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*~Before I knew it I was one of the champions~*

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サリア  
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「そっか!  
なら、早く行こっしょー!」

「わっ、ちよっ!」

柊誠一  
人間





「オレの名前はアルトリア・グレム——  
《災厄》のアルトリアだ」

アルトリア・  
グレム  
冒険者

「ええっ!?  
いや、本当ですって!」

「これ!」

「サリア、  
お前何で戦うつもりだ?」

DOOOON!!!



# CHAPTER 19

## IMPERIAL CAPITAL TERVIEL

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To the me who have forgotten the natural thing called a level up, I could not understand the meaning of the voice in my head for a little while.

Because it has been Evolution thus far, I have simply forgotten the concept of leveling up...

But, now that I heard the voice saying Level Up! in my head, I guess my level has increased?

Rather than that, I cannot help but feel that the words Level Up has a disturbing feel to it?

First of all. I called up my status hastily to confirm what has become of it.

<<Hiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Human (Human)

Gender: Male (M)

Occupation: Unnamed Monster (Magic Swordsman)

Age: 17 (17)

Level: 2 (2)

Magic: 216,030 (21)

Attack: 218,090 (21)

Defense: 213,270 (21)

Agility: 220,270 (21)

Magic Attack: 215,580 (21)

Magic Defense: 216,680 (21)

Luck: 209,040 (20)

Charm: Doki doki heart breaking (20)

<<Equipment>>

Fine quality Shirt. Fine quality trousers. Fine quality underclothes. Fine quality briefs. Chain of clever monkey. Dagger of the water spirits. Bracelets of night. Choker of Black King Stone. Necklace of the love without ends. Sword of swirling hatred. Sword of overflowing affection.

<<Unique Skills>>

Instant Memory. Perfect Memory. Instant learning. Instant recovery. Complete dismantling. Mind's eye.

<<Skills>>

[Attack] Kiashi(Leg Chop). Shokiba(Twin Fang Attack). Tsuoyshitsume(Metal claw).  
[Resistance] Paralysis resistance. Sleep resistance. Confusion resistance. Charm resistance. Petrification resistance. Inhibition resistance. Poison resistance. Fatigue resistance.  
[Movement] Setsuna.  
[Special] Advanced appraisal. Super compounding. Tool making: Super first rate. Search. Disguise. Assimilation. Clairvoyance. Absorption. Compression.

<<Magic>>

Life magic. Water attribute magic: extreme. Dark attribute magic: extreme.

<<Secrets>>

Gale. Flash. Clouds and fog.

<<Martial arts>>

Zefodo style of protection swordsmanship: Founder.

<<Title>>

Foul smelling player. The man married to a gorilla. Apex of the top. Self-restraint less. Male king.

<<Gold>>

1,000,500,000G

“I’m an idiot!”

I collapsed on the spot.

It’s useless... No self-restrain?

The level only went up by one, but 100,000 was added to the status? Nee, why?

Leaving that aside, I defeated a level 87 high slime, so why did my level only raise by 1.

Maa... if my level went up in an instant, I would suffer heavy mental damage now.

Un, I am strange, I am relieved that my level only went up by 1. Are? Why is there sweat coming from my eyes...

I'm... really human? I'll definitely not quit being human right?

“What is this, I'm...”

When I was quietly muttering so, Saria squats down next to me.

“Cheer up, Seiichi”

“Un...”

Perhaps Saria did not understand what had happened to have made me feel down, but I am happy she gave such gentle words. I love you very much.

I psyched myself up and stood up.

“There is nothing to be done to things that have already happened. Let's pull ourselves together and depart!”

“Un!”

In response to Saria's word, we continued advancing as it is.



“Ei”

ZUPAN!

5 days have passed since I defeated my first slime.

During these 5 days, I wasn't attacked by thieves in particular and neither did the “Mufufu” development happen between me and Saria.

I was only forced to attack when a slime swooped down on us... maa, my level is also rising.

Oh, I came to understand that the main nourishment that the slimes eat is something called [Life of Slime].

Although there were many small events, but now the slimes at places where I had been attacked have all vanished. Eventually it's the same thing in the end.

I threw the scattered drops into the item box.

After doing so, I muttered in a small voice.

“Futile”

The slime that appeared died instantly. It no longer works anymore.

A voice sounded in my head again while my eyes were gazing into the distance. Very unpleasant.

“Level has increased. Skill [Disguise] has reached maximum proficiency level. In effect, it has transformed to [True Disguise]. Skill [Search] effectiveness has increased from the radius of 10m to 500m.

“What am I supposed to do!?”

The level has risen! But, I defeated 107 slimes, including the one just now, in these past 5 days. But even so, my level have only just rose to 10 now.

Although the level of the slimes decreased as I gradually approached town, leveling is slow.

But to me, this is very much welcomed.

Why? If you would just look at my status, it's a simple thing.

<<Hiiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Human(Human)

Gender: Male(Male)

Occupation: Unnamed Monster(Magic Swordsman)

Age: 17(17)

Level: 10(10)

Magic: 1,016,030(50)

Attack: 1,018,090(50)  
Defense: 1,013,270(50)  
Agility: 1,020,270(50)  
Magic Attack: 1,015,580(50)  
Magic Defense: 1,016,680(50)  
Luck: 1,009,040(50)  
Charm: Doki doki heart breaking(50)

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1,002,378,000G

“Mou, I don’t want this anymoreeeeeee!”

Why?! All my status is beyond 1 million?! This is not the status of a level 10 is it?! Or rather, this is not a human’s status?!

I’m afraid if I’m really even a human anymore! Help!”

“What is this?! True Disguise? Explain!”

As I cried out, a semi-transparent board is suddenly displayed in front of me as if it had been prepared beforehand.

“Uo?!... What is this?”

Perplexed at the thing which appeared without warning, I read the content displayed.

[True Disguise]... One of the effect of [Disguise] Skill. Unlike the effect to disguise appearance so far, atmosphere can also be disguised. Numeric value displayed in the status can also be disguised, real ability can be disguised. It also becomes possible to control the strength. However, the disguise of appearance would be released.

“...What does this mean?”

Eh, what? In other words, not only can I disguise the status that other’s see, I can also disguise my atmosphere to that of a strong person like in the manga?

And, the control of strength... Slime, ZUPAN! Is it good with this? It did not vanish?

...

“Yesssssssssss!”

I unconsciously did a gut pose.

With this... with this! I do not have to deal with being treated like a monster by others!

From now on, I am a human being that is pleased to having my power suppressed! Normal thinking would want to wield this power at its fullest...

Un, when your status flew to such a great height, it's just unpleasant.

“Wait, effect of [Search] skill... has also risen?”

I went from 10m to 500m instantly. Damn.

Well, search is different from offensive skills, I don't have to be careful with using it. Moreover, search skill's effectiveness rising is definitely a positive thing.

As I was alternating between joy and sorrow by myself, Saria came running up to me.

“Saria! I did it, I... can finally deceive others that I'm a human being!”

“?I don't know what you mean... but good job!”

Saria answered me with a light smile, and my heart lightened.

However, although I can [Deceive] that I am human, I cannot [Show] that I am human.

But, this much is enough for me for now. Any more than this, I would take damage to my spirit

After getting excited with Saria over this and that, suddenly Saria stared at the top of my head with a face full of surprise.

“What is it?”

“Seiichi, headgear...”

“Headgear... helmet?”

I tilted my head in puzzlement at the word of Saria.

What's wrong with my helmet?

Then, Saria told me of the current state of the helmet.

“Sh, it’s shining...”

“Eh, it shines... wa?”



I return such words instinctively.

Iya... shining helmet? I don't understand. What's with this situation?

However, Saria is right now really looking at my helmet, surprised.

Only Saria was in the vicinity and I thought to take off my helmet so that I can take a look.

“...”

I'll say the conclusion.

“It's shining...!”

Eh, what is this?! What kind of situation is this?! This is incomprehensible?!

Moreover, it's the kind of soft and gentle light which does no harm to the eyes whatsoever———

PIKAAAAAAAAAAAAA!

“Eyes, my eyessssssssssssssssssss?!”

Saria and I covered our eyes and writhed in agony.

At that instant, I let go of the helmet and I fell off my hands onto the ground.

Oi, don't release strong light at the moment I'm feeling relieved!

Before that, it might have damaged the eyes?! This is the time of Evolution! Is it popular to be shining?!

Though we were unable to open our eyes for a while, as time passes, our visibility recovered.

“Flickering...”

“Uuu...”

While frowning from the pain that has yet to pass, a funny thing jumped into my sight.

“...What’s that?”

The thing that was in the field of vision was a strange robe.

Moreover, if I think well about it, the position of the robe is the position at where the helmet which fell out of my hands landed on.

I approached the robe and picked it up.

“...it’s a robe”

I picked up the robe which was completely black without a single hint of embroidery.

“Iyaiyaiyaiya, where did the helmet disappear to?”

While unfolding the robe and while looking for the helmet, something that seemed like white paper fell out from the robe.

“Seiichi, something fell?”

Saria picked up the fallen paper and passed it to me.

“What the heck is this?”

The opening the paper passed to me, written on the paper was content like a letter.

[Hi, I’m sheep-san]

“It’s you?!”

I retorted with all my strength to the letter.

“Oi, this letter is from the sheep?!”

I don’t understand, but I decided I shall continue reading for the time being.

[First, congratulation on the Level Up. You are steadily getting further and further away from being human.]

“Leave me alone!”

Wait, why do you know I Leveled up?!

[Now then, I think you are confused because the helmet shined suddenly. Therefore, please try to remember. I have explained that at some point the helmet would come off. The helmet has converted to the robe, and that is reality. In other words, this light emission shows that the helmet has [Evolve] into a new stage.]

“What is a new stage?!”

So the helmet evolved? I have no idea where am I retorting to!

[So, the conditions for the evolution of the helmet is that Seiichi have to raise his level and skill [Disguise] to a certain definite numerical value. When the level rose, I became aware that the effect of disguise have changed.]

I see... therefore, you know that I had Leveled Up.

[Because the disguise effect have changed, it is no longer necessary to cover Seiichi's appearance with a helmet anymore as he can return to his original figure.]

“I think that's not necessary in the first place.”

Half of the time the sheep is wasting time no? I'm tired of this.

[It is fine to return to the original form, but a problem would arise. Therefore, I have prepared a robe that would not particularly attract attention in this world. Also because a robe is the proof of a wizard, it is possible to receive favors from solidersans.]

I see. If it's fantasy then it's a robe isn't it... it's certainly more credible than a helmet.

[It is possible to conceal the appearance, but the effect isn't given to the robe in particular. As for that, I hope you can completely understand that.]

Oi. It's not an evolution if no effects have been granted, it's more of a degeneration. Maa, the robe is certainly more pleasant to the eyes...

Wait...

“The condition is out of order, this sheep”

What did you say... I am being polite, baka.

Besides, there's a gentle feeling. Why is that?

[Because half of the sheep is made of gentleness]

“Are?! This is a letter isn't it?!”

A letter is retorting to what I am thinking of?! This is a surprise!

[Maa, there is many things which leads to many things but with the evolved robe, I pray for your safety By lovely Sheep.]

“It's useless, I can't follow... !”

What is lovely sheep? Disgusting!

“Nee, what's the content about?”

Seeing me standing with goosebumps while reading the sheep's letter, Saria ask in wonder.

“Well... something like, the helmet has evolved into a robe, work hard in various ways.”

“...what do you mean?”

Un, even I myself did not understand what I just said.

“Well anyway! Let's set out for the city once more!”

I immediately donned the robe and put up the hood.

“Seiichi, cool!”

“Thank you!”

What's with this? Before this, Saria always say that I'm cool no matter what I do. Though I would think Saria is cute no matter what she does too... unless she changes

to a gorilla while wearing clothes.

With such, we once again set out for the capital.



“O!”

“It’s a town. A town is visible!”

After a day has passed since the helmet has changed into the robe, we had travelled to a position which is a distance away from where a big town is visible.

“So the knowledge of Zeanosu was correct after all?”

Honestly, I was suspicious about the knowledge acquired from Zeanosu. After all, it’s information dating 1,500 years back. It wouldn’t usually be reliable.

However, it seems to have ended as imaginary fears. We have safely arrived at this place where a town is visible.

“However... it’s amazing.”

“Hm? What is it?”

“Iya... I came here with the help of Zeanosu’s knowledge.”

“Un, come to think of it, it is so.”

“And it’s that... though the knowledge of Zeanosu is 1,500 years old, it’s great that a town still exist here in the same location...”

The town name might have changed or it might be the territory of other countries, but I’m impressed by the fact that people lives this way even now on the same lane.

“Is that so... Seiichi is a human. We demons particularly likes to live in comfortable and cozy places.”

Saria said so while smiling wryly.

“In truth they move around searching for feeding ground, struggling to stay or be chased away by monsters stronger, but I think it was good to have remained.”

“Heee”

“Certainly, there were many dangers, I have fought monsters many times, and also ran away too? But, other than that, living in that place was comfortable...”

As expected, that forest is a place of various memories for Saria.

“If so, is it really good? To be with me...”

To be leaving a place of comfort, would following me make her feel uneasy.

But Saria erased such a thought from my mind in an instant.

“Unn. Didn’t I tell you? My place is where Seiichi is! Besides, the reason why I stayed in that place and thought it was good was because I met Seiichi.”

“...”

Ugh embarrassing. Damn, it really is.

Saria, who said such an embarrassing speech unabashedly, floated a smile across her entire face.

Uwa... to speak so fondly of one’s loved one, I...

I give my thanks to the helmet which changed to a robe as my face is hidden. My face has absolutely flushed bright red.

“We, we well then, let’s, let’s go!”

“Un!”

Although my voice was nervous, Saria pay no heed to it and gave an especially spirited nod.

While traveling the last stretch of distance to the town, there wasn’t any particular demon attack or any template development of thieves appearing, and thus we arrived

at the gate of the town.

“It’s big!”

“Un, it’s big!”

And Saria and I arrived before the gate, it involuntarily spilled out from the mouth.

Perhaps the town is encircled with city walls, and the gate is thick and heavy boasting 10m in size.

How is such a large gate constructed? In the first place, is there such a large gate?

Maa, there must be some reasons for it.

“Well then... what should I do now?”

I looked around the vicinity while saying so.

Thereupon, I saw a person like a gatekeeper stand at the gate and the people passing the gate gives something to the guard one by one.

“Is that... an inspection?”

“Is that not so?”

Saria also seemed to have thought about it in the same way. Wait, you know what an inspection is. You are a demon right?

My thought processes lapsed to such a thought at that time.

...this is bad.

I have complete forgotten one matter without noticing it until now.

That’s-----

“Saria, what’s your race?”

this.

This is bad isn't it?! Inspection would surely inspect the status no?!

Fortunately for me I have [Disguise] skill to disguise my status... !

Wait, I wonder if there is some sort of identification now. Or is there some guild which issues this sort of stuff?

"Leaving that aside... ! Saria!"

"What?"

"What's your race?!"

"Eh?... ah"

Saria also seemed to have noticed.

If Saria's race is Kaizer-Kong or demon, it would surely cause a ruckus! Soldiers would come flying!

"...That's it! Advanced appraisal can identify your race!"

...iya, wait a sec? If I'm not mistaken, I had tried checking Aoyama's status in the classroom and because the ability difference was too big, I couldn't see anything other than the name?

...it's, it's alright right? I mean, now I am a monster. Ah, I somehow feel a little sad when I say that.

So without further ado let's try it.

"Advanced appraisal!"

There is no reason to cry it out loud in particular. But don't worry about it!

<Saria>

Race: Gorilla(Beastkin)

Gender: Female(Woman)

Occupation: Boxer(Boxer)

Age: 17(17)

Level: 775 (7)

Magic: 10000 (30)

Attack: 30000 (300)

Defense: 20000 (30)

Agility: 300000 (30)

Magic attack: 5000 (50)

Magic defense: 5000 (50)

Luck: 100000 (100)

Charm: Immeasurable (100)

“Wei?!”

Somehow it’s amazing!

Or rather, the status is high no?! High specs no?! Charm is impossible to measure?!  
Enviably!

The race! It’s gorilla?!... Iya, it is so!

But, I dare say that when a human check the status, the numbers and character displayed would be those in the brackets. Maa, though it feels like the status is unbalanced in various ways...

However... Saria is a boxer eh. Well it’s probably because she fights with her bare hands when she was a gorilla, it is quite suitable...

Apart from that, I found out that it is not possible to see the skill of the partner with [Advanced Appraisal]. Maa, it doesn’t matter.

“Thank goodness... Saria, you seem to be more or less a beastkin for the time being.”

“Beastkin? What’s, with that”

“If I’m not mistaken, it’s a kind of demi-human.”

By the knowledge I've gotten from god, it seems to be so.

"Therefore you may go for the inspection without worries."

"I see! Then, let's get going!"

"Wa, wait!"

サリア  
カイザーコング

「そっか!  
なら、早く行こっしょー!」

「わっ、ちよっ!」

柊誠一  
人間



Saria took me by the hand and led me to an inspection queue.

After waiting for a while, it's finally our turn.

"Hai, the next person~"

"Etto..."

"Nice to meet you."

While I was hesitant, Saria said so properly. I'm, completely useless...

"Uo?! It's a super beauty..."

The soldier doing the inspection uttered as such in a loud voice.

The soldier is dressed in silver armor and has a sword at the lower west side of his waist.

Conspicuous unshaven stubble, messy hair, though he has eyes filled with ambition so he shouldn't be a useless man.

It's rude to look like that when meeting someone for the first time!

"Eto, idle chat is bad... So, first of all, present your identifications please?"

It's hereeeee! It was asked for as expected! But I don't have it!

However, no matter how much ruckus I make, I don't have it means I don't have it.

So I decided to honestly talk about it.

"I'm sorry... neither this fellow nor I have any identification card..."

"Haa? You don't have it? That's, impossible isn't it? Normally the ID card is issued at birth? Even a slave would have an ID card..."

"That is so indeed... but, I've lost mine."

"Lost it... maa it's fine. Sometimes there is always people who say so."

Are you serious! I thought it means our social position!

While being secretly glad, the soldier before us called for another soldier nearby and asked for something.

“Wait a moment, Now, please bring the [Jewel of Truth].”

“[Jewel of Truth]?”

I look puzzled at the word told to me suddenly which I do not know of.

Then, the soldier heaved a sigh and said with eyes half-closed.

“You... are you serious?”

“I am seriously serious, so what kind of food is it?”

“It’s not a food!”

Un, yes yes I know. I was only joking.

“To briefly explain it, it’s the tool to find out if a guy has any criminal records.”

“That’s amazing.”

“Maaa. The guy who made it is a genius...”

“It was made?!”

Eeh, such amazing things can be made?

“Ou. Maaa, it’s an ancient person... here it comes”

When the ossan said thus, the soldier asked to get the thing earlier brought with him what looked like a crystal about the size of a basketball.

“Ja, the two of you. For the time being, put your hands on this?”

“I understand. Well then, start with me?”

“Un.”

After getting Saria’s approval, I placed my hands on the crystal.

Then, after a little time passed, pale blue lights spilled out of the crystal.

“Alright, you are fine. Now then, the beauty’s turn.”

“Hai.”

When Saria placed her hand on the crystal, pale blue lights spilled out of the crystal in the same manner as mine.

“Alright, you two are both fine. However, you have to pay 2 silver coins as payment to me for the entrance fee, is that fine?”

“It’s good... just 2 pieces for you alone?”

“Iya, its two pieces for two person. In order words, one for each person.”

“I see... hai, here you go.”

I quickly took out two pieces of silver and handed it to the ossan as it is.

“Ou, certainly. Wait, you do fit the appearance a little?”

“Eh?”

When it was pointed out so abruptly, I returned a quick reply without thinking.

“Although it’s in a different meaning as compared to Ms Beauty over there, you are obviously a suspicious person. While spending time in this city, pay attention to your behavior.”

“...hai”

Erm... sheep... ! This thing is standing out a lot!

...Maa, its better than the full-faced helmet isn’t it. Un un.

However, I think it's good that the status wasn't verified. Maa, it's always good to be careful.

"Come to think of it, it would be better if you two had went and get a new ID card."

"Etto, once I register in the adventurer guild, I would like to get an identification card but..."

I will probably get it if I register myself. Please let it be so. Please!

However, at the moment at which I told the ossan thus, his face twitched magnificently.



A, are? Did I do anything?"

"Y, you... did you say you want to register in the guild of this town?"

"E, ehh..."

For some reason, the atmosphere started becoming bad and the ossan grabbed my shoulders suddenly when I timidly nodded.

"Okay stop it right there. You, are you normal?"

"Iya, where did this come from?!"

What is normal?! I don't understand the meaning of it!

"Why of all things did you choose the guild of this town?"

"Be, because..."

"No because!"

"Eeh..."

What's the problem, this ossan...

But well the reason is that this is the nearest town, there's no helping isn't there? Or rather, why is the ossan so desperate?

"Shit. Again... again the number of victims in that place will increase again... ?!"

"Wait a moment. Did you not just say something disturbing just now?!"

Victim?! What on earth?!

While holding tremendous uneasiness at what we would be facing from the guild from now on, the ossan looked at me and Saria with a serious expression.

"Listen well? If anything happens, come to my place! I will give you consultation! Absolutely do not hastily imitate other!"

“Etto...”

“Heard me?!”

“”Ha, hai!””

My voice and Saria’s overlapped as we answered together.

“Alright!... otto, the essential self-introduction has yet to pass. MY Name is Claude Shuraizer. Feel free to call me Claude. I also don’t need honorific.”

“Well then, do not be reserved... I’m Makoto Seiichi. Best regards.”

“I am Saria! Best regards!”

“Ou! Well then, once again ———”

After having said till there, Claude declared again in a loud voice.

“Welcome! Imperial Capital, Terviel!”

# CHAPTER 20

## GUILD

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“Oh!”

As I passed through the gate entering the town, I involuntarily raised my voice in admiration at the sight before my eyes.

‘Uooh! Nekomimi!? Im-impossible...!’

From the people leaving and entering the city, I saw a nekomimi person.

But... nekomimi beastmen really exist huh. That means, the day that I see a nekomimi maid is not far away.

“But... seriously there really are a lot of people”

There’s a lot of people; beastmen with ears and tails that aren’t cat ears, and abnormally short people.

Maa, I knew because of the knowledge, but seeing it with your own eyes it is more impressive.

As I was looking around the area, Saria calls in a happy tone

“Seiichi look! They are selling something!”

Saria was pointing her finger at a stall selling yakisoba, like the one that were in Earth’s festivals.

“Oh. Now that I think about it, we didn’t get to eat a decent meal during the journey...”

Because Saria and I only received just enough food from Hitsugi, we could only make simple meals.

Now that we reached a town, it might be good to have something with seasoning.

“There are quite a lot of stalls... Even in another world, they are common?”

As I involuntarily murmured at the extent that Saria who is next to me couldn't hear.

Then, as I was muttering, I realised something.

"...Huh? Somehow... people with black hair... there are none?"

I had been looking around unintentionally, I couldn't find even one person with same black hair as me.

"Eh?... it's true. There isn't anyone with the same hair colour as Seiichi"

It seems like my murmuring was heard by Saria, and after quickly looking around, said so... I think it is possible that people with black hair are rare.

But that's why, because I was summoned to a different location from the school guys with black hair, it is possible that I will get treated as a hero... Maa, it's not good to be self-conscious.

Anyway, once I say that I am one of the heroes, I will be immediately thrown out onto the battlefield. The reason the guys in school were summoned was to subdue the demon king after all.

Ah, but from Claude I get that... In this world a name like Seiichi is weird. As I am not seeking attention, I don't think it's a strange name.

There are a lot of things on my mind but, the thing that worries me the most is Kenji and the others. I think they will be fine... Now, let's search for rumours about the summoned heroes. Maybe we will find out something.

"But... I can't take my robe off easily"

"Why so?"

"Ma... for a lot of reasons"

After responding with an appropriate answer to Saria's question, I think a little.

First of all, it's about the skill "Disguise".

First the appearance, it changes the way the enemies see your status and when you

attack it doesn't match with the status that is shown, it's the excessive attack power.

Then, the change of appearance is cancelled, and the indication of the status which a partner could see disappears, and it is possible to control the power to the status that is seen.

Most likely, the first "Disguise" only allowed the disguising of the appearance alone, which has the effect of lowering the opponent's guard. That's why, if met with a strong opponent, "This guy... not bad" like exchange will occur.

Then, after the Rank up, showing the true potential... At a place like this. Un... if my predictions are correct... it will be troublesome in so many ways.

Now that I know how to disguise, I am glad of it. Only, I didn't know if I can change my hair to gold blonde... As I was thinking about this and that alone, Saria started pulling my hand.

"Na... what's wrong?"

"Don't say what's wrong! How long are you going to stand here?"

"Ah"

After Saria told me so, I noticed for the first time. After passing the door, we hadn't moved at all. Behind us there were more and more people, we were in the way.

"...Sorry, then let's go"

"Un!"

As we were walking, I ask Saria at my side.

"Now that I think about it, want to eat at the stall?"

"U~n... I am a bit hungry... Let's eat!"

"Yosh!"

After hearing Saria's response, we go to the stall.

“It’s so cheerful”

“Truee~ Everybody is smiling!”

Saria says joyfully. In fact, the people of the city, were all smiling.

As I look at the surrounding, there are a lot of people looking at Saria. What’s more, there are a lot of men, but there were some women as well, smiling stupidly at Saria appearance.

But, seeing me that is walking besides Saria, almost all them made a perplexed expression.

Ma, the current Saria is cute without a doubt. And seeing a person covered in a robe besides such a being, doubting would be normal.

Only, let me say one thing. Especially the men ——— Saria is a gorilla.

Thinking it doesn’t matter anymore, I say my honest thoughts.

“I don’t know if it is this town, or all of the country... But either way, everyone smiling is a good thing”

“That’s true!”

When you are in a bustling city, it’s natural to have fun.

I think this place name is Teruviel which isn’t in Zeanosu knowledge, the country might have changed. I wonder if the country’s name has changed.

“...N? That is... a church”

Then, I saw a certain building within my sights. Furthermore, basked in blue and white, it’s a church seen in picture books.

“It seems that there are religions...”

I am a bit curious, but there is currently a more important matter, that’s it. A castle town means there is a castle, so I am excited along with Saria. After a while, Saria found what she wanted to eat, so we bought it.

“Wa~a~! It looks so delicious!”

The thing we bought was something like fried chicken. However, the meat used was not chicken. It's from a type of demon called “Abūku”. Here, important. I bought the same things for us, to eat while walking. Immediately unwrapping the fried chicken, and stabbed it with sharp leaves that were as hard as a needle, and tossed it into my mouth.

“Affu! Offu!”

Yeah, it was hot.

“Oho oho”

I am desperately making hafuhafu with my mouth cool it down, and beside me Saria is fufu cooling it down before tossing it into her mouth.

“U~n! So delicious!”

“lu, lure”

Truly I can't savour the flavour because it is too hot... But it was my mistake so there was no helping it... gusun. [*ed: gusun = sniffle*]

“Waaa... it was hot”

As I say these words softly I fall into despair. Usually, I would say it's delicious.

Then, as we eat it all and we then continue to our destination.

“Then, from Claude's story, it should be around here...”

“What type of place will it be~”

The place we were aiming for was the guild.

Only, Claude's reaction is still worrying me, I got a tremendously bad feeling. Just what type of place will it be...

We walk around the road that Claude told us, and we finally reached a single building.

“This... is the place no?”

“Un, I think so”

In front of our eyes, a building with a sword and a shield painted on the red roof.

By the way, in addition to the sword and shield, it was firmly written ‘Guild’ in the symbols of this world.

As a matter of fact, it was a two story building, of a considerable size.

“ ...”

The wood door at the entrance, says that everyone can enter but...

“... So scary”

When I am in front of this building, I involuntarily flinch.

Because... Claude said some very disturbing words. Just what’s happening in this guild...

But, we can’t stand forever in the entrance. Furthermore, it’s absolutely unthinkable to enter the guild that might put Saria in danger.

I took a deep breath, and opened the door to the guild.

“Hora hora hora! This fucking pig! Cry in a lower voice!”

“More... Hit me more e e e e e e e e e e e e!”

I closed the door of the guild in silence.

“ ...”

I backed away from the guild, and confirmed again the named written on the sign of the building again.

“...Un, it’s definitely the guild”

It's weird... after entering the guild, a bondage wearing woman, and a tied up old man wearing leather armor, I have a feeling that a figure with a whip caught my attention.

..... This can't be. The guild is an organisation that makes money accepting various quests. It's clearly not a place that is a S&M club!

I nod to myself, and again open the door of the guild...

Then, in the inner part of the guild, the girl in bondage I thought that was my imagination was there stomping the old man.

"Ha~a! Ha~a! Step on me with those shoes!"

"'Step on me' you say? Didn't you mean 'Please step on me'?"

"Wa ~u~u~u~u!"

Turning my line of sight to another location silently, a man with bloodshot eyes was rampaging while brandishing a counter seat from the guild.

"Something... let me break somethiiiiiiing!"

"Graund is ramapaging again? You, go stop him"

"HA? I am occupied with updating the book of bishoujo in this city!"

In addition, when I look at the other places, there were men who were cheerfully exchanging greetings without getting involved in such a spectacle.

"Oh! Suran-shi! Are you going out today?"

"Yeah. It's because the weather is excellent for exposure! So I am going to be nude for a little bit at the market."

"I see... I intend to look after a little girl in the plaza from the shadows. If possible I want to get closer to her if possible."

"Hahaha! The same as always!"

"Either way, to not become indebted to Soldier-san, let's both do our best!"

“That’s right! To be indebted to the Soldier-san every time would be disgracefully as a gentleman!”

I once again close the guild door.

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“——— Isn’t this a group of criminaaaaaaaaaaaaaals!”

I shouted involuntary while forgetting that I was in a bust area.

“Wai... eh!? Nonononono! Impossible! There’s only fucking criminals here!?”

Isn’t this bad!? Not long after roughly looking about, S&M couple, the psychotic and a pure hentai. Then I found a flasher and a lolicon in a single minute!?

Is the exchange between the flasher and the lolicon a usual thing!? They said getting taken cared by Soldier-san every time didn’t they!?

“What’s wrong? Making so much noise...”

Saria looked at me while letting out a worried voice.

Turning to look at Saria, the people around us were looking at me as if I was the weird thing.

However, the current people looked at the building behind us ——— looked directly at the guild, and making an expression as if they understood something, and just like that ignored us.

...Heck why am I getting the same treatment as them!? I am not a like those Hentais!?

“Ah... I get what Claude meant...”

If someone tried to register with such a group of hentais, of course you would normally try to stop them...

“ne ne, won’t we enter?”

“... Un. I give up”

Saria was pulling my robe, so answering as best as I can. I can't let Saria enter such a place. Absolutely not.

"It's a pity, let's search for other work"

"Eh? Why?"

"un, it's useless anyway. It's out for a lot of reasons"

"?"

Looking at Saria cutely tilting her neck. I Absolutely can't let Saria enter a place filled with Hentais! When.

"Anyway let's move. Then, let's search for a job ---"

"There is no need for thaaaat!"

I could only say that, when suddenly a loud voice overlapped mine.

I was surprised at the sudden appearing voice and face.

Then there, wearing boomerang pants, exposing lavish brown skin, stood a half nude man.

There are a lot of things to tsukkomi, but for the moment lets ask.

".....Who?"

Then, the big man before my eyes, laughed showing nickeled and white teeth, and spread his arms.

"I am the head of the guild that is located in Terviel. In other words, guild master Gassur Clute! You can call me Gassur!"

After saying that, he flexed his muscles, and started showing off his biceps.

Gassur's is around the late 40s, but probably because he has a refreshing smile, his naked figure doesn't feel weird. I think he is lucky.

To Gassur I think I feel sorry but, let me do a tsukkomi.

“Why are you nakeeeeeeeeeeed”

Are there only hentais here!? In this guild!”

Hell, what’s with the boomerang pants!? The full-face helmet from Hisuji, and now this!? Don’t you reckon you’re ignoring the setting a bit too much?

And don’t flex your muscle in front of Saria, Gassur!

However, having heard my question smiled and made an amazed expression.

“What stupid thing are you saying... That is, isn’t it obvious to show these muscles to people! That is common sense!”

“Ne~e, I am weird? I am the weird one!?”

I think, what Gassur calls common sense, and what I know as common sense don’t match up.

“I heard a bit of your conversation... You guys apparently want to enter the guild!”

I was stunned, returned at Gassur’s words.

“No... we already stopped that...”

“Don’t hold back! No matter how many comrades come we will welcome them!”

“As I said, we won’t enter...”

“Saa, don’t stand here, let’s enter inside!”

“Un, first won’t you hear my story?”

No matter how much I said, Gassur was determined to pull us in the guild.

Entering the guild for the third time, as always full of hentais, Saria was looking at the surrounding interestingly, and pointed to the tied up ossan getting whipped by the bondage woman.

“Nee, Seiichi. What are they doing?”

“Shi! You shouldn’t look!”

Impossible, I didn’t think I would get caught in this situation.

More importantly, in all the fantasy literature, when someone entered the guild the people would turn to look at them but, the guild adventurers didn’t realize we were here and didn’t look at us.

These people are no good. I have to do something fast.

While letting out a sigh, we were lead to the place in the guild to register.

“Come on, you’ve got to register here!”

“As I said, we won’t register in this place full of hentais!”

“What did you say!? If you register here, you can look all you want to my muscle! Look! This body!”

To Gassur that make a muscle pose after pose, I don’t know what to say.

...I can’t tsukkomi anymore. What should I say here...

Only, I understood one thing, I completely believe that this hentai is the guild master of this group of hentais, and.

While looking at Gassur with half opened eyes, suddenly Gassur lowered his sight.

“I see... it’s a tremendously regrettable . If you register in this guild, there will be a lot of benefits...”

“ ... ”

“The inn will include meal and will provide a completely safe environment, no matter which country you go to, you won’t find better weapons and equipment ~. And we recommend request to the adventurers~! The other guilds are no good you know!?”

No matter how many times I watched his face, Gassur put a facial expression that’s says

it's really a shame. Why is it, I feel a great urge to hit Gassur.

“Such things, I don't feel a bit interested in. I don't have money problems. In the first place, even if I don't register here, I will get the same benefits if I register at another guild”

“You just don't understand! How great is this guild!”

“Un, not at all”

“Look! At the people that here!”

The direction Gassur pointed at, as expected is the hentai filled chaos space.

“Everyone has a vivid look!? Do you know why?”

“I do not even want to know.”

“It's because they are faithful to their desire!”

“It might be so!”

If you say this is repressed, everyone else in this world would be clerics.

“Well, truly this guild is talented, seriously only the people in this guild go to work even to other countries”

“I am sure I heard that they are getting taken care by soldier-san regularly though”

There is no way these bastards can be excellent!

“That was, a collaboration with this country soldiers”

“A no good collaboration!”

“But, it is true they are excellent you know? The few S class adventurers in this world are all from this guild”

“I see, so S-class adventurers are all hentais”

For now, hentai = strongest to say, I understand.

“Don’t mind the small details. Saa, register, and get the same muscular body as me!”

“I refuse with all my being”

Is that so. When there is a person with high tension, naturally I calm down. I look at Gassur with cold eyes, but Gassur’s next words shock my mind.

“U ~umu... But, in this guild you can get the information faster than any part of the world?”

“...Why is this?”

“This guild, is not just any guild. It’s the [Guild headquarters ]”

“!”

At Gassur’s words my eyes spin surprised.

Such a thing...

“The hentai are gathered, at the very core of the guild... was it too late...”

“Gugh, you realise that you are saying very rude things?”

“Shut up, hentai”

“That is harsh!”

As if the words he said were wrong, for some reason Gassur started doing muscle poses with a smile. I knew it, he is a hentai.

“But, if this is the guild headquarters...”

What I wanted to know, is information regarding the heroes. That’s very important to me.

Speaking about the Guild, the quantity of information wouldn’t be small. Rather than collecting information myself, it would be more efficient.

In my head I know the benefits of registering but...

“Getting the same treatment as the hentais...”

Ah, looking it from stats point, in some way I am abnormal as well. I am not human anymore.

“This choice is extremely important! What will you do?”

What I decided in the end is...

When I was in deep thought. The until now silent Saria, pulled my robe.

“Ne~e, Seiichi”

“Hn? What’s wrong?”

“I thing is a good idea to register”

“Eh?”

“Because, every ne is having so much fun. And, it will be handy, isn’t it better to register?”

I understand what Saria meant. It would be handy to register, that is because this is the guild headquarters, I am forced to believe it.

But, everyone having fun, if I say no is no! If this is misunderstood, then will it become a serious problem!?

“...Here at the guild Headquarters, I know you can get employed by others country, but isn’t it unfair to the people that register in branch offices?”

“Well yes. But, the people that register in the branch guild, come and register here, then can they receive the same treatment? Most adventures that come to this town, end up registering here”

“fu ~un...”

Its double effort, if you can make it doing it once...

Then, it's very regrettable, but it looks like a good idea to register here.

"Ha~a... I understand. Let us register"

"It's decided like I expected it! Eris-kun!"

Gassur laugh joyfully, and called the women in Bondage that had been whipping the leather clad old man.

"Ara? What is wrong?" *(TL: She spoke politely!)*

"I'm sorry, but it's a new registrant. Do the procedures."

"I understand"

Saying so, the bondage clad woman, accepting the request, turned around to see us.

"I am very sorry; this is not a very appropriate dress to receive you..."

Saying so, the bondage clad woman snapped her finger.

At that moment, the makeover from Bondage figure of a little while ago, was turned into clean set of clothes that was based on green and white.

"I've showed you an unsightly appearance. I am called Miss Ellis Macren. It's a pleasure to make your acquaintance"

Ellis, finished the self-introduction with a beautiful bow.

Looking at Eris-san, I feel like I was looking at a beautiful blonde ojou-sama come from a manga, her eyes were of a clear blue colour. A bishoujo's beautiful face, her skin is white, combined with a very pleasant atmosphere.

When she was wearing bondage, I confirmed that she had an above average womanly figure.

How to say it... I am seriously getting the manga ojou-sama vibe. Even when bowing, she raised the hem of her skirt...

While having that feeling, Gassur continued to introduce Eris-san.

“By the way Eris-kun is, the daughter of Count Makren”

“She is a real ojou-sama!”

Hell, why is an ojousama working in a guild!? Furthermore, in a hentai filled guild! And using a whip in high spirits!

“Gassur-san. Speaking about women information is not polite you know? Or, would you want to be trained?”

“Just forgive me for that”

Gassur weak! Iya, Eris-san is strong? More important, trained...

“That is fine. This time, you and that girl want to register is that it?”

“Ah, yes”

“Then, please fill this document”

Saying so while handing a paper, to fill out things like the name and birthplace.

“This, is it necessary to fill it all?”

“No. once you fill the name at the bottom, that is fine”

Easy! It is too easy to make an ID card!... Well it's not like I can write my hometown, so that this is easy is fine for me...

For now, I pass the paper to Saria, and rapidly fill it. When Saria learned to speak human words, she learned to write as well, so there is no problem.

But when I finished filling it for the time being, I will check on Saria part. I will be troubled if in Hometown [Forest of endless love and sorrow] is written.

“Etto... name is Saria, weapon is... her own fist!?”

“Eeh, Isn't it cool?”

Certainly she is a fist fighter! But, can't she chose better words to put in!?

Beside Saria weapon choice, there isn't especially a thing that will found us out, so we give it to Eris-san just like that.

"Then, let me check it once. First, this woman is, Saria-san, weapon... her own fist"

Are!? Passed!? Am I the weird one for being surprised!?

"...Yes, in Saria-san part there is not a problem. Then, next is..."

Eris-san, puts down Saria's registration form, and now picked up my paper.

"Seiichi-san, weapon is swords and magic. He~e... so amazing"

"Is that so?"

"Yes. People that are able to use magic are very few you know? Well, coming here wearing that robe with the hood, I expected more or less that you could use magic"

"I see..."

As expected, in this world magic is very valuable.

But, I can't be conspicuous like Claude said.

I wonder if wearing the Hood is bad... Still, the heroes' information should be low, so I don't want to take it off.

"...This is fine. we are a lot of people that don't fill their hometown... Your information is not lacking and you have registered"

It seems, we were able to register safely.

As I put my hand in my chest in relief, such a relief didn't last long.

"That's it! Then, Seiichi-kun and Saria-kun! I will have you both take a test!"

"...Eh?"

I put on a stupid face at the words that were suddenly said.

“Umu, A test! If you want to register, you will get the various benefits I told you earlier. To get that benefits, it can’t be as easy as to just register”

“E ~eh... isn’t it a fraud?...”

Why... and I thought the register was over with that paper... Explain it first...

“Mā don’t be so depressed! Here, my muscles are exciting aren’t they!?”

“Iya, I don’t get it”

Showing me the muscles going mukimuki, there is no other answer.

“Either way! After finishing the Test, I will explain about the guild!”

“Ha~a... what should I do for the test? Wait, what happens if you fail the test...”

“Be at ease there is no one that failed the test!”

“Then what is the meaning of the test!?”

Why make the test. There is no meaning.

After the surprise, Eris-san supplemented.

“Test is just a pretext. Saying it more clearly it is, a request to make sure you have the ability to work. Guild request are mainly subjugation, guard, harvesting, and chores. Among them, subjugation, and chore, are based on ability”

“I see...”

“Only, during the test, there is a need to be together with a test supervisor”

“Test supervisor?”

“Yes. What’s more, a B-class or more adventurer. Is there someone, an acquaintance that you can ask?”

“No, no one...”

“Then, let’s call the people of the guild. For the moment, let’s go see who is free at the moment”

“As expected, of Eris-kun! You work fast”

“Gassur-san, you are incompetent. This trash bastard”

“I am sorry”

Eris-san, the words you used are dirty.

After the exchange, Eris-san immediately tried to go to look for B-grade or more adventure for us.

“Hey, you.”

Suddenly, a voice saying that came from behind me.

# CHAPTER 21

## TEMPLATE?

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I suddenly heard voices behind me, so I turned around in order to confirm their identity.

Thereupon, three evil looking men start smirking with a smile, and they were looking at me.

“.....Do you need something from me?”

For the time being, I question them while staying vigilant.

To this response, for some reason Eris breathed a sigh, and Gusser had a bitter expression.

Just who are these... three people? I don't know the meaning of their reaction...

Of those three people, one of them who looks like the leader said to the confused me.

“You, you seem to be taking a test right now aren't you”

“Yes, well...”

“In other word, you're a beginner right?”

“Something like that.”

...Not good. I have no idea what's going on.

I'm confused since I have no idea what their intentions are, but the leader looking man smiles even more.

This is... the so called “Rookie Crusher” isn't it? It appears frequently in fantasy novels, it's the kind of thing where they find a fault with the protagonist and beat them up.

No matter how you look at it I'm in that so called protagonist position... and in this case, they didn't like how I'm with a beautiful girl like Saria when I'm just a rookie.

To me who is pondering this and that, the leader looking guy suddenly said.

“You... come with us a bit.”

Yup, it came—! Just like the template! I knew it.

However, I completely don't understand their motive. At least, I wish they would tell me a clear reason why.

“Um... why?”

Since there's no other choice, I end up asking them. I don't particularly want to follow them when I don't even know the reason why.

However, to my question, the man's reply was outside of my expectation.

“Well... I can't really say it here.”

“Eh?”

Wait. What are you planning to do to me? Are you going to take me to a place where there will be no witness? And then you'll beat me up, right? That's really scary you know.

No matter how much I retort in my mind, the atmosphere says they won't leave. Well, since I didn't retort out loud, of course they won't leave.

However, since it seems troublesome I decide to refuse.

“Um... sorry, but I will decline your request.”

“You bastard, you don't have the right to refuse.”

Huh? This is weird... I didn't think that I will be swiftly denied of my human rights. Where have my own rights gone to?

Since it doesn't seem like I can do anything about the current situation myself, I decided to ask the guild master Gassur for help since he was here.

“Um... Gassur this situation, somehow...”

“Give it up!”

“That’s fast!?”

Why is it that when I ask for help, I was immediately shot down and was told to give up. I don’t quite understand.

“Aren’t you the guild master? Do something!”

“I don’t have that authority!”

“This dude is damn useless!!”

Useless-! You are a freaking guild master and yet you have zero authority? Quit completely you bitch!

“Eris! Please do something! I’m a newcomer!”

As it can’t be helped, I decide to rely on Eris’ position which seemed higher than Gassur’s.

However Eris’ reply was merciless.

“Although I’m sorry... please give up”

“WHY!?”

What did she say!? Why has everyone given up!?

Besides there must be someone who would help, turning to face the inside of the guild, some were still immersed in their own world and there were people who were watching me, signalling with their eyes “It is pointless... just give up.”

What the fuuuuuuuck! Who on earth are these 3 people!?

Eris advised me who didn’t understand what to do at all.

“Though at the start it is painful... before long it will feel pleasant.”

Is that a new door opening!?

I'm becoming a masochist! Once the pain turns to pleasure I'll be beyond cure!

I rapidly get tired of following the men before my eyes.

However I calm down to think about it

I thought to myself on the assumption that I was to be beaten up, first of all is it because of my status? Perhaps, but even if they attack me with all their might I am confident I would come out unscathed.

At the very least, my current status is beyond expectation.

Understanding that, and not wanted to bother Saria... I guess i'll have to follow him.

He also doesn't want to be in this area, and I want to avoid doing anything that'll stand out... wearing this robe may already be making me stand out though.

"...I understand. Follow me"

"That's what I wanted"

"M, Me too"

Saria wanted to come with me, but i stop her.

"Saria you wait here with Gassur and Eris-san. It will be over fast"

I try to use the most calm voice I can.

However, Saria still had an anxious expression.

"Bu, but"

While being thankful to Saria for being so worried for me, I try to convince her again.

Well is not like i don't want to be involved here. Of course I have confidence in my ability to protect her and if she transforms into a gorilla her battle prowess is tremendous, so it should be fine, it's all right...

That's what I am thinking, while trying to open my mouth the leader of the men opens his mouth and says.

"Woman. Stay out of it. You will be in the way after all"

Listening to the speech of the man, I couldn't hide my surprise.

H, huh? Normally bringing the normal girl Saria together will be more convenient no?

Or is it that they want to show her my completely beaten body? As I was thinking so, isn't it normal?

I didn't understand these men's objective, the men without minding the dubious me, then started walking to the door.

"Oi. come on"

"Ah, wait"

While I follow the men confused, Gassur who didn't say anything opened his mouth.

"Get yourself together. You have Saria after all. Don't get your mind broken...!"

"What are you saying!?"

Letting out a final retort, I left the guild

"He went..."

"Gassur, shouldn't you stop them?"

"I didn't have any other choice... it was to protect my chastity...!"

"...Truly you are the lowest"

"Hahaha! My muscles stopped me!"

"I don't get the meaning... For the time being at least search for an appropriate B-rank

or higher Adventurer”

I didn't know this exchange happened in the guild after I left.



“This place should be fine.”

The place the leader of the men brought me while saying so is an alley a considerable distance from the guild.

This is surely the flag for beating me up. There are hardly any signs of life.

I use the skill [Enemy Search] for confirmation, but there really isn't anyone else for the time being.

Though I increased my wariness, the men surround me in that time.

“Now then... Do you know why we brought you here?”

“...Well”

Though I don't know the reason, the purpose is surely to beat me up.

However, these men have made just one miscalculation, my true strength is monster class.

I don't lower my guard while thinking this way.

And for some reason the men smile when they hear my reply.

“Is that so... that makes this conversation quicker. Incidentally, all of us are the type that get more fired up outside than in a room.

“...Yes?”

What are they saying? Is it the fact that it's better to beat up an opponent outside than it is inside?

But why is outside better than in a room?... I guess the reason is that it won't fall into

the public eye. It's the reason a place without any sign of life was chosen.

While I was contemplating the meaning of the man's words again, the leader suddenly takes off his leather armour and begins undoing all the buttons on his jacket.

The remaining two men take the chance to strip to the waist.

Is this... showing their so called seriousness. No, because their equipment was taken off they must not intend to use weapons...

Also, if this is the seriousness of men that temporarily don't use weapons, why face a newbie opponent seriously?

Whilst a question mark flies in my head, the men's leader seems to sense my thoughts and his expression becomes amazed.

"What... didn't you understand?"

"Eh? Y, yes"

"Good grief... can't be helped huh..."

As the leader says so his face suddenly becomes serious and propositions.

"Want to do it?" *(TL: "do it" in the sexual meaning.)*

"....."

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...eh?

That's strange... Did I mishear? I feel like I misheard [Want to do it?] from the man in front of me.

HAHAHA! Surely this is my misunderstanding! That's right, it's settled!

Whilst my cold sweat doesn't stop, the man says 'dear me'... and unbuttons his shirt

with one hand.

“Want to do it?”

“Aaaaaaaaaaargh!”

My misunderstanding was riiiiiiiiiiiiight!

No good... these guys are no good! As expected of members of the pervert hangout!

Though I boasted overwhelming stats, my expression was flooded with fear.

Then more misfortune followed as the man adds

“I’m a man who doesn’t mind eating heterosexuals”

“Gyaaaaaaaaaaaaa!”

Someone... someoooooooooone! Help meeeeeeeeeeeeeee!

I cry out desperately for help.

But nobody being in these outskirts was the worst.

“Calm down. It hurts at first. After that... right?”

“Stop iiiiiiiiiiiit! I’m completely normal!!”

“Everyone says so at first... but, they are only hiding their true character! Like these guys!”

““Hehe! What a great ass!””

“Are you victims!?”

These fellows are no good, there is nothing that I can do...! Guild headquarters, is there no limit!?

I have to leave this place quickly! I don’t want to be in this place anymore!

Probably in the guilds of other countries, there will not be so many perverts!

...Hell that doesn't even matter! Right now running away from this is top priority!

As I was searching for a way of getting away, the men keep getting closer while waving their hands side to side, they get closer while drooling, they get closer while moving their hips... this is horrific!

While moving back while flinching, at some point i have been cornered against the wall.

"It was wrong of you to come along willingly... Give up now!"

"Noooooooooooooooooooo!"

What to do... what should I do!?

There is no need to think... this place... there is no choice but to forcefully break free from here!

I made up my mind and released the power that was sealed until now all at once!

My looks and the atmosphere didn't change. Even so, the status showed to the opponent should be low.

But the power of my monster job which was being suppressed was unleashed using [Advanced disguise].

"I will have you let me run away at full speed"

"Ah!?"

I ran up the wall behind me.

Fight? I don't feel like I can win. I wonder why.

So I chose to run away at full force. In addition I will be troubled by rumors if I beat them.

As i was running away along the wall, I noticed something.

..Wow... I am running across the wall...

I took my specs that lightly.

As I was thinking with a light mood, I heard the voices of the men behind.

“That leg strength... it will be useful for a lot of things”

“That body... is ouuuuuuurs!·

“Don’t let him run! Cha... Chase hiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiim!”

Yes, I hear it, let’s forget it and all the events of a little while ago, I’ll forget it. That’s a good idea.

I moved along the roofs while making sure not to be seen and quickly returned to the location of the guild.

“So while I once again returned to the location of the guild...”

But now that I’m in this country, to come across this situation is absolutely troubling. Will I not find peace while I’m here?

“Ah... I hate it...”

There’s no helping me if I say it unintentionally. Because I’m a “heterosexual”. All I can say is, I’m normal. I want to believe it.

Being close to the guild it can’t be helped that I feel depressed like this, I pulled myself together and entered the guild again.

Hereupon, as usual the guild is in chaos.

Because Gassur was still at the reception I was inwardly disgusted as I moved to the reception.

“Hmm? Oh! Are you ok?!”

“It was fine...”

As soon as Eris and Gassur saw me they had an expression of deep relief and cheerful smiles.

“No, well somehow... Gassur. I understand the reason you told me to give up.

“That right? By the way because those guys do that whenever we get a newbie adventurer visit you better be careful in the future.”

“No, stop it.”

“It’s been stopped many times... But ya know? common sense doesn’t work with those guys. Though it seems you returned safely did you not experience it? I can’t beat those guys.”

I experienced it. I did not think I was able to win at all. More than that I did not want to fight... It seems like they would touch me here and there in the middle of a fight...

Although it’s certain I would win with my overwhelming stats, the mental damage is dreadful. If the opponent was a normal man I think I would have the strongest fighting power.

“I have to be diligent too... if I pin them against the floor they twist about under my muscles!

“Well... do your best”

I could only react by smiling bitterly under my robe. Suddenly, someone tugged at my robe.

Saria worriedly looked in my direction.

“Are you ok, Seiichi?”

“Yeah. I worried you.”

I pat Saria’s head for some reason while saying so. The sensation of Saria’s hair was silky and felt good.

As I was stroking Saria’s head, I answered her question which made Saria smile pleasantly.

...Wow. I just thought with all my being that Saria is cute. When I am with Saria, I feel like speaking fondly of my sweetheart unconditionally.

Well, after that scary memory, just being together with Saria heals me.

While there is a flower field blooming around Saria and me Eris speaks.

“Seiichi. About the matter of the previous test...”

“Ah, yes.”

“Now, I tried to look for B-class adventurers that are in the guild, but...”

“...?”

I’m puzzled by the strange things Eris is saying. I wonder what is wrong?

While Saria and I are confused by Eris’ words, Gassur tells us.

“Erm... I wonder if Seiichi and Saria recently came to this country?”

“Eh? Yeah”

“Right now, other than you, there is only one adventurer of B class or higher.”

“Then that person is fine. What’s the problem?”

“Problem... it’s not to that level... Eris”

“that’s true... there is not much we can do about this”

“?”

AS we don’t understand Eris and Gassur’s conversation, Saria and I tilt our necks. Just who are they talking about?

Wa! They won’t say that they are those homo guys from before no!?! If they are... then I’ve made the decision to run away from this land with all my might.

As I was making a frightening prediction and trembling, Gassur called the name of that

person.

“Altria! Altri-a!”

So Gassur called to the guild.

Until now, I just saw adventurers that drowned in their own desire like the homos from before, so I stopped my movements at once.

And, all those present directed their sight to the same place.

I also followed everyone’s gaze to see that person.

What was there was a girl with shoulder length silver hair with a wild cut, a short sleeved white shirt equipped with breastplate of unknown material and gloves, standing in front of the quest board.

After hearing Gassur’s call, the woman directed her line of sight to us.

“T!”

“Wow...”



After looking at the face of the woman called Altria, Saria and I were both fascinated.

Beautiful golden coloured sharp eyes reminiscent of a beast and her skin is not white like Saria and Eris, it is a healthy tan colour. I don't know the exact height because we are far from her but she is quite tall for a woman.

And more than anything, the breast that is repressed and cramped in the breastplate. I think her proportions are tremendous.

In conclusion, the woman that Gassur called is a brown beauty.

That woman is approaching us.

"...What?"

From the words she said, I feel a pain in the ass atmosphere.

But Gassur doesn't mind the woman and keeps speaking.

"No, this times Guild's newcomers exam I want you to be the supervisor..."

"Hmm that, it doesn't have to be me it can be someone else, you or Eris can do it..." *(TL: Orekko kitaaaaaa! for those that don't know an orekko is a female that speaks like a boy saying ore trying to be manlier or stronger, in anime manga etc it usually ends in the girl being cute and feminine or tsunderes)*

"Um... That's true but..."

Amazing, this is the first time I've seen a woman referring to herself as "I" (ore). Well it's good because it matches the atmosphere... Heck, knowing it what will it be useful for?

"Don't say that? Currently you are the only B-class adventurer that is here and we can't give the Guild card to them like this"

"As I said, just wait until some B-class come back. There is no need to choose me purposely."

"But you know..."

As Gassur is murmuring, Eris continued.

“Unfortunately, apart for you the others B-class are working in other countries, the closest one will need at least a month to come back... Furthermore, there doesn’t seem like there will be anyone rising to B-class”

“...”

The woman falls silent at Eris’ words.

Then, after a while, she turns her line of sight to me.

“Oi, bastard. You don’t want me to be your test supervisor no?”

“Eh? Why is that?”

This is baaad... the story is progressing so much i don’t know what to say. Why should i think that the woman in front of my eyes is no good?

But, because my answer was unexpected, the woman made a surprised face.

“Bastard... Are you sane?”

“No... Sane or whatever... yes?”

“That’s true!”

I tried waving to Saria, but she too doesn’t know why she is no good.

Looking at me seriously, Gassur said to the woman.

“He just came to this land, so is normal that he doesn’t know about Altria”

“But you know... I, am tentatively A-class, I thought I was recognized but...”

“Don’t mind the small details! Take the job Altria!”

“As i said———”

“What’s more, he could be fine with your constitution?”

“Tsu...”

Hmm? Constitution? I don't understand what it is really. And so, Saria and I continue to talk freely.

“...On what grounds would you say such a thing”

She said in an incredibly low voice, but Gassur didn't mind it and smiled cheerfully.

“That thing... what can it be apart from my muscles! My body is the absolute reason! There is no other reason better than this!”

I am sure there are. Rather, isn't there too much which is troubling? That means you have no reason apart from your muscles.

While having my eyes half opened, I retorted in my mind.

However, after the woman saw Gassur's serious expression, she turned to us.

“...I understand. The exam supervisor. I will do it”

It seems that the woman will become our test supervisor.

For starters, as i was breathing a sigh of relief, the woman introduced herself.

“My name is Altria Grimm.”

Then, with a sad expression while smiling---

“Altria of <<Disaster>>.”

--- I was told.

# CHAPTER 22

## ODD JOBS

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“Well then, what do we need to do?”

Saria and I, introduced ourselves to our examiner, Altria-san and head to town soon after.

The town is as vibrant as always, unlike the guild, giving off a refreshing feeling.

“Ahh, as for the request you can take, you’ll start off with ‘odd job’ type requests.”

“‘Odd job’ type? Such as?”

“Ahh, right, this time round Yakou sent in 3 requests.”

“Three... !?”

Examinations usually requires one task to complete right? Maybe because my thoughts were seen through, Altria-san replied with a wry smile.

“Ma... , Gassur might be thinking of clearing all the ‘Odd job’ requests in one go.”

Gassur you bastard... ! Gassur’s ability as a Guildmaster isn’t exceptional, but why is he so nit-picky in such areas? Or is it only this one time?

“And so, the request content this time will be... For the time being, it’s [helping the orphanage], [Demolishing an abandoned building] & [Walk the dog].”

“It really is just odd jobs huh...”

Walking the dog... one can just do it themselves. If you don’t want to don’t rear one... They are all exactly as they sound ‘Odd jobs’. What’s with [Demolishing an abandoned building]? Is it alright to classify it as an ‘Odd job’?

“Altria-san”

“Ehmm... ? What’s up?”

“It’s about [Demolishing an abandoned building], what is it to be done? By dismantling a building, wouldn’t it be safer to have a professional do it?”

“Ahh, it should be alright. Even if it says demolition, all you need to do is just destroy it.”

“Quite the oddity huh.”

Quite random. Way to go alternate world. Normally, you’d have to go through various stages just to carry out a demolition job. The heck? Isn’t there an irregular who destroys stuff in the guild? Wouldn’t it be easier to assign it to him?

“Well then, I’ve explained the requests. Where are you heading off to?”

“Hmmm? The orphanage.”

Looks like helping out at the orphanage will be first. With this, we’re clear with which request we’ll be doing first.

“Erm... why are you standing so far away?”

“..”

For some reason Altria-san is keeping some distance between us. It’s not like I want her to stand extremely close to us, but... how do I put it? It feels like she’s avoiding us. After heading into town, I realised that the town folks were keeping their distance whenever they see Altria. In the end, with questions left unanswered, we arrived at the orphanage.

“This is the orphanage.”

“Hee, is this... the church?”

The place that Altria pointed out is the church that we saw when we were walking around town at the time when we arrived at Terviel. Even so, what I initially thought to be the church was actually the orphanage? Altria-san politely explained as to clear up my queries.

“It certainly is a church but at the same time it functions as an orphanage.”

“I see... by the way what is the religion of this church like?”

Coming from a different world, I lack general knowledge, so I try to gather as much intel as possible from these situations.

“Ah didn’t you know? This is a church of the Belle Feuille religion”

“Belle Feuille...”

Who cares, changing it from ‘be’ to ‘mi’ would make it Millefeuille, damn tasty.

“So what are the teachings of Belle Feuille?”

“You don’t even know that... ! Simply put, not only humans, monsters are also classified as living beings. Then, [Miracle descends on those with love. Love is the foundation of peace]... it is that kind of teaching, love that doesn’t bother others is the 1st step to peace.”

“So does it mean believing in a god?”

“No, s(he) was a real person.”

In truth, god doesn’t meddle with the affairs of this world, so I guess having a target of belief should be okay too. Not only that, miracle descends on those with love. There’s also the incident with Zeanos, nothing is definite, but still this sort of teaching may bring about salvation. More like, this transcendent way of thinking doesn’t seem to originate from humans. Oh well, the phrase ‘love & peace’ exists on earth as well, so in a way this world and earth may be quite similar. Whilst thinking so, Saria then said with sparkling eyes.

“Love huh... Seiichi I love you”

“O, o!?... and I, you.”

“Ehehehe!”

Too out of the blue... !

Though, even back when Saria was a gorilla, and even now as a bishoujo with pure intentions, she is honest with her feelings. That part of her can never be imitated by humans. It can be said that it’s Saria’s virtue having lived in the wild.

“Ah, stop being lovey dovey, I feel embarrassed just watching.”

Having that said by Altria, I felt embarrassed in front of other people. However, it is quite fortunate that only Altria is around us. Feeling embarrassed, Altria looked away with flushed cheeks.

“Ma, I’ll never have luck with love for the rest of my life”

“Eh?”

“Nothing, let’s go.”

Altria left us behind and went into the church.

“Hmmm... did we do something to offend her...”

“No clue, but I think it’s alright.”

“Sorry. We’re only looking for 1 person.”

An elderly sister told me so, after relaying the circumstance upon entering the church. But... that means we can’t receive the job request together.

“Usually, there’s a young sister that works here, but at the moment she’s out on an errand. She’ll be back by tomorrow, so now we’re short on manpower. And, we only wanted to hire 1 person for the day, so we only have the wage for 1 person only.”

So the ones who arrived are me & Saria. This is something that newbies like us can’t handle, so we asked Altria.

“Eh, what do we do in this case?”

“Eh? What to do... just accept the job”

“I know that, if it’s only for one person, if the other guy doesn’t go on another request he’ll have nothing to do. Then while I go and do the other request, there’s only Altria, the sole examiner.”

“Ahh, about that, for the person who accepts this quest, there’s no need for an examiner.”

“This request doesn’t pose any danger, the attitude while on the job can be known if you just ask the requester, so the examiner for this request is just a figurehead.”

“Is that so... ?”

This person said it in a clean cut refreshing way. On the contrary, it feels settling if it’s this dry.

“So, which one of you will accept this request?”

Altria asked while I was deep in thought. And so while turning the conversation to Saria, Saria looked like she’s having fun.

“Seiichi, I wanna do this.”

“Eh? But is it alright?”

Though she looks human, Saria’s a demon. Can she take care of kids? While I felt a bit of anxiety, Altria muffled her laughter and said.

“Kukuku, look at yourself. No matter who looks at it, the one whose most suited for this request is Saria.”

“...Yeah you’re right.”

A man in a robe taking care of kids... it’s unreasonable, it suspicious like a criminal. In contrast, Saria is a cute girl compared to me, the job totally fits her.

“Got it, Saria give it your best!”

“Yup!”

Saria nodded cheerfully, the elderly sister then said.

“It’s been decided to have the cute girl, huh?”

“In place of us, for this short period please take care of her.”

“Oh how polite. I’m the orphanage’s director, Clair Huster. Calling me Clair is fine.”

This sister is the director? It doesn't look that way. That's to say she feels more like a commoner rather than someone important.

"Ok Saria, do your best here, we'll pick you up after Seiichi's exam."

"Ok!"

Altria and I left the Church.



"So... where to next?"

"Hmm, let's do 'Building Demolition' it'll be troublesome if it is left until later."

True, we can walk the dog anytime. It's their own dog, it'd be best if they can do it themselves... though I think they have reason why they can't. Altria & I moved through the city while I was having such thoughts. The whole time Altria kept her distance without getting close to me. The district Altria and I were walking in, there are lots of 'construction in progress' buildings, with people who seem like carpenters walking about, each going about setting up a house. Without interacting with each other as we walk down the street, the kid from before came running towards us. Without noticing us, the kid as if playing tag was running about. Then, the kid bumped into Altria and fell to the ground in front of her.

"Uh..uh..Hurts..."

The kid started crying soon after. He scraped his knee and it looked like it hurt a lot. As I was closing in to help the kid up, Altria gave the kid a hug.

"Aww, don't cry. You're a boy right?"

"U... " (boy crying)

"Ahh that right it hurts... wait a bit, I'll relieve you of the pain."

As Altria says so, she took out a vial containing a greenish concoction from her item box. The people of the alternate world can commonly use item box. The fact that I don't find the usage of item box unnatural in any way got me thinking. Oh well, having the suspicious element go away is a good thing. Altria soaked a handkerchief with the

concoction and gently cleaned the boy's knee.

“Ouch!”

“Bear with it. I'll heal it.”

And so, after cleaning the bruised knee with the handkerchief, the bruise disappeared cleanly.

“Here you go, it's alright now.”

“Wa! Thank you sis!”

Probably, whatever's in the flask earlier was a healing potion or something of the sort. Recovery potions work without being ingested? Even so, it's good that the kid's injury is healed. I was about to take out a high class recovery potion from my item box. Nonetheless, Altria-san despite her tone, she's good at taking care of others. My questions were answered dutifully as well. I thought while watching the interaction between Altria and the kid.

“Ah, this is dangerous!”

Such a screams reached our ears. Wondering what's going on, I looked around the area, near Altria and the kid, wood materials collapsed. I come to a sobering realisation!

“Altria – san... !”

It was the moment when I was about to take a step forward after immediately releasing the power in me.

“Hah... It's useless...”

Altria said as such. The kid was stunned unable to take in the situation. And so, Altria handled the issue faster than I can react.

“Fuh!”

Altria without exerting much effort, received the collapsed wood block and gently set it on the ground without a scratch. Those sudden movements were extremely elegant, to be precise, it felt like the incident was foreseen beforehand.

“...It’s alright now, hurry along now.”

“Ah...”

Altria’s words brought the kid’s sanity back, and he hurriedly left in a panicked state.

“Sorry about that, are you alright?”

“Ng... Don’t worry about it.”

The carpenter guy who dropped the wood block, apologized to Altria apologetically.

“Come on, let’s go. We can’t have Saria waiting can we.”

“Eh? Ah, yes.”

While feeling puzzled about the somewhat lonely Altria, I headed towards the abandoned building mentioned in the request. Keeping silent the whole while, we reached the abandoned building. Upon reaching the abandoned building, I asked Altria.

“Is is... this place?”

“...Yup.”

In front of us was a building exposed to wind and storm, it looked like it was about to collapse. If it was in a beautiful state, it’d be a nice place to live as it was a pretty big house.

“How did it end up like this?”

“It’s the result of relatives who didn’t want to bother taking care of the place after the owner died.”

As a Japanese with a thrifty spirit, I couldn’t believe it. From the size of the house, it belongs to nobles right? It would definitely be a good home if properly taken care of. Even so, there’s a limit to neglecting. Exactly how many years has it been since the owner died?

“So, is it enough to completely destroy this house?”

“Oh yeah, now here’s the instructions.”

“Ok, I’m off to destroy it.”

“...Wah?”

In response to my words, Altria said as if she’s out of breath. However, without noticing her reaction, I moved closer to the abandoned mansion.

I’ve noticed as I got closer, it really is a big house. Even now it looks as if it’s about to crumble, but not up to the point that it’ll collapse at the touch of a finger. If I go full power, it’ll be easy to destroy it. As I reached that conclusion at my own convenience, I released my disguised power. The status visible to others should remain unchanged, even the atmosphere around me should remain unchanged, Altria should be unable to detect my monstrous strength.

“What in the world...”

“Eh.”

To elude Altria’s words, I gently punched the support pillars of the abandoned mansion. In that instant, the pillars that I’ve punched shattered, the shockwave due to the pressure of the punch also knocked down the walls nearby. Uhm, I’ve gotta give it to my ‘monster’ occupation. I didn’t expect the walls to be blown away as well. Even so, the walls were blown away just from a light punch.

“Wha!?”

I can somewhat imagine the startled Altria standing behind me. Well... the sudden punch which instantly evaporated pillar and walls. It’d be like your eyes are lying to you. As I thought as such, Altria came back to her senses and suddenly started screaming.

“Hey, you fucking idiot!”

“Eh?”

At that time, I still didn’t comprehend why Altria was yelling. The reason is because the request was firmly carried out but I was yelled at as a result. However, I came to a realization to what had happened afterwards. The pillars that I’ve blown away, walls

that I've shattered, the mansion that was somehow able to avoid collapsing up till now started crumbling. The sudden situation sent me into a daze and I was unable to move my body. If I were to look closely, I confirmed it as if in slow motion, the remnants of the roof and ceilings are falling towards me. Oh boy, I've completely forgotten about it. Because it crumbles easily, extra careful steps are required when demolishing it. As I thought that, I forgot that I need to step away to avoid the collapse of the ruin. As a result, the ruined mansion started crumbling towards me.

"Hey you stupid ass!"

"Eh?"

I, Altria Guremu, started yelling at the person I've only just met today at the sight of the rubble before me. Even so, I was yelling in vain as large amounts of rubble started falling down ruthlessly. Due to the tremendously loud noise and heavy dust, visibility instantly decreased.

"Fuck!"

As I yelled such curses, I rushed amidst the rubble. I bit my lips at the sight of my timid self. Yet again, because of me someone is unfortunate. Even when I've sworn not to hurt others.

"Please be safe...!"

Even though we've just met today, I was hoping that nothing will happen by getting involved with me. and yet... yet...!

Driven by the intense remorse in my heart, even under such poor visible condition, I avoided the rubbles nearby. However, as I desperately tried to avoid the rubbles, a ridiculously light toned voice was heard.

"(coughing) Got some sand in my mouth."

"Eh?"

That voice, without a doubt is the voice of Seiichi, the guy whom I've just met today. Seiichi, undoubtedly should have been buried under the rubble just now right? As such thoughts swirled in my head, the heavy dusts which caused poor visibility started to clear up.

“Got me worried back there, didn’t expect the rubble to fall towards me.”

And so, as the dust cleared up, with sands and soot covered all over his robe, there stood Seiichi.

“E? Ya... Wa?”

I involuntarily stopped shifting the rubbles aside. I couldn’t believe the sight set before my eyes. Up till now all the guys who’ve gotten close to me, have all met with misfortune.

When we arrived at the orphanage, I thought it was strange that nothing had happened thus far. As we arrived at this ruin, I started thinking that I will undoubtedly bring others misfortune. Well that’s what I thought. It was easy to destroy the tattered mansion but not without risks. Therefore, it is necessary to destroy it carefully. Even so, no matter how careful we are, it is impossible to avoid all the dangers. That’s why, when we arrived at this ruin, that was the reason I started thinking that I bring misfortune to others. Even so those who are close to me will somehow get hurt somewhere. Of course, if they have bodily injury, they will also incur a mental trauma. Even so, Seiichi whose standing before me remained unscathed, he could also afford to needlessly worry about the dusts covering his robe. That’s why I couldn’t understand the sight before my eyes. It was a situation where you’d normally come out with a serious injury, Seiichi on the other hand came out without a scratch. As I stood there in a daze, I came to a realization as I watched Seiichi. Just around the vicinity of Seiichi, it was as if the rubbles avoided Seiichi as they crumbled. Did a miracle happen? To the ‘me ‘ who has always been unfortunate up until now, it was a moment where I’ve experienced something like a blessing in disguise.

“It’s not a situation to be strangely impressed about!”

This time a miracle may have taken place, it’s good that Seiichi was unhurt, but it’d be troublesome if he took actions at his own liberty. And so, I closed in on Seiichi and started yelling.

“Fucking bastard, don’t act before I give out instructions!”

“Eh?”

It was unclear what his expression are hidden under the hood, but Seiichi was probably didn’t understand why he’s being yelled at.

“Listen!?! You’re taking the test to become an adventurer, danger is always lurking around the corner! Truth be told, I don’t know if you understand this. Do I have to make myself clear on this! (angry)”

“That is...”

“Acting before I gave out instructions, if something happened it’d be too late.”

“Listen! If you wanna be an adventurer, know this! The most important thing to an adventurer isn’t godly strength / enormous amounts of magic / unparalleled skill / superb mind. It’s the ability to perceive dangers.”

“No matter who, if his ability is lacking just a bit, he’d die. Looking at this abandoned mansion, you thought it was easy to demolish didn’t you?”

“Yes...”

“The result is what you’ve experienced just now. Even if called a coward, those who are careful are the ones who are amazing... it’d be pointless if you died.”

“...”

“That being said, I’m also partly at fault.”

“Anyways, be careful next time. you’ve still got Saria with you. Your existence is more important than you think. One who cannot protect himself cannot be expected to protect what they hold dear. I don’t think you can be ‘careful’ this instant, I will help you out in the meantime.”

“...Yes, thank you very much. Erm... I’m really sorry for this time.”

As if taking to heart what I’ve just said, Seiichi lowered his head. I really hate my constitution which involuntarily brings misfortune to others without it being my intention. As I finished saying so, I took a light breath, sighed and said...

“...Erm... it’s good that you’re unhurt”

As it felt embarrassing coming from me, I inadvertently diverted my gaze from Seiichi.



I, Hiragi Seiichi, at this very moment carved what Altria said into my heart. It's true that my actions were wrong. Trying to solve everything by brute force without thinking of the consequences, the result is this. I shouldn't have been too overconfident with my power. I've probably subconsciously took on a bad habit. It's the same as skills, even if your status is amazing, it's meaningless if we are dragged around by the nose by those statuses. Arbitrarily thinking that errand type requests are easy, I came to learn how immature I was. But, thanks to this incident, I will take extra care with the actions I take herein. It could be said that thanks to this event I gained a lot, but I was happy that Altria seemed to be thinking more seriously of me and had shouted at me. Though we only got acquainted today and there may be some circumstances that Saria and I don't understand. After my parents died... the serious scolding... well what should I say?... it was embarrassing. This person is actually pretty good-natured. Why do you look so... lonely? I can't help but be irritated when you distance yourself from us without any reason..... If possible I would like to help. While thinking of such a thing, I was able to dismantle the ruins that became the request for the time being, if this request is actually complete then next is walking the dogs.

“Oh, even if... even if the request is completed is it a good thing?”

“Well, even if I say dismantle, it's really just breaking it apart, once broken it's basically complete.”

...Really? Though that reminds me who is the person that requested this work? Though the reason these ruins were being destroyed was because I took the request... but why was I the only one who took the request?”

“Ah it was a request from the country, though no one does it because it's just a troublesome chore to do.”

“What? it's a request from the country? Is that ok for them to do?”

“It's all good, and because it wasn't urgently requested or a direct order from the royal family when saying it clearly these were just abandoned by the master of the place.”

It really is ok. Am I ok with that? While I was secretly holding onto such thoughts, Altria added.

“It's ok because the guild is an organization that is not subject to interference from the

state.”

“There is no interference..... from the state... ?”

“Yes. even though we can receive requests that are important to the country they sometimes get put off cause the guild is kind of like an independent country.”

“A country...”

“Therefore if there is ever a fight between the nations we do not take part at all even if we are asked. So request as such are generally not given to adventurers but to mercenaries.”

Mercenaries... though it may be rude but it sounds cool and strong too.

“Though I get a reward on the spot because the requester is a sister who helps at the... orphanage she hands the reward to me and then when we get back to the guild ill hand it to you.”

“Ah I see.”

“Well then let’s go do the last request—- walking the dogs.”

“You make is sound so dull when you say it that way.”

I still don’t know what kind of experience is waiting for me at the request though I paled a little when I heard earlier what the request was. After the exchange was finished we moved to the location of the last request. This time the conversation with Atria was very different from the conversation we had when heading towards the ruins. I was easily guided through the town of Terveil. I think Altria is a really great invigilator. Still even if I finish all these requests the collection system and the subjugation system remain... We kept moving until before long we stopped in front of a mansion.

“We are here.”

“Really... here!?”

I cry out unintentionally. While thinking we stopped suddenly in front of a gorgeous house. Is this the place where the request is!? Altria explained it easily to the surprised me.

“Around here is called [the Upper district] a lot of nobles live here. The one who made the request is Mrs. Adriana who lives in the house here, and because her husband is an earl so do not mess up.”

“I’ll do my best”

Seeing my slightly broken speech Altria smiled wryly.

“You don’t need to be so tense because she is actually a very gentle person”

”Oook...”

I somehow managed to reply and then set foot into the luxurious grounds in the with Altria. There was an abnormally long brick wall with a gorgeous black gate. when we passed under the black gate a garden with all kinds of colourful flowers appeared before my eyes. There is a fountain in the garden and I wondered if a magic tool or something was used. I didn’t stop looking at it even though I was speechless from such a sight. I looked around restlessly because I thought it might be impolite somehow but i couldn’t help it because it was just so wonderful. After having walked a long distance from the gate we arrived at a solid wooden door. While I was hesitating Altria pressed a button next to the door. Ding-Dong..... Yes? Oh? a chime? buzzer? No why does... have... does another world have the same thing? I unconsciously stared at the button Altria had pushed. Yeah..... that just broke my worldview. Is this also a magic tool? Isn’t it convenient, yeah it must be very convenient. Well that is a means to easily call someone I guess I’ll have to use it now... no! Don’t think too deeply! It was assumed that I understood I would wait for a while after pushing the chime, and the solid wood door opened.

“Who are you?”

The one inside was a beautiful blonde middle-aged lady with just a few wrinkles, she was a considerably beautiful woman. She was wearing an elegant light blue dress though it was not very ornamented.

“We came to fulfil the request you put in with the guild.”

Then without any tension Altria announced and I was so nervous... no words came out. In response to Altria’s words the blond middle-aged woman smiled.

“Ok! Well I have been waiting! Please come in and I wonder may I ask... Can you do it

right now?”

“Yes it’s alright.”

“Good! After the butler who was in charge of walking the dogs was injured and I would like to go myself but I’m actually very busy so you guys saved me!”

She is indeed a noble, there is a servant just for walking the dogs? Our statuses are very different!

“So, where are the dogs we will be taking a walk with?”

“Here she will show you where they are.”

After having said so a blond woman appeared in the front door.

”Oh? Who is the person covered in the hood?”

“Yes, sorry but the one who accepted your request was not me but this man... ehhhh! Take off the hood! It’s impolite?!”

“Yes!?”

No it’s certainly rude and though I understand that..... !! But even if it’ll be troublesome because if I take it off here... While such thinking was raging in my head the middle-aged woman smiles.

“It’s ok, as long as there is a reason you hid your face in such a hood it should not be demanded to take it off.”

“What, yes...”

“My name is Adriana. What is your name?”

“Well I... my name is Seiichi.”

“Seiichi... that is a good name from the way it sounds are you a person from the country of the east?”

“Huh?”

Country of the east... what?

I tilted my neck at the words which she suddenly said wondering about but I decided to not think about it too deeply.

“Well it’s probably ok, would you like to go see the dogs Seiichi?”

“Oh, yes!”

“Well then I will ask you to walk Milk.”

The dog’s name is Milk... ? A lovely name for a small pure white dog? However, wouldn’t you keep such a dog in the house or is there a house just for the dog. Well even if it was like that it wouldn’t matter, but..... Adriana is seriously a good person. I didn’t have to take of my hood and was really saved. Thanks to Adriana’s personality I was saved and was now following a guide and arrived in front a cage soon

“We have arrived.”

“Oh?”

We’ve arrived? Where is Milk-chan? Even though I looked around there doesn’t seem to be a dog which seemed to fit the name Milk-chan. Instead there was a large cage that gave off a terrible presence. Adriana approached the cage despite me being confused

“Come here Milk-chan.”

“Awooooooooooooo!!!”

”.....”

.....This isn’t funny..... though a terrible roaring voice is heard.....

It must be in my head!! I must be mishearing! Breaking out in a sweat I watched as Adriana opened the door to the cage.

“Now, come out Milk-chan.”

“Awooooooooooooo..... Woof woof!”

While shooting out a terrific howl coming out of the cage——

“.....OH...”

———— With pure white hair a huge white dog about 5M in length.

“Ummm... I’m to walk this?”

“Yes of course.”

“I’m to walk this?”

“Of course”

“This————”

“What is up with this reality!”

I was hit in the head by Altria. No wouldn’t it be strange?..... Milk-chan isn’t a name for a dog that has that kind of name! I’m not even sure that still counts as a dog?! If anything it’s similar to the Aqua Wolf I fought in the [Forest of endless love and sorrow]!?

“Everyone is afraid when they first see this child but there is no reason to be afraid. This child is very quiet so you can be at ease it’s very safe.”

“... By the way what was the reason the person in charge of walks was injured?”

“Oh that was because he got bitten by Milk-chan.”

“You can rest assure. rattle rattle rattle(Chains on Milk-chan)”

Where is the quiet!? What is safe!? It’s Milk-chan that injured the last person who walked it!

“It’s strange though..... for crime prevention Milk-chan is perfect...”

“It would be certainly safe!”

Safety and that are a little bit different! If a thing like this was in the garden and a thief

walked in of course he would run! I'm scared!

"Well let's leave out the small details... well anyways work hard on your walk!"

"Impossible Impossible Impossible Impossible Impossible!"

It's impossible by all means! It's been glaring at me since a little while ago! Milk-chan!? There's almost no difference from a fight and a walk!? Will it even walk side by side with someone? Thanks to my status, I am definitely safe... but if you are talking about my flesh and my mentality, it's not! To me who is desperately shaking my head Altria reports.

"Walking in the city will definitely be bad, so why not walk it in the garden a bit."

It seems I don't have any veto power... I'm also a human I think... but that's not very convincing. However, I realised that I wouldn't be able to escape from this request no matter what, spit out a sigh while feeling tired.

"That's the spirit!"

Altria seemed happy as well and laughed. I was completely charmed by the unstifled-like laughter and that genuine smile she showed at the orphanage. Did she notice me looking at her like that? Altria-san coughed once and her cheeks turned red.

"An, anyway! this is the chore systems last request so... Do it well?"

"Yes!"

Well it seems good to even be able to have seen that smile. While thinking of such a thing, my walk with Milk-chan began.

## CHAPTER 23

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— I, Hiragi Seiichi was not liked by creatures on Earth.

Humans, of course, but even the dogs and cats (didn't like me).

If I got close to cats or dogs, they would threaten me with erect hair, or bark like crazy. Most likely, it was because of my smell... I wanted to think it was that.

But, such a reaction was fine until then, but when I got close and they fainted I still felt like crying a bit remembering... I even killed a Clever monkey with my odor.

Well right now Saria is following me happily, in short I was marked as someone to be hated by animals in the past. Of course I thought of Kenji and the guys as friends, they didn't hate me... Un, that's what I want to believe.

Well, I could continue with how hated I was but, I basically loved cats and dogs. And I wanted to take a walk with them.

But because of that, I didn't have a pet in house, so how could I dream that this request was to walk a dog around?

Just, I wonder why. The dream of walking a dog being realised, doesn't make me happy.

“Uoooooooooooooh!”

“Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha!”

— Because, my idea of walking a dog is a bit different.

Right now, by a 5m large white dog... By Milk-chan, I am being chased at full throttle.

...Are? Weird... Walking a dog means, following the dog that's bind by a collar, no? what remains of that heartwarming scene? Me sprinting at my best? I wonder when the concept of a walk has changed radically without me knowing it?

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“After all, it’s weird!”

“Uooooooooon!”

Being chased by a dog is certainly not a walk! Furthermore, the one being chased is me!

Whatsmore Milk-chan cries are not of a dog! They’re a wolfs!

“Is Milk-chan really a dog!?”

It doesn’t stop running even if said so. If I stop my legs... It will eat me!... I got that feeling.

By the way, the place I am sprinting desperately right now is Adrianna-san’s garden, that’s why I am not going at max – in order to avoid destroying the place.

If I ran without thinking in Adriana-san’s garden, by now the garden would be full of craters.

Like this, I keep running, not forgetting to continue holding my hood so that it does not fall off.

The bustling movement, I continue to be earnestly pursued by Milk-chan while Altria-san is watching.

“That guy Seiichi... Amazing speed”

“That’s your impression in this situation!?”

Don’t you have a different impression!?

“That’s true... You have endurance as well”

“I was an idiot for having expectations!”

Shit! Can you say something about what to do in this situation.

Well, Altria-san is my test supervisor, so I know I can’t ask for help.

“Gururururu... Uon!”

When I was desperately running away while worrying about the garden, Milk-chan suddenly jumped.

“Uooo!?”

I managed to avoid it by twisting my body, but I wonder why Milk-chan jumped at me?

...I don't want to think about it, Milk-chan... It can't be, do you want to kill me?

“Gururururu...”

“Waa... It's intimidating me...”

Her eyes are bloodshot. She's growli~ing. Scary~y.

However, because I dodged her previous attack, she's looking at me while maintaining distance.

Heck, is Milk-chan really a dog? That's absolutely wrong, no?

Since such a thought crossed my mind, I activate [Advanced Appraisal] on Milk-chan.

“Snow Wolf Lv: 180”

“I knew it was a woouooooooooolf!”

Adrianna-san you liar! Isn't it completely a wolf! What's more, with a high level!

Since walking a wolf is outside my predictions, I ask help from Altria-san.

“Altria-san, Milk-chan is not a dog you know!? It's a wolf!”

“I can see that”

“You knew it!?”

“Of course. To begin with, does it matters whether Milk-chan is a dog or a wolf? It's the same dog family”

“It’s completely different! It’s attacking me like crazy! In the first place, isn’t it unreasonable to walk a wolf!?”

“It isn’t impossible. And aren’t you doing it properly?”

“it’s a different from the walk that I know!”

“Try your best. Anything is experience”

“Quite the convenient words!”

The word experience I think is too cunning. Especially for beginners.

The result of asking for help, a decent answer did not come back.

“Oh I forgot, in the case you get eaten, protect your head”

“At that time, help me!”



To my tsukkomi, Altria-san wears a charming small devil-ish smile.

...Wow so cute.

At first she didn't smile at all, so like this that she smiled honestly make me happy.

As I was having such a thought looking at Altria-san, Milk-chan who was looking at me took the chance and jumped at me,

“Guruu~on!”

“Wah!?”

Since she jumped so naturally, I was a second late to react, but I still managed to dodge somehow.

Well, even if it hit me its unlikely that it will do any damage but... When you are avoiding things, make sure to avoid them well. I will be in trouble if I get in a pinch and my body won't react.

“The next stage of chasing, is the combat...”

There is not a trace of the walk I know. Walk going wherever. I think this killer walk should not exist.

Moreover, this unfair battle where I am caught dodging in a one-side tag game. If I attacked Milk-chan... Let's stop thinking about it. What happens after that, everyone will be happy if they don't know it.*(TL: This is about the Slime trauma.)*

As I had an stiff expression, with cold sweat flowing out, Adrianna-san came to the garden.

“Seiichi-san and Milk-chan sure are having fun!”

“You are joking!”

Do you see this situation as fun!? You should go to the ophthalmology!... Ah this is another world. There is no ophthalmology...

“Altria-chan, I brewed tea, want some?”

“Oh, I will help myself”

“It can’t be Tea Time!?”

Even though I am desperate here!

I couldn’t do my dreamed walk! And the collar you gave me at the start is useless!

“Daa ah ah ah! If it come to this... I’ll be your opponent with my all! Come, Milk-chan!”

“Gururururu... U~oon~tsu!”

I threw away the collar that was in my hand, and spread my hands as if to accept Milk-chan.

Then, while I was like that, milk-chan jumped at me.



“Huh, huh, huh!”

“Ha! Ha! Ha!”

Milk-chan and I were lying down in Adriana’s house garden.

I who became desperate, played with Milk-chan at my best. That’s why; I ignored the request to walk her.

Being chased by Milk-chan, dodging or parrying her attacks, without realizing it, the sky turned red.

Thinking it really carefully, I don’t think this was a game at all between I and Milk-chan. Because it was me that is proud of my monstrous stats, I could treat it like a game, but normal people would die.

But, as a result of the exchange between I and milk-chan that from the perspective of others would be life threatening, surprisingly, in my heart appeared a feeling of having fun.

Of course it is not an M constitution, it was like the freshness after you’ve genuinely

enjoyed sport.

“Oioi... Seiichi, you, what type of physical strength do you have...”

“Truly, When I made the request, I didn’t think that you could stand toe to toe with Milk-chan”

Se,seriously... Furthermore, that’s not something that Adrianna-san should say.

“To begin with... I got confidence in my stamina...”

I somehow answered it even while breathing errantly.

“No, even so it’s weird... Milk-chan attacks, you have been parrying them?”

“...Survival instinct had been... Fully activated”

“...How... desperate were you.”

You girls be prepared!... That’s what I thought, but they didn’t come from my mouth.

Whatsmore, I was so impatient in order to not let my status know. Being appraised is a direct OUT. Such stats were no good.

But exactly by being so deseperate, I was able to cheat Altria-san

“Well, it’s fine, thanks to Seiichi-san, a Milk-chan enjoyed it so much”

So said Adrianna-san with a smile.

She sends such a smile that is filled with poison,and Milk-chan that seemed to recover, approached me.

Then, she licked my face thoroughly.

“Uwa~tsupu! Wai-!” *(TL: This is Seiichi trying to said wait while having his whole face licked by a 5 meter wolf)*

It was surprising to be licked suddenly in the face, but I somehow held the hood that was about to come off.

“My, my! To Milk-chan to open her heart to someone other than myself...”

Looking at me with a face sticky with drool, Adriana-san spilled those words.

“Please wait a minute. Then, what about the people who had been taking care of Milk-chan until now...?”

“They did not open her heart at all. All the people didn’t come the next day... So I wonder if they got hurt?”

No wonder! I think they definitely got hurt!

“Dead or serious injuries didn’t come out, it’s all right!”

“No, no No, no! Please give more thought about the employees!”

They were betting their life!

While feeling sympathy to the people that I do not know the face, the fact that I have been liked by the dangerous Milk-chan gave me a sense of accomplishment in secret.

Depending of the request and the effort, both the sense of accomplishment and a sense of fulfillment will be different

I, realising something obvious, asked the thought I just had.

“Thinking about it... Where did Milk-chan and Adrianna-san meet?”

Milk-chan is strong and high level. That’s why, it seems strange that Adrianna-san who is a normal person to have her in this place as a pet.

To my question, Adrianna-san told me the answer with a smile.

“It isn’t that big of a story. Due to my husband’s work we went to a certain snow country. While we were in that country, I met the puppy Milk-chan wounded... She didn’t have parents, so after treating her injuries we took her back.

“Hee...”

The being called monsters, if they are touched by human kindness they can befriend

humans.

This fact, I wonder if it is the Bellfille teachings that Altria-san was talking about?

Well, even if it isn't, it just worked in reality.

"Then, with this my request is done... Now, to get the reward"

From her purse, Adrianna-san passed me a heavy bag, I used both my hands to receive the bag feeling its weight and answered fast.

"...Eh?"

It may be rude, but I instinctively checked the inside of the bag, and muttered that.

That's because, a large amount of silver and copper coins are packed in the bag.

"Th, This is..."

"Like I said, the reward, take it please"

"Eeeeeh!? Isn't it too much!?"

"Is fine, this. Furthermore, Seiichi-san worked hard this time. My evaluation was very good, so please take this"

I intended to return the large amount of money, but Adrianna-san refused it.

Iya, certainly I worked hard... But isn't it a bit too much? Are there around 90 coins of both silver and copper?

As I was confused by the ridiculous amount, Altria-san said to me.

"It's a reward given by the customer. Don't you think that rejecting it is rude? So take it"

"If, if you say so..."

As Altria-san said so, and it's rude to return it, I will obediently receive the reward.

“Fufufu. Being obedient is nice. In addition, when I do the request again, at that time can I count on you?”

“Ah... Yes!”

In response to my answer, Adriana-san was all smiles.



Upon exiting from Adrianna-san house, we headed to the orphanage in order to go to pick Saria.

“I am glad Seiichi. Didn’t you just make one customer”

“A customer?”

“That’s right, For a adventurer who did a good job, it’s possible to the customer to appoint it personally. By that way of making a relation of mutual trust, it’s possible to get a stable income. That’s why the customers are an important stat of a first class adventurer”

“Indeed...”

The things that Altria-san said are really a great help. Altria-san also said that to get a daily income, it is important to do other works besides being a adventurer,

“Then, we arrived but...”

While having such an exchange, we reached in front of the orphanage.

Then, Altria-san entered the church without hesitation.

When she entered and called, the ones that appeared are the director of the orphanage Claire-san and the apron wearing Saria.

“Ah, Seiichi!”

“Ara Altria-san. Is Seiichi-san’s job done?”

“Yes, it is finished. Then, we came to get Saria but... How was Saria?”

“Fuu...”

To Altria-san question, for some reason Claire-san closed her eyes.

That look, as if saying “Such a stupid question” I wonder why.

Then---

“Perfect! Excellent! Too excellent!”

“.....”

To the suddenly high tension Altria-san and I were stunned.

“The snacks she made for the children were delicious, she chose the best to position to see and made sure the children didn’t get hurt when I was cleaning. She made sure to scold the children if they did bad things and she is very popular with the children!”

To make a point to Claire-san, a lot of children came from inside the church.

“Saria onee-chan play with me!”

“Ah, unfair! This time play with me!”

“Look look! A drawing I made!”

“Saria-oneechan toileeet!”

The children began to flock to Saria as soon as they come.

Amazing... She is truly popular. To my side Altria-san was stunned. Furthermore, Saria is not a toilet.

To us two that were surprised in front of our eyes Saria said to the children.

“Koraaa! There are visitors you know? First is greetings no?”

While saying with a gesture like a mother, the children said cheerfully hello to us, how do I say it she seem like a mother or a teacher of the nursery school and kindergarten.

“And, sorry, for today I have to say goodbye to all of you”

“““Eeeeeeeeh!””””

At Saria voice the children raise a sad voice.

“It’s fine! I will come play again... ne?”

To those words the children made a dissatisfied face but somehow understood.

“It’s fine! I will ask again for Saria in the next request!”

Then, Claire-san said so to the children. It seems that somehow Saria managed to make a customer too.

Then Claire gave a small bag of funds like Adrianna-san gave me.

Only, this is not such a big bag like mine, it was large enough to fit in one hand.

“This is the work reward,. Sorry, I wanted to give you more but this...”

“It’s fine! I got to meet everyone and played with all of them! There is no better reward than that”

Claire-san was thrilled from Saria words. We did not leave for a while, and that showed the child-like appearance of Saria. But, well I think I have a childish side as well.

“Thank you Saria-chan! And, when I put a request again can you take it again?”

“Of course!”

When Saria answered cheerfully to the words of Claire-san, we left the orphanage.



“Look, this is the reward for demolishing the building”

When we return to the guild surrounded in chaos, Eris-san was giving the reward to Altria-san.

As expected, the more dangerous the job, the better the money you receive, I am lucky to have received so much money from Adrianna-san no matter how dangerous that was.

“Hahahahahahaha! The first request... It seems you did it well!”

“Thank you for your work”

Eris-san and Gassur-san, came to the place we were... That bastard Gassur, is he working properly?

“When it comes to adventurers, the hunting type are more famous because of the high reward. But, this time you guys took one of the chores as your job. So did you get this time’s request?”

“Yes”

“Un!”

To Gassur’s unexpectedly serious words, Saria and I answer readily.

It can be an ordinary work, but it’s still admirable. Thinking it is useless because it is ordinary is bad... No matter what the job you got is its very important to do it seriously.

To our immediate answers Gassur-san opened his eyes for a second surprised, before speaking with a gentle smile.

“I see! If you got it is fine! My muscles are happy!”

As always I don’t get it.

Even though we finally got a rare serious atmosphere, in the end we returned as always.

As I was surprised by Gassur, Eris-san was passing me and Saria a palm sized white plate.

“This is, a provisional Guild card, for the people that are not fully registered. Though it is provisional, it works as an ID card, so please don’t lose it, ok?” *(TL: They are registered but I think the author know well the pain in the ass that are memberships, you are not properly a member until you don’t get the “card” so that’s what Eris-sama means the*

*register is done)*

Looking at the white plate I received, in the front 'Provisional Guild Card' is written in simple style..

"Then, now that your chore quest is done, how about tomorrow you start with a collection quest?"

"Aa... Ahh"

"N? What happened?"

After answering to Gassur words, I realized one thing.

"We, don't have a place to stay..."

"So it's like that... So want to come to my place then?"

"Eh?"

It's a first class Inn with reasonable price, security is good, and the food is delicious"

"Let's stay there"

We accepted Altria-san invitation immediately. It's not because the delicious food it's not! Ah, it's the result of thinking about safety!

While thinking such a thing, Eris-san and Gassur-san ere looking at Altria-san, with eyes wide opened, Why?

"Nja, Then let's go fast. I am tired..."

"Eh? Ah... please wait a bit!"

While thinking , I was tilting my neck in doubt, when Altria-san went out of the guild.

If we get separated here then we don't know where is the inn, so I and Saria exchanged greetings with Eris-san and co. and dashed after Altria-san.

"Eris-kun. Altria-kun invited them to the same inn"

“Y,yes... If it is the same Altria-san then she would have them introduced to an inn, in another place... Did something happen?”

“Umu... Well, this is going in a good direction. My muscles are happy”

“Well, let’s work”

“Are? Lets?”

We had no way of knowing it, that such such an exchange occurred after leaving the guild.



“Here is the inn I stay at.”

“Oh...”

The place we were lead to was an inn, which has a tag with “Tree of Peace” written.

It doesn’t look flashy, and is in a good position – the distance to the guild is perfect,

“Go rent a room, hurry up”

“Ah, yes.”

When we enter the inn, it’s very lively inside.

It’s not very wide, but it got the just perfect feeling for a lot of reasons.

As we were looking the surroundings, a lone woman approached us.

“Ara? Welcome back, Al-chan”

“...Oh?”

Al, Al-chan? I wonder if is a nickname?

While we were tilting our necks from the woman words, she seemed to notice Saria and me.

“Un? And these people are?”

“These are rookies that I was the supervisor of the exam. Prepare a room for this two”

“Maa, that Al-chan. Right now we are full and only have just one two-person room... is that fine?”

Even though sharing a room with a girl is bad in many ways, when we travelled to Telvier we slept together all the time, so I don't really care.

That's why, Saria and I express our agreement.

“It's not a problem”

“I am okay!”

“Then how many days are you gonna stay?”

“Let's see... For the time being rent it to us for a month”

“I understand, then, that will be 50 silver coins, is that fine?”

At this time, one month is fine, it seems there is not really any difference in the moon-based month here and the earth. Wait, wasn't 10 silver coins enough to live for a year according to god's knowledge? 50 silver coins should let me live for around 5 years.

It's the knowledge got from something in the past? *(TL: Let me explain. This idiot here is in the IMPERIAL CAPITAL in any other manga or novel the source of corruption and place from nobles, so it's common sense that in the capital everything is more expensive, just pick any game, novel, manga, and in the capital the inn is always more expensive.)*

...Anyway, since I am completely fine financially, I take 50 silver coins from the item box.

“Ah, it's completely fine. Here”

“Yes, I received it. Ah, my name is Fina. This place is managed by my husband, daughter and me us three. It's a pleasure?”

“I am called Seiichi. Etto... It’s a pleasure to meet you”

“I am Saria desu! Please take care of me”

“Seiichi-Kun and Saria-chan. Then lets me explain the inn briefly. There are 3 meals a day. The time is not fixed, When you are hungry, my husband will make a meal, the dining room is empty... So let’s have you meet everyone. Darling! Can you come here for a moment!?”

The husband... I wonder what type of person he will be? A bearded man or maybe an ossan?

Although my concept is biased, that image is strong in my mind.

Then, Fina-san, is a very beautiful woman, Un?... I wonder if inn keepers being beautiful is common sense?

Either way, at this point I completely imagined Fina-san husband as a total Macho.

However, my imagination was shattered in an instant.

“Did you call?”

“Ah,there you come, this two are the ones that will be stopping at our inn for a while”

“I see... I(boku) am the one in charge of the meals Lyne. Pleased to meet you?”

“Eh? Ah... Yes. Etto... I am Seiichi”

“I am Saria!”

The Husband that Fina-san introduced—— It’s a refreshing ikemen.

Wearing an apron, he was the very image of an ikemen in earth.

Who was it? That decide that the inn husband was an ossan? Isn’t Lyne-san a complete ikemen?

“Seiichi-kun and Saria-chan too, when you are hungry do tell me ok? By the way, 3 meals are included but if you want a four you got to pay it. Be careful ok?”

I see. I am happy being able to eat anytime I want.

Heck, everything Lyne-san do is refreshing. Ikemen are unfair.

“Yes yes, there is no bath, but if you want to clean yourself with a towel ask me, the same with cleaning and washing clothes, tell me and I will do it”

As I was getting jealous of ikemen on my own, Fina-san said so.

That’s amazingly inconvenient. But, I got the Life magic “wash” so I should be fine.

“Then, here. The room keys. When you go out please give them to me. Now my daughter will lead you”

Fina-san give me the key, a 301 was written it.

“The room next to mine”

So, Altria-san said in a mutter.

“Well, if you had any trouble come to my room”

“Thank you so much!”

Un, Altria-san is a good person.

As I was impressed by Altria-san kindness, a single girl came from the back of the inn.

“This child is our daughter, Mary”

“The new visitor’s yes!? Best regards!”

“I am Seiichi. Regards”

“I am Saria! Nice to meet you.”

Mary has green hair tied in a pony tail and red eyes. As expected from Lyne-san and Fina-san child she is an amazing bishoujo.

Age wise she seems to be like me... but it’s true, a child born from a marriage between

a pretty man and a pretty woman, will be pretty as well.

“Then follow me! I will lead you”

When we are following Mary, Mary stops suddenly, and pointed to a certain location.

“This is the dining hall. Dad is always working here, when you are hungry come here ok?”

Mary continued easily explaining about the inn .

Certainly it is easily explained, I understand everything easily.

There shouldn't be much age difference, but Mary is properly working.

Thinking about such a thing, at some point we stopped at a certain room.

“This is Seiichi-san and Saria room”

“This is...”

“Mom should have explained about the inn, but if you don't understand something feel free to come and ask me! Then, I got more work to do so byebye”

“Thanks”

I say so to Mary, and Mary went away with a smile.

“Then, it's time I go back to my room and rest. Good night”

“Ah, good night”

“Night!”

Altria-san gave a yawn as an answer, and went to the room next to ours”

“Well, let's enter our room as well”

“Un!”

When we open the door with the key, and enter inside a big space open our eyes.

There are properly two beds, there are chairs and tables too. The facilities are pretty good.

Looking around, Saria who was beside me made a big yawn.

“Fuaaaa...”

“What’s wrong? Tired?”

“Well... A bit...”

“But we still didn’t have a dinner”

“I don’t have the stomach... for such a thing”

“That so... then let’s sleep?”

“Un...”

Saria while rubbing her eyes, went to a bed and fell dramatically to the bed,

After a while a quiet sleeping breath is heard.

“... She was very tired”

I certainly had been running around all the day, but Saria too against the kids it’s tiring in a lot of ways.

I who is worried about Saria that fell dramatically.

Took a blanket and used “wash” on her before covering her.

“Huumm... Seiichi...”

Saria who call my name sleep, calmly, but very clearly said it.

“Seiichi... I love...”

That murmur, I heard it and went deep red to the ears.

You, go as far as to dream with me...

That fact couldn't be more embarrassing, but the feeling of happiness couldn't fill more of my chest.

"...good night, Saria"

I muttered finally, and went to sleep without even having a dinner.

# CHAPTER 24

## CONVERSATION

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“Please wait here for a moment.”

I, Takamiya Shota, went to a certain place with all the students in the school.

We were summoned to this world, all of the students have calmed down at their own pace... and, we have spoken to the humans that have summoned us...

Those guys who summoned us were wrapped up in robes that have only been seen in games and mangas while each having a staff in their hands. The magicians appeared to be unpleasant.

At first, each representative did a self-introduction with each other, thereafter, for reasons unknown, the teachers were taken to another place by the people in robes.

For that reason, there is now only students in this place. Where on Earth have they been taken to?

“Well... what are we to do waiting here?”

“Probably, we would be taken to meet the king that summoned us”

The one to answer Kenji’s murmur is the always calm and collected Kannazuki-senpai.

As Kannazuki-senpai said, at the place where we were made to wait, there is a large wooden door with an elaborate design present in the room before our eyes.

There is a person of high status inside, the feeling is amazing.

The road before arriving at the door is adorned with vases and pictures displayed high up. In a world where electricity probably does not exist and the chandeliers are also not lit up ordinarily by the fire of candles, the solution to light is probably the so called “magic”.

After thinking about this and that, Kannazuki-senpai said in a clam voice.

“It is inconsequential who we meet from now on. But, above all else, I am worried about the teachers.”

To say that whatever happens is inconsequential... but, as one would expect from the daughter of the Kannazuki group who muttered this, she is probably already used to meeting with big shots. She is completely not showing any nervousness.

While predicting what will occur from now on with each other, a person to guide us appeared again.

“I’m sorry to have kept you waiting. From now on our Heroes-sama shall meet the king. I sincerely ask you to not act carelessly.”

As the man said so, the door before our eyes opened.

The surrounding was filled with a tensed air.

Similarly, I am also tensed.

It has to be an important person akin to Kannazuki-senpai to not be tensed in a place like this.

“So then, this way...”

We, as urged by the man, set our foot into the room.

When I went inside, the spectacle of a gorgeous palace, like those in stories jumped into my view.

In the innermost area, there is a person sitting on a pointlessly luxurious chair and to the left and right were people dressed in garments similar to that of aristocrats in stories.

The one sitting on the chair is the king, and those to the left and right are his retainers? Further in the rear there are people fully equipped with armour of tough silver.

Like that, at the strange spectacle which would not be seen on Earth, all of us are speechless with the exception of Kannazuki-senpai and several other students. Heck, Kannazuki-senpai really has some courage doesn’t she. To be observing the surroundings so calmly.

As it is, we were prompted by the man in robes to follow him.

Then, at last, we arrived in front of the person considered to be the king.

“Well then all of you. Kneel, and bow your heads. In the presence of the king.”

When the man in robe abruptly told us to do such a thing, we tilted our head to the side in doubt, feeling a slight sense of resentment and also other various feelings. By the way, I am in the latter.

While the group of us were tilting our head in doubt, it took us some time to understand the abrupt words.

Such a thing... to be summoned without permission, and I have to lower my head... isn't that funny?

While secretly cursing, I shifted my attention to the one before my eyes who is called the king.

Grey hair and blue eyes. With a single glance one could tell that this middle-aged man is different from a Japanese.

I don't care very much about the appearances of the other world I am summoned to, but I do not like the atmosphere scattered around of being looked down upon.

While I was having such an impression on my own accord, one of the aristocrat by the sides of the king raised his voice.

“In the presence of the king! Bow your head!”

What is this guy talking about? Does he not know that we were summoned as [Heroes] unwillingly?

The students other than me who felt the same thing frowned upon his words.

Then, Kannazuki-senpai who has kept silent till now opened her mouth and spoke as the student's representative to the king.

“I'm really sorry. Because we do not know of the etiquette in this sort of place, please do pardon us.”

We opened our eyes wide in surprise at the abrupt words Kannazuki-senpai had spoken while lowering her head to the people around who we are not pleased with.

Then, Kannazuki-senpai looked back at us suddenly.

“As of now it seems we can do nothing but follow them. We have neither assets nor power in this world. I do not want to meaninglessly provoke the other party and lower our chances at survival. Let’s lower our head silently.”

When Kannazuki-senpai said so in a small voice, those who heard her reluctantly followed Kannazuki-senpai instructions.

The people who did not hear Kannazuki-senpai’s voice also lowered their heads when those who heard her did.

...Seriously?

While everyone did not hear what was said, due to the unforeseen circumstances, everyone gradually bowed their head rapidly, finally resulting in everyone kneeling.

While in such a state, I secretly glanced at the king who is before my eyes.

Then, the king snorted his nose as if our actions were natural and stood up.

“To save my country, Heroes were often summoned. Though it is natural to say that this is natural, I will say my thanks for the time being. You have received my gratitude, it is okay to weep gratefully.”

While obviously looking down on us, the king, who said so clearly isn’t having the attitude expected of a guy who is saying his thanks. In the first place they summoned us without any permission.

To begin with, why should we be thanking you, you should be thanking us.

“I dislike pointless talks. I’ll give an order to you right away. The content of the order to you bastards is only one. Subjugate the Demon King who is threatening this world. And that’s it. Fortunately, the Demon King is now in a state with no power at all. By the time the Demon King truly revives, it should take at least four years. However, nonetheless there is the unchangeable fact of the revival of the Demon King, the demons and devils have increased in activity. Therefore, it’s you bastards’ turn.”

Indifferently, the king before our eyes starting talking about the absurd order.

Order you say? To what extent is he going to make light of us? This ossan...

Moreover, it takes four years for the Demon King to be truly resurrected... with all that time, why were we summoned to subjugate the Demon King at such an early time. From the start, they have only been thinking about themselves.

When I somehow managed to subdue my boiling anger, the figure of Kannazuki-senpai who is kneeling down in the same way as us standing up could be seen.

Kannazuki-senpai, who is our childhood friend, is using cold eyes filled with disdain from the bottom of her heart to look at the ossan... king, which we had never seen before though we had been friends with her since young.

Sca, scary... Because I am not an M, I felt nothing but fear.

While been fearful of Kannazuki-senpai in my mind, I felt signs that some students who were similarly knelt on the ground were standing up.

“Stop joking around! Why is an idiot of an ossan like you giving me an order to have to do something!”

“Honestly, I don’t understand the meaning.”

“That’s right! A world without entertainment can eat shit! My mobile phone can’t be used!”

“...Is there a problem?”

“Iya iya, what Airi said is important. We are super modern present day students. Wait, rather than entertainment is there make-up?”

“...Doesn’t Rumi not wear make-up?”

“Maaa. It isn’t essential. But skin care goods are necessary. There are also the nails.”

A famous group of girls in our school has also stood up.

Moreover, by famous I don’t mean it in too much of a nice meaning.

The first voice raised belong to Nojima Yuka, she is a half Japanese half English, carrying both the characteristics, straight blond hair reaching to her waist, altered school uniform rolled up at the sleeves, and donning a biker gang jacket. By the way, at the chest part of the uniform, what seems to be a white bandage can be seen. Probably bleached cloth... like those in the manga.

I do not remember what the team name was, but she is a considerably famous Lady President.

Moreover, she is a great beauty, adding onto her position of a Lady President, she tends to have a distance between her and the surrounding.

Next is the quiet Shimizu Noa, short black hair, blue eyes under the tip of the fringe, she is a beauty equal to Nojima. Unlike Nojima who wears flashy altered clothes, Shimizu wears fairly casual clothes, with pierced earrings worn ordinarily.

Shimizu, with such an appearance, is a very famous world model. For this reason, despite wearing causal clothes, coupled with her slender figure, she looks amazing without having to dress up stylishly.

This Shimizu, is one of the girl who is in the same clique as Nojima. I remember that while we were in the same class in the first year, she would normally fiddle with her mobile phone while in class or play truant with Nojima.

And thus I have said an irrelevant thing, the ones who retorted against Shimizu is Seto Airi.

About Seto, she has the atmosphere of a girl, but she is not of Nojima's beauty without make-up.

Although she wears flashy accessories, she is an amusing girl when talking, she is in the same clique as Nojima and is on good terms with the other girls.

Though Nojima and Shimizu have the atmosphere of a lone wolf, Seto is able to easily fit in with the two of them without any difficulty.

The last girl to speak is Awakawa Rumi. Different from Seto, she is a perfect girl.

Her hair is brown while being wavy and loosely hanging. As Shimizu says, she does not seem to use any make-ups at all. Such a beauty... this girl has such high specs eh?

Though there is no deeper meaning to me so to speak, but she is different with Shimizu and Seto, she wears the uniform while being conscious of dressing up stylishly.

Though I am calmly profiling the ones who suddenly stood up, I actually cannot do so.

If we do not get Nojima to be silent one way or another, we might get killed in this place.

I hope that a hero summoning can only be performed once in many years...

As far as that goes, this is the behaviour of the so-called delinquent girls group, their habitual messing around keeps the guys away from them completely. I, myself am a good for nothing so to speak. They are strong girls.

Wait... now that we are in a different world, their ways may be considerably different from ours.

When thinking about that sort of things, the bald ossan who seems to be a senior retainer lost his temper at Nojima's attitude as I thought.

"Know your position! You are in the presence of the king!"

"Shut up! Stay out of this you baldie!"

"Wa, baldie?!... even though I tried to care..."

Ah, the bald ossan obviously got depressed. Don't mind it.

I sympathized slightly with the bald ossan who was turned down flatly.

Although his companion is being pitiable, the ossan king reclined on his throne cockily and snorted his nose.

"It's fine. I guess you have some complaint? I will give you special permission. Speak."

"Well then I won't hesitate to say it... return us back to our original world!"

"That's true. We didn't have a choice and were forced by some unknown voice to come to another world, now we have to defeat the Demon King?... you must be joking."

“I do not know what is going on, but I’m sorry for the trouble.”

“Demon king you say, after all it must be Dra\*\*\* Quest no?”

“...Airi will be silent”

...yeah, this is seriously screwed up.

Thanks to Nojima I had some time to look around at the surrounding students, most people including Kenji are dumbfounded. Kannazuki-senpa remains the same as before.

Anyway, it is good that the tension came loose somewhat. It was also found out that Seto is a fool.

Despite the stupid remarks of Seto, the King continued to uphold his condescending attitude.

“Though you have said a lot, but you bastards do not have the right to choose. You bastards should look at the back of your left hands.”

As it was said, I dropped my sight to the back of my left hand. Everyone else including Nojima also looked at the back their left hands.

When I looked at the back of my left hand... there is nothing different in particular. What is supposed to be on the back of our left hands?

“On the back of the left hands of you bastards, the effect of slavery to make you work as a soldier of my country, [Crest of Subordination] has been engraved. How is it, can it now be understood that you cannot oppose us? It’s a shame.”

...

Am I being strange? There is nothing engraved on the back of my left hand?

For the time being, I looked around the surrounding of the back of my left hand, and nothing was drawn as expected.

And, it seems that Nojima is the same———

“...crest? There is nothing drawn right?”

“...That’s right”

“I was thinking it was a tattoo... but there’s nothing”

“Eeh?! I was hoping it would be cool looking! Was it a lie?!”

Leaving aside the remark of Seto, it seems that nothing seem to have been drawn or carved on the back of anyone’s left hands.

I, who was also able to confirm it, returned my eyes to the king.

“Eh, really?”

Then, the feeling thus far of been looked down upon vanished and the king opened his eyes wide and said such words.

Eh... the king’s actual attitude came out? This feeling is somehow casual...

The king blink his eyes many times over, and glanced at the back of our left hands.

After a short while, when the king understood that the crest is really not carved on the back of our left hands, he called for the old man in robes who was standing close-by.

“Nee nee, why has the crest not appeared? What now? Isn’t it bad? What happened to my good speech? Nee, are you okay? You are okay right?!”

The king is unbelievably impatient. What happened to the atmosphere of being looked down upon so far?

The grandpa in robes with a mantle who the king asked for help from looked at the king with a refreshing smile and bluntly said.

“Unexpected!”

“Are you kidding meeeee?!”

What goes around comes around! The king is now floating an expression of despair. It really is miserable.

“It, it’s somehow... grandpa you idiot!”

Why do you know the material? This completely hopeless king. There is no salvation.

Nojima and the other students were dumbstruck by the sudden conversation that abruptly unfolded.

As for Kannazuki-senpai, when I turned my eyes to her, even with things like this, she is still gazing with cold eyes. Stop! The king’s life points is at 0!

“It can’t be helped my king. I’ll use my trump card.”

The grandpa also played along with the farce of the king.

“Taratatattata~! Hostage~!”

A stupid thing was smoothly said?! Is your mouth too lonely without the sound effect! Moreover that’s Do\*\*emon! Do you really know what you are doing?!

While we were dumbfounded in surprise, the grandpa said somethings to the soldier who was nearby, the solder nodded and took off in a hurry.

After a while, the soldiers brought back something like a crystal in a few minutes.

“In the case that the Heroes disobey our orders... will they lose their lives?”

While saying so, the grandpa in robes hold up his hands over the crystal and to our surprise, completely unlike the scientific and technological Earth, an image emerged in the air.

The projected image floating in the air was of teachers in a state of captivity in what looks to be a prison.

“Na...”

“...”

I involuntarily uttered a voice and Kannazuki-senpai took on a stern countenance.

“Are they companions of yours? I wouldn’t like to do such a thing, but in the case that you do not obey an order, then it seems they would have no choice but to die.”

We could not respond to the words told to us by the grandpa in robes.

Disregarding us, the grandpa in robes continued.

“Maa, in the case that you desert them, it is fine... however, do you have the way to return to your original world? If you do not obey our orders, there might be unnecessary killings. By the way, other than us who summoned you guys, there is no other way you can return to your original world.”

“?!”

In other words, whether we can return to the original world or not is in the hands of these guys.

This is a very effective hand that he has played...

I want to go home, but the method to go home is that I can do nothing but obey this guy’s orders.

However, it would probably not be the same place for us when we return. Certainly, I think it was said that memories concerning us were erased...

Before coming to this world, a voice who called himself god said so through the speaker.

But, there is no meaning to think about it anyway as long as we cannot return to Earth.

Son of a bitch... I’ve touched onto a painful subject.

When Nojima and everyone including me were floating with bitter expressions, Kannazuki-senpai stood up at this time.

“———in other words, if we want to return to our original world we have no choice but to obey you?”

“It is as you say.”

After having heard that brief comment, Kannazuki-senpai scowled at the grandpa in robes.

“Heretic...”

“Ha? Why are you getting angry? It seems the idea of a Hero in this world has not been understood?”

Towards the remark which rubs a person the wrong way, anger exploded in all of us.

As for Nojima, she seemed ready to strike any moment, Shimizu is next to her soothing her.

“Even though you Hero-dono’s physical ability seems to be weak now, you will likely become strong when trained. Because you will have such powers, I guess there is nothing to fear?”

Though the grandpa in robes says such a thing, but for us who have spent our days in peaceful Japan, it is unreasonable to have us change and defeat the Demon King suddenly.

I don’t know about bugs, but there is not one person here who had even killed a dog or cat intentionally.

But the words of the grandpa were enough to move the hearts of other students.

“Cer, certainly...”

“Aren’t we the heroes? Then we will be strong?”

“If that’s so, then isn’t it all right?”

“In the end when we kill the Demon King can’t we return?”

The students uttered optimistic remarks about the Demon King subjugation in

succession.

Is it really alright? Though we are not Seto but are we still feeling that this world is similar to a game like Dra\*\*\* Quest?

“O, oi... isn’t everyone too optimistic?”

Kenji who is near to me says so to me.

“Maa... if there is no method to return to Earth other than relying on these people, there seems to be no other choice then to subjugate the Demon King. Moreover, it seems we can acquire strong powers.”

“Isn’t that kind of simple?”

“Well I don’t know.”

In this country, we are only considered chess pieces. Perhaps, if we can subjugate the Demon King safely, we might be able to avoid killing or be killed.

However, if we do not obey this country for the time being, we would have no future.

As I was thinking about such a thing, I suddenly looked to Kannazuki-senpai.

Hereupon, Kannazuki-senpai seems to be having a difficult expression, she seems to be worried about something.

Kannazuki-senpai might also have thought of the same idea as me...

While the students were filled with various thoughts swirling around, the king once again took on a condescending attitude as if the shaken up appearance earlier was false and announced.

“Fuunn. Maa, any further discussion is useless. The matter of you bastards subjugating the Demon King is absolute. Since you bastards are the heroes. You are permitted to spend your time in the rooms in this castle. You don’t have to thank me. And, I will train you immediately from tomorrow onwards for the Demon King Subjugation. That’s all, disperse.”

After saying such things one-sidedly, the king stood up from the throne and was about

to leave.

“Wa, please wait! The talk is not finished!”

When Kannazuki-senpai raised her voice at such a one-sided decision, the soldier in the rear simultaneously pointed their swords and spear and thrust them at us.

“...tsu!”

Kannazuki-senpai stopped her movement when the spears were thrust at us.

The king went off as is without even turning around once.

“Maa, please give it up hero-dono. The soldiers will guide you to your rooms, please have some rest today. I’m looking forward to the training tomorrow.”

After saying so, the grandpa in robes left straight away.

After that, the retainers left as well.

We students were left behind with soldiers still having their spears thrust at us. And at the rear there is a middle-aged man in armour standing with his eyes shut and arms folded.

The man with his arms folded has a different atmosphere different to that of the soldiers.

Such a man said to the soldier while still having his eyes shut.

“...bring the Heroes to their rooms. Do not be rough.”

There is no emotion to be read from the low voice.

After we stood up when urged by the soldiers, we were guided to the rooms where we were forcibly made to live in.

On the way, Kannazuki-senpai had a difficult face and Kenji and I was feeling uneasy about the future up ahead.

The other students seemed to have been relieved from the tension before one notices

it and were taken in by the curiosity of living in a castle, no longer thinking much about the Demon King subjugation.

With the surrounding being in such a state, finally Kannazuki-senpai took a breather and Kenji and I also stopped thinking about it deeply.

For the time being, it takes four years for the complete revival of the Demon King. Though it is possible that it may revive before that, but the probability should be low.

Then, in the meantime we might find a good way.

In the end, all members including Kannazuki-senpai left the solution to time and stopped thinking about it deeply.

Besides, we were optimistic about the Demon King subjugation some time about, thought we do not have power for the time being. We will manage somehow.

So, we consented against our wills.

———and afterwards, we learnt how much of it was an optimistic thought we had at the time was.

# CHAPTER 25

## COLLECTING

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“Yosh, now let’s show what you two collected”

I—- Hiiragi Seiichi, had accepted the “collect” quest outside the town, as a part of my examination. The quest contents are simple, one person has to collect 10 herbs growing outside the city walls and the quest is cleared. That’s why, Saria and me were searching in separate places, and now we were showing it to Altria-san. Because the herbs can be found closet to the city walls, it didn’t turn into a battle with demons... normally.

“First Saria’s collection... to”

A battle shouldn’t take place, while Altria-san who told us so, was for some reason kicking an attacking slime away.

...Are? Normally it doesn’t turn into a fight no? We heard incident of demons should be low?Including the slime that was kicked away we encountered 20 more demons, that for some reason all attacked Altria-san. While I was thinking such a thing, Altria-san said as though looking inside my head

“Ah... though I just got attacked now, it’s not unusual so don’t worry about it”

No, I am confident that no matter what demons come out I won’t lose no matter what, after all... I am a monster. Well if we are attacked by demons that come, because I don’t think a bit of effort is bad, I take the words said by Altria-san lightly.

“Well, I don’t know why this time a slime this level came out though...”

“...It’s nothing. More importantly Saria, show me your herbs”

With a cheerful response, Saria took out the herbs she collected from the roots. Unlike the [Forest of Endless Love and Sorrow] the herbs here are of a brownish colour. Furthermore, the smell it has is refreshing.

“Yosh, as I said to you, you did pull them out from their roots”

“As Altria-san said, I have been pulling them from their roots, but only the leaf is needed to complete the request?”

To Saria’s obvious question, Altria-san answered.

“That’s true, but by collecting the roots as well, the herbs are kept fresh, in addition processing the medicine with the roots give nutritional and invigorating effects as well, that’s why, when collecting herbs be sure to take it from the root, lastly there doesn’t seem to be a lot of people that know that, but it doesn’t hurt to know more no?”

Oooh, that seems adventurer-like knowledge. Using the excess parts in the field to get an unexpected benefit, that’s important to adventurers.

“By the way, the most useful effect will be acquired if brewed, but because of the tremendous bitter flavor it is not recommended”

“Then what should we do?”

“Let’s see... The simplest is to mix it with sugar, but sugar is an expensive good. You can use a substitute honey that you can get from a “sweet flower”, then it becomes sweet and edible.”

Hmm... for her to know such a trick, it likely that Altria-san can cook. It’s selfish imagination though.

“Well, the roots are important but, the guild quest is “herb leaf” after all, so don’t forget to take your part before you present it in the guild”

““Waaaaaiii””

I and Saria gave a stupid answer.

“Yosh. Then, next is Seiichi turn”

“Yes! Here!”

I, present the things that I collected in front of the eyes of Altria-san. Then, Altria-san had a moment of silence seeing the things I had displayed. Finally, after looking it for a bit, she opened her mouth a little.

“...I will hear it once, what have you collected?”

“eh? Mushrooms.”

“I can see that!”

I, held out the mushrooms to Altria-san. There are, ten.

“The test contents were to collect 10 herbs! What are you collecting mushrooms for!”

“Yadana, please look properly. It’s not just a mushroom it’s a [Magic Mushroom]”

“What are you doing with a rare mushroom!”

“That’s true”

As expected it’s was of no use. It doesn’t matter, it’s not like I picked up the [Magic Mushrooms] to show it to Altria-san. No matter how much I searched for it, for some reason the place I was at didn’t have even a single herb. I was unable to get a single one. That’s why, in exchange for that, I collected the[Magic Mushroom] that were growing up in abnormal numbers. Changing the story, the [Magic Mushroom], are a rare ingredient needed for producing an item that restores magic called a [Mana Potion].

“Iyaa... I couldn’t find the herbs...”

“Are you kidding!? It’s easy! I saw about 20 you know!?”

Are? Weird... I seriously tried to search properly without finding one? Then there are 20 is impossible...

“Look, Aren’t they at Seiichi’s feet!”

“Got Them!” Looking carefully at Altria-san feet, there are five more. A, Are?

“In contrary you did well finding [Magic Mushroom]. Normally even trying really hard to find them is impossible to find them you know? And to find 10 of them...”

“I don’t know if I have good luck or bad luck!”

“That’s my line! Either way for not finding 10 herbs you fail!”

“Wha, What did you say!?”

No, there is nothing to be surprised.

Only, at this rate I was going to fail the test, so I quickly collected the 5 herbs. Now, I also can pass the test!... As planned.

“Look, I properly collected”

“...And what about the 5 others?”

That’s iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiit! The test was to collect 10 herbs! There are 5 more to go!

“I, I will go look for it!”

“Ah, oi!”

As I cry, I dashed from the spot to look for the rest of the herbs in a hurry.

“Wa, so fast, this guy what kind of leg strength does he have... Ma more important, Seiichi! Don’t enter the forest! And if you enter, don’t go too far!... Wait I can’t see him already!?”

Although I felt like Altria’s behind me had said something, I was at a considerably distance away, so I did not hear it well.

“...ah, aren’t there 5 herbs here” After I had left from the spot, Altria-san said so with a small mutter. “You idiot!” I ran around, searching for the herbs, without being able to find even one, so I shouted in despair. Certainly I could not find even one herb, on the other hand I just found things like “detoxification grass” or “magic mushrooms”.

“Somehow while searching around, I made it to a place where I can’t see the figures of Altria and Saria”

After crossing one hill, the figures of Altria-san and Saria couldn’t be seen.

“Umm... Why can’t I find them? Or is looking for it bad? A while ago Altria-san just found them at her feet...”

More, let’s try to search it more carefully. I again resumed looking for medicinal herbs, when suddenly I caught sight of trees on the edge of my field of view.

“Um? That is... a forest?”

Looking at it, it was a place where trees are overgrown and dense. Unlike the [Forest of Endless Love and Grieve], I don't feel that ominous atmosphere at all, this is without a doubt a forest.

“I will surely find a lot of herbs in there”

So was my guess, I immediately move to the forest. Approaching the forest, I fully understood, how bad my transferred place the [Forest of Endless Love and Sorrow] was. In front of my eyes, the feeling I got for a while, was the freshness I remember.

“Well, it was full of dangerous things, but it's the place where I attained more important things.”

I close my eyes, immersing in the sentimental atmosphere, and after a while I open them.

“Yosh, let's start searching for it!”

With enthusiasm, it was the moment when I took one step forward. From the direction of the forest, I heard voices. It doesn't matter, who is inside this forest, it doesn't affect me one bit, it's not like I didn't meet people searching for herbs, I don't have any interest in those people. Is it an adventurer? I wonder if they came in with a request from the Guild? Or maybe, travellers? While making various guesses I move to the place where voices can be heard. I don't forget to look for herbs in the way. While progressing rapidly through the forest, I heard the voices of the people there. Observing them from a distance, there are 3. Furthermore, they aren't human. For some reason, those 3 skin colour, unlike humans it's more blueish. And more than anything, from the head of the three people, it's growing a devil-ish horns, that human beings don't have. Then observing them from a distance, it doesn't seem they are arguing, or they are troubled, in contrast they seem to be having fun. For what reason, have they stopped in this forest? Taking interest in the 3 people, I got even closer.

“Bell-san, we did it at least! After installing that someone will fall for sure!”

“True”

“But... it is fine coming to the human world on our own, ignoring Reiya-sama orders?”

“That’s true... well, if we are found out we will be punished...”

“...ah I remembered an urgent matter so I am going back”

“Ah, me too...”

“Running away!”

“Waaa, let me go please! I don’t want to die!”

“Idiot! I am the same! But... if this time is a success, Reiya-sama’s punishment will be avoided, and getting promoted is not a dream!”

“Th, that’s true but...”

“Think about your family...”

“I understand that. But, just as you guys have family to protect, I have a family to protect too. Moreover, this time in my home a child is going to be born”

“Th, then why...”

“...It is necessary to a front such a danger?”

“Fu... I was planning on getting promoted in this strategy, and let my wife have an easier life...”

““A, a guy like you... !”

Ju, just what the hell is with that story? About punishment about promotions... the second part was a mystery to me... Well, I am a stranger, it does not matter if I can’t understand the contents of the story. Heck, the guy named Bell, isn’t that a death flag? Are you fine? For the time being, let’s ask my own question. It’s not like I care for them. But, let’s ask the three in front of my eyes, if they have seen some herbs?... un, let’s do that. (TL: Yes... here comes the death flag for bell... )

It’s not, like it is a pain to search them on my own!... or so I want to think. Now that I decided I take action immediately, I show myself in front of the 3 persons that I could not follow the story that they were talking about.

“He, heey...”

Tha, that scared me... suddenly turning and shouting in unison like that, I was surprised! It can't be helped. While I was surprised on my own, the three people confirmed my appearance, and were making surprised open eyes. Because they were showing such a reaction, in contrast I became calm. Now with a calm head, I confirm again the 3 persons in front of my eyes. One was tall and slim, the second one was like me back then fat and short. Then the middle one, you can clearly see at a glance that he has a well-trained figure. What the hell? What is with this balanced combination of unbalances. As I was looking at these 3, it was confirmed at distance but, their skin colour is blueish. Other than that they are not different from us. They don't seem like a beast tribe... because the demon like horn they have, maybe demon race? Although it simplistic. However, it's not like we can keep looking at each other or so I thought, I will try to talk to them.

“What is a human doing in this place!?”

“It, it can't be... he discovered out plans!?”

“Nooooooooooooooooo! I don't want Reiya-sama punishmeeeeeeeeeent!”

Fail. I don't know the reason. But they got nervous as soon as I tried to speak. “An, ano... you guys just what... ?” I just wanted to ask about the herbs, but now I am interested in why are these 3 are so anxious just from me speaking. Then, at my question, macho man answered.

“Fuu... if we got found out it can't be helped! I am the demon army 3rd platoon under the command of Reiya-sama, the leader of [Victim], Bell Jizer!”

“The same [Victim] affiliation, Bosk Dam!”

“Teri Hemt!”

“The proud Demon army Gyokusai corps——” (*ED: Gyokusai = honourable death*)

“““That's us””””

I understand, they are only a bunch of hentais. (*TL: Great deduction*) As I was coming to an agreement on my own, I tried to get away. “Don't run away!” But, I was stopped!

“Why are you nonchalantly trying to leave!”

“Iya, because... You guys are crazy no?”

“Now he is nonchalantly being rude!?”

I think that Macho—— Bell’s unit name is worse. What the hell, [Victim]. Translated it will be “gisei-sha” no? What’s more, calling themselves the demon army Gyokusai corp... I can’t even use the word pitiful. Aren’t they just expendable pawns?

“What is with this. I am busy searching for herbs”

“Just what’s wrong with YOU!? Aren’t you the one that started the conversation!?”

That’s true. Because of Bell, I forgot about it.

“Heck, who are you!”

“I am Seiichi. Like I said earlier also, I came to this forest in search of herbs. Then, I heard your voices... and wanted to ask if you saw some herbs, but somehow I regretted it, so I gave up on that.”

“Why did you come to the forest in search for herbs? Aren’t there a lot that way?”

After hearing my explanation, the slim man—— Bosk said.

“Because there aren’t any, it can’t be helped” “Ma, it doesn’t matter what reason you have...”

Now the fat man —— Terry spoke. Iya, what do you mean it doesn’t matter? It is a big deal for me you know?

“Seiichi... was it? You, saw our appearance and objective... it’s a pity, such a person, we can’t let you go alive”

E, what is he saying? [Can’t let you go alive] Wait... they want to kill me!?

I was surprised to the sudden situation, Terry sent a signal to his comrades. And, Bell receiving the signal, nodded once, snapped his fingers. Then, behind them, with a Zushi-zushi sound from footsteps, a 3m greenish skinned human wearing some animal

fur, appeared.

“This is a Troll. To humans like Seiichi he is a B-class monster?”

“Iya, I don’t know...”

The monster called a Troll, despite points in common to humans like the eyes, nose and mouth or the like, one by one it does not give any feeling of intelligence. The ears are a little pointy, the head is completely bald. In a hand he held a club of made from a big tree.

“Well it is fine... Troll! Get him!”

Bell says the words like an underling of an enemy character in an old anime, it looked at me, and attacked in rage with the club.

“Ooooooooooooooh!”

“Eeeeeeeeh!? It seriously wants to kill me!? Even though this is our first meeting!? Did I do something!? There hasn’t been that much time that passed since I meet them, but for some reason I ended receiving attack from a Troll. But, thanks to my own unique skill [Shingan (mind eye)], the attack from the troll seems awfully slow. Un... crushing this is fine no? Is it ok? I don’t get it at all but it’s attacking me. Now that I decided to defeat the Troll in front of my eyes, a lot of ideas comes to my head. Then, let’s go with the skill [Absorption] that I got from defeating the slime. I have to activate the skill at the moment the troll attacks me. I look at the club incoming, and in the end it reached me. Then, I activated the skill [Absorption]. What happened? All the power and momentum of the club that supposedly had come from the attack of the troll until now was lost, and at the same time an energy like thing keep growing more and more inside my body. That is, it keeps making laps around my body until it became a part of it.

“Ooh, I did it”

It became a situation where the troll club with no offensive power hits my head, Bell and the other two that were watching were expressionless. Looking carefully, the troll too went expressionless. But, that expressionless state soon broke out— Seeing what happened with their eyes, they made a complicated expression with the jaw dropping open, the reality that theirs eyes were seeing surprised them. Because they had that stupid face they are truly surprised.

“Be, Bell-san... just now the sure kill attack from the troll, connected?”

“I, it hit... Troll, your attack hit no?”

“This is, something magic...”

“Iya, the club did hit me in the head... there is no reason to confirm, it hit properly...”

I, continued the conversation, and with that they closed their mouth. Then, everyone looked at each other faces, and Bell for some reason with a scared face said.

“Th, th th th th this time, I will let you go!”

“Ye, ye ye yes!”

“It, it’s not like we lose! It’s just we are kind!”

“O,ooooh!?”

“We, well? Our strategy is already completed? And we got information that there is a monster like you? As result, it is our victory!”

“Tr, true!”

“No objection!”

“Then, it means—-“

Without letting me say a word, Bell and company started releasing words like a machine gun, the troll included, they took the position of the picture above the emergency doors back on Earth and then. Like that, I was left stunned, as Bell and company ran away. It doesn’t matter but, the troll... even with that size he is fast.

“Just what happened... ?”

To Bell and company who went away like a storm, I could only mutter that.

“Oh, herb...”

And, I did not hear the location of the herbs from them.

“Oh, I finally came back!”

“Just how far did you go...”

In the end I didn't find a single herb, when plodding back to Altria-san location, Saria greeted with a smile, Altria-san muttered with an amazed feeling.

“Un? After searching around like crazy? You couldn't find more?”

Altria-san meant no offence. But, this works hurts so much!

“Eh? It can't be... you... seriously?”

I am in silence, a look like she saw something impossible came at me. Can I cry?

“I tried searching very hard you know? But... the only thing I found are [Magic Mushroom] and [Detoxification herb] I got a dozen of each...”

“It's weird! How can you find items that are so much rarer than herbs!?”

“Please don't ask me...”

Mou, I am half crying. Oh no, my tears are falling. At such a pathetic sight, Altria-san while going yareyare, pulled something from the bag at her waist.

“Here, I will give it to you”

Saying so she gave me, 5 more herbs.

“I found it immediately after you went to look for them. At my foot.”

“Th that...”

Why are they growing at your feet? I, was searching for it desperately you know? Isn't It weird?

“Well, normally I wouldn't approve this type of help... but in the end, I only helped picking them up, so take it”

“Is, that fine?”

“There is no reason to hold baaack. Ma, you did try your best”

“A, Altria-san... !”

Onee-sama! Iya, nee-san... Anego! As I was moved and looking at Altria-san, Altria-san with an embarrassed face said.

“Mo, its finished! Let’s return fast!”

Saying so, Altria-san started her way back to the city, I and Saria with smiling faces, hurried after her.



## CHAPTER 26

# METASTASIS MAGIC

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“Though it’s certainly bad that we went against the rules and went to the human world, but do you really think I didn’t do this for a mission?”

Oh, it isn’t really a formal mission and more like our arbitrary decision

However important information has been obtained, naturally, there is no blame for this matter

Yes, it’s all a lie, I’m sorry.

i just said a light joke. I’m seriously reflecting, so could you please pardon me!”

Compiled from above

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Bell Giselle, also known as the leader of Zokugun and the captain of the third devil force corps was kneeling on the ground.

In front of my eyes was a woman who was gazing down at us coldly.

Long glossy purple hair that bewitches you, eyes harking of amethyst’s and transparent pale skin, and proportions that any woman could not help being jealous of, if a man saw this his nose would unintentionally stretch.(no clue what the hell that means)

With her legs crossed and a dress with intense exposure... It is dangerous in various ways.

With the woman in front of our eyes releasing such an overwhelming charm, we

become the “Victims” of the Demon army’s Third Squadron’s captain — Reiya Faruza.

The beautiful woman’s attire is beautiful, bold and overflowing with sex appeal, however we know the secret of Reiya

“Put your tongue back in your mouth... Shut up for a bit.”

“Hahahaha, what the heck BUHE”

“Beeeeeeeeelllll”

I was suddenly blown away by the rod of air made with [Gas Magic]; Only Reiya can fire such magic so intensely.

“Bell!! It’s bad”

“Reiya is in a bad mood... !!”

“That means... Ah... again..... !

I instinctively looked up at the sky to Terry and Bosco’s words. It’s because of the ringing of a familiar bell as to the reason why Reiya’s mood is bad

I talk in a low voice while having the two people wake him up

:... With this how many people are there?”

“I am certain..... this is the 666th person...”

“... Well that seems to be a really bad omen.....”

“It’s a lot of people more than...”

“In a sense it is brave... though we are the Demon King’s armies’.....”

“That is.....”

“.....Do not laugh...”

Despite the few of us who were still holding a sneaky conversation Reiya muttered a

soliloquy in hate,

“What on earth... ! My what is useless?! In thinking I was a partner of destiny this time means..... !”

Reiya’s secret was... though she gave of an enormous amount of charm... she was a virgin who hadn’t even been kissed.

There was a boyfriend until now and with him that makes 666, in addition all of those are ikemen among the devil groups.

It’s not because Reiya is famous for being a peerless beauty.

Yet, I have no choice but to carry Reiya’s secret...

“Moreover, did you take him to the room?”

“So I.....”

“Why did you take him to the room? For that..... the fact is that if you bring them to that room they will run once they see that room...”

The reason Reiya always breaks up with her boyfriend. Those were all in Reiya’s room

In Reiya’s room only torture tools were put there. Things like a wooden horse and a rod of iron, usually bloody, were on hand there, with no doubt as to what it is commonly used for.

If you were taken to such a room could you endure it?

But the most troublesome thing is that Reiya seems to think that taking her boyfriend there will bring about a nice atmosphere.

...A certain room with torture tools, if you were to ask what the mood of it was, the only reply would be... silence...

“This is bad, this is bad... ! The way this is going... ! I’m going to be a virgin my whole life!?”

“It’s OK! When a man gets a look at Reiya’s charm, no man can resist!”

“Then why do I keep getting dumped!!”

“It was merely consolation!”

If I told her the truth here I would have been a dead man.

“Fuu... I was just a little distraught... so? I would like to hear the reason you went to the human world?”

Reiya who had calmed down again said as gazed coldly down at us again

However, this is a chance for me to explain why we went to the human world to Reiya, if i can do it well, the punishment from her might be lessened.

“Well to tell the truth... the reason we went to the human world was because the installation type [Metastasis Magic] has been spread”

“Metastasis magic... ?”

With metastasis magic we can move from one place to another freely.

The consumption of magic gets bigger the farther you use it to travel.

This time however we made some changes to the metastasis magic, we used a technique where we only put in the exact amount of magic necessary, with this technique the magic would be able to stay on the ground and unless you moved it.

“Such a thing was installed, and what on earth would you like to do with that?”

“I thought..... we could use it to shave down the human fighting power even if just slightly”

“FUUN... I see... so what? Where did you set them to be transferred to?”

A detailed description was not needed as Reiya had seen through our idea in an instant. This person is really able, though she doesn't understand boyfriends.

Anyway the reason we scatter the metastasis magic around was so that they would be transferred to a place that we had registered before so we could kill them without doing it directly.

And the place we chose to bury those people—————

“It takes them to strongest war potential that the demon king’s army boasts of, it takes them to the home of the great Obsidian Dragon in the [Labyrinth of the Obsidian Dragon god]”

“That is...”

Reiya opens her eyes wide and was surprised to hear my words.

The Black Dragon God, if you exclude the demon king whose power was recently regained, is called the strongest devil in the demon king’s army.

The White Dragon God and the Black Dragon God were on even footing till the Black Dragon God was chosen for his overwhelming strength.

“As you know the Black Dragon God can’t go to the human world directly because there is a link between him and the dungeon, which even the Demon King couldn’t undo..... So why not just send the people to the Black Dragon God, is what I thought.”

“The thought is unimportant”

No..... the me which came up with such a wonderful idea must be a genius!”

“Oh, it’s a good idea. Most of the reasonings could be understood and even if you weren’t useless and went and wasted a good portion of the demonic army’s resources on this how much would it actually change the humans war potential? I wonder if you get it?”

“Oh? We are needed right?”

“.....”

“Silence!?”

It’s cruel... Was my idea called wasteful?... Nevertheless... I see myself as a valuable war asset... i at least want you to withdraw the first part if possible!

“Ha..... Are you disgusted by your stupidity?”

“Reiya, Terry and I aren’t stupid.”

“I only said Bell was stupid.”

“You’re being cruel?!”

I was surprised by the betrayal from Terry and Bosco. These fellows GUFU (sound effect i believe) later.....

“Anyways, it has been understood that you have setup metastasis traps. So how many traps have you set up?”

“100 traps.”

“So few”

“Eeeeeeeeeee?! So small.....”

“Exceedingly insufficient!?”

“Though i had such a hard time pouring so much magic power into them...”

Hearing the merciless words of Reiya we all crumbled to the ground.

“Which country did you even go to?”

“Oh they are near the imperial capital, Terveil”

“From a distance I could set up around a 1000 metastasis traps to the [Labyrinth of the Black Dragon God] lightly.”

“””What The Hell... !”””

Is this... what you call... social disparities!?

“That objection is to cruel. Heck do we not get any praise?!”

“Weak”

“Crap! Hard!”

It was said to us so bluntly that we couldn't even retort anymore.

"I've said it many times, but even if they are transferred, is our strategy all right?"

"Oh well. I understand"

We were relieved by Reiya's words

It's was good..... just because Reiya pardoned us!"

While thinking such, Reiya suddenly showed a very attractive and beautiful smile on her face."

"However... Rule violations were obvious... Punishment♪"

""N000000000000000000000000000000000000!?"""

It was not good. I thought that i was going to get away without any great pains. My hope was raised and then thoroughly stomped on.

"Then let's say 500 lashes from the whip for a light warm up?"

"That's not light at all?!"

"Shut up"

"Unjust AHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH GAFU?!"

"" BEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEELLLLLLL""

Afterwords we received from the hellish punishment menu a full course meal. It was delicious.

After receiving every torture I'd be pleased if you called me a hero being able to live.

And i may have forgotten something important.

Oh... The matter of Seiichi..... I forgot to report it...

"Today is the last test— The Subjugation System"

I, Hiiragi Seiichi was walking through downtown when i was told by Altria from behind me.

We had done the chore and collection system safely, so when we finished the subjugation system Saria and I would be able to become adventurers.

“What are we subjugating?”

Saria threw the innocent question to Altria from behind.

“It isn’t necessary for it to be hard even a slime is ok, besides even if we go out the gate we won’t immediately meet a demon, but since I’m here we will probably be done really soon.”

Altria was also talking like that at the examination of the collection system..... What does she mean by that..... ?

“Hmm, the slime is essential to subjugate anyways. Even a common slime is good and you may get a special one, anyways once you beat 10 of them the test ends. Understood?”

“”Yes.”” (Both Saria and Seiichi)

While we were walking Altria suddenly asked Saria.

“I was interested..... How do you and Saria fight? I haven’t seen any weapons on Saria..... and you look like a magician but you don’t even have a cane.”

“What?”

The Saria who was suddenly asked such a question put on a blank look.

Oh i see. Altria doesn’t know that Saria is a Kaiser Kong, moreover i didn’t think to put [Fists] in the weapons space on the registration.

Then when Saria finally understood what was asked of her an innocent smile appeared on her face and she thrust out her fist.

“This!”

“.....”

Altria froze behind me and stared at Saria’s fist.

And then turned her gaze to me.

“Seiichi, I only see a fist is there something invisible there or any special accessories?”

“No, the fist is the weapon.”

“Would you like to experience it?”

“No way?! It is true!!

the beautiful Saria certainly sticks out her fist and says “this is my weapon” the fact that it’s impossible to believe is understood! But..... She is a gorilla.

“Did Saria learn martial arts at some point or?”

“No.”

“... Just beat it up?”

“What?!”

“With what? A fellow who doesn’t have any knowledge of a martial art sticks out his fist and says “This is a weapon” how would it be possible to believe that?”

“You’ll get used to it.”

“That’s the problem gahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!”

Why is it so? But because it’s true, what can be done about it?

“Altria even if there is some emergency that happens to Saria i’ll deal with it.”

Oh dear, that seemed to solve everything even though Saria’s level exceeds 700...

“Oh, even if you say that... well even so there are strong points and weak points in battle so at least buy a knife for self protection or something!”

Altria seems to have misunderstood Saria and thought that she doesn't plan on becoming a combat adventurer.

To begin with in the case of a slime even a child's fist can knock it down. When its a high level fist it's NO joke.

While conversing we reached the gates at last.

At the gate we had to go through the same process as the time we came though for the collection system.

After Altria Arrived next to the gate keeper to do the necessary procedures we noticed a familiar face.

"Oh, Seiichi hey!!!!"

"Oh hey Claude"

"Oh! Claude! Long time no see!"

Approaching us was Claude the guard who did the procedure for when we first came into town."

"Did you make it fine?"

"More or less. I haven't seen you in a bit how have you been?"

Though we didn't meet when we came through for the collection system it's been about 3 days since we first came to the town.

"Hmm, I guess so? Anyways, what are you up to today?"

"Ah im in the final part for my test i was doing the procedures to head out and subdue some slimes."

"... they didn't corrupt you did they....."

"How could they! In addition to the enthusiast and exposure muscle man, the sodomy fellow, the S&M the lolita complex and the flasher!"

“It’s a parade of criminals.”

When i express the words normally there are no respectable fellow. Even the need to do something for the guild cannot be felt right now.

“Oh, i completely understand, isn’t worth it in my mind...”

“Yes, it’s necessary to give some kind of countermeasure to the guild immediately as expected isn’t it”

“So you’re doing you test, who is the proctor for you and Saria?”

“Altria! the beautiful girl who is going through the procedures over there look!”

When claude looks towards the direction Saria stabs her finger he shows a surprised expression and immediately turned towards us again.

“That one..... is your examiner really Altria?”

“What? that is right...”

When i answered Claude seemed to be thinking about something.

And he gave a gentle smile towards us and said.

“Because she is a little different for reasons but... Would you look out for her once the test is over?”

I didn’t know why claude said such a thing, but only one thing is certain.

“I don’t know why but... Altria is a good person even though we’ve only been together a short time I don’t want to be separated yet.”

“Thats right! Altria is already an important person to us?”

Claude seemed to be satisfied with the answer Saria and i gave and smiled in response.

“Is that so. Then good.”

After Claude said so Altria who had been finishing the procedure returned.

“I made you wait... oh Claude.”

When Altria noticed Claude her eyes widened a little.

“Yes, i was just talk to Saria and Seiichi”

‘Oh? are you guys acquaintances?’

“Oh that is the case.”

When he answer, Claude has an expression on his face that is just a little wonderful and says to Altria.

“Anyway..... Altria you met some good people.”

“Come again?”

To Altira when the things were suddenly said was confused.

“No, nevermind it’s not a big deal... When you guys come back you’ll have finished your test..... Come back safe.”

“Yes”

“yes!”

“OK”

Nodding while looking satisfied Claude returned to work and we moved on.

“Hmm, that fellow.....”

Altria twisted her head around without understanding the meaning of Claude’s words and then headed outside.

“Well... I guess we will start the subjugation... The slime came as soon as you said.”

As soon as we were outside the gate just as altria said, a slime appeared.

While using the appraisal skill its level was 3. For beginners i guess this would be a

passing level.

“I’ll bring this to an end quickly because we will still have 19 more to go. where should I start?”

“If that’s the case, go ahead.”

I confronted the slime while saying so.

Honestly i think the [Sword of Revolting Hate] and the [Sword Overflowing with Benevolence] are over kill here and might be dangerous.

Should i also knock it down barehanded? Well, but, I should practise using magic..... ?

While i was thinking like this the slime didn’t care at all and rushed at me without any interference.

“Seiichi! Coming!”

“Ueeee?! Yeah! Wait!”

“You can’t make the slime wait!”

“I’m here! At least I’m here!”

No matter how desperately I raise the red flag... the slime doesn’t break... it’s only obvious (racing joke, Red Flag means the race is stopped for emergency reasons and everyone should just brake and stop wherever they are)

I’ll soon have no choice but to use magic! There is little consumption of magic so long as I don’t do something silly and shoot a huge magic, I’m going to throw a weak little magic with little consumption.

It was when i was going to shoot off my magic while confirming the slime was approaching that the skill [Mind’s eye] activated and the slime slowed down.

“what?”

During the movement of the slime I’m sure I saw it slow down a lot.

Though a part of the ground just below the slime was shining and was showing the effect of [mind's eye] and while i was trying to understand the effects———the slime had disappeared.

“Ah?”

“Oh?”

Saria and Altria looked doubtful of the slime which suddenly disappeared.

“The slime..... is gone?”

What on earth? The slime should have rushed to me certainly. where...

I am at a loss at the mysterious event that just happened in front of all the members eyes.

Behind us Altria changed the look on her face and said.

“Oh, the one which has disappeared is worthless others will have to look for it.”

Even though I'm looking for the slime which went off forever certainly, that's alright, so I'm going to look for another slime near Altria.

However after the event that this slime disappears it was I who was fighting it that is looking for the slime and why it disappeared in a moment.

Including the first slime, they totaled 99 but they became victim to the mysterious disappearance.

“What on earth happened?”

Altria also seems to be frowning at this situation.

I looked each time the slime disappears, suddenly shining phenomenon on the ground suddenly stops.

Altria may know something. Do i tell her just in case?

“Altria.”

“Nn? What’s up?”

“From the time that the first slime disappeared immediately before they disappeared the ground shone why is that?”

“The ground... shone?”

Once my words were heard Altria had a thought

“Ground..... disappear..... surely.....”

then Altria suddenly turned around and told us suddenly.

“Seiichi,Saria the test is canceled.”

“What?”

“Why?”

“it isn’t understood but for some reason metastasis magic is scattered around here.”

“Metastasis magic?”

I tilted my head doubtful about what Altria said.

“Metastasis magic is a magic that can be registered to a place and the be used to transfer someone there, moreover when i think about what Seichi says he sees it might be installation type.”

“I’m not sure... Well why do you think this metastasis magic is spread around here?”

“How would i know!!! Anyways back to the guild. it’s because i don’t know where we would be transferred that it needs to be investigated. If it isn’t a dangerous place that’d be good...”

It was then that Altria who told us that took one step.

and then the shine which made the slimes disappear showed beneath Altria.

“It is...”

“Altria!?”

Altria was surprised by the sudden situation and tensed up.

In that situation, before i noticed it, a hand was reaching towards Altria.

Saria as well as I was reaching out for Altria

The hand that i extended to Saria at the same time as Altria—— reached.

And the the form of Saria, Altria and I all left from the plains.

“...Nnn?”

After being wrapped in the dazzling light when i opened my eyes i was in a strange space with no clue where we were.

It’s dim, though it is possible to think its cave the walls seem to be made of brick so it seems to be a labyrinth.

“Where? ? Here...”

“You know?”

“!”

The voice I know suddenly comes from the rear and I look back.

“Seiichi!”

When I looked back I could see both Saria and Altria there.

“Saria! Altria! It was safe?”

“Oh, I guess so...”

while looking around Altria expressed an answer to my words.

“Where are we then? Here.....”

“Is this a place that Altria doesn’t know either?”

“Yes, I don’t know it at all.”

I also don’t know where we are right now, though I searched through all the knowledge that i had gotten up till now, i didn’t find a single thing.

Where is here really?

While thinking of such things with a crumpled forehead Altria said.

“Hey Seiichi why did you come after me?”

“What?”

“Saria as well why did you dive towards me and have to come to an unknown situation if you hadn’t touched me at that time maybe both of you could have returned safely?”

To Altria’s words which seem a little angry Saria and I looked at each other

“I have said it before to Seichi that and adventurer needed to be able to sense danger, though what kind of thing is this where you followed me in this way even though you don’t know me very much...”

While Altria fumed i obediently said.

“Oh... Well just before I knew it, my body was moving.”

“.....what?”

From my words Altria let out a little stupid voice.

Then Saria followed with her reasoning.

Me too. I have to do something to help Altria! Before I thought about it my body moved without permission.”

As Saria says my body just moved without permission.

I do not doubt that I acted without thinking about consequences but the feeling that I

had to help Altria was too strong.

“I think I behaved imprudently, I and Saria wanted to rescue Altria from that.”

“..”

I looked down for a while, and Altria had fallen silent after receiving our words.

“...Guys like you, this is the first time.....”

“Huh?”

Though I didn't hear well, after Altria muttered something, Altria turned to face us.

“Here I'll give these to you since... you came with me through the metastasis trap.”

“Oh?”

Suddenly Saria and I were thrown something by Altria.

When I looked at what it was it was a silver stone.

“That is an item called a [guidestone]. It is an item necessary for adventures when in a party and get separated.”

“when getting separated?”

“Yes. My magic is in that stone... If we were to get lost all you have to do is follow that stone it will point you in the direction i am in.”

Oh awesome. when i have this even if I lose Altria in a large cloud I would still know which direction she was in.

“Anyway hold on to that tightly and stay close ok?”

“”Yes.””

“Is this really ok...”

As soon as Altria finished the conversation she immediately departed.

“Would you like to go that direction first?”

“Sure.”

“Un!”

“And it was the moment that the first step was taken from that spot.

A click.

A terribly unpleasant sound rang out in the vicinity.

The place where the tone came from——— was the foot of Altria.

Altria looks back to us like a tin doll.

“...This... I stepped on something...!”

“Altria come AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!”

The moment Saria and I shouted that a wall of bricks that looked no different from the ones surrounding us appeared between us and Altria

In other words we have been cut off from Altria

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“We seem to have been separated already...!”

What?! You said not to stray too far away from me!

“So! Altria had just handed me that item a little while ago for such a time.”

“That’s right!”

The guidestone Saria and I had just been handed was immediately taken out.

Then the guidestone came to life and slowly moving.

And it pointed directly at the wall that had just separated us from Altria

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“No you are our only option!”

Even if Altria understands the fact that we are just on the other side of the wall it doesn't matter cause we couldn't get around the wall!

Now I wish i could learn how to get the place where Altria was or was it even possible?!

“Crap... ! I thought it was wonderful just a little while ago but it's useless in this labyrinth..... !

Even if the direction in which Altria is in is show there isn't a meaning if i can't find my way through the labyrinth.

While i was feeling helpless with the unexpected fault in the guidestone, Saria was speaking.

Even if Seiichi stops here , it's inevitable and there has to be a way there, it'll join Altria somehow! Fortunately we know the whereabouts of her, this is really good luck.

It's completely correct for Saria to say so. Even though i grieved forever at this place there are no reasons we can't join Altria.

“Ok! In a labyrinth you'd have to move to be able to rejoin so let's rejoin with Altria quickly!

“Yes!”

Because Altria was no longer around that means I could use my full power now.

In order to be able to rejoin with Altria quickly we bolted off with an all out power dash.

# CHAPTER 27

## LABYRINTH JOURNEY

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“Ku!”

I – – – Altria Guremu fought against the demon who was coiled around by a bandage like that of an injured person.

The fight was not any different to any other, but it was just that, the demon’s level before her eyes was different than usual demons.

“Mummy Man Lvl: 233”

The skill “appraisal” displayed this as a result.

...This is the first time i had seen a monster with a level that exceeds 200! Until now I didn’t have an opponent like this.

My own level is 100. Adventurers from S class may fight monsters like this, but it’s a first for me.

To be honest, I don’t fight monsters with this big difference in ability but, it’s different now.

“We got to to meet up with them quickly... !”

“Oō~tsu!!”

But there was no way the Mummy Man would let us through, and it attacked us relentlessly.

He attacks fiercely with his arms but, when the attack missed it and hit the surrounding walls it screamed in pain.

“Tsu —- !”

“Oooo Ooooo!”

As the Mummy Man's attacks with a loud war cry I somehow manage to avoid it, even though I'm at my limit.

But I can't avoid his attacks forever, I received a heavy blow to the abdomen and was blown away.

"ga~tsu!?"

I felt an acute pain and almost lost my consciousness in an instant.

Just as I crashed into a wall, a lot of cracks appeared. However they did not crumble, it seems they're quite sturdy walls. How could I think about that in a situation like this.

I moved away from the wall and it collapsed.

My consciousness was growing faint.

But... but... I can't rest here, I can't lose my consciousness.

I have to meet up with Seiichi and Saria!

They helped me, without even regarding themselves.

Until now in my life there was no one who did that for me.

Though it might have been because they did not know my secret, that they still tried to help me, it made me happy.

I moved my aching body, and took a recovery medicine out from my item box, and drank it quickly.

Anyway it was an recovery medicine which can be bought at a store everywhere, so the effect was nothing special but, it would let you get back on your feet.

Until I can return to them safely I won't die or collapse, I'm absolutely cannot!  
Therefore ---

"This obstruction! I will get past itttttttt!!"

"OO!?"

My weapon [Battle Axe of the Earth] is a legendary class weapon, It's a large weapon which I take pride in.

While I activate my skill I move towards the Mummy man.

“[Power Slash]!”

I just flung the battle-axe and to slammed it against the Mummy Man in front of me.

“Rra ah ah ah ah aa~tsu!”

“Oooooooooooooo”

Using the momentum, I hit the Mummy Man.

“Haa~ Haa~”

Receiving my skill, the Mummy Man becomes particle of lights and disappeared.

The level difference was big, and I defeated it with a single blow, though I felt anxious, as the [Battle Axe of the Earth]’s effect was to double the physical strength while in combat, the strengthened [Power Slash] somehow won.

I suddenly noticed that the wall that I had crashed against has no more cracks. It looked like nothing happened to it.

...The structure of a dungeon is really strange, what kind of material is the wall made out of... ?

I collected the items that the Mummy Man dropped while thinking about the wall. And I start running.

Along the way I repeatedly to fought many demons and battles and forget about my condition.

Since these monsters were all higher in levels than the highest that I fought against before, I rose up to level 123 before I even noticed.

Due to the battles with strong monsters, my battle skills increased as well. But at the same time, the injuries I had incurred is also plentiful and the recovery medicine that I have on hand have already been completely used up.

Suddenly I, became aware of the place that I had stumbled into.

“This place is...”

Directly in front of me is a huge door.

The colour of the door itself was black. However, one could also see grey and white. It was a mysterious colour.

Within that door, there are various red and blue jewels embedded into it, and a dragon is engraved into the door.

The engraving, artistic as it is. At the same time, my instincts were telling that it was dangerous.

“Are there no other routes other than this?”

I tried surveying the surroundings but other than the path that I had come from, there seems to be no other routes that continued on.

I thought there might be a hidden door, so I tried carefully touching the walls and the floor.

“... It seems that there is nothing around...”

I tried searching around but things such as hidden doors couldn't be found at all.

“That means...”

I return my sights back to the door in front of my eyes.

Along the way, I had definitely mapped the various routes. Therefore, I am sure there are no other place to search beyond this.

In the places that I had explored, the existence of hidden doors like the ones I am searching for now, I couldn't possibly find them now.

On the path that I had walked, after thinking about the lack of devices leading to hidden doors, the probability of Seiichi reaching a hidden room is also low.

“As expected, there is no other place other than this huh...”

The door in front of my sights had a dangerous atmosphere lingering about.

It is also possible Seiichi has entered this door.

Normally, you would not leap into places where you know it's dangerous with one glance.

However, only this time, even if I am risking my life, I believe there is someone I want to save.

After taking in a deep breath, I resolved myself.

“...Yoshi”

I gently touch the door in front of me.

When I do so, the jewels embedded in the door began to sparkle.

Then, the door in front of my eyes, opened automatically without me putting any force

“!”

I was surprised at the sudden event, so hardening my resolve again, I set foot in the room.

“...”

I entered the room, but nothing could be seen as it was pitch black inside.

In this situation where visibility is not accurate, I raised my alertness to the maximum.

It was at that time.

“Wha!?”

The door I used to enter suddenly began to close.

As I rushed to the door, no matter how much I pushed and pulled the door didn't open,

it seem like a lie how it opened automatically. Just what happened...

I raised my vigilance as I felt the tension and started dripping sweat from my forehead

Suddenly, the room that was pitch black until now lights up.

“Tsu!”

From the sudden brightness, I squinted.

Then, after getting used to the light I looked around the surroundings

“Eh———”

What was in front of such a me was——.

“I was wondering who came... do you want to be eaten? Little girl...”

—— It was a huge jet-black dragon.



“...”

“Nee, Seiichi. Is that human?”

“There is no way it’s human... It’s different right?”

I Hiiiragi Seiichi, together with Saria in order to meet up with Altria-san, are wandering in this incomprehensible Labyrinth.

And, before our eyes, stood a demon blocking the way.

“Sandman Lv: 350”

It is higher level than the ones I fought in the [Forest of Endless Love and Grief]. What the hell? This useless high level?

That sandman appearance, is human shaped sand. It doesn’t have eyes, mouth or ears.

Seriously, only sand shaped like a human.

...Surely I think that it is not a human being, but if you look at just the silhouette, it is not that different at all from a human being.

Well, defeating it is alright, but for some reason the Sandman in front of my eyes is just standing there, completely motionless.

“It is alive right...?”

“...”

At my question which was no louder than a murmur, the Sandman doesn't answer in the slightest. This situation is very surreal.

Using a nonchalant attitude, Saira pulled at my robes lightly.

“Ne ne”

“Hmm?”

“No matter how long we stand here, we won't be able to progress no? Let's talk to it and have it let us through.”

“Talk to it?!”

I imagined my appearance of talking to the sandman figure.

...

Aren't I a weirdo!?! ... Looking back at everything up until now, I just realised how weird I am. Well. I had realised it too late!! HAHAHA! For some reasons tears are flowing!

However, it is also true that we won't be able to meet up with Altria-san by being in opposition with the Sandman forever. In addition, I am unable to do anything about it, so I meekly tried out Saira's advice.

... Are? If we disregard it, wouldn't it be fine? I had thought of that but if it were to

suddenly attack, we would be in trouble.

“Ha, hallo?”

“Hyo~o~o~ooooooooo!”

“Areee!? It didn’t move until now, suddenly it starts moving!?”

It appears that we had aggro it. It’s impossible to talk to him in English huh?

Although it is a universal language... Ahh, it’s only on Earth huh.

But more than that, isn’t that Sandman vigorous?! It’s in a running pose of an extremely pretty athlete?!

In the first place, he has no mouth. How can he make noises?!

At any rate, not knowing whether the sandman is dead or not, but he seems to be very lively. He started charging at us. What the fuck. I attack him as I could no longer ignore it.

“Somehow its amazingly unreasonable!?”

“Seiichi! That person is alive! Isn’t that good!”

“Yeah, but on the other hand it’s coming to kill us instead!?”

And I will say it one more time. The Sandman is not a human being... It’s a demon!

“Seiichi, what will you do?”

“No, even if you asked me what to do...”

Saira asked about about what she thought of obediently.

Even if we run away from here, we can only run back to where we came from. The time we spent till now would be wasted and we also wish to meet up with Altria-san soon.

Therefore, I have decided what to do in the beginning.

“Ah, mou! There is no choice but to beat him!”

If you are talking about sand, it is well known from manga and games, etc that it is weak against water.

If that’s the case, I will use water attribute magic...

“[Water laser]!”

I hold out my right hand to face the sandman and the water attribute [Water Laser] magic was activated.

As it is water. Against sand it is befitting as a cheat attribute.

Not worrying too much about any anything, from the center of my right palm, the compressed water was shooting out.

However. my [Water Laser] is a little... No, it seems like there is a huge misunderstanding.

In the first place, there is nothing but the information of the consumption of magic power entering my head. I have no idea what effect it has until using it.

And I, certainly thought of the water jet that existed on Earth.

But, in reality when the magic was allowed to invoke————

\*Pyun\*... ZUDONNNNNNNNN!

From my palms, a flash. A glittering beam of light pierces through the sandman and there was a terrific roar for a short period of time. The splitting the ground completely in half.

...

“Power is dang~erous... !”

Is that a joke?! Is that a laser for real? Although the magic power consumption is not large but the power and so on .. What the hell is this!?

First of all, the sound effects that are coming from the water jetting out! What the hell is that ZUKOOOOON?! Isn't that a fucking explosion sound!

As I was shocked by the unexpected power, I turn towards the sand man.

“Oh... ~O~o~o...”

The sandman is split right in half as it disperses into light particles and disappears.

“Seiichi”

“...”

“It disappeared”

“.....that's true”

I was particularly unable to put in feelings towards the incident that before my eyes which was described by Saira. This for some reasons made me want to cry. Am I really a human being?

Well, for now it is over, being hesitant about it is a pointless waste of time. Therefore, I went to collect the item drop.

Like during the time when I defeated the slime, this time the sandman's status are also written into the ball and before I could check it, it became a ball of light and entered into my body.

Things like skill cards are also absorbed into the body, however I did not check it. I planned to check it after we meet up with Altoria-san.

By the way, although my level did not go up, it still feels like I am another step away from humanity again. Hahaha

And after reading [Sandman's lifetime] which was the Sandman's experience till now, one fact became known.

That dude, he did not seem to think of anything.

Because that booklet which was about [Sandman's lifetime] was strangely thin. In

addition, there are many blank spots.

If you could say it was thanks to that, about all you could learn about the guy is that it's favorite food is sand. The information was so terribly useless that I threw it away.

It's just, the experience written in the book was important but, the dropped items were also important.

But, Sandman's dropped item was more cruel than "Sandman's Life Story"...

No rare item was dropped, only money and a one of a kind item dropped.

The item that dropped was—..

[Micro magic bullet]... it was a charm for intercepting magic. But, it had absolutely no effect when it's state is sand, it is only effective after heating and turning it into glass. However, it wasn't able to prevent the magic attack.

It's so bloody hard to use! An interception magic that can't intercept magic isn't useful at all you know!? Where the hell can you use this!? This!..

...Well, I guess it has to have some use somewhere. That's what I think. If not then what the hell are they doing?!

It was a uselessly high level, the crappy item made me feel disappointed. My status should have high luck...

"Saaaa. It's possible to go ahead now, so let's move on."

"That's true!"

With the intent of changing the mood, Saira and I began to walk around again.

Along the way, with the exception of the Sandman, without fighting reached a certain room.

That room didn't contain a path to continue on, it was a dead end.

In the center of the room was a treasure chest that gave off a sinister feeling. It has such an eerie pattern carved on the outside. Although it's a treasure chest, I wonder why I

don't want to open it. I think that the appearance is important after all.

“Seiichi, something is left here?”

“Yeah. Let's ignore it”

“Ignore it!?”

I mean, I hate it. To open that treasure box. It's somehow black, and a weird black smoke is coming out... Heck, just what is inside? Scaary.

Ignore the treasure box that is giving a dangerous smell, we went back to where we came from and follow another path.

Kata~... katakatakatakatakata.

“!?”

Suddenly, the ominous treasure chest in front of my eyes began to move. What the hell is this, scary.

“Something is moving.”

“Th Th Th th that's right!”

Why is Saria ok!? And why I am so freaking scared!?

To begin with I am not good with horror things... What the hell, this labyrinth moving Treasure box. Now if a voice came from the treasure box——

“...~O~o~o~oooo Oh ~O~o~o~o...”

“Gya ah ah ah! It talked Aa ah ah ah ah!”

Scary idiot! like the Slime, Sandman... From where do they make a voice if they don't have mouths!

“...Fighting spirit...?”

“Ah, well that makes sense, it was fighting spirit... wha... ?”

I, myself, didn't know to whose voice i just answered.

It wasn't Saria voice for sure, and Altria-san is not here.

Then, now, who am I talking with... ?

The unpleasant sweating won't stop.

The only thing that was in my line of view was a single sinister treasure chest.

“.....”

“Seiichi amazing ne! You can talk to that box!”

It's like that after allllllll!

I just had a conversation with a treasure chest!? From the beginning something felt off, didn't it!? Was it like the same as Saria who could speak in her gorilla form? It must be different...

Anyway, having had a conversation with this ominous treasure chest that was before my eyes. Did I get too strong, finally even getting magic to communicate with magical beings? I want to believe it's different!

But, even if that isn't already the case, there must be treasure chests that exist that have the ability to talk?

Thinking that, I move towards the treasure chest for a second time.

Gata gata (much sound effects of it being rattled around)

No, is the guy inside okay!? Looking at it, I shouldn't be allowed to shake it this much, but..!?

From the beginning I don't know when the the fear that was gripping me disappeared, without thinking I was worrying about the treasure box that was in front of my eyes.

And then, even though just before I violently shook it, the box just stopped still all of a

sudden.

“wh... What?”

“Why, I wonder?”

For Saria and me this sudden development is too much, But it’s not enough to make our heads spin.

And———.

Bang Bang Bang

The treasure chest before my eyes grew human hands and feet.

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“Ha?”

Without thinking I let out a completely moronic voice.

But, that was kinda unavoidable right. I mean the treasure chest just grew legs and feet.

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Wait no no no no no no! That is just way too strange right?! I mean it’s gross... !?

From the side of the treasure chest an arm grew out, from below an entire leg grew out from the joint!! I... I don’t get what the hell is going on!?

Aside from me just being totally having my mind blown, the treasure chest just casually stood up, and began to walk around.

“It’s kinda cute isn’t it!”

“That’s a lie right... ?”

Did Saria-san just call a treasure chest, that grew out human arms and legs, cute?!

I see nothing but a horror comedy character that I just don't get.

It's scary, but surreal!

Regardless of the Sandman... Are surreal guys the rage?!

"...Po~..."

"Noo~ you're not embarrassed are you?!"

The treasure chest blushes slightly from embarrassment at Saria's words.

It's an unreasonably strange creature? At any rate, I can't understand it, so I use my skill [Advanced appraisal] .

[Treasure chest Lv:900]

"That's super fucking strong!!!!!"

Level 900!? It's the highest since Zeanos!? And it's a Treasure chest!?

Regardless of how it looks or its level, there is a treasure box right in front of my eyes, just as with the Sandman from the start it started with.

"...Die..."

"Why... ?!"

That's cruel isn't it?! We've only just met?! I haven't even touched the casket in the first place, it didn't have any reason to say die?!

"... I, wanted... to... open... the... treasure chest..."

"I'M SO SORRY!!"

That's right! It's just a treasure chest, completely ignoring me is pitiful, right?!

"...Therefore, I kill..."

"Aren't you being too hasty?!"

“ .. ”

“The treasure chest ignored it!”

The treasure box ignores the exchange of words, and then rushes towards me. Just like the Sandman it had beautiful athletic legs. Does this labyrinth have an athletic training promotion program?

“An- anyways! I was wrong for ignoring you! You can understand words, so let’s talk about this!”

“...Dialogue, useless...”

“You aren’t even listeeeeeeeeeeing!”

“...Ears, there weren’t there to begin with...”

“Then why can you talk without a mouth!? I mean you can hear what I’m saying!”

“ .. ”

“You’re ignoring the inconvenient truth!?”

“...Die...”

“Are we even reaching each other!?”

He’s a too one-sided treasure chest. I hate this treasure chest.

The treasure box, who with stopped communicating, didn’t stop rushing toward me.

“...We’ve only started chatting, I’ll have you settle down!”

Although the Sandman wasn’t able to talk, this treasure chest understood human speech and was able to talk.

Then, without excessively beating it down, let’s try and see if we can come to a peaceful solution.

While thinking so, not wanting to repeat the same mistake as with the Sandman, from

within the the water attribute magic, I picked a magic with the lowest magic consumption and started reciting.

“Stop! [Aqua Bullet] !”

Aiming at the treasure box, I held out my right palm.

And then, like how I had aimed at the Sandman and shot [Water Laser] , a small ball of water formed in the center of my palm and I shot it at the treasure chest.

*Pyun*

In an instant.

The [Aqua bullet] I had shot at it’s body looking part, pierced through at absurd speed.

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“...How... regrettable...”

The treasure chest turned into light particles and disappeared just like that.

Silence ruled over the area.

Within that, Saria who had been watching the attempts at communication for a long time, opened her mouth.

“Seiichi”

“..”

“It’s disappeared, didn’t it?”

“Chikushooooooooooooooooooooo!” (Tln: Damn it)

I shouted the same phrase that Sandman had just shouted moments ago.

And—.

[You’ve leveled up]

An inorganic voice that can't read the mood reverberated in my head.

## CHAPTER 28

### A LARGE TREASURE CHEST AND A GREAT ATTACK

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I was thrown away and smashed into the wall.

As I slid feebly down the wall a huge jet black dragon glared down at me

“Hmmm you took that hit quite well for a human... Should I praise you?”

“Haa... haaaa... Damn it!!!!”

I didn't have any room to rebuttal the dragon's words.

Every part of my body screams in pain and it seemed ready to fall apart at any time.

Still... I must not die...

Looking at me who is trying to forcibly move my bloodied body, the dragon opened its eyes in disbelief.

“Oohh the human is more tenacious than I thought.”

“Okay, I've changed my mind; I'll have you for food instead of just killing you.”

Food? What does it mean...

While my mind was muddled, the meaning of what the dragon said couldn't be understood at all.

“Then, right away...”

Without any understanding of what the dragon meant, the jet black dragon with sharp fangs and the mouth with hints of flames flickering in its mouth was brought close.

[Food... Ah, I see. It seems it's going to eat me. But I had said that I don't want to die... ]

I grasped hold of my fuzzy consciousness and force myself to awaken.

The dragon who sees my fighting spirit widely opens his eyes in surprise

“I don’t like to use this technique but...”

I powerfully gripped my [Battle axe of the earth] and triggered my technique [Calamity]

“oooooO00000HHHHH!!!”

It felt like enormous power swelling within me. At the same time, I felt a part of my reason vaguely slipping away.

Of course the skill [Calamity] is definitely closely related to my constitution, But the skill I am forced to use now, the true meaning is due to me causing [Calamities] .

Although I have developed a skill to cope with the [Calamity] that I had summoned personally,

I will lose all control of myself for a short while and rampage around, causing damage to the surroundings.

As a result, rather than summoning a Calamity, I turn myself into a Calamity. I think with this technique I made the mistake of putting the results over the means.

Well, it’s thanks to this up till now that I’ve overcome many other disasters

Luckily no one is around right now just the dragon so I can rage to my heart’s content

[Calamity Fury Body]

My reason was completely obliterated and a huge power gushed from my body.

”This... “

I see nothing.

I hear nothing.

I think nothing.

“GAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA”

Rage I am.

But that’s all I am.

Hiiragi Seiichi, also known as me (as I am also known as). after having killed the treasure chest I recovered myself and collected the dropped items.

Well..... This time it appears that the sphere the status was written on and a skill card were both dropped

The [Sandman] skill card was sucked into my body when I picked it up.

My status is displayed this time as well, but some skill cards aren’t absorbed straight away. In this situation, it just stays where it is. I wonder why it wasn’t absorbed straight away, what are the requirements?

Even if I think about it, the answer will not appear, therefore I immediately went back to work.

First of all, let’s see this skill card

[Skill card: All language comprehension]

[Magic card: Spatial Magic-Extreme ]

“It seems to be great in various ways”

HAHAHA! I’m used already used to cheats... But why. Why do I this feel so empty?

I’m becoming dependant on my cheat skills

As they keep automatically absorbing without me being able to check their contents

I decide confirm the skills after meeting up with Altria-san.

Well that’s surprising. I thought I had obtained skills for a moment...

While thinking about it I took the status sphere into my hand and looked at it.

[Magic:50000]  
[Attack:0]  
[Defense:0]  
[Agility:50000]  
[Magic Attack:50000]  
[Magic Defense:0]  
[Luck:0]  
[Charm:50000]

“Ahhhhhhhh! I lost to a treasure chest!”

The charm is... the charm is... !

Is my charm inferior to a chest??!! Its charm is 50000! Isn't it too high?!

Leaving aside, its overall status! Isn't it too biased?! Specialising in magic!? There is no magical or physical defense at all!

However... an athlete who trains as a sprinter is the same.

That speed is really abnormal.

While thinking of such things, I absorb the sphere into my body

It looks like “The life of a Treasure Chest” book dropped.

I pick up the book which had fallen and look at the cover.

[A treasure chest story]

“Even you??!!”

The second part of Zeanos continued!

It also says at the bottom of the cover...

“This is a non-fiction”

“So it's not a story!”

The guy who appears in this book, do you even know what fiction or nonfiction even mean?? Now no one knows whether it is or not. (Fiction)

While I was making a ruckus about the full of continuously tsukkomi-ing item, Saria came and asked me.

“Oh it looks like the one in the forest. Is it the same one?”

“What? Ah no, I think the content is different this time.”

“Then please try reading it to me! I’d like to hear it!”

Because Saria said so with an innocent smile, I, who also had no reason to decline, began reading out loud [A treasure chest story].

“Due to some incident, A treasure chest becomes a Demonised unique monster.”

...ng? What is a unique monster? When looking at it literally, it means it’s a one of a kind demon... Oh, is it good?

“First it was utilised by parties as a box to insert and carry baggage. At that point in time, it was just a normal tool without consciousness. It was truly just a tool. However, a famous adventurer who bought the tool <<item box>> was taken to a high level dungeon and there its meaning of existing changed completely.”

Really? The monster started as an item box? I can’t imagine what that would be like.

But, Altria also normally uses an item box.

“Yeah, the ability of the item box is endless storage, it was a tool to infinitely store items it was such a wonderful tool because you wouldn’t even feel the weight of the items collected in comparison to a treasure chest which has a limited capacity and more so is very heavy and inconvenient.”

“Still, those parties who owned the treasure chest continue using them. The main reason is that you have no choice but to enter the high difficulty dungeon to collect these item box. However, this problem was later solved by a famous magician. A technique to mass produce the item box was discovered, item box and in a twinkling of an eye became a part of human’s common usage and before one knew it, the meaning of existence for the treasure box diminished.”

I see... An item box is something I can easily get now. Sooner or later, I will buy it for Saria – it might be useful in many ways

Certainly... When thinking about the convenience with the item box, the treasure chest becomes unnecessary...

“Treasure chest.....”

When I looked at Saria she was on the verge of crying.

I mean she’s pure. She has only lived in the wild and her sensitivity is stronger than me. Being able to show honestly showing their true feelings is an immensely beautiful thing.

I think that while I continue reading aloud to her.

“O can still be useful; I can still work’ and as such an ego was born in a treasure chest. However the party had already left and the treasure chest became alone. In order to attract attention, it tried its best in projecting it’s voice. In order to be able to project it’s voice, it became like this. Even that so, no one notice it. Passing through the lonely nights, gazing at the oppressive morning sun, the treasure box continues to wait till the time where it becomes needed by somebody..”

Poor treasure chest oooooooooooooooooo!!

As for the treasure chest it is... ! How pure!

The treasure chest had such a past..... ! I’m sorry for ignoring you!!

“The treasure chest continued waiting for years and months but during that time, no one approached. The treasure chest became sad in fact. “I am just a person who has been passed by with the times and am not necessary” when it was depressed and despaired at the unreasonableness of the world. Then it hit the treasure chest that if you’re useless then you just need to learn to appeal to people.”

Then the treasure chest has an idea!

“Therefore the treasure chest thought about why it had been left. The point of the item box is that it can store without having to worry about capacity and that the weight is not felt at all by the users. The Treasure chest which thought of these viewpoints was

full of space magic which made it possible that the treasure chest could store endlessly without feeling the weight of the items it had stored”

Treasure chest awesome! This treasure chest is awesome and has already completely exceeded the domain of a treasure chest

“The treasure chest tried to fix the point about being bulky but compared to the item box which didn’t even have a form, no matter how hard it worked it wouldn’t be able to compete. But in order to overcome a such a handicap the treasure chest decided to grow hands and feet.”

With what!? Why did you go to hands and feet?! There is no relevance to that at all!

“Because the treasure chest grew hands and feet it would be possible to move itself and because magic could be used it had the option to not be bulky. it had evolved to a high tech treasure chest.”

I get it now... !! It’s certainly awesome! but the direction of its effort is strange, no?

“The treasure chest which could move and talk decided to go sell itself to someone but any humans that it met attacked it on sight, far from accepting it, it had evolved to an existence that was completely rejected.”

I guess you reap what you sow but even still that’s just heart breaking... !

“The treasure chest was starting to lose hope, however he still goes around requesting to be used and wandering. The party which once used the treasure chest and the days when he could feel a person’s warmth and listened to them speak and laugh at each other...”

The end of “The Treasure Chest Story” From now on it will be “The Life of the Treasure Chest”

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“That dark past.....”

I muttered so while having far-off eyes. Although I was bullied and tormented I don’t think I had a bad life here in this world.” (still treasure chest)

"Mr. Treasure chest was great."

Saria seems to have gotten quiet and mutters

Though I had not thought about the feeling of things I had thrown away either, as for some of the things abandoned in the world they might have been something that helped someone.

Even if I don't need it anymore it's necessary to devise a makeover for it

Oh dear, though it's better to not save up on the one thing I don't need to much

After making a decision I turned my attention to the treasure chest which should include an item.

In the treasure chest... another treasure chest... is it a Russian nesting doll?

I instinctively tsukkomied

When I opened the treasure chest a bag of gold and one ring came out of it

"The money can be put in as it is an item box... is this a ring?"

A clean purple jewel was buried in the ring which I had picked up.

For now let's use appraisal to confirm its effect

[Ring of unhappiness]..... Legendary Grade Equipment. The ring that the unhappiness of the treasure chest was transferred to. The wearer of this ring gets a -2 million correction to luck.

What is legendary?!

That's not at all a good effect. the correction is a minus to luck! If I wear it do, I become super unlucky!?

Why was this accessory made a legendary class, I don't understand at all?

However, because I know of the sad past of the treasure chest that was thrown away I don't get rid of the ring.

Because it shouldn't be equipped should I put it in the item box?

The ring that might not be used at all in one's life is put away to rest.

"Fuuu... For the time being I've finished collecting everything." (Seiichi)

Though I've looked in the vicinity there does not appear to be anything left.

"If the break isn't over yet." Oh we need to go meet up with Altria

"But Seiichi don't we have to go back the way we came cause it's a dead end?"

As Saria said there seems to be no way to advance from here and we would need to go back to the place where we had first encountered the treasure chest.

"It appears so. Do we know the way to where Altria is?"

You should go the way the guidestone tells you when you reach a fork in the path

I took the guidestone that Altria gave to me out of my item box

But.....

"...Hey Saria was the guidestone red?"

"Oh? I think it was silver..."

"Right..."

The guidestone I had taken out wasn't the same color as when Altria handed it to me and was for some reason blinking red.

Saria also noticed that the guidestone I had taken out was unusual and took out the stone which Altria had handed to her

"Oh mine is also flashing red..."

Both the guidestones given to us were blinking repeatedly

"What's going on here...?"

The guidestone had started out silver for sure and now it was flashing red as if it was a warning somehow

With Saria it doesn't appear she will understand it no matter how long she thinks

And then suddenly it hit me

Wait! If I appraise the guidestone I might be able to learn something.

Originally the effect of the stone had been briefly explained by Altria so it wouldn't be weird if there was another effect i didn't know about.

I then immediately used the appraisal skill to see the reason it was flashing.

[Guide stone] by passing to others a guide stone that had one's magic poured in the direction to where the owner's location is shown and when danger approaches the owner's body the stone will shine red to inform others of danger

ALTRIA!?

It's dangerous? Altria is in a pinch? And we were just spending our time relaxing!!!

Which direction should we go?! Which way should we go?

I dont know!

I told Saria that Altria is in a pinch and we need to hurry

Is it so! Then use the guide stone now!

I use the guide stone to know which direction Altria is in immediatly

And the guide stone points towards the wall and I immediately hit it.

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AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

It's not going to lead us to Altria it's just going to show us what direction she is!

I made the same mistake as before just because I was too impatient

Fuck! This wall... this wall is aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!

I hit the wall at which the guide stone was point with full force

Zudooooooooooooon!!!!

Saria and I were both dumbstruck because of what just happened

Because the wall broke when I hit it with full strength

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..... Ok?

Though it broke easily... no even if it broke, it would be better to say it... vanished?

eeeeee... I'm a monster...

I move past the surprise and am slightly disgusted by the excessive power

Even the wall which was behind the other one was blown away by my fist.

If a wall could be broken so easily was there no reason to have gotten seperated from Altria in the first place though the damage might have hurt Altria if we used this tactic back then

My cheek is twitching as I start falling into self loathing but then Saria pats my back

“Seiichi is wonderful. now we can get to Altria using this!”

What?..... oh

That's right. I want to cry because I don't seem to have the power of the human race, is it possible to get to Altria now with this power? Cheats Hurrah!

“Saria because I can run with my full strength hold on for a moment”

“Yup!”

Between Saria's and my agility, mine is overwhelmingly higher

So I decided to hold onto Saria and use my [instant] skill to move to where Altria was at.

There are plenty of methods to carry Saria but she immediately jumps into a princess carry.

...The princess carry though, I thought I would never get the chance to do it..... I don't know what happens in a normal life but I don't think they do this often

"Hold on tightly... because it's my first time running at full speed so I don't know what kind of speed will come out"

"Right!"

I received the answer from Saria and used the skill [instant]

At that moment Saria and I disappeared——

U.....

I, Altria Grim died and fell weakly bleeding to the ground

[... it was a frightening lass... ]

The dragon looks down at me

It was... useless...

My full strength wasn't even able to hit the dragon in front of me

As if to prove it the dragon didn't have even one wound.

[Even though I have lived a long time there are still people who can surprise me in this time... I still don't know enough]

Though the dragon said something it doesn't enter my ears

I'm already in a state where my consciousness is barely there

My bones are breaking and seeing as how I'm spitting up blood my internal organs are damaged.

I ran wildly at full strength and intended to have Seiichi leave safely by all means but...

Haaa... haaaa...

While noticing the blurred sight while breathing roughly, I was shedding tears

After I was born I was very unlucky for a long time, I had made an effort to overcome my bad luck with my constitution

To accommodate my own disaster I gained power

Yet my power was insufficient...

While thinking about it how many times did I laugh in the short time I spent with Seiichi and the others

I who had continued to be unlucky for a long time had almost forgotten how to smile.

To be the one to undertake the exam and supervision of those two was really good I think.

Feelings that had been forgotten were surfacing cause now it was possible to recall them

Therefore I was annoyed that I couldn't let those two leave safely. I had tears of frustration flowing

I can't involve others without being able to save them.

After all I am a [calamity] what---

[Anyway it finally became quiet now I can eat it without holding back.]

The huge dragon slowly approached me.

Already, my body can't move at all?

Seiichi..... Saria..... Sorry.

I involved y'all..... in my misfortune——-

The words involuntarily fell out of my mouth

I gave up on everything and closed my eyes to shed tears

———oon.....

——-ooon.....

——000on...

-0000on!

[.....Hmm? What..... ?]

Suddenly a sound similar to an earthquake is gradually getting louder from one side of the room

And then I realised it the room is beginning to shake and many pieces are falling from the ceiling.

[Na, What?! What is happening?!]

The dragon also seemed surprised by the unexpected shaking

Listening to the dragon's voice I try and see with my blurred view

.....oo0000000N!!

...oooo0000000N!!!!

The door which I came through.....

D0000000000000000N!!

Burst into pieces

Huh? The door vanished?! What the heck?!

The dragon's words did not last long

Because from the direction of the door came one spark... something was thrown against the dragon

The dragon gigantic figure was forcefully thrown against the wall.

And the identity of the thing that had clashed with the dragon...

"I increased the speed to much and I couldn't stop... it was only possible to stop thanks to hitting something

"Hey Seiichi the thing that you hit wasn't it a creature I heard a voice?"

"Seriously?! I get it I'm sorry... I apologised, I tried to stop."

There stood Seiichi who was holding Saria in his arms

I, Seiichi Hiragi was impatiently running.

No, because I didn't think about the speed except that i had to get there fast.

Because it was in a place that I did not know at all I just ran. Oh Mystery

No, But i was serious and would have freaked out without the joke.

When you measure it how fast am I going right now?

And at that the speed to which my brakes couldn't do the anything by itself I seemed to have been stopped by a creature or so Saria says

I hit it at a terribly fast speed, I wonder if it is still alive. No though I understand it, I start to escape from reality

While thinking of such a thing Saria seems to notice something and utters a suprised cry

"What is it?"

“Is that Altria!?”

When I turned to look in the direction Saria pointed at the ground was bloody and Altria who was lying there was seen

“Altria!”

I ran up to Altria quickly

Then Altria says in a feeble voice.

“Sorry... Seiichi... Saria... Return... Safely”

To Altria whom speaks without any power Saria and I don't know what to say

This person... how far does her kindness extend

“Seiichi! First tend to her wounds!”

“Ah!”

When i hold Altria I took out the first-class recovery medicine from my item box and then I tried to make Altria drink it

“Seiichi! Behind!”

“What?”

I heard the yell from Saria and immediately turned around, a scorching flame was approaching

Suddenly my inherent skill[Mind's Eye] activated and though I didn't turn my head around I knew how to deal with the flame

Saria, did you think that I would avoid it and I opened my eyes wide in astonishment because I saw myself at a place where the flames wouldn't hit

“Seiichi?!”

Though a sad voice is heard from Saria, I turned my back towards the flames reflexively in order to protect Altria

And the hell fire showered upon my back

A dreadfully hot air wraps around me and Altria

While trying to soften the burden on Altria even by a bit I tried to take on as much of the unusual heat on my back while feeding the recovery medicine to her

When Altria finished drinking she could speak a little bit stronger than before however it was still very weak

“Stupid..... man... why did you not avoid it?”

The inevitable was avoided

Because the skill [Mind's Eye] was activated my mind became blank

The main reason my mind went blank was because I didn't have a lot of experience which can handle a sudden attack

This only shows that I'm too inexperienced

Still my body moved by reflex when Altria must be protected

i had no choice but to force a smile at the words of Altria under my hood

But there is no intention to stay under the fire forever

an immediate judgement wont happen yet, it's after i take care of Altria that actions can be taken without limit

Even though Altria's wound has healed her energy hasn't

I then moved to Saria's location in one step while holding onto Altria

“Seiichi!”

Saria runs up while crying

Altria was handed over to Saria so that she could rest away from the battle

“Seiichi is ok? You’re burning!”

“I’m Hot?”

“No the heat!”

“...”

oh dear it might be so.

Though I was only in the hellfire a short time only the robe was on fire and the clothes were untouched. It seems the robe the sheep prepared had an effect that wasn’t mentioned

Anyway i think the robe isn’t useful anyway. It must have been enjoyable to see my reaction

But the robe seems to have been ruined now

Bits and pieces of the robe were spreading and being reduced to ashes

I tried to activate the skill[Absorption] and draw in the flame on the robe but it wasn’t possible to draw in for some reason

And I can’t use water magic to put it out because I can’t control my power and I don’t want it to become another case of self-destruction as a joke

However since it was just the robe burning I took it off and was finally freed from the flame

“...Seiichi... ?”

Behind me i hear Altria’s stunned voice

Maybe by having taken off the robe she sees my black hair is what I thought

When I turned around to see A’tria she seems to have muttered those words and then fainted

“Saria will you look after Altria?”

“Yup! Seiichi good luck!”

Ou

The rooting from Saria was received and I turned towards the party that had shot the flames

A huge dragon, clad in jet-black scales was there

It stared in this direction with red eyes with fire lightly burning in its mouth

[It is a human being... Moreover you got in my way..... !]

It seems angry at us. Why is it? Did I do anything? Moreover? Is it the second time we bothered it? Never mind.

I think it's the dragon that harmed Altria

Though we can speak the same language discussion would be meaningless

[It's not allowed... absolutely... Do not think it is possible to return alive human... !]

See?

While secretly sighing i pulled out the[sword of revolting hate(Black)] and sword overwhelming with benevolence(white)]

“Is that so... ? then I just need to beat you and we can all go home... !”

and I dashed out at the same time as I declared it

As Altria fought for us its now my turn to fight for Altria

To return with everyone———

# CHAPTER 29

## FIERCE FIGHT AND GROWTH?

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[Haaaaaaa!]

[Nuuuuu!]

The dragon and I charge at the same moment and I swing [The Black Sword of Hatred] and [The White Sword of Love/Affection] at full force.

However, the dragon repels those attack with its fingernail, diverting them. What a hard nail.

[Humans... ! You are always such an annoying race... !]

The dragon seemed really hateful, it swings its huge tail to mow me down.

This dragon... Is very strong?

I began to cry when I asked myself, is my offensive power beyond one million? It's to defend our peace..

Though it's natural now, I haven't understood the dragon's name and level.

As the dragon swept with its tail, I moved to create some distance, while moving I used the skill [Advance Appraisal].

[Black Dragon God Level: 5000]

[The level is too high!]

That's two or more times Zeanosu, isn't it!

In the presence of the dragon--- While I was surprised with the level and the name of Black Dragon, it moved its aim and lowered its sharp fingernails.

[Take this!]

[Uo!? So dangerous!]

[Ku... Don't avoid it!]

[The attack will miss!]

[That's the point!?!]

What is with it being necessary to purposely receive the other party's attack.  
I evaded the Black Dragon God attack in a flash.  
In each aftermath of the Black Dragon God's attacks, there is a small gap .

[Nuu! Then... What about this!?!]

When the Black Dragon God shouts that, there is a bright red and sharp glint from its eyes, aiming at me.  
Though I don't understand what he will do, at the next moment, I understand it.

[Ku! My, my body... !?]

I stared toward the Black Dragon God, it's giving off a terrifying pressure – my body can't move at all.

There is no obstruction, but why is it my body cannot move? Why?

While my body can't be moved without a reason, the Black Dragon God didn't miss his chance and attacked me.

The tail approaching while tearing through the air, I let down my guard a bit.

If I said goodbye to my status as a human, it'll be safe when I receive the attack from the Black Dragon God right? But...

Furthermore, I have the skill [Absorption] too. This tail attack damage was most likely gonna be absorbed

But, such carelessness brought me into crisis.

Meki meki meki

The tail was thrown into my immovable body.

When I received the attack to my side I got blown to the wall.

[Gaha! Goho!]

A large amount of blood was vomited from my mouth.

Wh, what happened?

Although without me saying it, my defense and offensive power should exceed one million.

My level is so much higher than Zeanosu's. The offensive power of the Black Dragon God didn't seem to exceed one million at all.

Moreover, when I receive damage, the skill [Absorption] should be activated.

But, I still received this large amount of damage.

In other words, the attack from Black Dragon God was not absorbable.

To think I got blown away, it's been awhile since I've been blown away in Saria's Forest.

[Seiichi!?!]

Saria – the person in question who blew me away, is screaming.

I wipe the blood streaming from my mouth with my hand. I take out the superlative recovery potion from my bag at once, and drink it up..

Then, the wound on my body recovers instantaneously.

[Fun. Like, I didn't expect to be blown away – such expression]

Bullseye.

While I am seen through, the Black Dragon God continues.

[Even after receiving the strike from my energy, you're still young after all... The result from your overconfidence in power – you've experienced it just now]

Though it's frustrating, I can't answer him back.

After all, I have always unconsciously relying on my own OP strength.

As I removed my status as a human, I am relieved and grieved at the same time.

First, I never lost...

But, I was blown away by the Black Dragon God just now.

Why did I receive the damage? Was it because the skill [Absorption] is not effective?...

I'm thinking of various questions.

But, I understand one thing, the method to give me damage, it's to surpass the monster status.

That's it, but I still don't understand.

Even if I don't understand... I can't do anything except keep fighting. Everyone is waiting for me.

I am not relaxing my guard anymore. If you get damage because you received a hit, it's best to avoid the attack no matter what.

When the Black Dragon God see my face change, it was squinting.

[...The crucial moment starts from now]

When I muttered small voice, the Black Dragon God open his large mouth, facing towards me.

[That's good. Then, receive my strongest magic. Go vanish... !]

After that, the surrounding of the Black Dragon God was surrounded with the flame, opening his large mouth and looking at me.

From the inside of the mouth, I can see the flames converge little by little..

In this state, pointing at me, it speaks with its mouth with dexterity.

[My strongest magic... [Hell Inferno]! This magic has the effect to nullify the magic, swallowing it... In the hell fire, you bastard, you're gonna be burned away!]

In other words, when the Black Dragon God finishes his magic, at the same time I'll burn away in an instant.

I spread my robe, to think my skill [Absorption] is unable to cancel this flame. This magic cannot be absorbed.

And also, being unable to negate the magic, the dark magic [Magic Hall] doesn't make sense.

What should I do...!

In front of the flustered me, the flame is gathering fast.

If it's by direct attack, let's not do it – the surrounding flame is in the way; it's not possible to approach him.

The water magic too, I don't know if it's capable to extinguish such a big fireball. The power and the effect itself, I still don't know.

If I tried to use skill [Zanashi/Beheading leg], it'll be thwarted and erased by the flame. At this rate...

For better or worse, I was thinking of using a huge amount of water magic with a lot of consumption.

[Seiichi!]

In the back, Saria who looked after Altria, is shouting something to me.

[Use the magic than you used when fighting me!]

Saria... Magic when we were fighting?

Incidentally, when I met Saria for the first time – I recalled our fight.

And then, I recalled the magic at that time.

Nope, I don't want to remember it, but I have to remember it.

That's the magic that I used for the first time.

In addition, I'd say, the magic failed.

...Mou, I don't want the error to be repeated.

Although I was a little bit traumatized, I still need to use this magic.

I'm different than the previous me.

I shut my eyes and raise my right arm quietly towards the heaven.  
To my appearance, the Black Dragon God shows a questioning face.  
I exhale deeply.  
I'm nervous in case the magic fails

[It's useless now. My magic already can't be stopped... !]

The mass of the flame is already the same size as the Black Dragon God.  
However, It doesn't matter. Because I have decided, I must do it.  
And then, when I opened my eyes, I shout a spell/magic word.

[[Fall Disaster]!]



This is the magic that I used for the first time against Saria.  
At the same time, it's the magic from the bitter memory that I tried to forget.  
But, this time, I must use it.

This time, the trigger is on the place—

[Fufufufu... Hahahaha! What do you think you're do... There is nothing happening? It's regrettable, human! You can clench down your own powerlessness and decay—

.....Dododododododo!

The sound of disaster is coming.

[Mu?... Na!? Wh, what's happening!?!... Water? Does the water fall down!?!]

The sound heard from above, the Black Dragon God who noticed the sound of the disaster, was surprised and opened its eyes wide while looking up.

[Cho! It will fall down in here!?! It will hit! Uuuuu... It'll hit my magic!]

The shout of the Black Dragon God is helpless. The water of disaster is mercilessly dropped from above.

[Gaaaaaaa! My magic... My magic... Aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa! Gababababababa!]

I'm also... in the same condition.

I see the appearance of the Black Dragon God, I'm looking from far away.

The gigantic mass of flame from the Black Dragon God, because the volume of water is overwhelming, is able to extinguish the fire without any difficulty.

The intense spray, it scatters on me.

...This, we will likely be drowned if it's like this...

I become uneasy at once, I use [Magic Hall] at the feet of the Black Dragon God. All of the magic was absorbed by me. There is no worry if the magic is gonna fill the room. Right, when I fought Seria, I jumped up greatly. This one also, the improvement of absorption is probably because the level-up status enhancing my magic attack.

[I, the breath... ! Deki... Abababababa!]

I know that feeling well.

I glanced a pity to the Black Dragon God. Moreover, the Black Dragon God received the

volume of water. It doesn't compared with me at that time..

[S,stop it! This water stoooooooooooooooooop! Gobobobobo!]

The Black Dragon God was swallowed by the water in an instant.

Apparently, the Black Dragon God is misunderstanding one thing.

——- I, don't know the method to stop this magic.

When I say it in my mind,I in turn give a refreshing smile to the Black Dragon God.

[Oi, What kind of smile is that!? Please! I beg you to stoppppppppppppppppp!]

The shout of the Black Dragon God is in vain. It received the vigorous water attack from me, around five minutes later.

The Black Dragon God who was able to separate from the water, is gasping.

I was blamed about the water for a long time...

Once again, water is scary. No matter what.

[You... Human... ! I won't forgive you even if you ask for forgiveness!]

That's a really amazing rage... The reason is clear.

[I'll tear you apart!]

When the Black Dragon God says it, it fiercely attacks me.

[[Spherical Claw]!]

From the fingernails in the hand, there is three claws flying at me.

...It's similar to my skill [Goutsume].

When I am thinking about it, my [Shingan/Mind's Eyes] is activated.

However, when I avoided the slash attack from the Black Dragon God, it began to pursue me.

[My skill [Spherical Claw] is gonna keep chasing until the target is torn apart!]

[Hard nail] is strong... The offensive power is also high.

Even though I worked hard to shake it off, I think the slashing power is not dropping when it's approaching me.

Maybe this is really effective; it's a very troublesome skill.

It can't be helped, I stop to avoid it and began to attack it.

In this case, I obtained it from Zeanosu, I used [The self-defense Style of Zefudo].

[[Skill Break!]]

As the name suggested, this technique destroy another skill. However, this technique seems to be unable to demonstrate its effect except against skills. I heard if it's aimed at person, it won't cause any damage. I wonder what the principle of this skill is?

While I am wondering about it, all of the slashing attack that approached me, was cut in pieces in the black and white sword.

And then, I continue to invoke skill [Instant]; I move approaching at a dash.

Again, I can't control the power, I pulled out the power of [Instant] a little.

But, because the speed was far exceeding the recognition speed of the other party, I who has suddenly appeared in front of its eyes, the Black Dragon God opens its eyes widely, surprised.

[[Storm Slash]! ]

While watching the reaction from the Black Dragon God, I twist my body and do a rotation slash attack with my black and white sword.

[I am... I am determined to never lose again against a human... ! Never lose!]

When the Black Dragon God sees my attack, it's struggling to repulse it.

The Black Dragon God's word, I felt something like deep obsession, even though I don't understand it.

Afterwards, the Black Dragon God spits the fire that cannot be absorbed, followed by the attack one by one from its tail and the fingernail.

I am able to avoid those attack and I succeed in landing counter attack. The body of the Black Dragon God was covered in blood.

The Black Dragon God seems as though it's gonna fall at any moment, but its eyes are not dead yet.

The fire breath that he was breathing became rough, slowly changing into dark smoke.

Toward the sharp glinted eyes, the Black Dragon God's ambition is scattered.

From its appearance, I imagined it, the feeling of personality of a Dragon.

[I am... I am not done yeeeeeeet!]

The Black Dragon God was enraged and a huge fireball is shot from its mouth.

That speed, it's far different from all of the earlier attacks.

Even with the skill Mind's Eye, I who took pride in my speed, is feeling threatened.

When the huge fireball come closer, I invoke my skill [Instant], as I am on this

momentum, I invoked the mysterious [Gale] that defeated Zeanosu.  
My black and white sword were approaching the Black Dragon God at abnormal speed.

[Gaaaaaaaaaaaaa!!]

That moment, it roared, I who moved in the speed that cannot be recognized, is being stared with sharp eyes by the Black Dragon God.  
Then, the Black Dragon God begins to attack; I already released mysterious [Gale] so I can't move at all.

[Ku! Again... !]

[Aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa]

The entire area intensely vibrated. The Black Dragon God which raised a war cry, with its sharp claw came to tear my body.

If this attack hits me, my defense power for some reason won't function – I might die too soon.

That is, I absolutely refused.

I forcibly moved my body and I command my body with all my strength.

If I don't move from here, I will die.

Like that, it's really more simple than I imagined. The survival instinct awakes my body in an instant. I begin to move my body.

Toward the impending fear of death, my body has evolved again.

Nope, it might be not only my body. My mentality too, this fight against the Black Dragon God has made me grow.

I still have a long way to grow-up. I am satisfied with the current situation, no matter what I will still remain a monster.

Someday, to get past this monster, I want to reach a point which I can control it well.

A strong desire exploded inside me. My body was completely freed from the bind.

Following that, I heard a voice inside my head.

<<You have mastered Overpower Resistance>>

I, who's moving fast, am not capable to think of the meaning of those words.

When the Black Dragon God sees my appearance, it doesn't stop attacking.

I counter attack.

[Oooooooooo! [Claw of The Dragon God]! ]

A shining huge fingernail approaches me.

It seems that claw is not able to be destroyed by Zeanosu's technique [Skill Break].

When I was thinking about it, the claw approached, it's powerful... It was beautiful.

However, I am facing it, wielding my sword single-mindedly.

It's approaching, this gigantic slash attack.

I didn't see anything.

I heard nothing.

I said nothing.

Nothing in my mind.

However, I wield the sword in daze.

Obtained from the sect/school from Zeanosu, I don't have any idea on how to learn skills and Hidden Skills.

That moment, I heard a familiar voice in my head.

[Hidden Skill <Profusely Flower Sword> was acquired. Hidden Skill <Hurting Sword Blade> was acquired.]

At the same time I heard that voice, my sword collided with the Black Dragon God...

— I cut the slash in instant and I am reaching the Black Dragon God.

And then, without giving a chance for the Black Dragon God to counterattack, I kept slashing with my black and white sword.

[Gaaaaaaaaa!]

The Black Dragon God, as it's the same effect when defeating the body of a monster, falls into the ground.

[I am... defeated again... ! Again, I cannot win against humans... !]

From the eyes of the Black Dragon God that fallen down, there is a stream of tears.

I just want, to laugh together again with that person... ]

Shed tears, the Black Dragon God said it in regret.

[Uooooooooooooooooo!]

This the end, when the Black Dragon God raised a sorrowful roar, it disappeared completely.

The only one left, is an item drop/loot.

More than that, in my mind, the word of the Black Dragon God strongly attached.

[... In the end, I wonder why the Black Dragon God hates humans so much... ]

Like usual, the air in the surrounding has become quiet.

<<<Level-up. Level-up. Level-up. Level-up>>

I heard the voice reporting my level is increased, its sounding several times. So far my level up was only one by one but the level-up is increased in flash. Was the Black Dragon God so strong?

But, I don't think I'm feeling good atm.

Saria is running, to me.

[Seiichi! Are you okay?]

[E? Y,yeah. I don't have any injury]

Though I answered her, Saria didn't change her worried looks.

[But... Seiichi, you look sad somehow?]

I am, showing a sad expression?

Though I don't understand well, I shake my head.

And then, we rushed to the side of the fainted Altria.

[...Again, she seems to have fainted]

[Yes, maybe, I believe she will wake-up soon]

I am relieved to hear Saria's word.

Anyway, we're safe now, it's possible to return.

So, those hentai in the guild...

...Eh?

The hentai in the guild seems to also got a big trouble in the home, moreover I have overlooked some unexpected things...

When I think about it, I notice something.

After I notice it, I want to escape the reality in full force.

[... How can we escape?]

On my word, Sarria showing blank expression.

And, we're looking at each other...

[[Aaaaaaaaaaaaaa!?!]]

The way back to homeeeeeee! To begin with, what is this place!? I just realized it now!

[This is bad! We must think of the way back home! Oh boy, how can we be blown off so suddenly!?!]

[W-what should we do, Seiichi!]

[Don't panic! At such a time... Such a time!?!]

I'm such a fool to be blown to this place and unable to get back home.

During this sudden situation, I went in hurry for Saria too. The serious atmosphere is ruined!

Because Altria is still unconscious, it's impossible to discuss what to do next.

I realize that there is no use rushing, I exhale deeply and my mind settles down at once.

[Fuu... Let's calm down. First, let's confirm if it's possible to escape from this labyrinth with our items in possession]

[Yes! I didn't bring anything!]

Yes of course! Then please look after Altria for awhile!]

[Roger!]

Because Saria doesn't have item box, the items was not carried over.

Saria went to return to the side of Altria.

For the time being, when I checked my item box, there is no items that's capable of letting us escape from this cave.

[Oh yeah! From the drop item's of the Black Dragon God, there might be something useful]

In the worst case, I will destroy this labyrinth, even though it's closed space which could destroy the surrounding when carelessly destroyed, if we are caught and damaged, it'll be embarrassing for sure... When we were in a rush to Altria, it was an emergency... Sorry I was joking, I didn't think carefully during that time.

With the excuse described well in my mind, I approached the drop item from the Black Dragon God.

First of all, because it dropped the scales and fangs, I collected them all.

[Scale of the Black Dragon God]... A solid scale which covers the gigantic figure of the Black Dragon God. It will nullify the damage from normal weapon. It is an excellent heatproof. An overwhelming thermal power is necessary to process it. It's weak against cold.

[The Black Dragon God's Wrath]... It's rare, among the thousand scales of the Black Dragon God. It's harder than the scale, but has the same elasticity. It has resistance against magic. The power of the received magic attack is reduced. Other effects are the same as the scale.

[Fingernail of the Black Dragon God]... The strong fingernail of the Black Dragon God. It's very sharp, even a thick iron plate can be easily torn-up. It's very hard. The same as orichalcum, it can only be processed with special metals.

[Fang of the Black Dragon God]... A brutal fang equipped/owned by the Black Dragon God. When it's pierced, it will not miss anything.

[The bone of the Black Dragon God]... It's very hard, thick bone. Depending on how it's processed it boasts the same strength as orichalcum – the performance is able to surpass the legendary weapon class.

[Gem of the Black Dragon God]... A gem which existed inside the body of the Black Dragon God. It stored an overwhelming magic power. If equipped into a weapon, it can destroy anything easily with normal attack, even against the ethereal body of Demons. If you eat it, the magic will spread to the whole body and your physical strength will increase. Moreover, the power of all magics will increase.

[As expected from a God!]

The effect is great! Even though there is no weapon, but the drop materials are so awesome.

This, gem of the Black Dragon God! It's possible to eat it? This is a gem, you know!? I am throwing the black scale and fangs that scattered around into the item box. I picked-up the beautiful black gem.

[This... Is edible? Seriously?]

Ee... I want to process it as weapon, but my curiosity was piqued.

[This is a challenge]

In the end, I submit to my curiosity. I throw the gem into my mouth.  
When I put it inside my mouth... I'm surprised, it's taste is cola.

It's amazing.

While I'm thinking of such things, the gem, before I know it, it has melted like a candy in my mouth.

[Iya~, this is delicious... ]

However, I expect my physical power to be strengthened. I felt nothing happen.

Ma, I will understand it sooner or later.

When I said it optimistically, I moved the items.

[The following item... There is no status written]

It gave me a big damage. It most likely takes pride in the stats.

When I made a selfish guess, everything gets confirmed.

[Magic: 100000]

[Offensive power: 200000]

[Defense power: 200000]

[Agility power: 10000]

[Magic attack: 200000]

[Magic defense: 200000]

[Luck: 3]

[Charm: 100000]

[Again!]

So, I was defeated by charm!

O-oh dear? The other party is a dragon, it's certainly a cool creature... !

Moreover, it has luck! It's not different from Zeanosu's story!? The other status' exceeded more than 100000.

When I retort it so much, I notice something.

[...However, how was offensive power of 200,000 able to exceed my defensive power and give me damage?]

When I thought about it, it might be impossible.

In this case, there is a method to damage me, it might not be status, but a skill.

When I checked the sphere status in my body, I shifted to check the skill confirmation.

[Skill card <<Penetration>>... Skill [Penetration] was learned.

[Skill card <<Overpowering>>... Skill [Overpowering] was learned.

[Skill card <<Claw Supremacy>>... Skill [Claw Supremacy] was learned.

[Skill card <<Dragon God Nails>>... Skill [Dragon God Nails] was learned.

[Magic card <<Extreme Fire Attribute>>... Able to use magic from fire attribute.

[Magic card <<Purgatory>>... Able to use Ancient magic attribute <Purgatory>

[Wait a moment! There are various things followed-up in this atmosphere!?!]

All of these things seems strong, I falter.

These skill cards, everything is absorbed inside my body.

When I finished acquiring all the skills, I check to confirm it – the status displayed at once.

<<Hiiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Man (Human)

Sex: Male (Male)

Job/class: Mysterious (Magic Swordsman)

Age: 17 (17)

Level: 15 (15)

Offensive power : 1 6 4 4 0 0 0 ( 1 0 0 [Fixed] )

Defense power : 1 6 6 7 0 0 0 ( 1 0 0 [Fixed] )

Magic attack : 1 6 7 4 0 0 0 ( 1 0 0 [Fixed] )

Magic defense : 1 6 3 2 0 0 0 ( 1 0 0 [Fixed] )

Charm : Displayed as a foolish person ( 1 0 0 [Fixed] )

<<Equipment>>

Fine quality Shirt. Fine quality trousers. Fine quality underclothes. Fine quality briefs. Chain of clever monkey. Dagger of the water spirits. Bracelets of night. Choker of Black King Stone. Necklace of the love without ends. Sword of swirling hatred. Sword of overflowing affection.

<<Character Skills>>

Instant Memory. Perfect Memory. Instant learning. Instant recovery. Complete dismantling. Mind's eye., Evolution/evolve, Skill/Art Steal, Arrangement.

<<Skill>

[Attack] Kiashi(Leg Chop). Shokiba(Twin Fang Attack). Tsuoyshtsume(Metal claw). Strong nail. Supreme Nail. Dragon God's nail.

[Resistance] Paralysis resistance. Sleep resistance. Confusion resistance. Charm resistance. Petrification resistance. Inhibition resistance. Poison resistance. Fatigue resistance. Overpowering resistance.

[Movement] Setsuna.

[Special] Advanced appraisal. Super compounding. Tool making: Super first rate. Search. Disguise. Assimilation. Clairvoyance. Absorption. Compression. All-speech understanding. Transmission. Coercion.

<<Magic>>

Life magic, Water magic, Dark magic, Earth magic, Space magic, Fire magic, Unique/Ancient magic: Purgatory.

<<Secret/Hidden skill>>

Gale, Flash, Cloud, Profusely Flower Sword, Hurting Blade Sword.

<<Military Arts>>

Self-defense of Zefodo style: Founder.

<<Title>>

Stink player, A man who has gorilla as bride, The top of everything, Doesn't know the self-respect, Male King, Dragon Samurai, God Killer.

<<Money>>

2500304060 G

[It become too much!]

The status changed too much in a dramatic way! Takumi is surprised!

The class/job changed from monster into mysterious! What, what is a Mystery? Am I mysterious!?

The charm is more cruel!? Besides, comparing the treatment, it's too hard to handle.

Moreover, the new skills was added to the column of the Unique/Ancient magic before I know it.

I am bit hesitant, but I want to confirm this unique skill.

[Evolution]... After reaching certain level in the race of <Human>, this skill will be released. Every time the user is in battle, the user body will adjusting/adapting the battle. Always activated.

[Skill/Art Steal]... After reaching a certain level in the race <Human>, this skill will be released. This skill able to acquired the skill that be used by the other party as their own. However, if the other party is a monster, the skill that can be acquired is limited to those that can be used as a human. Always activated.

[Arrangement]... After reaching a certain level in the race <Human>, this skill can be released.

Learning skills from Skill/Art Steal, it can be done by the most extreme form that suits themselves. Always activated.

[Humans are scary!]

These skills are so cheating!

Moreover, Evolution!? I haven't ate Seeds of Evolution any longer but I can still evolve!? How should I say it, that I completed the condition to liberate the skills, from now on, what kind of skill might be released?

...What is a Human? To be a cheating existence like this?

I have harbored distrust on my race. Next, I'm gonna move on to confirm the ordinary skills.

[All language comprehensions]... The skill for human race to understand all the languages. The monster language might be understood, it's not absolute. Always activated.

[Penetration]... The skill that gives a direct attack, disregarding the opponent's defense power. Because of the effect of this skill, it is impossible to prevent this skill. It's not effective against spiritual body..

[Overpowering]... This skill can be used against low-leveled enemy, it can temporarily seal their movement. In order to give pressure to the other party's spirit/mental to stop the enemy movement, it's ineffective against the obstruction resistance. However, the effect is not triggered if the other party level is higher than the user.

[Overpowering Resistance]... Nullify Overpowering.

[Claw Supremacy]... The skill that fires three slashing attack. It's possible to fire it from weapons. It will keep chasing down until in contact with the other party. The more the other party avoids it, the more the power will rise.

[God Dragon Nails]... The skill that is able to fire a terrifying slashing power. It has Light/Holy element. It's effective against the Undead monsters. However, it can only go forward in straight line.

I was vomiting blood for the remaining skills.

The number of the cheating skills... ! It's no different than a God!

Nope, the treasure box's skill [All language comprehension] is mixed with it. Though this skill has a width to be extended. When arranged with the mind-blowing skills, I became greatly hazy.. Thus, in these skills, the most practical and high skills.

More of it, being able to give me the damage, it's the skill [Penetration]... ?

The obstruction resistance, though the body can't be moved, probably because the overpowering. However even if I learned, but my level is low, it's not very useful, although I can use it.

All of them are very strong. Although to handle them is difficult, but I believe I can try to master them somehow.

[Next is magic, eh?]

In the case of this, I checked the column of magic.

[Earth Magic: Limit/Max]... The Earth element can be studied thoroughly. Is also able to handle all of the Earth magics.

[Space Magic: Limit/Max]... The Space element can be studied thoroughly. Is also able to handle all of the Space magics.

[Fire Magic: Limit/Max]... The Fire element can be studied thoroughly. Is also able to handle all of the Fire magics.

[Unique Magic: Purgatory]... The magic from Fire element, the forced magic granted. When the fire magic was clashed with the other fire magic attack. The fire attribute/element magic moved by the forced magic bestowal/granted of the Purgatory element. Other party fire magic is swallowed. Skill extinction is impossible. Is it possible to nullify it using an overwhelming amount of water? It's possible to nullify it by the intention/will of person who triggered it..

[Hahaha, it's full of cheats]

It's not good, I have no confidence to master all of them. It'll take too much time. However, not being able to absorb the flame of Black Dragon God, it's because of the effect of Purgatory. This property is really awesome. Aside that, The shrewd Sandman magic... Akurufu, level exceeding 300., I learned his magics thoroughly somehow. There is space magic to learn storage box by myself.

[Space magic... ? Huh!?!]

The impact shocked my body.  
Yes this is... Yes this is!

[Is this not a space magic!]

I input in my head, to remember of the name of the space magic.

[I got it!]

And then, the name is, [Teleport] and [Transfer Magic], the name of magic certainly really exists.

[Seria! We will be able to return!]

[Really!? Yay!]

I wish to express my gratitude to Altria-san who is near Saria, because of the storage box.

Treasure box... Your effort won't be useless... ! Our crisis, this amazing fellow gonna save us... !

I gave my salute to the treasure box which scattered silently... I killed it.

[I confirmed the status to ease my mind]

I mutter so, the column of Hidden Skill is confirmed on it this time.

[Profusely Flower Sword... Release an innumerable slash. The hidden move to cut the other party in pieces. The skill and magic can be cut too.

[Hurting Blade Sword]... It's combined with the sword. The Hidden move will improve the user's concentration to the utmost limit. After the hidden skill used, the skill power and the speed of the movement of the sword will double.

[Oo, Hidden move]

Do you feel admired in this situation? Because I obtained the secrets by myself. Especially, there is no viewpoint either. It moved to the last column of the last title.

[Dragon Samurai]... The title given to person who defeated the highest rank of dragon alone. The battle against dragon, it will correct the existing status to maximum.

[God Killer]... The title given by God to the person who killed it. When battle against God, it will correct the existing status to maximum.

[At last, finally... ]

I looked with cruel eyes.

Nope, right now, the God who sent us to this world said, the God exists.

Well, if you watch it from the God's side, the Black Dragon God might not be a God.

Anyway, I have gone and become God Killer. Uwaaah-! I am clueless!

By becoming a God Killer, Doesn't it mean I will incur Divine punishment? When I consider it, I felt so scared. No, I give up.

[Now then... The confirmation for the skills has ended, the return method is found. Eh...]

When I said so, I delimited my word. A treasure chest falls to ground and took the attention of everyone..

[The content of the treasure box, though the cheat equipment might be in it, it's bit anxious because of the past of the Black Dragon God.

The extreme attachment toward a Human. Somehow, it might have been in the past.

The fierce battle is concluded. I who took down the Black Dragon God, I want to know about it.

When I noticed, I was directing myself to the direction of the books.

And then, After this, I am, made to think about various things.

# CHAPTER 30

## HUMAN BEING

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In my hand was the Black Dragon God's story. Its title was [The Biograph of the Black Dragon God ] and under that was [ Non-fiction ] .

I understand they are non-fiction already. Stop trying to make a fool of me!

Wait a minute...

[ The Biograph of the Black Dragon God ]...

“BIOGRAPHY!?”

The title caused me to yell in astonishment.

It's a Biography, not a story? That's strange all the titles have been story up until now! If it was me writing them I would want a little more continuity. Well a Biography is about a person's whole life so there is no mistake in the naming...

With a little dissatisfaction I opened the book and began reading.

[ Once upon a time, in a certain human village, a black dragon was worshipped as a god]

Faith was given to that guy?... Well of course faith is placed in a God...

[ Whenever the villagers were in trouble the Dragon God would selflessly protect them. Thus, the villagers worshipped and revered him from the bottom of their hearts. ]

I can't imagine it at all... Someone that hated Humans to that extent actually protecting them...

[ However, as time passed the villagers' faith in the Dragon God faded and they even forgot to give thanks to the being that protected them from the various disasters and demons. ]

...

[ The Dragon God eventually discovered a plot of the Humans to subjugate him and use him as materials for weapons. Enraged by this the Dragon God began no longer

desiring their worshipping, nor their faith, nor even their thanks. ]

And... it was so. The humans whom he had been protecting betrayed him, and attacked him.

[For there is only one God whom bears the name Black Dragon God and he is proud of his tremendous combat abilities. To subjugate the Dragon God the villagers sought out a group called the "Dragon Slayers" whom were said to possess a skill called <<Dragon Kill>>. Once the battle started the Dragon God's movements were easily sealed and they then inflicted a massive amount of damage upon the Dragon God. ]

Dragon Slayers huh... I can't imagine the Black Dragon God being beat so easily.

[With his life in danger the Dragon God broke free and fled from the group of dragon slayers but he knew before long he would succumb to exhaustion or blood loss, and sooner or later he would be caught. Eventually his body gave out and while succumbing to the black curtains of death, a man by chance passed by and lent the Black Dragon God his hand. That man would later be referred to as Maou.

"Kuh!?"

Out of nowhere an unintentionally strange voice leaked out.

Maou!? Maou made an appearance here?

[While healing the Dragon God's wounds Maou proposed that they travel together as a group. In the beginning the Black Dragon God had been cautious of Maou due to his resemblance to the humans but somewhere in their long journey together the Dragon God had become attached to him and deeply wished for more of his attention. ]

I see... the Black Dragon God was saved by Maou.

[During their travels they would save other demon-kin that were oppressed, he would even help humans. Maou would not neglect troubled people and it was because of that it made the Dragon God's yearning for his attention grow. ]

...H-huh? My image of Maou is a bit different though...

[ Time passed and upon noticing the enormous amount of followers Maou decided to found a country. The Dragon God was a good friend of Maou's and thus lived in relative harmony and peace. The country was overflowing with happiness. ]

...

[However, another race had become aware of Maou's country and was unhappy-. It was the humans. They eventually got into the Demon Nation ravaging the land, enslaving its residents because they were jealous of the nation that was built as like theirs and that there was peace. Once someone becomes a slave their existence was destroyed and they could never come back. The humans began to ruin the beautiful country all for their own desire, their sense of superiority and their greed. ]

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[To destroy the Demon Nation the humans would have to face the many strong demons and the Dragon God overwhelming offensive power and they could not afford to mess around. Around that time, they were able to devise a ritual to summon a Hero.]

This is where the Hero enters... I just can't believe the origin of the hero summoning was started for such a deplorable reason...

[A hero summoning ritual is classified into two categories. The first way that was used is to summon a Hero from a strange world. This is to ensure the Hero has an aptitude towards fighting and the power to use it effectively. This time it was a brave man who was given the Hero's power and was thus born. The Hero advanced upon Maou's country and slaughtered many demons. Even the Black Dragon God and Maou himself stood before the Hero's attack, but the Black Dragon God was powerless before the hero's power. And Maou was without any help was before him now. When Maou was defeated in front of the Black Dragon God's eyes. As if to deny the world, the Black Dragon God rampaged wildly destroying everything completely... As a result, the Black Dragon God could not defeat the Hero, and was sealed in the labyrinth. The Black Dragon God didn't want to lose twice and any more important things. The Black Dragon God continued to think about things in the labyrinth, continuing to store power. He wished to spend every day peacefully with Maou. ]

UWAAAAAAAAAAA!

I'm so sorry! I didn't think about the Black Dragon God's circumstances at all! I couldn't forgive him for harming Altria but after reading this I can't help but wonder how much of that fight was caused by my short temper... ! Also that time with the walking treasure box... if only we could have talked it out... Anyways, if this is story true, the human race

is garbag-ummm... I mean there is no salvation for them.

Well I'm basically a human. I'm a creature based on desires. I have desires like them... well not like the perverts at the guild. It's not like you should deny your beliefs but you should abandon your desires in a sense. Noble desires are a great thing and thanks to the Dragon God's story I won't suffer the same fate as the Demon Nation and the Hero. Even so I only empathize with the Hero's side because I am human.

From the time I was a child my parents always told me to look at things from the another person's perspective. If you can do that then you will not be able to hold onto any prejudices and your awkwardness when around them will lessen. This will cause the other party to be more relaxed as well. If everyone was like that there would be no crime, only room for mutual compromise... again I think communication is extremely important.

I earnestly felt, that I knew the importance of communication. Once I closed the book it turned into a ball of light and entered my body. The Black Dragon God's experiences were the most I've gotten so far. The experiences with the humans and all his combat experience thanks to that I have understood many new ways to fight.

I then turned to the treasure chest.

"Now then... other than gold what's in here?"

Overwhelmed with pure curiosity I opened the box. There was a bag of money and what seemed to be a hooded coat. First I grabbed the bag of cash, there was a staggering amount of white gold in there...

What I mean is there was enough to cause an inflation...

It wouldn't be strange to get slightly dizzy from the amount there was, I thought as I slipped it into my item box. Lastly I took out the coat to look it over. The coat was actually a long pure black coat with a hood that had some white fur on it. On the back was golden embroidery that gave off a strangely wonderful feeling.

...It had an unreal chunniby you feeling to it...

But I needed something to hide my hair in town thanks to the robe that the sheep had given me being burned to a crisp.

The long coat had a little chunniby you feel to it but it wasn't uncool.

While thinking that I analyzed the long coat.

[ Long Coat of the Black Champion ]

"Fantasy class equipment. The symbol of power bestowed from the Black Dragon God"

"Heat Resistant "" Cold Resistant"

"The wearer will always be at a comfortable temperature"

"Stab Resistant "" Impact Resistant"

"The average weapon will not so much as leave a scratch"

"Enhancement to all magic power"

"Dirt resistant"

"Experience acquisition usually drops significantly"

I don't understand it all but it seems pretty amazing. What's that last sentence? Does that mean with this equipped it will be extremely hard to raise my level? Well I'm not really worried about my level because of the performance of the coat but...

Anyways I'll wear it for now even if my level is unlikely to raise it still protects me from the elements and the rise in my defense and magic powers are nothing to scoff at. Before I go raising my level and becoming stronger I should work on controlling what I already have.

I immediately try to put it on and surprisingly it fitted well.

Recently I have found a lot of amazing things, is this because of my luck?

While thinking those things I finished putting away all the loot and went over to Saria who has been looking after Altria this whole time.

"Ah, Seiichi! You're already finished?"

“Well for once there wasn’t that much”

“Oh that’s right... Sheep-san didn’t show up this time huh.”

“Wha?”

Saria reminded me of what happened last time we cleared a dungeon. Yeah wouldn’t be strange if the sheep appeared this time too but he said he only shows up if you clear the true meaning of a labyrinth. In that case is the condition for truly clearing this one for the Dragon God to live in peace with Maou?

...How much more difficult than that can it get?

If I were to accomplish that I would need to pull on my cheeks to make sure I’m still awake.

Pop! Suddenly there was a small explosion in a space where there was nothing.

“What!”

“Now?”

I immediately raised my guard but seeing Saria leisurely look on made me feel like an idiot. While I was staring at the space the explosion took place in a small piece of paper fell.

Wh-what?

I warily picked it up and noticed there was some writing on it.

“Seiichi, what’s on it?”

“I don’t know but it has some writing on it.”

However, I wonder why I feel like something similar has happened before...

I read the paper out loud

[ Hello, it’s Sheep-san. ]

“Haa (sigh), just as I thought!”

I kind of had the same feeling when I received the Full Face Helmet!

My face contorted unintentionally as Saria smiled.

“Eh!? Is that a letter from Sheep-san!?”

“Eh? W-well in this place...”

“Read it! Read it!”

With Saria’s eyes brightly shining I began to read it aloud again.

[ For now, congratulations for traversing the dungeons. It seems nothing can stop a favoured human! ]

Shut up!

[ I think you already know this but I am unable to meet with you this time since you did not clear the true meaning of this dungeon... Aww, please don’t make such a sad face. I know you wanted to see me no matter what but... ]

What should I do? I’m being tempted to beat a sheep.

[ Ugh... Your dangerous way of thinking hasn’t changed at all but please be at ease. I welcome your tsun tsun attitude Seiichi-sama because I can properly understand your heart... Now it’s embarrassment right? ]

SHUUUUT UUUUP!!!

More importantly, I was wondering how he could read my feelings without even meeting!?

[ Because I am a sheep. ]

“That can’t be the reason!”

[ Well, anyways, what I wanted to say is it’s been a blessing that you cleared two dungeons. Good luck on clearing more from now on. I look forward to seeing how

Seiichi-sama returns to anything that's living, let alone humans. Well then, Sarria-  
ojousama I bid you good day. From everyone's favorite idol sheep. ]

...

"From beginning to end it was that sheep's pace..."

"Sheep-san take care of yourself!"

Un, I think he's staying healthy but, just once, I'd like him to die. If you think such a  
thing...

There was more at the bottom of the paper.

"Do your jooooooooob!"

For some reason the image of a sheep wearing a Hawaiian shirt while surfing popped  
into my head.



“We hope your vacation is enjoyable Sheep-san.”

“No! No! No!”

Saria that sheep is saying because of us lessening his work load he’s going off to play and ignore his work. That shouldn’t happen!

That was a terrible tsukko I thought while adjusting my breathing.

“Haa... Whatever. The sheep won’t show up next time then.”

“That’s too bad huh.”

Never come back. Ah wait, then I won’t be able to beat...

“Alright, I stored all the things that needed storing... All that’s left now is to go home! Let’s go!”

“Un! Let’s hurry home!”

While listening to Saria’s reply I began to prepare space magic.

“Saria, hold on to me so that you move with the space magic.”

“Ok!”

While listening to Sarria’s overly enthusiastic reply she grabbed my robe.

Ok... Now then, that’s Altria-san’s...

“Ok. Now for Altria... “ (Sarria)

It’s the first time I’ve used this magic so I’m not sure exactly what effect it’ll have so I wanted both of them touching me directly just like when we came here to begin with. It wasn’t my intention to have these women hang all over me, maybe, but I figured since it worked when we came here it should work when the same going back.

It would be surprising if I suddenly appeared in the middle of a street with a woman riding on me piggy back and me carrying another that is passed out. To avoid that kind of embarrassment I should transfer us somewhere void of judgmental eyes. So I

decided to transfer somewhere a little away from the Imperial City and will be forced to suffer carrying Altria-san back to the city in this kind of embrace. Of course it was a princess carry...

“...No way, I didn’t think the day would ever come when I have to perform a piggyback and a princess carry in the same day.”

Saria was happily riding piggy back. This is something I never thought possible, normally this becomes a hug with various things touching. It’s mainly a problem for my mental health...

“Well then, let’s go!”

“Un!”

I didn’t do anything special. Just like that I activated the space magic [ Transition ] and teleported to somewhere close to the Imperial City.



“N... a,aa...”

I unintentionally shut my eyes when I activated the transfer magic, once I opened them I leaked a confused voice.

“Are we here?”

I heard Saria’s voice behind me and in my hands I held Altria.

And the place we transferred to was the same place we had transferred from, in front of Terveil the Imperial city’s wall.

“We made it home safely”

I involuntarily muttered. While it seems I used the transfer magic well, honestly I was scared and shut my eyes. That’s why I don’t know exactly what transporting looked like. It’s rather unfortunate.

“Well then... truthfully our original mission was to subjugate slimes, which we haven’t completed, Altria has fainted, maybe we should just obediently go home.”

“You’re right. Even if we did that... Somehow I get the feeling it could take a long time.”

“Eh? What would?”

“Yeah... We were in the labyrinth for such a long time I feels like I haven't been to the guild in forever.”

“Yeah, you said it...”

That's true a single day hasn't passed but it sure feels like it took longer than that. Maybe it was the dark atmosphere in the Labyrinth?

“Well whatever. Let's go.”

“Yeah.”

Thus, we began walking toward Terveil.

Along the way, so that we did not get transferred again, we moved carefully.

Eventually, Saria and I began talking a little while we walked.

“...n... n?”

“Oh, Altria-san!”

“Thank goodness. You woke up!”

Altria whom was unconscious in my arms, woke up.

Altria-san didn't seem to understand the situation as she was floating a hazy expression.

“Where are we... ?”

“At the Imperial City Terveil. We came back safely.”

While smiling under my hood , Altria-san murmured “I see”, after a while, I saw a wonderful sight.

“Tte... ha!? You said we're back!?”

“Yeah. See, please look at what is in front of your eyes”

Altria had a surprised expression as she looked out at the distance to the Imperial city Terveil.

“Well, we seriously came back you know...”

While muttering to herself with a surprised face, Altria finally noticed.

“N?... Hey, what do you think you’re doing being so close while staring at me like that?”

“Eh? That’s... because I’m carrying you.”

“...”

At first she didn’t seem to understand and tilted her head to the side. Gradually she began to understand the meaning of what was said.

“L-let go!”

“Uwa~tsu! Cho~ts! Please calm down!”

“Just put me down already! First off, I’m heavy right!?”

“E~e~tsu? You are completely light, and I don’t mind it?”

“~~~~tsu! It’s not about you, I’m the one that has to worry about it!”

Altria was extremely red in the face as she rampaged about in my arms.

No, in fact she was pretty light... Well she was certainly being held by me, I didn’t know if she was embarrassed but she fought to the point of exhaustion against the Black Dragon God... and that’s how it turned into a princess carry.

“A-a-a-anyways put me down ~tsu! If y-you d-don’t I may hit you ya know!”

“Please don’t say that while beating on me!”

Altria was really rampaging about when I placed her on the ground.

It wasn’t really because getting hit hurt but as expected of my monstrously idiotic luck.

“Haa... Haa... !”

Altria breathed on my shoulder.

She repeatedly let out heavy breaths and tried to walk on her own.

“A...”

“Otto”

As I thought, her body hadn't fully regained its strength yet. It seemed like she was going to collapse again. I was supporting her shoulder.

Looking at the state Altria was in Saria said...

“It's no good? Altria-san's wounds have healed but your physical strength isn't getting any better. Let Seiichi carry you!”

“Ha!? A-as if I could do something so embarrassing!”

“But didn't you know he's been carrying you this whole time?”

“Ugaaaaa! That's because I had fainted... !”

“A-T A-N-Y R-A-T-E! Let Seiichi carry you!”

“That's wh——”

“Rejected!”

Altria-san was being stubborn and adamantly refused Saria's suggestion to be carried by me. Saria's atmosphere was becoming unusually serious with protests and for the time being the I could only voice a large sigh

“U-uua... Waaa... I get it... I get it! All I need to do is let him carry me right!?”

“Yep!”

Satisfied with Altria's answer, Saria was smiling and nodding.

“Well then Seiichi. Like a while ago...”

“ooh, that’s good...”

Suddenly staring at me Altria-san points at me, with her cheeks dyed red, as she glared she said with a voice of superiority.

“It’s because it can’t be helped-tsu! Don’t misunderstand that Seiichi!?”

Eh? Wa-a...”

Well I don’t really understand but if don’t carry her the mood won’t be able to change.

That’s what I thought as I lightly picked Altria-san up in a princess carry.

“Uu...”

You could tell that Altria’s face was dyed a deep red even with her face buried in my chest. This person is extremely beautiful and is cute in times like this. I’m sure I’d get beaten if I said that. While I quietly and pathetically think that we again begin shuffling our feet towards Terveil in complete silence. It wasn’t really awkward or anything even with Altria hiding her face completely avoiding me. It was so quiet I eventually started wanting to hear a nice voice... This might be somewhat awkward.

The only one smiling was Saria, while looking at the state that Altria and I were in, while watching butterflies and other things scurry around.

In this way, we continued in silence until as if making an effort to destroy it Altria-san suddenly said something.

“...I’m at fault”

“Eh?”

Due to the sudden apology I wasn’t able to say anything back. Anyways, why was she apologizing to me? In a small voice Altria-san continued.

“...That is... for involving you in my misfortune...”

“Eh? O-oh. That type of thing—”

“That type of thing is why I’m sorry~tsu”

Suddenly Altria raised her voice and I unintentionally put more strength into my carry.

Saria was the only one able to move around and was running here and there so she did not hear Altria's voice.

"I... ! I involve you guys in situations where you could possibly die!? And yet. Why are you letting me accompany you!?"

"..."

This is... Yeah. I replied in a light tone. Although I am not sure exactly how Altria-san feels, what she had just said didn't seem negotiable.

Altria-san murmured something quietly and a transparent plate appeared in the air.

"...This is my status. You can look if you like."

"Eh, but..."

"Come on already... Well you might already have an idea."

While Altria-san was imposing her status on me I was somehow able to verify it while still holding on to her. Then, there was some ridiculous stats written there.

<< Altria Guremu >>

Race: Human

Sex: Female

Occupation: Warrior

Age: 19

Level: 123

Magic: 100

ATK: 5000

DEF: 3824

AGL: 4200

Magic ATK: 345

Magic DEF: 2221

Luck: -2,000,000 [The person who is burdened with disaster]

Charm: Unmeasurable

"!?"

I was speechless at the contents of her status.

Her charm is unmeasurable, well that can already be understood because of how gorgeous she is.

Her level of 123, while a far cry from my own, is still within an acceptable range.

But... What's with this luck value?

My luck is beyond light compared to this negative number. Moreover... to have had it so long that there is a title associated with it.

While I had a lot of things floating around in my head Altria-san began describing what happened in a lonely voice.

"My luck... is it unexpected? I'm the type of person that has [The person who is burdened with disaster] written next to it."

"[The person who is burdened with disaster]?"

"I've had that curse since I was born. Its effect is simple. It just adds a negative to the value... that's it."

In other words, Altria-san's luck becomes negative...

If she didn't have this curse she'd have higher luck than me.

Why is it...

Now that I think about it, Altria probably guessed my feelings and that must have been why she told me.

"Well, I have no idea why I have this curse but it has caused countless deaths... So much that it would be fine for it to cause my own. I can't endure everyone around me getting hurt because of this curse anymore."

"..."

"In Terveil, everyone knows of my situation and it wouldn't be a stretch to say that thanks to those guys it whole town has become a special place to me. Thanks to that the whole town has been preventing people from getting into trouble I have been able to live happily. That's why I cannot be separated from it. If I were to go to a different town there would be misfortune just from being around me."

For Altria-san it seems we are people the curse has no effect on and thus is not unhappy being around us...

Upon noticing this anger began to well up inside of me.

Why should someone so kind go through something like this and not become bitter.

“That’s why I avoid everyone. It certainly is sad but more than that I am the cause of everyone around me misfortunes... That’s even worse.”

“ ... ”

“I once thought maybe there was a way to stop the curse. I had someone put up a barrier and many other things but they all failed. That’s why, from now on too, I will continue to be surrounded by unhappiness. For the sake of this world I am an unnecessary person. That’s why involving my misfortune with you guys... really... bad... really...”

Altria-san paused with a downcast face. I was really an idiot. I thought I was the one suffering up until now. Without even being aware of it I ended up hurting her. I had answered with a light heart and would like to skip the beating this time. I don’t know if it was unscrupulous to think this but hearing about Altria-san made me happy. When I responded to the request, the atmosphere seemed heavy and made it a difficult topic to approach without even knowing the reason why. Thus it’s possible to understand the kind of time that Altria-san was having. And so to Altria-san, whom has confided in me, I want to explain my own circumstances.

I don’t know if it would help her hear at all. Perhaps it could help somewhere or it could cause pain again.

Even so I still want to tell her.

“ ... ”

“Altria-san. I never thought of you as unfortunate since I’ve met you.”

“Eh?”

“Not just me, Saria feels the same.”

“ ... ”

“Certainly this time we were caught in a situation where we could die from any misstep this time but... we survived. Saria and I were... safe.”

“!”

“Even though it was dangerous we were safe. Moreover, even though Altria-san gave us an overabundance of time to complete the test we still had to cancel it. Even though it’s pretty serious we still had fun.”

“..”

“Altria-san. You said we would become unhappy?”

“..”

As I speak Altria-san’s head begins to hang a bit.

“Fortunate or unfortunate, eventually that kind of thing doesn’t matter. The person that thinks they are unfortunate will become unfortunate just as someone that lets off a happy feeling will become so. The time Saria and I spent with you was— by no means unfortunate.

That is, your confidence doesn’t matter, your misfortune won’t be transferred to us.”

“...tsu”

“Altria-san never became an unneeded person. So... please don’t speak poorly of yourself.”

“..”

Up until that point Altria-san’s head was hanging so low that I could not see her face.

Did I upset her? Did I hurt her? Even so those were my true feelings. I had to say them no matter what.

Silence once again took command between us. Saria, who had not heard any of the conversation between the two of us, gleefully rushed towards us.

“Altria-san! Gyu-tsu!”

“!”

Sarria tightly hugged Altria-san in my arms.

“If Altria-san thinks she’s so unlucky I’ll give her some of mine! You’re wrong because you are surrounded by all those kind people!”

“...ha-ha”

I unintentionally smiled due to Saria’s words. It must be because she isn’t human, her wild instincts were picking up on it?

Why is it even though she was just gleefully running around until a little while ago she can have such insight?

Her ability to heal people without knowing they need healing is amazing.

Altria who was being held, had still not lifted her face.

After that there wasn’t any conversation in particular.

The silence was different than the original silence it was more loose.

While walking silent, we reached the gate of the Imperial capital Teruveil at last.

“...Hmm?”

Even though we arrived in silence, there was something noisy happening at the gate.

“What happened?”

Saria had noticed the disturbance and had asked.

Since I was also curious I tilted my neck a little. Then we noticed a familiar face and while we showed a look of surprise they rushed over to us with a smile.

“Hey, Seiichi! Oh and also Sarria-jo even Altria!”

“Oh, Claude”

Claude and a soldier ran up to us.

I thought Claude had a frantic look as he was approaching then they started talking at once.

“Where have you guys been!? We were worried you know!”

“What?”

Due to the threatening tone I responded in a goofy voice.

“You guys went to kill the slimes three days ago... we really thought you guys weren't coming back!”

“W-wait a minute!”

I stood still as my brain tried to work out what Claude said.

What did Claude say?

Did he say we haven't come back for three days?

“H-hey Claude. We didn't leave yesterday to kill slimes?”

It was too incredible to fully believe so I unintentionally asked.

Claude's raised eyebrows gave me the answer.

“No matter what is said three days have passed.”

“...”

The three of us couldn't reply upon hearing Claude's words.

In other words, three days passed here while we searched inside that Labyrinth...

Looking at us standing there dumbfounded Claude knew something was strange. His face changed from a sense of urgency to a face of relief.

“I don't really understand what's going on... anyways I'm glad you guys are safe. Just now I was on my way to investigate your disappearance.”

“Eh?”

I-investigate?

“Claude. Do you mean it’s for only the three of us that went missing that you gather these people to search for us?”

Even while asking this Claude’s appearance alone screamed that was the case.

“That’s kind of obvious isn’t it? If someone you know goes missing, you go search for them.”

“...”

Again the three of us were dumbfounded.

Normally, you would not gather this amount of people to go search for an acquaintance that has gone missing.

This group of people had gathered to search for us.

In front of us, who were at a loss for words, Claude said in a loud voice to everyone that had gathered.

“Everyone! All three have returned! Thank you for gathering!”

The people seemed to calm down then came to speak with us one by one.

“Oh! That’s good!”

“Didn’t you know we were worried?”

“Don’t suddenly disappear again!”

Surrounded by all those smiling faces we went through the gate into town.

“Now that you guys are back safely I should get to work.”

Claude said while straightening his back.

Then while showing us this appearance we left.

“Oh, yeah that’s right. You know everyone at the guild was worried too? Hurry up and show your faces there.”

Claude said as he walked towards the gate guard.

It was too late, I tsukkomi’d that everyone had already seen me princess carrying Altria-san.

Even though they were stunned we still finished the procedures for entering the town.

On the way to the Guild, every person we passed showed a relieved face upon seeing Altria-san.

Some people also wore an expression of wonder that I was carrying Altria-san as well.

“Are you ok!? Seiichi-san is carrying her but...”

“Y-yes. I’m fine.”

Altria-san had been completely silent while we were returning, giving Eris-san peace of mind.

“Th-that’s great, you all were safe...”

Ellis-san said as a tear welled up in the corner of her eye.

It-t’s really a relief. You really worried all of us.

Gusser announced everyone’s wellbeing to the Guild.

“Everyone! Altria’s group has returned! Ha-ha My muscles are enraptured... !

Upon hearing Gusser’s words everyone cheered loudly.

“That’s a relief! With this you can participate in voyeurism to your heart’s content!”

“Yup, the most important thing is that you’re fine! Today I will bless you by bearing my naked body before your eyes!”

“Now share this joy between yourselves!”

“The celebration of your guys return will break the Guild!”

“““Stop it you idiot!”“““

In a moment chaos dominated the guild once again.

Eris-san began whipping a dirty old man as Gusser climbed up on his desk and began taking muscle poses one after another.

Stunned, I looked at the chaotic guild and understood one thing.

As with the Black Dragon God’s past Human beings will do anything to satisfy their desires.

Conversely I’m not sure if it would be human to be without desire.

In, particular, the guy’s that were faithfully displaying their desires to us at that moment.

Human beings may be disgusting, dirty, and ugly creatures but more than that they live passionately.

I rejected that passion, even that time with Kenji and Shota, and because of that rejection I lived a very lonely life.

It’s not that humans can’t live a lonely life. It’s that humans don’t live while they are alone.

I lived a painful life because I rejected the warmth of people. I don’t want Altria-san to have the same experience.

Still in my arms Altria-san stared dumbfounded.



“Altria-san. Everyone is happy... the people around you whom are supposed to be unhappy are seemingly happy.”

“...”

“They may be more important to you than you know, Altria.”

“Surrounded by all these warm people I would feel an honest desire too...”

“...”

“Please show yourself more, rely on others, and don’t keep to yourself all the time. Look around... all these people are happy just because you returned.”

“...”

“You’re not unlucky. It’s a little embarrassing to say... but you are loved.”

“tsu”

“I’ll say it again. You are not unlucky and — not a <<disaster>>.”

“!”

“Kind, meddlesome, and wearing the skin of an older sister is the only kind of trouble I’ve seen you cause. Even to Saria and me... and most likely to this guild as well, no one worries about your condition. Everyone loves all of you.”

“...”

People may have thought you will cause unluckiness but all we caught from you — was happiness

“—”

Somehow conveying what I wanted to say has been really hard.

I never thought conveying your feelings was that hard...

While thinking about Altria’s feelings she suddenly jumped out of my arms and ran out of the guild.

...

“Eh?”

“Wai! Why!? Did she run!?”

It was so sudden that all I could do is be surprised.

What, why!? Did I hurt her feelings!?

Saria flashed a look that said anyone would be flustered.

“Seiichi! Chase after Altria-san!”

“Eetsu? B-but”

“It’s ok! Seiichi’s feelings were transmitted. Right?”

How are women so strong. I feel pathetic as a man when compared.

It was thanks to Saria my brain was a mess.

No matter what I tried I couldn’t think straight. Chase Altria-san.

Not just that.

“I understand! I’ll be out for a bit!”

“Ya! Have a nice trip!”

Having Saria see me off, I left the guild in order to search for Altria.

# CHAPTER 31

## IN EACH PLACE

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“Altria-san, Where are you?”

I had left the guild to follow Altria-san and even though I was outside there was no trace of her.

“...Maybe there are too many people around here to see her...”

There are a surprising amount of people in the capital city of Telbel.

“That’s right! I can use the [Search] skill in this situation”

In the “acquired” section of the skills menu I have a skill called [Search] . It can search for any living thing within a 500 meter radius.

It should activate immediately.

I activated [Search] and — my shoulders drooped.

I... Why didn’t I realize it already.

It certainly did find every living thing but...

“I can’t identify an individual person... !”

Once I activated [Search] every living thing’s position within a 500 meter radius rushed into my head and made me a little dizzy.

“I won’t be able to tell where she went with this.”

Meh, it would be better to ask around.

I was reminded of the Black Dragon God’s story... Communication is important!

I called out to a few ladies that were passing by.

“Excuse me! Do you have a moment? I’m looking for someone...”

“I don’t mind in particul... ar, ara? Aren’t you Seiichi-san?”

“Eh?... A-Adriana-san!?”

What a coincidence. What are the chances that the lady I called out to happens to be the Countess that owned the white “dog”. What a small world.

“What happened? You’re looking for someone...”

“That is... I’m searching for Altria-san... have you seen her?”

“What? Altria-chan? Ya... I haven’t seen her.”

“Is that so...”

“I’m sorry that I can’t be of any help...”

“Ah no! I mean... thank you very much.”

“You’re welcome.”

After saying my thanks I began to move away from Adriana-san.

Judging by Adriana-san’s reaction she suddenly remembered something.

“Ah, that’s right. Seiichi-san”

“Yes?”

“Would you happen to be aware of Altria-chan’s... predisposition?”

“Well, yeah...”

“In that case, can I ask a favor of you?”

The sudden request caused me to respond with a goofy sound which caused Adriana-san to smile.

“Will you be able to get along with Altria-san? Even though she doesn’t look to be delicate, she is on the inside.”

“I am already well aware of that.”

“That’s why just a little is fine. I want you to snuggle with her a little.”

“Snuggle?”

I tilted my head as I didn’t fully understand what Adriana-san wanted.

Adriana-san laughed a bit then continued.

“Even if you don’t fully understand it’ll be fine. Just stay the same Seiichi-san that will diligently search for Altria-chan.”

“...I don’t really understand but Altria-san is a very important person to me. That’s why...”

Up until now Adriana-san has been just smiling and halting my search.

“In that case it’s fine. So, shall I let you continue searching for Altria-chan? Oji-sama ♪ (old man)”

“She called me Oji-sama...”

I unintentionally released a bitter smile at Adriana-san’s words.

Soon after I parted with Adriana-san and continued the search for Altria-san.

“Should I start asking around again...”

I was beginning to think so but switched to wondering if I had a convenient item for this situation.

I took out a silver stone shaped like a compass needle. *(TL: I will henceforth call this item the silver needle)*

I couldn’t use it in the Black Dragon God’s Labyrinth because it was a closed off space... well I did just end up destroying all the walls that were in my way.

Well, I'm outside this time.

I could track her from the roofs if I knew her direction!

The Silver Needle began to float and pointed across the street.

Progress has been made.

"I see... This direction huh."

The Silver Needle was spinning in the item box and I looked the way it pointed.

"...That?... That direction is..."

Then, to catch up to Altria-san, I began running in the direction the Silver Needle had pointed to.

"Of course..."

Following the Silver Needle's guidance I arrived at a familiar place.

"This is... Isn't this where my first request was?"

That's right, this is where I completed my first test to join the guild... [Dismantle the Ruins] is what the request said.

I felt I could complete it without any skill because no one was around then.

However, I destroyed it without thinking and there was only rubble left.

I activated [Search].

Then, because no one was around, immediately a reaction from Altria-san was displayed.

Without any hesitation I walked over there and — found.

"Altria-san."

Altria-san was hidden in the shade of some rubble sitting on her knees.

Upon hearing my voice her shoulders fluttered a bit along with some other movement but remained silent.

I sat down near her but because her back was facing me I couldn't see her facial expression.

Silence was all that was heard for a while and in that silence I made no attempt to start a conversation.

I had no idea what to say... because I had no idea why she had suddenly run.

More than that I wanted to wait for Altria-san to explain it to me.

I was thinking this when a small voice came from Altria-san.

"Hey... Seiichi"

"...What is it?"

“Is someone... Like me actually... needed?”

“...Yes”

“Even though someone like me will always cause problems?”

“Something like that is definitely not true.”

“...You really don't dislike the idea... ?”

“...Really. Everyone loves Altria-san. Sarria, Gassul, and even Ellis... Everyone considers you important. Even I love you.”

I never thought as Altria-san as someone that shouldn't exist.

Explaining my love is extremely embarrassing but they are my true feelings so it can't be helped.

I mean, if you don't say it no one will know.

Upon hearing my words, Altria-san was facing down with her shoulders trembling.

“Is that... so?”

“...Everyone around me... considers me important... I too... everyone important...”

“...Uu... gu~tsu... (gulping sound)”

Altria-san buried her face in her lap muffling her now frantic weeping.

What should I do at times like this?

Kenji or Shota would have been in this setting before. Unfortunately, I have always been traveling on the unpopular person's road. I don't know how to comfort women.

Isn't there something I can do for Altria-san who is crying right in front of me?

I squeezed my hand. I can't save her heart.

I am not a pure militaristic power. I was reminded of the very important fact that there are some things I am powerless against.

At that time, suddenly Adriana's words popped into my head.

[I want you to snuggle with her a little]

...Snuggle?

How do I... Snuggle? Physically? Or emotionally?

...Physically would probably be a little strange.

In that case, emotionally...

As I became more and more confused I began to think of how Sarria had cheered up Altria-san.

[Altria-san! Gyu~tsu! ]

From the moment I remembered Saria's actions my body was already moving on its own as if it was prompted from Saria.

I hugged Altria-san from behind.

When Saria hugged Altria-san like this I was in wonder as to her insight into Altria-san's anxiety filled heart. It was not like that this time. Altria-san was happy from being freed of that anxiety but was also confused. She had thought of herself as a calamity but instead she was rather liked by everyone. Contrary to earlier, how should I have contact with everyone... I think that kind of anxiety was swirling around.

It's too late once a child becomes insecure, regardless of the foundation a parent lays in the heart with what they say, a new understanding happens. If a parent thinks a child has insecurities they will handle them gently as if there are a fragile package. It was the same with Saria when we talked about the orphanage. Apparently she is naturally displaying her maternal instincts. Saria had also seen through Altria-san's anxiety earlier and had handled her gently hugging her from behind to give her peace of mind... but Saria isn't here this time.

There is no one else here that can become Altria-san's foundation. It may be a completely unreliable foundation but a little should be fine...

"It's ok. If Altria-san is uneasy then I'll stay right here. For as long as it takes for you to calm down."

"Na~tsu!? A..au... uu..."

...huh?

I thought it would be good to calm Altria-san down even if it was just a little so I imitated Saria's hug...

Somehow the crying had stopped and even though I couldn't see her face her ears were visibly red as they peeked through her beautiful silver hair.

...No, if you thoroughly think about it, haven't I... done something extremely daring?

The moment my head reached the conclusion my face became hot. Oh... my face is definitely bright red... !

No, calm down! No matter how much patience it requires! I think Altria-san's heart should have relaxed a little.

Aah... Altria-san smells good.

...That's not the point?! Why should I relax!?

Ah, wait a minute! I don't smell right!? I'm okay right!?

I know the title [smell player] once perfectly cut though... Ah my own insecure side has come out. That's why someone gently hugged me!

Interrupting me, my arm was lightly patted as I hugged Altria-san.

"Alright... I'm fine already"

“Eh? Ah, ok!”

Separating really is embarrassing.

Then Altria-san’s face was deep red and she began fidgeting.

“T-that... is. Um... was embarrassing...”

I was also embarrassed!... I wanted to shout. I held it in.

“For hugging... thank... you...”

With her cheeks dyed red and while looking slightly upward Altria-san had said so.

...I thought I was more or less resistant to beautiful girls because of Saria.

But... I couldn’t do it. The destructive power was horrible. My resistance won’t come out.

As a result of Altria-san’s cute gestures I could do nothing but dote on her.

Once again an indescribably air subtly flows around us.

...More than that, I think it’s good that Altria-san had the opportunity to face the person she had been avoiding eye contact with until now.

Still, Altria-san’s curse had not been solved.

It seemed like Altria-san’s acquaintances had been searching for ways to break the curse...

But... the luck status was -2 million huh... Thinking about it again, that value is tremendous.

As long as Altria-san has the “The person who is burdened with disaster” title, she won’t be able to stop thinking about painful things.

Is there nothing that can be done? Something I can do...

...Damn it... Not one thing comes to mind...

If only Altria-san’s luck value didn’t have the negative...

...The negative... didn’t exist... ?

Suddenly I realized.

The way to solve Altria-san’s curse... !

“Altria-san! Hand! Give me your hand please!”

“I beg of you!”

In response to my appeal Altria-san held out her left hand with a dubious expression.

I immediately took out the equipment from the item box.

“H-hey. Just what are you doing?”

Altria-san raised a voice in confusion.

But her voice didn’t reach my ears at that moment.

I took out the equipment I had received from the treasure box, [The Ring of Misfortune]

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Altria-san noticed the intent to put the ring that was taken out on her finger.

...Which finger should I put it on?

Come to think of it... It wasn't mentioned if the ring will resize itself automatically for the wearer...

It's possible that it may not fit on any of Altria-san's fingers.

...Eei! My luck in finding this ring will cancel the negative on Altria-san's luck!

Now all that remains is for the ring to cancel the negative!

With that I checked Altria-san's fingers one by one.

"Se-seiichi?"

I caught a glimpse of Altria-san's appearance who was bright red in the face and a little misty in the eyes!

...Due to the cuteness that could likely cause me to fall in love I consciously moved back to Altria-san's left hand.

"...Thumb... no good. Index... no good. In that case middle... ku~tsu!"

The remaining ones are the ring finger and the pinky...

The pinky is obviously too small even if it is Altria-san.

In that case it can't be helped.

Coming to that conclusion I slid it on her ring finger.

Oh! Perfect!

As luck would have it the ring perfectly fit Altria-san's finger and I unintentionally smiled under the hood.

Suddenly the ring began to emit a divine light!

"Wh-what the!?"

Altria-san and I were dumbfounded.

Despite the ring shining right in front of my face there was no damage to my eyes.

Instead Altria-san and I were wrapped in a soft light.

Eventually the soft light faded and the ring continuously emitted a small violet glow.

With exception of the light its appearance didn't really change.

Somehow I couldn't see the ring in front of me as the same.

Spontaneously I used my appraisal skill.

[The Ring of Happiness]... Dream class equipment. A blessing from two people's feelings for each other— By treasure chest. The curse on the wearer is cancelled and luck is doubled.

Treasure cheeeeeeeeeeeeeeeest!

You were that kind of guy... ! How long are you going to keep helping me!

I don't really understand the part about two peoples feelings but thanks to you Altria-san was saved!

I should tell her that her curse was solved.

"Altria-san! Your curse is solved!"

"Aaaah! I'll explain later. For now just check your status!"

As I excitedly say that Altria-san begins to confirm her status with a little bit of a low atmosphere.

As Altria-san looks at her status her eyes open wide.

"N-no way... that's right?"

"It's true."

"T-that's a lie. Th-this happiness continues. I received that from everyone... everything, it has to be a dream... !

Altria-san was in a tizzy due to the sudden situation.

To help Altria-san calm down I firmly took her hand.

"You may not believe it but this isn't a dream! You are no longer a calamity!"

"Please look at this ring! This is what solved your curse!"

I showed her the ring of misfortune — the ring of happiness on her finger.

Altria-san looked dumbfounded as I was speaking.

"That's why... I think you've had your share of unhappiness already, from now on be happy. I--- will support you with everything I have."

Let's look back at the situation.

First, I comforted Altria-san

Then, remembering the existence of the ring I got from the Treasure Chest I put it on her left ring finger.

Finally, melting away the curse and promising to support Altria-san with everything I have from now on.

"Isn't that a proposal!?"

The fuck did I do!? This kind of a ridiculous mistake!?

Isn't the left ring finger where the wedding ring goes! Why didn't I notice earlier!

...Huh? But... It could only be like that on Earth. Isn't this a different world?

Now that I think about it, in the first place a ring may not even be proof of marriage...

"but then Altria-san's reaction... aaaaaaah! I don't understand!"

There's no point in escaping reality; while feeling that I chased down Altria-san. Damn it~tsu! After this whole Altria-san uproar we'll thoroughly examine this whole hero thing and everything else in this world!

...Ah but...

"If Altria-san is better now then... that's good enough for now."

Finishing up to now, we're on top a mountain of rubble.

Under the clear blue sky; it feels like an image of a Treasure box giving a thumbs up should be floating there.

"1.. 2.. 3.. Oh, it looks like I get some money for helping people."

"What? How much?"

"10,000 G"

"That much!?"

"My turn next... Oh. I also got a 3"

"Ok then move your piece"

"Ok. Um... Oh it looks like I get 50,000 G in baby gifts from the next person to roll"

"So much!? K the next person is... It's me!"

I —- Bell Giselle, the fat Terry Hemuto, and the overly skinny Bosco Dan were playing.

"Well... Humans sure think of interesting things huh."

"Ya I think so too. What was the name of this game again?"

"Wasn't it... [The Game of Life] at least that's what I thought it was called."

That's right. In front of us were a lot of little game pieces and the board which had a little road with instructions written on it. On the top of the board were instructions on how to move your pieces and the dice decide how many places those pieces can move.

"but the hero came from such a nice world where you can play this game?"

"Ho~o. That's a nice world... that kind of place."

Bosco said he went to a nice world before and I was thinking of enjoying something like that.

Even though we watch humans fight I don't really like war.

To begin I've fought magicians to protect myself not too long ago.

"It would be nice to have a world without war."

That unintentionally leaked from my mouth.

Somehow the atmosphere became serious so Teri changed the topic to a more tolerable one.

"Oh next time can't we play [Trump] ?"

“Trump? What’s that?”

“Well... let’s see... you have 4 suits on these cards; Hearts, Diamonds, Spades, and Clubs. Each one has a number on it 1-13.”

“Ho. And then... what kind of game can you play?”

I was unintentionally attracted to the explanation. Bosco answered my question

“I heard this from my friend... [Poker] and [Old Maid] or... Ah, and there is also [Doubt] . Anyways, this torump (intentionally misspelled) can be played in all sorts of ways.”

“Poo-keer-? Also Tired Maid... or Old Lady was it? Those seem ok...”

“Ah it doesn’t really mean the Old Maid got a divorce though...”

“I don’t really understand it. Wha? What do you do?”

There were a lot of words with unknown meanings flying around and unless I played it I wouldn’t know if it was fun or not.

Anyways... Humans are incredible. Thinking of all these ways to play with one thing.

“That’s right... I don’t remember much of the rules of Doubt...”

“Meh that’s ok let try it anyways.”

Just give me a simplified version of the rules.

In short you hide your cards from your opponents and place cards face down on the table. If no one doubts your card is the said card then it stays on the table but if someone thinks you’re lying they shout “Doubt” and if you lied you have to pick up all the cards if it’s true then that person gets them all.

What a harsh set of rules those humans made... !

If you’re scared then [doubt] would never be shouted!? That’s a huge risk!... What!? That’s how it’s played!? Doesn’t the thrill seem like it would be fun!?!... It seems that layers are liked. Well enough talking about it let’s start.

Fu~tsu... In short lying is good in this game. This game is composure!

[Seven]

[Eight]

[[Doubt]]

[Noooooooooooo!?!]

Result——I suffered a disastrous defeat.

Though i found out later, it seems like this is a play done by at least 4 people... Son of a bitch!

To we three people, who were non chalantly enjoying our everyday life, the door was

suddenly bashed open.

[...]

[Re, Reiya-sama?]

The expression of Reiya-sama who had entered the room was surprisingly serious.

Without answering my call, she walks straight in our direction.

While playing games in the sitting posture, we stop to look at Reiya-sama.

Then Reiya-sama who had been quiet up until now, slowly opens her mouth.

[...the Black Dragon God... has been defeated]

[[[... huh?]]]

Together we raise a stupid voice.

The black dragon god... has been defeated?

I thought it was impossible. That person, if you exclude the demon king, has the highest war potential in all of \*\*\*. He cannot be defeated.

I thought the same thing. Terry and Bosco are also stunned.

While looking down on us, Reiya-sama spoke once again.

“The black dragon god, it was defeated”

“.....” x3

The expression of Reiya-sama is too serious, her words must be true.

We never thought the black dragon god would be defeated.

For this reason, i am surprised and completely dumbstruck.

“For now, to regain the Black dragon god’s power I must travel to [The labyrinth of the black dragon god]”

“If that’s the case, then we also...!”

“During my absence, you must protect this place.”

Even if you ask with a serious expression, we have no choice but to shut up. Besides if we follow Reiya-sama, we will certainly be a burden to Reiya-sama. But, in the first place, to imagine Black Dragon God being defeated by humans, we wouldn’t have such thoughts. Because of that, it was troubling for Black Dragon God and Reiya-sama. 1111

“Somehow I expected what I imagined you guys are doing upon arriving here... But, even I wouldn’t have thought Black Dragon God be defeated. That’s why, you guys shouldn’t worry about it. Besides, although the idea was good, it was still naive. Fortunately, thanks to the dungeon, Black Dragon God should have recovered... That

said, it shouldn't be a complete recovery, I'll be heading over to make sure he completely recovers."

We were impressed by the words and actions of Reiya-sama. This guy's various action... He's quite amazing... She still doesn't have a boyfriend. Besides, if it is Reiya-sama, he will certainly be able to regain the power of Black Dragon. We looked at Reiya-sama with shining eyes, as Reiya-sama grumbled slightly.

"Well... the Demon King will be able to regain his powers"

"That is..."

"Anyways! While I am not here, make sure to properly guard this castle"

" " Roger! " "

Hearing our replies, Reiya-sama nodded gratefully and used teleportation magic, disappearing from the spot. When Reiya-sama was sure to have left, Terry and Bosco called out to me.

"Hey..."

"What's wrong?"

"Somehow, you seem to have a serious look"

The both of them seems to be worried about me. I have such good friends! While I was thinking of such things, I honestly spoke what was troubling me.

"What if... I entrust it to him"

" " Bell-san... " "

It was painful looking at their cold gaze.

"Pull back your weapon! In combat, a single opportunity is fatal!"

I... Takamiya Shota, am in the royal palace, receiving combat training with a wooden sword in the training field. Of course, I am not the only one being trained. All the students who had been summoned as heroes, received this training.

"100 more times!"

The one who had been teaching us, is the knight commander of this country, Zakir Gilford-san.

After the first meeting with the king, Zakir was the person who had his arms folded behind the spear-wielding soldiers.

The dull silver armor carved with many scratches, giving an atmosphere of a veteran, was clearly different from the ordinary soldiers.

With wooden swords in our hand, Zakir-san ordered us to practice 1000 swings.

We the summoned heroes, practiced in order to master the “Holy Sword” which will inevitably be placed in our hands.

Unlike the time with Zakir, following the instruction of someone with the common sense of this world, all of us were able to safely make the holy sword appear.

According to that person, the sacred sword is effective against demons and the demon lord, it appears to withhold the [Holy Attribute]

The so called [Holy Attribute] , when used against demon folk, in order to have maximum effectiveness, surprisingly, all of us are undergoing training to skillfully handle it, under Zakir’s guidance.

“5 more!... 4! 3! 2! 1!... Okay, that’s it!”

In sync with Zakir’s instructions, we held down our wooden swords.

Although it’s been half a year since coming to this world, there’s still a lot of people who are unable to follow through the training.

Senior Kanazuki and I were originally Kendo club members, so it wasn’t that much of a hurdle, Kenji also passed through sheer will power.

As everyone catches their breath, while resting their aching bodies, Zakia said.

“Today’s training ends here. Each of you make sure to get enough rest.]

After giving out minimal required instructions, Zakir takes leave.

Normally this is where everyone disbands, but this time it’s different

“Please wait up a bit!”

The one who called Zakir to wait was, Seiichi’s class representative, Aoyama.

“When is it that we’ll stop swinging and get some real battle experience? Our status is increasing but our level is still the same.”

“For now, it’s more important to get used to your weapon.”

“Isn’t that what you’ve said before? I .. still think that defeating weak monsters and leveling up is still the best way to get stronger.”

As Aoyama said so, the others who’ve kept quiet up till now started stirring up unanimously.

“Yeah, thats right isn’t it !”

[If we just keep swinging the wooden sword , we’ll never ever get strong]

[The original spec of our body was high to begin with, so it's definitely better to be strong via leveling up ]

[Zakir-san, please let us fight monsters already]

Voices of complaint slowly rise.

When the line of sight suddenly lands on Kannazuki senpai, he faced the students with a bitter face.

Indeed, leveling up will definitely make us stronger by now.

But, for some reason i feel that something's not right

Then, Zakir who was listening to the student's complaints in silence, said.

"...The policy will remain unchanged. tomorrow you'll continue the swings, and perform simple combat exercise. And that's that"

After saying that, Zakir turned and left.

When the figure of Zakir's back disappears, the student's throw out complaints one after the other.

[Whats with that guy!]

[I really don't get this guy]

[What's the point of doing something so meaningless?]

[Is there something wrong with his head?]

Everyone is just saying what they want

Though it's true that the efficiency is bad but seems like he has something in mind

Though it's true that i practiced kendo, but when its comes to real combat i'm just an amature. its best to leave things to pros.

As i concluded so, I continued to watch the scene as students kept spewing ugly epithets in front of my eyes.

[Ahhh... ]

Upon the balcony where the beautiful moonlight shines, I... Zakir Gilford lets out a sigh

[...This isn't going to be easy is it... ]

[What isn't... ?]

Unexpectedly, a voice came from behind.

I wasn't startled by the voice that came from behind. As i've already sense that there was a presence nearby.

[Oh it's you, Orpheus... ]

[Mind if I take a seat next to you?]

[...Do as you please]

The one who replied my with a gentle smile was the gentle mannered man with brown curly hair, Orpheus Almond the knight leader assistant

The subordinate that i have confidence in the most, whose ability is by far the best amongst the knights

Like me orpheus looked up at the moon silently

Then, slowly he started to speak.

[Zakir, the training today was harsh]

[Why's that ?]

(everything below here still in yellow highlight, I'm not entirely sure about)<-Lonjest

While showing a wry smile, the core of my worries is Orpheus.

While , I'm not trying to hide it in particularly, I tell Orpheus.

"...It's because I don't want them to die."

"What?"

Orpheus had a shocked expression on his face, was my answer that unexpected.

"They are... a people not use to war. And yet, saying that they will be relied upon for the subjugation of the Demon King, it's something that can't be understood"

"That's..."

"Moreover... I'm telling you now, I don't want to fight a war against demons. I hope to coexist"

Orpheus's eyes, opened really wide.

"...Zakir. That remark, is the opposite ideal of the King's. If somebody else heard you..."

"No problem... That's because there is... only you, here"

When I said so, Orpheus showed a sign of relief.

"It will not be alright if the [King Sword] is like that"

"...I don't like that name. In addition, while I obey the orders of the existing King, my mind is always with the King's predecessor"

"...Is that Alph"

Alph Dear Kaiser. He is the benefactor who saved my life, and is a person who's was a wonderful King.

He is gentle to the people, will immediately help those in trouble no matter their race...

That's the kind of person he is.

However, Alph, because the effects of aging, has had an increase in the amount of time

he sleeps in a day, and the throne was passed over to the present King the King's son.

From that day, there was never any peace.

As Orpheus says, I have a grim expression.

"...Certainly, the present King... Although the story has wandered off, I understand you don't want them to die. But, why don't you let them gain actual fighting experience?"

"...They, seem to come from a peaceful world more than we had thought. They don't know how to hold a sword, and don't even know the methods to easily take a person's life. Therefore, I'm teaching them how to use weapons first"

"That's..."

"Certainly, I will be hated for thoroughly having them do the basics. However, they have never touched a weapon before. I know that's superficial. However, the outcome is better than if they do not do that"

"I know that I am selfish. However, they do not want to die just as much as us. If I came from a peaceful world, I'd want to live in that wonderful world... It's simply that"

Saying that, I leave the balcony.

"Zakir... You are too cowardly..." (it's either awkward or cowardly I'm not sure here. I'm thinking cowardly)

I didn't hear the mutter of Orpheus, and just disappear into the night.



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