was destroyed by the appearance of the mermaid king and that young master who sold him out on that Livestream, the second prince almost suffered from mental mania.

What made it worse was that the little mermaids bought by the second prince had all disappeared all night. Upon checking the surveillance video, it seems that the little mermaids all left. As for how they left, they turned into humans and ran away from the palace. They had all disappeared one night.

It seems that these little mermaids weren't treated properly as well. Thus, after receiving the royal decree from the Mermaid King, they all decided to break all relationships with the second prince and the first princess.

This led to the people leaning to their side because of the help of the little mermaids to all leave their factions. This just made the second prince even more irritated, and he would most likely suffer a mental mania in the future.

Moreover, even if they borrow someone else's little mermaid to cure the second prince, no little mermaid dares to cure him. After all, the decree of their king is absolute. There was even one time when the first princess asked for her husband's family's help to borrow a little mermaid.

Of course, they couldn't force these little mermaids to cure someone they didn't want. Moreover, the relatives of the first princess's husband are a scholarly family. The type that leans more toward righteous truth and loves the little mermaids like a family member.

In the first princess's mansion, her husband had invited his siblings to bring over their little mermaids and plead with them to cure a relative. However, when the little mermaids saw that it was the human their king hated, they all declined to treat him.

Seeing numerous little mermaids rejecting him, the second prince finally lost it. He started suffering from mania and started acting like a madman.

The princess's husband's relative said, "Cousin, my little mermaid doesn't want to do it. He wanted to go home. So we will take our leave."

"Please wait. Let's try..."

The first princess wanted to speak out more for her brother, but her husband stopped her, and the first princess had no choice but to give up.

The husband of the princess said, "You have done enough. Thank you, cousin."

"Um. Uncle said that the royal decree of the mermaid king is real and the only way for the little mermaids to change their minds is through the mermaid king as well. If you want to convince the little mermaids, you need the mermaid king to take back his decree, or else, no matter what you do, even if you borrow a little mermaid from a stranger, they won't treat him," said the cousin of the princess's husband.

"I know. It's my wife who wanted to try, and I... indulged her a bit."

Hearing the conversation between her husband and his cousin, First Princess Rose had no other choice but to accept the fact that the mermaid king's decree was real. Seeing the first princess give up, the second prince had finally lost it. He is now glaring at the bowl that held the little mermaid of a relative.

The second prince, Rion, with bloodshot eyes, murmured with a hoarse voice, "Why? Why the hell are you doing this to me!? Why don't you fucking heal me!? I'm going to kill you!"

Seeing the madness in the second prince's eyes, the owner of the little mermaid immediately hugged the small aquarium bowl and looked at him defensively. The first princess couldn't believe that her brother had now entered a state of madness due to the mental mania his mental health was suffering from.

The first princess stuttered, "I-Is this... Mania?"

Chapter 1634 22.21 Third Red Star - Royal Family's Sin

After not being able to receive treatment from a little mermaid for a week, the second prince, who was burdened with stress and anger, had finally lost it. Normally, only ordinary people with no means to buy a little mermaid and who were born with strong mental capabilities will suffer from this kind of effect.

Born from a royal family, the second prince had his own responsibilities and ambitions. Beating the crown prince and taking his role as the future king had always been Prince Rio!'s obsession. Because of this, he is willing to do everything to achieve his goals, and even if he does something against morals, the second prince is willing to do so.

In the first princess's house, the second prince had finally gone mad. He tried to reach out to the little mermaid nearest him but was kicked away by the owner with a cold look.

Thud!

The first princess screamed, "Ah! Do you know what you are doing?"

Even though the husband of the princess is from a scholarly family, his cousin is from the military and quite powerful himself. If not for the brotherhood between cousins, this soldier wouldn't even come to this place and meet the bastard who wanted to target little mermaids just for his own greed.

The soldier said, "Princess, he is in mania and not in the right mind. He will kill a fragile being like a little mermaid in his state."

"So what if he did? Isn't it just a stupid fish?!" retorted Princess Rose.

At her words, her husband and the soldier turn dark. Clearly, her words offended them, especially the little mermaid's owner.

The soldier retorted, "For him not to have any little mermaids curing him serves him, right? The princess herself is not a good person. Brother, I'm leaving. I will call the guard to help you restrain the second prince."

"Stay where you are. Leave the little mermaid behind. This is an order from the first princess!"

The first princess felt belittled and tried to use her authority as royalty towards the soldier. It's just that she had forgotten that the real power in this country is the military.

The soldier glares at her, making her flinch. Her husband had to slap her away to stop her from talking any more nonsense.

Slap!

"Rose, that's enough from you!" said her husband.

"Husband?"

The first princess might be spoiled, but she loves her husband the most. Getting slapped for the first time by her beloved made her terrified. After all, there is no love between the two of them. Her husband married her because the royal family threatened his family, so he gave in.

In reality, the first princess is not that bad, but because of the influence of her queen mother and her second brother, she becomes quite crooked with her ways.

"Rose, you cannot force something not possible. Not everything will bow down to authority like I did," the Princess's Lord Consort said.

The first princess's face turned pale at these words. This is like a warning to her ears. After all, the first time she used authority to get what she wanted was when she forced this man to marry him. What can she do? She truly loves him and wants him to remain by her side.

She had used her father's power to bring the man she loves down to his knees and ask him to marry her in exchange for not harming his family. That's the day she got what she only wanted in life and also her greatest guilt.

As expected, the words of her husband were enough to calm her down. Not long after, the guards of the princess's palace had captured the second prince and placed him somewhere for restrictions. A madman suffering from mental pollution took a while to calm down. There are even cases of them becoming crazy for real.

As expected, this news reached the ears of the king, and the second queen pleaded with the king with crying eyes. She was begging him to save the second prince, her son. However, even though the king is from the royal family, it is impossible for him to change the decree made by the mermaid king. That was outside his authority.

In the throne hall, the second queen was crying her eyes out while being supported by her servants. She called for the first princess. However, after what happened at home, Princess Rose was afraid of angering her husband further and chose to ignore her mother's summons.

The king looked annoyed as the second queen cried, asking for the second prince. However, he had already heard the details of the situation from his eldest son and was greatly disappointed by how stupid his second son was. How can he do something only to get caught and get his reputation completely destroyed?

The Second Queen pleaded, "Your Majesty, please save our son! He is still too young. You can't let him become crazy!"

Sigh~

A deep sigh full of disappointment resounds in the throne hall, and the king couldn't help but stare at the second queen acting so dramatically that she was crying as she sat on the floor, wiping her tears with a handkerchief.

The king said, "This king is helpless as well. The one who had signed the treaty with the sea monsters was the general. It wasn't something that involved the royal family. If you want the little mermaids to cure the second prince, ask the general for help."

The second queen faction hated the military the most, as they were the ones preventing the royal family from becoming a power in the federation. On the other hand, the current king and the crown prince signed a freedom treaty. They are free to wield the power of royalty. However, the power is still with the military. They are not to get involved with the problems of the water region.

The king knew that the second queen would not agree to bowing their heads to the military. But she noticed that the crown prince and his twin knights had arrived at the throne hall.

Crown Prince Nokto saluted the king with Royal Knight Wolfred and Royal Knight Xion.

"Royal Father, you have summoned me?" asked Crown Prince Nokto.

The king looked delighted as his favorite son arrived and even went down from his throne just to see his son closer.

"My dear son, forgive your royal father for suddenly calling you over. It's just you've heard about what happened to your second brother, right?"

"Royal Father, I had warned Rion many times not to step in the boundaries of the sea laws. It was his fault what was happening to him right now. How dare she harm the little mermaids? Those guys are originally from the sea," said the crown prince.

The second queen lost her cool. Like her son, her temper was never good. This short fuse runs in their bloodline.

"Nonsense! Those little fishes are artificially made! They are born in laboratories on land. How come the laws of the seas include them?" The second queen stated.

The crown prince knew the connection of the mermaid laboratories to the family of the second queen's clan. It was them who used the little mermaids as the main source of income for their clan. It was also for this reason that the current king married the second queen after the death of the first queen.

The royal family wanted to have a share of the business that involved the little mermaids.

Crown Prince Nokto retorted, "I beg your pardon, Second Queen. But the origin of the genes of those artificial mermaids was taken from the stolen mermaid your clan got from the sea clan. If not for the fact that the royal family had signed a confidentiality contract, such actions would have caused war between the land and water region!"

This fact shut the second queen up. After all, this is a hidden fact that no one dares to talk about. This is the very sin the royal family wanted to bury. If the military learns about it, the royal clan will be exterminated as a result.

"Shut up! The royal clan had taken advantage of our clan because of this. If we are going down, so is the royal clan!" The second queen said with threats.

"Enough. Both of you! This is not the time to push blame and drag others down. If the royal family falls, all of us will be dragged to hell. Do you wish to see that happen?"

The king could no longer listen to this verbal fight. Both factions of the royal family are pointing fingers at one another. But the fact that they are on the same boat cannot be ignored; that's why the king called his crown prince over. Because if there is someone who can cure mania, it can only be his eldest son who received the blessing of the land.

The crown prince and the second queen closed their mouths and stopped the fight. Obviously, Crown Prince Nokto knew why he was summoned here.

Crown Prince Nokto said, "Give me the original mermaid egg you took from the sea. In exchange, I will cure your son. It doesn't matter if you give me a dead mermaid egg, right? After all, you had cultivated a whole bunch of it, though artificially made."

"Nonsense! Even though it's a dead egg, it cannot be given away so easily. That's the source of our clan's wealth!" The second queen said.

The crown prince shrugs his shoulders and says, "Then lose your only heir. Maybe the sea had cursed your clan. Only the second prince was born male, and the rest of your descendants are females who couldn't even continue your bloodline."

"You are the one who is cursed! Your mother is not even human!" The second queen shouted.

The current king exclaims, "Rosena von Siegfried!" His voice was full of warning and anger.

Chapter 1635 22.22 Third Red Star - Second Prince's Treatment

Hearing the cold voice of the king, the second queen knew that she had crossed the line with her words. The king's bottom line had always been his deceased first wife. The last elf born in the world, Olivia Gaia. Even though she died a few years after Nokto's birth, it cannot be denied that the king loved her so much.

The crown prince himself was now in a bad mood after hearing the words the second queen had said as it involved his mother. No one would like to hear people looking down on their own mothers and saying bad things about them. It's an insult that the crown prince would not forgive.

The king spoke to his second queen. "Second Queen, I hope you don't mention my first queen anymore."

The second queen grits her teeth and agrees to what the king wants. She no longer mentioned the deceased first queen.

"Alright. I will not talk about it anymore. Please save my son instead! You're capable of curing mental illness."

"You know that my son cannot completely cure mania. It can only control it for a while. You will still need a mermaid to heal it for him," said the king.

The desperate mother, the second queen, said, "It's alright. I will find a way to cure him completely. For now, save him."

The crown prince added, "The payment I want must be given. Or else your son can rot in hell!"

"You!"

The second queen was about to flare and slap the crown prince, but she was blocked by the two royal knights, Xion and Wolfred. These are the loyal knights of Nokto and don't even listen to the commands of the king. Moreover, they are the strongest among the royal knights. Far more powerful than the knights that protect the king.

Royal Knight Wolfred said, "Stay back. I will cut you down if you take one more step."

"If you die, your son will just follow you in the afterlife," said the Royal Knight Xion.

The second queen said, "You're just damn knights; how can you talk this way to me!? I'm the second queen!"

However, the disdain in the eyes of Royal Knight Wolfred and Royal Knight Xion just deepens, and the second queen instinctively feels threatened by their auras. The second queen took a step back in fear.

The king whispered to the second queen. "Don't test those two knights. They don't even take me, the king, so seriously. They will truly kill you, and not even your family can do something about them. They are the reason why the military is going easy on the royal family."

On the other hand, Crown Prince Nokto was angered by how the second queen shouted at his knights, and his face completely turned cold at this moment.

"My condition has changed. Aside from the dead mermaid egg, you kneel down and beg me. I will heal your son only when you're down on your knees," said Crown Prince Nokto.

In the end, the second queen held back her anger as she could see she had completely offended the crown prince this time. Within those calm eyes is not only anger but also murderous intent. This time, she knew that she had crossed the line.

To save her son, the only way to do so is to do as the crown prince wished. The second queen, under everyone's gaze, kneels before the crown prince. She fell on the ground with force and even lowered her head for her son's sake.

"I beg you. Please save my son. I will give you anything you want!" said the second queen, procrastinating before the crown prince.

The crown prince's emotionless face and cold eyes remain unmoved, making the servants of the Second Queen and the king, who are seeing his state, stunned and terrified. This was the first time they had seen the crown prince act this way. It was as if he was not looking at the second queen as a living being. It was chilling.

Even the king felt a shiver under that gaze from his son. It was as if, at this moment, the Crown Prince wasn't the son he had known all his life. Royal Knight Xion noticed the awkwardness in the hall and intentionally made Crown Prince Nokto realize it.

"Ree," Royal Knight Xion's voice was a bit like a whisper but more like an intentional reminder.

It was at that moment that Crown Prince Nokto's cold face faded, and a deep sigh echoed in the hall.

"Send the second prince to my palace before sunset. Don't forget to bring what I want," said the crown prince.

"Royal Father, I am going back."

The king nodded his head and allowed them to take their leave. Only when the three took their leave did the atmosphere in the hall lighten. The King glanced at the second queen on the ground and finally took his leave as well.

Inside the throne hall, the only ones left behind are the second queen and her servants. As soon as the king and the crown prince were gone, the second queen, who was holding back her anger, exploded. She started shrieking like a crazy woman and even caused some abusive actions towards her servants.

"How dare they do this to me!?"

"If not for my son's sake, I would never kneel down!"

"They made me kneel! So, I will make them lose their lives!"

After the second queen had calmed down, she returned to her clan and told them what happened in the Royal Palace. As expected, the Siegfried Clan agreed to the condition of the crown prince and sent the dead mermaid egg to his palace.

Of course, they also sent the second prince enclosed in a special cage. The crown prince looked at the second prince inside the cage, acting like a madman. He has broken and missing nails scratching the walls of the cage and a blood-covered face due to him banging his head on the walls like a crazy person.

BANG! BANG!

The crown prince looked at his younger brother with a cold look. The second queen sent someone to accompany the second prince. Of course, it's someone from the Siegfried Clan, and it's quite a powerful man himself.

The second queen wanted to use this man to put some pressure on the crown prince as a bit of payback for making her kneel to the ground. Unfortunately, she picked the wrong person to use intimidation.

The man from the Siegfried Clan was tasked with giving the dead mermaid egg to the Crown Prince. Of course, the order he received was not to give it away so easily.

"The Siegfried Clan had sent me to accompany the second prince and give the material the Crown Prince needed."

The black mermaid egg with no signs of life appeared on this man's hand. Crown Prince Nokto was about to receive the item when the man intentionally let go of the dead egg before it touched the hand of the crown prince.

These intentional actions angered the two royal knights. Royal Knight Xion caught the egg, securing it, while Royal Knight Wolfred kicked the man, who immediately defended against his attack.

BOOM!

The man was unexpectedly still alive with that one kick from Royal Knight Wolfred. Clearly, the person sent by the Siegfried Clan was not an ordinary man. Even with a broken arm, this man's face remains composed.

"What a rude knight! That egg falling wasn't even my fault. It's your crown's fault for being slow," complained the guard from the Siegfried Clan. "Anyway, your egg has been delivered. Treat our clan's heir!"

Royal Knight Wolfred and Royal Knight Xion were about to beat up the bastard but were stopped by the Crown Prince. The latter went towards the cage, which enclosed the crazy second prince, and used his ability of plant manipulation to cure this man's mania. Of course, it only temporarily soothes the second prince's mind but does not completely heal his ailments.

Once the power to move plants causes the necessary herbs for calming the soul and mind to grow, their properties are extracted. The extracted product was used on the second prince for cure. The madman inside the cage woke from his insanity mode.

Second Prince Rion looked around as he hissed in pain from his forehead and hands. He seems surprised to wake up seeing the person he hates the most in his life.

He asked, "What are you doing here, Brother?"

"Look around again and see for yourself where you are," Crown Prince Nokto said.

The second prince did as he was told and saw that he was currently in the palace of the crown prince. It is a detached small palace in the imperial palace, which is considerably larger than his own place and

even much bigger than his sister's palace. This palace was also one of the causes of his envy and jealousy.

Prince Rion mumbles, "The Crown Prince's Palace...?"

The crown prince looked at the man from the Siegfred Clan and said, "The promise has been fulfilled. The payment had been well deserved."

"Good work, Crown Prince. Continue to do so in the future and keep serving our clan's heir," said the man from the Siegfred Clan.

Crown Prince Nokto stated, "Rudeness towards the people of the crown, failing to salute to the crown prince and talking to your superior. Every single sin is punishable by death. Wolfred, Xion killed him!"

"Yes~"

The two Royal Knights attacked the man from the Second Queen's clan without mercy. The second prince was confused about what was happening, but he recognized the man from his maternal clan. Hearing what his elder brother had commanded, it was already too late for him to warn his uncle's direct subordinate.

Before his eyes, one of the strongest warriors that serve the Siegfred Clan was killed by the two loyal Royal Knights of his brother.

The crown prince ignored the blood and body in front of his palace and commanded the rest of the servants from the Seigfred Clan.

"Clean up the trash and take home your hair. Tsk! What bad luck. My palace had been dirtied," said the crown prince

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The second prince came home with a sane mind, and the other servants pushed his cage over to the crown prince's place. However, his uncle, who came under the pleas of his mother, can only return in a casket that was personally delivered by the two royal knights beside the crown prince.

The Siegfred Clan was dumbfounded and enraged by such actions from the crown prince. They tried to detain and kill Royal Knight Wolfred and Royal Knight Xion in their clan's territory. However, they had not only lost half of the power of their clan. They were almost exterminated as a group.

It was at that moment that the second queen, Rosena von Siegfred, realized that she had made the wrongest move against the royal family. The Crown Prince, Nokto Ceil Augustine, is not like his mother, who didn't have any real strength or authority aside from the current king.

Instead, he possessed power and people that surpassed both the royal family and the Siegfred Clan. If there is one who can contend with his power, it might only be the military that leads the federation.

Now, the whole Siegfred Clan was down for depression after losing a lot due to the fault of the actions the second queen had taken. They had weakened a lot and lost a lot of support. Moreover, the First Princess, Rose, was not replying to their orders.

After being scolded by her husband, Princess Rose decided to listen to her consort. After all, she didn't want her own family to be destroyed because of her maternal clan. At the very least, she no longer wanted to disappoint the person she loved the most.

At the Siegfried Clan's Mansion...

The elders, the second prince, and the second queen had all gathered in one hall. Half of the mansion was in ruins as they tried to kill the two royal knights who dropped by to give their clan a warning.

The second queen had thoroughly offended the crown prince the last time in the throne hall. That's why, despite the restrictions the crown prince and his two royal knights had, after arriving in this world, they no longer hold back after being offended.

They had been following through their roles after descending into this world. They are not like Hei Anjing, who had the backing of the Divine Laws (Hunluan) and could break any laws as much as he wanted.

Though the plots are always destroyed as long as the God of Destruction descended in any world, it was only recently that he was fully free from the restraints. Being punished by some heavenly laws in the lower realm world cannot be avoided.

After all, the weaker the world is, the heavier the restrictions the gods will have after descending.

The atmosphere inside the hall was gloomy and dark. The aftermath of the battle that took place in the territory of the Siegfried Clan had caused them a lot.

Their reputation was destroyed because of what the second prince did and was exposed in a livestream. The second queen had to beg on her knees and then plotted to kill the crown prince, only to fail and get a warning threat that almost destroyed the mansion of the Siegfried family.

They tried to weaken the force under the crown prince, only to hit a wall of steel and suffer instead. Now they can only choose to be low-keyed until what they lost has been replenished.

The clan's patriarch had spoken, "Rosena, do not start any more fights with the crown prince."

"That child... he is no longer... hides his fangs. What the hell did you do the last time you met him?"

"Father! That damn brat forced me to kneel. Isn't it normal to get angry!?" The second queen complained.

"I want to teach that brat some lessons. Who would have thought that the two knights by his side are monsters!?"

"Can't we just bring over those two knights to our side? We can restart the creation of little mermaids with the artificially cloned mermaid eggs."

"Shut up! Even if we have to restart that project, there is still the mermaid king! Unless we are able to extract their bloodline and tame it, those newly born little mermaids will still follow the commands of

their king. Like how he had decreed that no one will treat the mental mania of your son!" The clan's patriarch said.

The second queen slammed a vase on the ground, clearly throwing tantrums in anger.

"That annoying mermaid king. If not for those greedy bastards creating him, things wouldn't have ended this way!"

"Father, find where the mermaid king is. As long as we get him back to our side, disciplining him shouldn't be so hard!"

"This problem is that we don't know where he might be. He suddenly disappeared that night, and even the last time he appeared, no one knew where he had disappeared to," said the Siegfried Clan's patriarch.

The second prince said, "Grandfather, the mermaid king might be with General Ye. Before the Livestream ended that day, Lord Ye Xiajie had appeared."

The patriarch of the Siegfried clan frowned and said, "You think that the general who hates the sea clan will spare the mermaid king for what he had done? They might have fought to the death with an ending of none of them dying."

"But I think they might be together instead; the mermaid king might even be the one who woke up the general," said Second Prince Rion.

Silence~

The hall was suddenly filled with silence. After all, only their clan knew that General Ye had truly fallen into a state of deep slumber, and they were the reason why he ended up in such a state.

One of their laboratories had created a potion that enhanced mental distortion in one's mind, causing them to collapse and faint. Deep sleep was a way to cope with such a state, and this state prevented one from going insane and killing oneself.

The patriarch spoke, "Are you saying that it was the mermaid king who treated the general? What proof can you provide to prove your words, Rion?"

"That night in that auction, a descendant of the Shaka Clan and a mysterious man appeared in the auction hall. That one from the Shaka is obviously that black sheep who went and joined the military. I had an inkling that the mysterious man that night was Colonel Lou Wuye, General Ye's confidant," said the second prince.

Everyone in the hall turned quiet yet stunned by the words the second prince had mentioned. They do not think that their descendants are lying after all. Compared to the others who say they saw the mermaid king in that auction with their own eyes, most of them are lying.

After all, none of the customers that night could hardly recall anything that happened that night. Their memories weren't completely erased. It was more blurred.

The patriarch asked, "Rion, is this a memory that you recently recalled? Is that why you didn't say anything when you went home that day? What else can you remember?"

"The mermaid king is a monster that is so powerful even not in the sea. However, he looks completely uninterested in anything and seems to be treating his position as a mermaid king as a task instead of responsibility," the second prince said.

The patriarch understood the hidden meaning of his grandson's word. Even though the second prince is a tyrant who likes to look down on everyone, his observation eyes are top-notch. It was because of this that he could control a lot of his minions without them rebelling against him, even though sometimes they didn't approve of his actions.

"If what Rion had said is real, then... the mermaid king might be a being we could never control. We should find him and find a way to eliminate him," said the patriarch. "If he remains alive, the human race will perish once he sides with the sea clan."

He spoke to his grandson and said, "Rion, do not leave the mansion for now. I will find a way to resolve your issue with the little mermaids and cure you completely. For now, lay low."

"Yes, Grandfather," said the second prince.

On the other hand, at the crown prince's palace.

The preparations for a special banquet were made. The banquet wasn't planned lavishly and was done minimally. It was a low-key luxury banquet instead. After all, the one that was invited was someone from the military, and it was General Ye himself.

This banquet was done secretly as well. No one in the palace knew that the crown prince had invited the general. The faction of the royal clan and the military under the rule of the general had always been an opposing faction.

However, for some reason, to test the general's side for an outsider like them, the crown prince invited General Ye for a simple meal, which led to this banquet being prepared. For some reason, the general accepted the invitation, making the crown prince and his two royal knights doubt the real identity of the general.

The Crown Prince Nokto waited with two of his knights seated at the same table as himself. They are waiting for their invited guest to arrive.

The prince said, "Do you think he would truly come?"

"He might be... If not the general, then... his colonel might come instead," said Royal Knight Xion.

Royal Knight Wolfred said, "Is it because he attacked you as soon as he saw you bring out the teleportation scroll? That might be a coincidence."

"He is the first one to notice me that day and also the person who tried to capture me instead of trying to kill me as an intruder. Don't you know that intruders who entered the military headquarters are all ordered to be executed on the spot?"

"Maybe it's a coincidence?"

"Coincidence never happens many times. When it frequently happens, then it's no longer a coincidence but an inevitable."

Finally, a servant announced, "General Ye and Colonel Lou have arrived!"

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An announcement from the servants guarding the place outside was heard—the crown prince, upon hearing its response almost immediately.

He said, "Welcome them in!"

With a guide showing them the way, General Ye and Colonel Lou arrived in the receiving area where the crown prince and the two royal knights were waiting for them. The two are wearing casual clothing and intentionally hiding their identities.

If Colonel Lou Wuye had not shown proof of who they were, the guard at the entrance would not have let them in.

Upon seeing the crown prince and the two royal knights seated together at one table and the clear intimacy between the three people, Lou Wuye and Ye Xiajie looked a bit stunned. But compared to the

dumbfounded faces of the three upon seeing the two of them, it was obvious that they recognized one another.

A familiar voice was coming from the God of Void's breast pocket.

"I was wondering who the familiar aura I am feeling was, so it was you, trio~"

Hei Anjing lifted his small hand from the breast pocket, and with a snap of his fingers, the whole room was covered in a barrier that only prevented the heavenly laws of this world from peeking but also kept whatever was inside isolated from the outside world.

Two small mermaids jump out from the breast pockets of the two men. Using a water ball as support, they appeared on the table. One is a mermaid with a playful expression on his face and a silver fishtail. The other is a gentle, smiling green-tailed mermaid. These are Hei Anjing and Yun Ming.

The God of Destruction said, "Yoh! It's been a while, Greene, Lang, and Xiong!"

"Long time no see," said Yun Ming.

The crown prince who is housing Greene's soul was looking at Hei Anjing's size as a little mermaid full of tears. Even Lang and Xiong were so happy to see Lou Wuye and their boss.

"Baobao!! I really miss you. I want to hug you, but you are so small," said Greene.

Hei Anjing said, "Don't call me baobao. My name is Hei Anjing. Call me Jingjing."

"Okay. Jingjing!" said Greene. The grin on his face shows how happy he is.

On the other side of the table, the tops had gathered. Lang and Xiong saluted the God of Void, who was once their leader. They finished exchanging hugs with Lou Wuye. But compared to him, they are closer to the God of Void.

"Boss! Long time no see!" said Xiong with a huge grin on his face.

Lang saluted instead, "Boss, how are you?"

"You guys have done well. Becoming high-ranked gods, you didn't waste the opportunity Jing'er had given you," said Ye Xiajie.

Lang and Xiong still recalled how they were given spartan training by their master, the Lord God of the God System, Cao Xinsheng. Their faces pale, but they immediately try to forget about it. After all, when they arrived in Vearth, they were the weakest among the gods. Plus, they parachuted directly with their wife's backing, which is Hei Anjing, the God of Destruction.

That's why after death, despite only reaching Demigod Cultivation, they were allowed to stay in Vearth. The Mo Clan had personally sponsored their stay until they reached the level where they could stay in the inner region of Vearth.

The Sovereign of Life and Death, Mo Baojun, who is also the uncle of Hei Anjing, had taken care of them well after learning they were the friends of his nephew. He even sent their only disciple to train the three of them and help them adjust in Vearth.

It was rather unfortunate that they could not meet Hei Anjing and the rest of them after their ascent. Not only did the couple have so many enemies, but the three were not compatible to work for the Nether System. Only Demon Gods and Evil Gods can work for the new system.

Yun Ming, who used to be a former god in the God system, became an evil one after becoming a prisoner. That's why he was able to become a warden. But it's impossible for Greene and his two husbands, who were born with the Blessing of the Beast World, to gain powers that lean more in righteous ways. That's why they can only work for the God system.

After the greetings, the group finally gathered at the table. The crown prince had ordered the servants to serve the food. This time, Hei Anjing and Yun Min, as well as Zhi Yue and Zhi Yang, had all returned to their human form.

With this size, the crown prince got what he wanted and got a hug from Hei Anjing and Yun Ming. Though it only lasted less than 30 seconds. He was pulled off by Ye Xiajie, who was so possessive that he wouldn't easily let others hug his wife.

Ye Xiajie said, "That's enough."

"Yes, Boss!" said Greene as he stopped hugging his friend.

This reunion is one of a kind. The group enjoyed not only the meal but also the conversation between the group. After finishing their casual meeting, they finally talk about the state of the world.

The Crown Prince asked, "Jingjing, I heard about your situation. Are you guys alright now?"

"Yes. Everything is alright. Don't worry about us. After a few more worlds, our trial will be finished," said Hei Anjing.

Lang asked, "Then, about this world, what do you think we should do? Normally, we will only do our job. Either to repair or maintain it. What is your take, boss?"

"My suggestion is for you three to give up this mission. Use our name to remove the failure report to bypass. This star is far more dangerous than the usual worlds you've gone through. Right now, the rank of the world isn't stated. It might be A-class right now, but it might level up," said Ye Xiajie.

Xiong, the think tank between the three, understood what their boss was trying to say. This world is now too dangerous for them, even though they are also really godkings. There might be something in this world that might put them in danger.

He asked, "Boss, is there something in here that can contend against you guys?"

"Yes, there is," answered Ye Xiajie.

Chief Warden Lou Wuye said, "You guys heard about the World Eater and the Ancient God of Chaos, Lord Hunluan?"

"Hm~ I think I've heard or seen those names somewhere," said Greene. As for Lang, he was never the type to use his brain and chose to shut up and just listen.

Xiong said, "I've heard those names recently. Aren't they both ancient evil gods? Did they have something to do with this star?"

"There is. The world eater had resurrected. That person doesn't listen to anyone other than Hunluan. Also, we are here to take back Hunluan's soul fragment. The danger Xia is talking about is not only about the world eater. But some resentment soul of ancient gods locked in this world," said Hei Anjing.

Greene asked, "Ancient Gods? Are they that powerful and dangerous?"

"They are," responded the Chief Warden, Lou Wuye.

Warden Yun Ming added, "Ancient Gods are stronger than sovereign rulers."

"WHAT!?"

The three were finally shocked. They knew how powerful a sovereign ruler is. They can't even beat a sovereign ruler's disciple, much less the bigshot. Now, they are telling them that a being much more powerful than them exists. Won't the world end, including Vearth, if one of those Ancient Gods decides to destroy it?

Greene asked, "Jingjing, Vearth is alright, right? We haven't completely paid our house loan yet!"

Pfft!

Hei Anjing said, "Silly. Don't worry. I don't know about the World Eater, but Hunluan won't allow Vearth to be destroyed. That's where I live, after all."

Others looked confused as they heard Hei Anjing's words. Even the God of Void frowned, as for his reason only he knows. But everyone realizes that Hunluan and Hei Anjing might be more acquainted than they thought.

The silly rabbit god asked, "Jingjing, are you and Lord Hunluan close? Why do you say he won't allow Vearth to be destroyed just because you live there?"

"Because I will get angry," answered Hei Anjing.

No one asked further, even though they were bewildered by Hei Anjing's answer. They only know that the relationship between the Ancient God of Chaos, Lord Hunluan, and the God of Destruction, Hei Anjing, might be an unknown relationship closer than that of a friend.

Meanwhile, at the deepest trench in the ocean. The Sea God was looking down on the area where the black sea dragon used to be chained. That's the place where the God of Void's sea creature used to stay. Right now, a few cracks have started to appear that the guardian is no longer around.

The cracks on the sea bed get longer, wider, and bigger. If one can get closer to those cracks, one will be able to hear the agonizing cries of unknown beings. A bit of blood started to slip out from the crack as well.

The sea god murmurs, "It won't take long for the seal to be broken. I need to destroy this world for that to cease to exist."

The god of the sea disappeared as if melting with the ocean water. Just after he took his leave, someone unexpectedly merged from the shadows of the cliff. It was An Shizhe, the World Eater. He looked at the cracks on the sea floor with emotionless eyes. However, a sly smile and a murderous aura come from him.

"Just a bit more. Come out. I've been waiting for you old bastards to come out. This time, there is no need to seal. I will completely devour you instead!" mumbles the World Eater, An Shizhe.

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With the unknown things happening in the sea going on. The gathering in the royal palace is about to end. Before the General and the rest left, the God of Destruction gave something to his friend and his friend's lovers. It's a temporary insignia of his power. However, unlike the usual black snowflake, he usually uses its silver this time.

Hei Anjing said, "I gave you my temporary blessing. Even if you fall into the sea, the ice elements will protect you. However, if you are in danger, do not hesitate to leave this small star. Regardless of the results of your mission, I will check it upon our return to Vearth. Your safety is the most important."

"I will listen to Jingjing!" said the Crown Prince Nokto. The two royal knights beside him also promised to keep his words in mind.

The God of Destruction whispers, "With my blessing, he will hesitate to devour you."

Almost everyone hears his words, but only Greene and Zhi Yue openly ask him to say it again, as they seem to have not heard it at all.

"Lord Hei, can you please say that again?" Zhi Yue said.

Greene said, "Jingjing, did you just say something?"

"I didn't. Just be careful. Also, take this. Use it when your life is in danger," said Hei Anjing as he threw a scroll to them.

It's a shield scroll that was made from the divinity of Hei Anjing and Ye Xiajie. With their combined powers, this scroll can block an ancient god's attacks for half an hour.

No one no longer asks Hei Anjing why he kept on giving life protective measures to Greene and his two husbands. However, they are fools not to notice the worry in his eyes and how he couldn't explain anything to them. Even so, they kept his words to heart. Receiving these things from Hei Anjing means that they are important to him as well.

The crown prince looked at the scroll with serious eyes and said, "Alright. I will remember everything."

"Go see us in the military headquarters or the general's mansion any time. Though it might be hard with your current standing, you can sneak in with this ID."

The chief warden gave them a special ID pass. Showing it to the guards in the general's mansion or at the gates of the military headquarters, they will be allowed to enter. After all, this is an identification with the general's insignia.

Yun Ming added, "If you need it, don't hesitate to tell us."

Before the general and his group take their leave, Hei Anjing and Yun Ming return to their little mermaid forms and once again hide in the breast pockets of their lover's clothes. They didn't use the normal path to leave and used teleportation.

The general and the royal family are opposing factions. If someone from the royal family saw that the crown prince had connections to the military, the authority this royal clan had would end in chaos. In the first place, the Siegfried Clan will never accept the military, as they are the reason they can never lead the federation.

They will definitely condemn the crown prince if they see him having connections with the military and will do everything in their power to remove him from his crown.

After seeing the group led by the general disappear on the spot, the crown prince, Nokto, and his two royal knights, Xion and Wolfred, returned to their palace to rest. Unknown to them that the king had received the news of this banquet from a secret, they would have never expected to betray them.

It's the eunuch who was guarding the crown prince's palace just now.

Throne Hall

"Your Majesty, General Ye had come out from the Crown Prince's Mansion. As for how they left, this servant didn't see how," said the eunuch.

"I see. You may retreat."

The king showed no surprise about this. His oldest son had always been a mystery. His elf wife will always tell him that their son is a unique soul. He is someone who cannot stay in this world for so long.

She asked him to protect their son, and during the last moment of her life, she gave him something to extend his life and allowed him to live a bit longer so he could protect their son until he could finally stand up on his own two feet.

For some reason, recalling what his wife had said, the king showed a rare, gentle smile as if reminiscing about the woman he loved the most.

"I guess it's time to give Nokto the crown, and I can finally see my wife," mumbled the current king of the royal clan.

A month later, the king announced that he would inherit the throne from him. The name of the crown prince was announced, and everyone was caught off guard, including the crown prince himself.

A stunned crown prince appeared in the throne hall. His royal father was looking at him with a rare, gentle smile. Even though the soul in this vessel's body is no longer the original. The lingering emotions made Greene a bit uncomfortable.

'What is this? Where am I? Why is this happening!?' Crown Prince Nokto's thoughts at this moment.

At the throne hall, his father was smiling at him, who was stunned.

Chuckles~

The king pats his son's back and whispers, "Son, don't you know that in the royal clan, only the king is allowed to go to the military headquarters without any permission? This is something both factions had decided. Like how the general was able to enter the royal palace to meet you that day."

The Crown Prince Nokto was startled as he looked at the king, who was enjoying the changes on his face.

"Royal Father, I..."

Shss~

The king said, "Let's talk later. Complete your ascension ceremony first."

The ceremony of Crown Prince Nokto's accession to the throne was shown to everyone in the federation. At this time, even Colonel Lou appeared as the representative of the military. Lieutenant Shaka was also with him. They sent the gift of the general to the new king.

Nokto's ascension to the throne had been processed well. Except for the Second Queen and her faction not being informed ahead of time, the other noble families had accepted the crown prince rising to another position. After all, they knew the secret of the king's bloodline.

The king is just an ordinary person, and the reason he can keep his youth is because of his deceased first queen's medicine. Before the first queen, the only living elf, died, she had given the king, who was already in his late fifties at that time, a miracle pill that was able to extend his life for another decade. This is so he can watch their son, Nokto, grow into the mature man he is right now.

That was the one and only wish of the deceased Elven queen, and the king was willing to fulfill it for his beloved. However, this miracle pill had some downsides. After a decade has passed, the one who ate it will die. This death is not simple. It's the same feeling as if your life was escaping from your body until, finally, you take your last breath.

The king had already felt his life energy escaping his body a month ago. Because of this, except for the fact that his face remained youthful, his body is almost hollow from the inside. That's why none of the nobles from the king's side stopped their king when he said that it was time to give him the throne.

According to the rules of the royal family, only the firstborn son of each generation can ascend to the throne. There are also special circumstances when there is no one from the main lineage to ascend. The royal family will give up their authority to the military.

The military then will find another clan or family to rebuild the royal clan. That's why the Siegfried Clan will never be able to become a royal clan without the permission of the military. It was also for this reason that they were so rebellious and tried to kill the crown prince multiple times.

At the Siegfried Clan's Mansion.

The second queen was about to go insane with the livestream of the crown prince's ascension and started destroying things in the room.

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"How can that damn old thing do this to me!?"

"Is my son not his blood as well!? How can he choose that damn inhuman queen's son instead of mine!?"

"Once that little bastard sat on the throne, my Siegfried Clan wouldn't have any more chance to ascend as a royal clan!?"

"I tried to kill him many times but failed! The world is against me!"

As for the second prince, his family had created a drug that could extend the calming effect the former crown prince's ability had done to him.

The medicine his clan had created was useful. However, there are huge side effects of this medicine. It is not only restricting his mania but also his restrictions and emotions. He had become an emotion-deficient person.

The second prince commented as he looked at his mother with an emotionless gaze. Ever since he drank that potion that was said to cure his mania, his heart had cleared up as if everything he usually knew and felt was gone. He is now full of indifference.

"If you hadn't coveted the throne, I wouldn't have ended up this way, mother."

In the ears of the second queen, the emotionless voice, that face devoid of feeling, as well as those empty eyes of his son, was her sin. She couldn't even look at him directly, making her look down and avoiding her son's gaze. Unknown to him, such actions just lead to the second prince being even more unsympathetic towards her and this clan.

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Force submission by his clan, his mother's commands to steal the throne. These eyes look at him with pity and disdain for coveting something that wasn't supposed to be him and the hatred of his brother, who had enough of him, causing their brotherly relationship to ease existing.

Only after losing his emotions and no longer fearing his mother and clan did Second Prince Rion realize how much his mother tried to control him. His elder brother used to pamper him at that time, but he was still living in the main palace with his elder brother and his royal father, as well as his elder sister.

There is a law in the royal clan that states, 'All heirs under the age of 10 must live in the main palace with the king. The queens are only able to visit them once a year, and this is to adjust the mindset of the heirs to fit someone vying for the throne.

In reality, this is just a recently added rule of the king. This is to give time to his children to foster good relationships and lessen conflict as they get older. At the very least, in the first ten years of the second prince Rion's life, he had the love of his father, doting from his elder brother, and his care from his elder sister.

Those days were broken after he reached the age of ten when his mother took him away from the palace and left him in her clan, the Siegfried Clan. It was at that moment that he suffered a lot of disdain, hate, and contempt. Every time he wanted to look for his elder brother, his grandfather would strike him with a jade ruler, his mother would pinch him, and his uncles would look down on him.

Due to this, he grew up with a distorted mind. He can only hate his once-beloved elder brother and become a tyrant who hurts others to protect himself. By the time he becomes an adult, everything is too late. He can no longer return to the past when there isn't a conflict between brothers and siblings.

There is actually that last assassination attempt from him that the original crown prince Rion had died. The only reason the crown prince died was because the assassin told him everything about what happened to his younger brother in his maternal clan. The torture and abuse since he was young and with no protection from anyone, including his royal father.

It seems at that time, the king had already made a choice. To choose Nokto as the only son he will protect with all his power. It's not that he didn't love his other children. But compared a natural-born son to the other two children born through artificial means as a way to fulfill his contract with the Siegfried Clan. The king chose his oldest son.

Now that he completely lost his attachment to his emotions, everything in his eyes was processed without anything affecting it except for rational thinking. It was at this point that he realized how ridiculous his mother and the Siegfried Clan's actions were.

They dare to covet the authority of the royal clan after failing to get authorization from the military despite their success with artificial little mermaids. The reason they were wealthy but had no power as a clan was because of the military itself.

They gave them wealth to gain a way to save people through the little mermaids they created. However, the origin of this artificial creation being stolen from the sea itself cancels out all their advantages. Adding the fact that their clan is infamous for their greedy nature in a bad way that the military never gave them any power in the federation like the royal clan.

The words of the second prince made the second queen unable to look at him. She had always been guilty of her own son and daughter being exploited by the Siegfred Clan. But like them, she also has no choice. Once she becomes useless, the clan will also throw her away like used garbage.

However, this was the first time her son had confronted her. Meeting those dazed, empty eyes, the second queen's heart grips in pain. She could only avert her eyes, trying to avoid the uncomfortable feeling in her heart.

The second queen said, "Son, you do not understand. You and I have no choice. Our backing is the Siegfred Clan, and at the same time, it's also our chain. Unless we find a backer that is willing to give up everything to protect us like your sister's husband, we can only comply with their commands."

The second prince said, "I am willing to give up all my wealth, standing, and even the name of Siegfred for freedom. Mother, can you free me?"

In the royal clan, aside from the king and the crown prince, all other princes and princesses can only follow their mother's surname.

The second queen didn't expect these words from her son, and she truly couldn't believe that there was someone willing to throw away his noble status just to give him freedom. She actually wanted to fulfill her son's request. Unfortunately, as the only heir of the Siegfred Clan, there is no way they will let Rion go.

"Son, they will not let you go," said the second queen.

The second prince's emotionless face became even less energetic when he heard his mother's response. He didn't have any hope for freedom, as he also knew that he was the only heir. But he could erase the depression that he couldn't understand in his heart.

"Alright. I just ask out of nowhere. I'm going back to my room. Just send someone to call me if you have some kind of plan that involves me," said the Second Prince as he prepared to leave.

His mother wanted to stop him but halted at the last minute. The painted and guilty expression of the second queen was like a mother who couldn't even protect her own child. Her face was distorted with pain.

The ascension of the Crown Prince ended with no problem. With the support of the royal faction, His Majesty Nokto took the crown. It's just that after he ascended, the former king lost consciousness. He is now bedridden in his own chambers, surrounded by healers and doctors. Sadly, there is nothing they can do, as this is him using up all his lifespan.

"Your Majesty, we're sorry! There is nothing we can do to cure the former king!"

All the healers and doctors apologize to the current king, but the situation of the former king is totally beyond them. What made it worse was that even the special healing ability of the crown prince was of no use.

The king finally woke up looking so haggard and said with a hoarse voice, "Leave us alone."

"Xion, Wolfred, please wait outside as well," said the current king.

The two royal knights stare at the current king, who only moves their gaze to the former king after receiving a smile from their lover, then finally come out to block the room.

After the room only had the father and son, the king looked at the current king. What the king said left the latter speechless.

The former king said, "I know... that you are not my son."

"..."

Greene Evergreen remained calm at these words. But at the same time, he didn't deny the dying man's words.

He just said, "You are dying. Do you want to live?"

The former king hardly chuckled and answered, "No."

"Why?"

"I know you might have a way to heal me, but both my wife and son are waiting for me on the other side. Also, I gave you the position where you will be safe. You can freely see your friend now," said the former king.

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Cough. Cough.

Greene's healing ability can only cease the pain, but he still chooses not to heal him. That was outside the role he possessed.

"Since when did you know?" Greene asked.

The former king answers, "Maybe when those two knights changed completely over knight and that... you allowed them to live with you and sleep in your room."

"I see. Do you want to ask anything?" Greene asked.

Since he can't break the Divine Laws, but the director changed this man's fate, answering a few questions shouldn't be a problem.

The former king asked, "How... did he (Nokto) die?"

"Assassination. When I took over, a blade was stuck in his chest. He was betrayed by the woman he chose to entrust his heart to," answered Greene Evergreen.

The former king asked, "Had he reincarnated?"

"All of the mortals who gave up their vessel to a god were guaranteed to have a good life in their next and a reincarnation. He is already there with your wife, waiting for you," said the current king.

Chuckles~

"I guess I can't make them wait too long for me. Will you be alright alone now?" asked the former king.

The current king was stunned for a moment before finally giving up a smile. He responds, "Yes, thank you for everything. In your next life, they will still be your wife and your son."

Hahaha~

The former king, with eyes losing light, said, "That's... a... relief."

The biological father of the original owner of Greene's vessel finally took his last breath. The former king was smiling in the end and left with no regrets.

Chapter 1640 22.27 Third Red Star - Rumors

The death of the former king was unexpected. During the preparations for the funeral, someone spread the bad news that it was the current king who killed the former one.

The Siegfred Clan took this as a chance to bring His Majesty Nokto, but unexpectedly, the military, to be precise, General Ye took things at hand and personally got involved, leaving the Siegfred Clan unable to follow up their move and suffering even more defeat under the hands of this cruel general.

On the other hand, the common people like the current flow of events. Having the royal clan and the military get along means that the Federation will only get stronger and fewer internal disputes.

More projects that involved the two factions were approved by the government, and even the nobles who used to hate the military were dumbfounded. They were used to being restrained by the military for project approvals. Now, as long as His Majesty approves the project they suggested, the military will allow it as well.

Now, they didn't have to wait for the military to have problems getting their projects approved through ugly means. As long as their king approves of it, the military will also allow it as long as it does not break any laws.

Somewhere in the palace...

A few project proposals that King Mokto deemed profitable for the clan approved the proposals and returned them to the writer.

"Xiong, I'm so tired. I don't want to work anymore," complained His Majesty Nokto.

Xiong was rechecking the project proposal that his lover approved and said, "Alright! Let's take a short break."

Meanwhile, in the hallway just outside the throne hall, a few noble family representatives had just got their proposals approved and were on their way home. They exchanged words of flattery with the other people.

Rumors started spreading that his majesty Nokto and General Ye Xiajie were secret lovers. This news spread in the palace, the military, and eventually the whole federation.

"The X Clan's proposal has been approved again. Congratulations!"

"Your Y Clan's project was also approved. Send some more. As long as his majesty likes it, the military will definitely allow it."

"Yes. Normally, it would be close to impossible to get the approval of the military. But lately, as long as the project was signed by his majesty, the general will not decline."

"Don't you think that the royal family and the military had gotten closer after His Majesty Nokto sat on the throne?"

"If it's like before, we will have to wait for an opportunity to take the military off guard and get our projects approved. It was even a 50-50 approval as it can be changed as long as the general deems it useless."

"Do you think the relationship between the king and the general is ambiguous? Didn't the rumors say that they..."

Shss~

"Don't be too loud. What if others heard you? However, I also think there is something weird between the two of them."

"I thought so too. General is too lenient towards his majesty."

"Maybe they are... You know..."

"Secret lovers?"

However, the ones involved were the last to know about it. Royal Knight Wolfred was on his way to send food to his lovers at the throne hall. He almost left the tray in his hand when he heard the rumors. He glares at the nobles, making a fierce face at them.

He exclaims, "Watch your tongues! What kind of shitty rumors are you guys spreading?"

"Royal Knight, Lord Wolfred! We're sorry!"

The whispering men all run out after being reprimanded by Lord Wolfred. It was well-known that two loyal and powerful royal knights protected his majesty. Lord Wolfred and Lord Xion.

One excels in war and combat, while the other excels with tactical knowledge as well as a famous scholar. Ahead of These two is His Majesty Nokto, who is well-known for his leadership and healing ability.

These three are the big three in the royal palace, and there is hardly anyone who can contend with them. But who would have thought that this kind of ridiculous rumor was spreading in the palace? Royal Knight Wolfred hurried to the throne hall and informed his two lovers.

Wolfred shouted as soon as he entered the hall, "Honey, Sweetheart, there's a big problem!"

"Eh? Eh? A'Lang, why are you shouting!?" His Majesty Nokto asked.

With a slight frown, Royal Knight Xion asked, "What's the problem?"

"There are rumors spreading that Reen is the secret lover of General Yen!" Exclaimed Royal Knight Wolfred.

Flutters~

Thud!

The pile of papers in Royal Knight Xion's hand felt like it fell to the ground while His Majesty, who was holding a pen, crashed his head to the table in front of him.

His Majesty Nokto and Royal Knight Xion shouted at the same time, "WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY!?"

Royal Knight Wolfred told what he heard from the nobles on the way just now. He told them every single detail he heard and remembered. However, this is still incomplete.

His Majesty made a gesture, and a hidden shadow guard appeared, kneeling before the throne.

"Waiting for your orders, Your Majesty!" said the shadow guard.

King Nokto ordered, "I want all the details about this stupid rumor. Find out its source right away!"

"As you wish, Your Majesty!" The shadow guard disappeared on the spot.

Once again, the tension in the hall returns. King Nokto, who housed the soul of Greene Evergreen, looked so depressed and helpless. His two husbands were comforting him as they themselves couldn't believe that someone was stupid enough to use this kind of tactic to target him and the general.

It wouldn't be a problem if they were the original owners of this vessel. The problem is that General Ye's wife will not like this kind of rumor, and the one who spreads it will definitely suffer.

King Nokto sighed, "Who is so fearless to spread such a lie? If you want to die, don't drag me into it!"

"Don't worry. Lord Hei will never blame you for such a ridiculous thing," said Royal Knight Xion.

Royal Knight Wolfred said, "The Boss would explode if he heard about this news. How can they seek death in such a way?"

His Majesty Nokto said, "We should clear the rumors even at least in the royal palace. If this continues, the royal palace might get destroyed."

"I will immediately arrange a press conference," Royal Knight Xion said.

Royal Knight Wolfred said, "Then I will stay here and protect Reen. Be careful out there."

"Don't worry. We are not the main target. Whoever spreads those rumors is targeting the boss. They choose the wrong way, though. Maybe the Mermaid King will once again appear," said Royal Knight Xion.

A few hours later, the shadow guards had sent the result of their investigation. After reading the report, Nokto, Xion, and Wolfred expressed disbelief and annoyance as the culprit is none other than the Siegfred Clan. To be precise, it's the second queen.

His Majesty Nokto, with a throbbing temple, said, "It's them again. Are they not going to stop until their clan is uprooted!?"

The Royal Knight, Xion, said, "This clan is actually smart, but they are too greedy. Being one of the wealthiest in the federation isn't enough for them. They wanted to be number one with something."

"They are wealthy, but compared to the richest Shaka Clan, the Siegfred Clan is still lacking. They wanted to be a powerful clan, but the royal clan was impeded, so they signed a contract with them. They wanted to be a family with authority in the federation, but the military blocked their path."

"They have money, fame, power, and authority but still want to be number one.

What kind of damn obsession is this!?" retorted Royal Knight Wolfred.

His Majesty Nokto said, "They will suffer more than when you destroyed their mansion. That's the big boss they dragged to mud this time. Let's send this report to the General's Mansion."

Same day. At the General's Mansion...

The report about the absurd rumors had reached the ears of those in the mansion. They read the report as a group. After they read the contents, all eyes landed on Ye Xiajie. Even his wife, who was sitting on his lap, turned around to look at him with a smile that wasn't thoroughly a smile.

The God of Void is sweating buckets at this very moment. Even though it wasn't his fault, since it involved him, he couldn't avoid the heat falling onto him.

Ye Xiajie stutters, "B-Baby, you k-know... it's not m-me who did it, r-right?"

The God of Destruction turned the television on, and news that announced the very same thing on the paper report was being played before them.

[Entertainment News Report: The Great General, Lord Ye Xiajie, and the current reigning king Nokto were said to have an illicit relationship.]

[Trending: Royal Clan and Military tying the knot?]

[Flash news: The Demon General is in love with the Gentle King.]

Everyone watches Lord Hei switch channel every five seconds, and each channel, whether it's a news report or an entertainment channel, will show the same material. Everyone couldn't help but once again look at the dumbfounded God of Void.

Ye Xiajie said, "B-Baby, calm down."

The God of Destruction turned around for a second time and beat up his husband. After doing the deed, he used teleportation and disappeared on the spot, leaving the General with a black eye. Everyone was sniggering to laugh behind his back. He glares at them, and they take off, wanting to avoid the man who is about to explode in anger.

"Who the hell is spreading this stupid rumor!? I'm going to kill you!" shouted the General, who was beaten by his wife.