

Y. Goddess 204

Chapter 204 - Toward The Exit!

The idea that just occurred to me was an aggressive move.

Rather than moving by blending in with Earl Timoti's soldiers like this. It would be better for us to move aggressively by utilizing the abilities of the stealth slime herd that was currently trying to get an apology from me.

This unmissable opportunity made me want to maximize the abilities of the stealth slime herd that was feeling guilty after disappointing me.

"Everyone, listen carefully to the order I'm going to give," I said to the stealth slime herd that was bowing its head towards me and kneeling.

The order I was going to give would be simple and would not require their slightly weak abilities to maintain their human form.

"While we're moving out of this former iron mine to Earl Timoti's residence, I want all of you to take precautions against someone who is stalking us," I said in a commanding tone that made Sirius' body tremble.

"If you encounter an enemy like an animal that is being controlled by the enemy like before, then you have the right to carry out an immediate execution."

"But if you find an ally with the same color uniform as the one I'm wearing, then watch their movements. If they do something suspicious then you have the access to just silence them and don't kill them until we have reached a safe area according to the command I gave."

"Do you all understand?"

I gave a slightly longer and more detailed order than usual.

With the disappearance of Aiko who served as the leader of the stealth slime herd who could think using normal human logic, now I had to deal with a herd of stealth slimes who had to get detailed orders before they did something crazy by attacking anyone without caring about their status as enemies, friends, or spies.

"W-We understand, Supreme Commander," with the answer given by Sirius, I gave her a sharp glare.

Her body trembled when she received a sharp gaze from me.

Her great fear of me had made her look like a stealth slime who was forced to submit to me after making several small mistakes that sacrificed Aiko.

If Sirius were a human, she would probably be depressed and stressed after someone was sacrificed because of her mistake. However, since Aiko is a stealth slime who can still regenerate, Sirius shouldn't have to feel guilty like this.

I immediately went to Sirius who was kneeling and bowing her head towards me.

With the sound of footsteps coming towards her, I wanted to give her encouragement and tell her that this was a great opportunity to get the apology I received.

After my body was close to Sirius, I gave her a caress of her hair. A soft strand of hair began to be felt by the palm of my hand.

"You don't need to feel guilty like that," I said in a soft tone and made sure that some of the other stealth slimes heard my soft words as I stroked her hair.

"After completing this task perfectly, I will give you my precious time to hear your apology. Whether I accept it or not, make sure you have words that make me accept your apology," by giving words like this, I seemed to open a curtain of opportunity to make Sirius apologize to me.

My words made Sirius feel calmer and heard the screams of her voice calling Aiko.

[Aiko!! The Supreme Commander will give her free time to listen to my apology after this escort mission is over!]

[Can you teach me the words of apology to convey to the Supreme Commander?]

"Haaahh ..." I smiled after hearing Sirius's panicked words in the Soul Tame communication channel.

The support given by the other stealth slimes had made Sirius get words of apology ready to be said to me after her escort duty was over.

After feeling enough in stroking Sirius' hair, I started walking back towards Earl Timoti who was waiting for me.

It seemed that the order I had given to the stealth slime herd had delayed the departure schedule of Earl Timoti's troops.

"Sorry to keep you waiting again, Earl Timoti," I said, feeling awkward after the departure schedule was delayed by the order I gave to the stealth slime herd.

Swiipp ...

By giving a hand signal to Sirius, I wanted their duties as escorts to begin.

The hand swing that I gave as a signal was well understood by Sirius until they moved again and disappeared suddenly like stealth slime moving in the darkness.

"Seeing their movements like that never ceases to amaze me even though I see it every day," said Earl Timoti who was amazed at the disappearing movements shown by the stealth slime herd.

As stealth slimes that move without being noticed by people, they would be failed stealth slimes if their movements were easily noticed by people.

I trained them to hunt the Golden King Bear herd to go unnoticed by people.

It would be a waste of training if they were easily found by people.

"Do you want to control the stealth slime herd too, Earl Timoti?" I said to Earl Timoti with the aim of breaking this awkward atmosphere after the sudden appearance of the stealth slime herd.

The awkwardness was given after they found out that I didn't come alone.

Several of Earl Timoti's soldiers showed pale facial expressions and cold sweat after seeing the appearance of the stealth slime herd.

In that awkwardness, I heard some small whispers from Earl Timoti's troops.

"Seriously, such a beautiful woman is a slime? I almost fell in love with a slime!" whispered one of Earl Timoti's soldiers which managed to be heard into my ear.

"I was also fascinated by their beauty, who would have thought that slimes could be that beautiful!" replied Earl Timoti's soldier who seemed to be discussing the same thing.

"Yes! You also know that their bodies are also very proportional like women who live healthily without being overweight."

"Heh! Besides their bodies being proportional. Their breast size is also close to the word perfect. Although I don't know if this is the real size of their breasts or not because their main body is slime."

"Could it be that their breast size is based on the size of their slime ball?"

"That's... Quite an interesting question. Is the size of their breasts in human form proportional to the size of their slimeball body?"

"Should we research this further when we have the chance to see their body changes?"

"Hoho... I like research that will brighten up our lives who have difficulty finding a partner to marry."

"..."

I stood still after hearing the conversation through whispers like that.

I don't know what happened to Earl Timoti's troops, it seems like they have love problems that make their lives difficult without marriage.

Their whispered conversations like that made me want to immediately get out of this former iron mine after giving orders to the stealth slime herd.

I had high hopes for Sirius to carry out this task well.

Having anger in my heart felt painful and uncomfortable. I needed to keep my promise to give some of my free time to listen to Sirius' apology whose body exploded and splashed her slime mucus until it hit my face.

That disgusting slime mucus.

For some reason, I still felt disgusted and disliked the shape of that dirty slime.

If the Goddess of Destruction doesn't like slime mucus, then there's nothing wrong if I don't like slime mucus too, right?

A feeling of hatred that was slapped by reality when they were bound by my Soul Tame magic spell.

On the one hand, they were too useful with their stealth abilities while on the other hand, they had disgusting, sticky, and dirty slime.

Just imagining their disgusting slime made my body shiver.

Brrttt...

"Huuhh..." imagining the disgusting stealth slime, my body felt goosebumps until it shook.

That made Mio curious and asked me.

"Lily-sama, does it feel cold that Lily-sama's body is shaking like that?" Mio asked with her face full of worry towards me.

"I'm fine, Mio. Just worried if the stealth slime herd doesn't do their job well after I harshly punished Aiko," I replied to trick my disgust that was imagining the sticky slime from the slime's body.

"I seem to understand Lily-sama's worries. It's like Lily-sama is hoping for success and making the stealth slime named Sirius get free time to apologize to Lily-sama personally," said Mio who seemed to know the kind me in her eyes.

I may look kind in Mio's eyes, but my goal is to feel the comfort of a heart that doesn't want to hate something for a long time.

It just makes me feel uncomfortable with the wound that keeps getting in the way.

"Yes, that's it," I replied with a small laugh and hoped that Sirius would do her job well this time.

"I also don't want to make that cute and adorable stealth slime feel guilty after what she did to me," I continued to say to make Mio stop being curious about my next action to Sirius.

While I was chatting with Mio, Earl Timoti seemed like he wanted to say something to me.

"Um, Lily-sama."

With that gentle word, a woman we met earlier had brought my horse and Mio's horse.

"Sorry to interrupt your important conversation, but this is the right time to leave after Lily-sama's stealth slime herd has dispersed," said Earl Timoti while showing his serious face.

"Un!!" I nodded and approached my horse which had calmed down from its fear of the darkness of the former iron mine.

Pulling the reins of my horse, I tried to climb onto the saddle that was on my horse.

"Did you wait for a long time?" I asked my horse who seemed bored of waiting like this.

"NYIIIEEGHH!!"

The answer given by my horse was still the same and I didn't understand the words at all. So I felt that it was a positive answer given by my horse.

"I also feel bored when I don't move," I answered by guessing the answer given by my horse earlier.

Based on the signal given by Earl Timoti, we started moving towards the iron mine exit.

Several reports from the stealth slime herd that had spread out began to arrive.

It filled my head with voices that were reporting the current conditions.

Several stealth slime herds had managed to find a way out and shared their route with me.

"Hmm... quite an interesting route," I muttered as I sat on the saddle and was next to Earl Timoti who acted as a guide in the front row.

Thanks to Earl Timoti's quick preparation and direction, his troops moved at a fast tempo. It was in line with my plan to move aggressively without caring about anything.

Such a quick movement would make enemies or allies think twice when facing Earl Timoti's troops.

Whether this would raise great suspicion or not, at least it would make Earl Timoti's border feel hotter as a region full of conflict.

Chapter 205 - 34 - Aggressive Movement (Earl Timoti POV)

A few days ago, I received a message from Marquess Rommel's pigeon.

The message sent to me told me to prepare myself to receive a military operation that would be carried out by Marquess Rommel.

I understand why they had to do this as soon as possible.

With the territory directly bordering the noble family that supported the opposition faction, it had already put the Marquess Rommel family in a bad situation.

Marquess Rommel's territory itself did not have a strong alliance to defend between its open territories like that.

The only area that was safe from attack was the dense forest located behind their Main Mansion. However, it had another problem with the appearance of monsters that inhabited the deepest part of the forest.

Defend or put up resistance, was what Marquess Rommel was experiencing. I don't know what steps the senior who excelled in military academy was taking, but it made me frown after reading the message he gave me.

"Lily-sama will put up a secret resistance before the opposition faction around them moves?"

"What's the meaning of this?"

That's what I said on the day I received the pigeon letter.

Without knowing what the intentions and goals of Lily-sama would be, I was just someone who would serve as her sword and shield, apart from my family and bloodline who had been cursed by her directly.

By spurring my galloping horse, I looked around me which was now filled with the fast steps of my soldiers. The sound of heavy footsteps that showed a lot of numbers did not make Lily-sama worry about the presence of enemies on the border of my territory.

After we managed to get out of the iron mine that had been abandoned because it ran out of iron ore, we should have been in my territory. However, this area was still a border between regions where unintentional conflicts often occurred.

That made me a little wary after Lily-sama appeared with an eye-catching appearance.

Her light brown skin with silver hair looked very striking and attracted the attention of all my soldiers. Especially with the female soldier who had officially become the leader of the female soldiers that I was bringing to escort Lily-sama.

Her gaze was still fixed on Lily-sama like a woman who was captivated by the appearance of a fashionable girl. I didn't blame her because Lily-sama's current appearance looked like a military girl who had given the order to move non-stop.

Together with her loyal aide who seemed to be looking around just like me, it made us move in a large and alert group of soldiers.

Sraaakkk...

Sraaakkk...

My ears also heard some movements from the stealth slime herd that had been ordered to spread out to carry out the escort.

I have personally witnessed the great power of the stealth slime herd that had hunted the Golden King Bear herd. With the right direction, they can be a source of terrifying power when on the battlefield.

An example of what is happening right now.

Braaakkk!!

"NYOOOEEGGGH!!"

My horse screamed after seeing a bird that fell with its body split in two. It came from the escort of the stealth slime herd that had detected spies around us.

I also remembered Lily-sama's previous words that told me that she found an animal controlled by magic.

It was one of the high-class mages who had the Tamer ability. A common ability to control animals from a distance to provide information from the animal's perspective.

The ability sounded terrifying but had a major weakness, like the user of the Tamer magic spell would also feel pain after the animal being controlled by him was killed.

That's why several Tamer magic book guides contain a warning that the pain of the controlled animal will be carried over. In magic theory, this happens because the consciousness of the Tamer magic spell caster will transfer his consciousness to the animal being controlled by him.

Braaakkk!!

Several birds that were flying around also fell with their bodies split in two. With the fresh blood wound, my horse almost screamed after seeing it but managed to calm down with the gentle caress that I directed at its head.

"Calm down, you should be used to seeing blood after I took you hunting monsters in the forest near Marquess Rommel's residence, right? Blood like this is nothing compared to the blood of the monsters we've hunted," I said to calm my horse who was almost panicking like this.

Seeing my horse panic like this, made my pride as its owner a little tarnished.

"It seems like the hard work of the stealth slime herd made your horse panic, Earl Timoti," said Lily-sama who invited me to talk in an aggressive movement like this.

"Yes, this horse of mine is indeed a little scared but sensitive in feeling danger signs. That makes me often bring him when hunting or circling the battlefield far from puddles of blood. It seems like your horse is much calmer after seeing the rain of blood... Urr... rain of bird bodies that were cut in half in the air like this," I was a little chatty after talking to Lily-sama.

The calm aura given by Lily-sama made me see her as my own daughter so I slipped up to talk about something casual talk with her.

Maybe this is my habit of always talking casual tone with my daughter.

"This horse of mine seems to have gotten used to seeing pools of blood but is afraid of the darkness like entering a dark iron mine before," Lily-sama replied while giving a word that made her horse sound like a protest to her.

"NYIIIEEGGHHH!!"

"Ah, hey! That's a fact. You're afraid of the darkness like in the iron mine earlier, right?!"

"NYIIIGH!!"

I saw Lily-sama's horse as if making a small protest. The words given by Lily-sama slightly insulted his pride as a horse that was often used to penetrate enemy defenses on the battlefield.

"Oh, you don't need to be ashamed of that one shortcoming of yours. A great horse doesn't necessarily have any fear of anything, right? Like Earl Timoti's horse who was afraid of seeing the body of a bird that was perfectly split in two," through Lily-sama's words, she saw my horse that had become a comparison between her horse and mine.

"NYYOOGHH!!"

"NYIIIGGHH!!"

A loud cry came from my horse and Lily-sama's horse. They seemed to be communicating with each other.

"Did you hear that? There's nothing wrong with admitting to being afraid of something. Even I have one thing I'm afraid of."

When I heard Lily-sama's words, my face naturally showed doubt.

Lily-sama who's afraid of something?

What kind of nonsense is that?

Someone who fought the Golden King Bear and fought directly with one of the cursed swords has fear?

I don't know what fear Lily-sama has, but I would be much luckier if I could prevent Lily-sama's fear as her sword and shield.

"NYIIIGGHHH!!!"

"Hey, I do have fear! Don't you see me to have a great fear of that disgusting thick slime mucus that makes me execute Aiko as a severe lesson for the other stealth slime herd?"

Hearing such an answer, I immediately glanced at Lily-sama's aide who officially worked as her Exclusive Maid.

"Did something happen before meeting me?" I asked with a little curiosity about what had happened before.

"Lily-sama only gave a severe punishment after the body of one of the stealth slimes exploded and made Lily-sama's face covered in disgusting slime," replied Lily-sama's aide with a calm face.

"It seems like I heard something bad, do you need clean water to clean Lily-sama's face?"

"No need, I have cleaned Lily-sama's face using my drinking water supply."

"..." I was a little speechless hearing this.

The drinking water supply should be an important supply that should not be wasted to clean the face of slime mucus like that.

Seeing the sacrifice made by Lily-sama's aide, I want to provide some food and drink supplies that will make them feel comfortable to carry out military movements within my territory.

Braaakkk...

Slaasshh!!

On my way to the city where I live, I realized that this border area is filled with spies.

The work done by the stealth slimes has amazed me once again.

"Lily-sama, the stealth slime herd is working hard according to your previous orders. Is this the aggressive strategy that Lily-sama said before?" I asked Lily-sama who was still teasing her horse with some strange questions that I didn't know.

"Yes, this is an aggressive strategy to make the spies who are spying on us run away, right?" replied Lily-sama with a strange smile on her face.

"Those who are curious will immediately mobilize their controlled animals and see what is happening. However, when they want to see what is happening, they will feel pain after the body of the animal being controlled by them is split in two," continued Lily-sama's words, giving her main intention in an aggressive movement operation like this.

Compared to moving silently, Lily-sama moved at a fast tempo while causing severe trauma to the spies who were trying to see the situation around the border.

It was a clever way and made me admire Lily-sama even more.

Could that be why Lily-sama received full trust to become the Matriarch of the Marquess Rommel family in the future from her father directly?

I have seen Lily-sama's skill and cunning with my own two eyes when forming the Golden King Bear Hunting Operation.

However, on this occasion, I saw that Lily-sama acted by giving terrible terror to the spies who were curious about the movement of my large troops like this.

This fast and aggressive movement made us leave the forest area. The road in front of us now turned into smooth, well-maintained soil.

The view of the forest leading to the abandoned iron mine soon changed to a view of a plateau filled with domestic vegetable crops.

"Lily-sama, we will soon reach the city," I said to warn Lily-sama.

Through my small warning, Lily-sama immediately raised the scarf she was wearing so that her face was covered by the shadow of the scarf.

Like an Assassin girl wearing a veil, it made Lily-sama look like a mysterious military officer who wanted to investigate the mysterious case that was happening in my territory.

That made some civilians look at her with questioning faces.

Although Lily-sama's face was not visible, the light brown skin of her hands was very striking.

Some civilians seemed to have recognized her and waved at her.

To reduce Lily-sama's discomfort, I immediately changed the marching formation of my troops to hide Lily-sama from view.

The tight formation of the line made us enter the city area slowly.

When I get to the city, I will buy some special gloves and a robe so that Lily-sama will be harder to recognize.

With her military uniform looking fashionable like this, it will certainly attract everyone's attention.