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Chapter 1036 Obedience

At that moment, Tommy asked curiously, "Mr. Chance, since Lizbeth and you are going to Dragon Island, why aren't you traveling together?"

"Erm..." Kai had no idea how to answer.

"I came by myself. Hence, Kai wasn't even aware of it." Lizbeth interrupted.

"That's right, I wasn't aware that she was going to Dragon Island too." Kai nodded at once.

After sweeping his gaze around, William noticed that Josephine wasn't anywhere to be seen. Hence, he asked, "Kai, where's Josephine? Aren't you going there with her?"

Briefly stunned, Kai was at a loss as to how he should explain to William. In the end, he decided to lie. "Josephine is busy, so she didn't join us. I'm going there together with my friends."

Kai pointed to Skylar and Karl behind him.

Coming forward with a slight smile, Skylar greeted Walter and William, "Hello, I'm Kai's friend, Skylar Norton."

"Hello!" Walter and William returned his greeting.

After exchanging pleasantries, they returned to the ship's cabin. Nevertheless, Walter and William were particularly excited to have run into Lizbeth and Kai.

Subsequently, both men chatted happily with Kai in one of the rooms. As Kai had been busy recently and seldom returned to Horington, the two had missed him a lot.

"Kai, that friend of yours, Skylar, looks to be a fine young man. Does he come from a prominent family? He exudes a distinguished vibe that is rare among the youth in Horington," William asked.

"Mmm-hmm, he is a member of the Norton family of Jadeborough. Even though he seems congenial, he isn't someone to be trifled with. Therefore, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Grange, it's better if both of you keep your distance from him," Kai advised the two.

Although both of them were surprised by Kai's words, they still nodded in acknowledgment.

After chatting a little more, Kai pulled Lizbeth aside.

"Lizbeth, didn't I tell you not to come?" Kai questioned with a grim look on his face.

Sensing Kai's anger, she lowered her head and explained meekly, "I-I was worried that you would be in danger."

"Listen to me, once we arrive at Dragon Island, you should lead Mr. Grange and the others away from me. By following me, not only will you be of no help but will also get in my way," Kai instructed sternly.

He was cognizant that Skylar didn't bring him to Dragon Island with good intentions. If the situation went sideways, he still had the ability to escape.

However, the sudden appearance of Walter and William complicated matters for him.

In the event Skylar took anyone of them as a hostage to threaten him, he could not just sit idly by.

Nodding in acknowledgment, Lizbeth began to realize the folly of her actions.

Meanwhile, inside another room nearby, Skylar was in a delightful mood.

"Hahaha, the heavens are smiling upon me! I didn't expect to run into those who are close to Kai. At the rate this is going, he will have to submit to us obediently."

Skylar took a gentle sip of red wine.

"Mr. Norton, from those among the group, I can see that the girl is the one whom Kai holds the dearest. As long as we capture her, he will have to obey everything we say!" Karl, Baron of the Northwest, remarked.

"That's right. I realize it too. I'm surprised that Kai is such a player to have women swooning over him wherever he goes."

As a jealous glint flashed in his eye, Skylar added, "Now that we have brought Kai to Dragon Island, are you confident of luring the Flame Dragon out with him?"

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Chapter 1037 My Countermeasures

"Mr. Norton, don't worry. As long as we bring Kai to the island, the Flame Dragon will definitely appear, for he is carrying the draconic essence of the Ice Dragon. Furthermore, the Flame Dragon is currently at its weakest. Once we kill it and obtain its draconic essence, we can proceed to kill Kai for the Ice Dragon essence. By amalgamating the two draconic essences, we will be able to manifest the Power of Dragons!

"Many prominent families underestimate the draconic essences and think they're useless. Little do they know that one has to combine two pieces for it to work. Once you swallow the two draconic essences, I guarantee that you will instantly become the strongest Top Level Martial Arts Grandmaster out there!" Karl declared with a burning look in his eyes.

In response, Skylar was filled with excitement. "Haha, once I get my hands on the draconic essences and become a Top Level Martial Arts Grandmaster, I will reward the Gardner family with a place in Jadeborough."

"Thank you, Mr. Norton!" Karl expressed his gratitude at once.

Even though Karl was the Baron of the Northwest, the region was extremely poor. Hence, he wasn't highly regarded by the prominent families of other areas.

As a result, he intended to carve himself a place in Jadeborough through the Jadeborough martial arts world.

He planned to do so by finding Skylar and telling the latter about the secret of Dragon Island.

After all, he recognized that even if he didn't reveal it, he wasn't strong enough to obtain the draconic essences on his own.

Separately, Kai and Lizbeth were sharing a bottle of red wine inside the cruise ship's bar.

The luxury cruise was equipped with all sorts of amenities. In fact, it was so opulent that it even had a swimming pool.

Unfortunately, Kai had no interest in them at all.

As the journey to Dragon Island took two days, Kai decided to spend some quality time with Lizbeth.

After all, no one could predict what was going to happen once they got there.

"Kai, have you forgotten your friends now that you have a girl by your side?"

Out of nowhere, Skylar and Karl came over and sat down opposite Kai.

The moment he did, Karl made a minute gesture with his finger and released a discreet aura into Kai's bottle of wine.

Neither Kai nor Lizbeth noticed the action at all.

Kai glanced at Skylar and broke into a faint smile. "Do you want a glass?"

"I'm fine, thank you. Considering how well equipped the ship is and the beautiful scenery outside, isn't it a waste for you to just sit there and sip wine?" Skylar commented with a grin.

"I don't enjoy walking around." Kai shook his head.

"In that case, we'll not get in your way of chatting with this beauty."

Skylar got to his feet and remarked, "Karl, let's go."

Watching the two leaving silhouettes, Lizbeth commented with a frown, "It's obvious that those two men are up to no good, especially the one called Skylar. Behind that hypocritical face of his must be a mind full of schemes."

Kai chuckled. "He might have his methods, but I have my countermeasures. Besides, I'm curious to know why they are taking me to Dragon Island."

"Regardless of the reason, nothing good will come out of it. Thus, you have to watch yourself out there," Lizbeth reminded with an anxious expression.

At that moment, Tommy came over and informed, "Mr. Chance, Ms. Grange, Mr. Grange has invited you over to join them."

Surprised, Kai wondered what Walter wanted to see them for.

By the time they arrived at Walter's room, the latter related excitedly, "Kai, have you heard? There's going to be an auction on the ship selling antiques that have been recovered from the sea. As a result, I wanted to invite you to check it out together."

As Walter was an avid antique collector, he was elated to learn that there was even an antique auction on the cruise.

"An auction, here?"

Kai was equally amazed. However, after giving it some thought, he felt that it wasn't a surprise since they were on a luxury cruise. Holding an auction with so many wealthy passengers on board was certainly a brilliant way to make money.

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Chapter 1038 The Auction

Upon the realization, Kai began to admire the owner of the cruise ship.

Soon, all of them arrived at the auction venue after being guided by the ship's crew.

When Kai saw how packed it was, he figured that the rich loved to collect antiques since there was no point in having so much money but not spending it. Moreover, antiques were also considered investments. If one could pick up something of value, it would definitely be a profitable trade.

As the auction rules required a deposit for entry, Walter paid the one million stipulated before everyone was allowed to enter.

After finding a secluded corner, the group took their seats and quietly waited for the auction to begin.

Right after that, Kai saw Skylar and Karl enter. However, both of them took their seats some distance away.

While waiting, Walter rubbed his palms together in excitement.

"William, if I find something good and am short, you must lend me a hand!" Walter whispered as he leaned closer to William.

"Mr. Grange, don't worry. I'll definitely back you up." William nodded with a smile.

"Mr. Grange, here's a card. I don't know how much money is in there, but there should be a few billion. Take it first, and bid whatever you fancy with it."

Kai took out a bank card and handed it over to Walter.

The money from the card had come from the sales of medicinal herbs and mining for precious stones. Having delegated the businesses to someone else, he would receive a continuous stream of income into the card.

"No, I can't take your money. You still have plenty of use for it!" Walter waved his hand to decline.

Walter was aware that Kai needed to purchase lots of herbs and resources on his cultivation journey. Therefore, he still had plenty of use for his money.

Unknown to him, Kai had reached the stage where he seldom needed spiritual stones or herbs for his cultivation. On top of that, he was now the Lord of Medicine God Sect with unlimited access to herbs. Just the Thousands of Miles Away painting alone was enough for Kai to fulfill his cultivation needs.

"Mr. Grange, take it. I don't have anything to spend this money on for now."

Kai stuffed the card into Walter's hand.

When Walter was about to refuse again, Lizbeth persuaded, "Grandpa, you should take it. After all, we're one family now."

Lizbeth's words stunned Walter for a fleeting moment before he burst into hearty laughter. "That's right, I'll take it since we're family after all."

Realizing her slip of tongue, Lizbeth blushed at once.

"Mr. Grange, since we're all family going forward, feel free to let me know anytime you're short," William added with a smile.

Both Walter and William had no objections to Kai having a relationship with Lizbeth and Josephine at the same time.

Cognizant of how extraordinary Kai was, it wouldn't come as a surprise to them that Kai would have a harem one day.

Soon, the host of the auction came on stage to kick off the event.

"For today's auction, we are honored to have Mr. Wood grace the occasion. Therefore, let's me invite him up here to say a few words."

Just as the host spoke, a pot-bellied man with a big beard came on stage.

He was Freddy Wood, the most powerful man in Southernshire. He controlled the entire harbor in the city along with the ships berthed there. Even the cruise ship they were on belonged to him. Evidently, Freddy's wealth could easily outshine many of the prominent families from Jadeborough.

In addition, he was also a martial artist and possessed the strength of a Grandmaster. Rumor had it that he used to be a fisherman. One day, he caught a big fish with a pearl inside its belly. After swallowing the pearl, his strength increased significantly, allowing him to control the entire harbor.

Throughout the years, Freddy's fleet retrieved many antiques from the sea. As he was an uncultured man, he had no interest in them at all. Therefore, he chose to put them on auction and grew his wealth further from the sales proceeds. As time went on, he managed to establish his position within the city.

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Chapter 1039 Buying Spree

"Ladies and gentlemen, I would first like to thank you for attending the auction. The items on the block today are extremely valuable, for I have discovered them from a ship sunk a thousand years ago. If there's anything you fancy, you have to act fast before it's too late!"

Holding the microphone in his hand, Freddy declared excitedly, "And now, let the auction begin!"

Just as he finished, a crystal vase as tall as a person was brought on stage.

The moment he laid eyes on it, Walter's face lit up.

After a round of intense bidding, he won the bid for the vase at fifty million.

Subsequently, Walter couldn't control his excitement as he continued to bid for the subsequent items with a vengeance.

After buying up more than ten items, Walter wasn't satisfied at all. In fact, both his eyes had turned red.

It felt as if that was the most enjoyable auction he had ever attended.

After a while, Walter's behavior began attracting everyone's attention. Although all of them were rich, it was the first time they saw someone bid so indiscriminately. In fact, even Skylar was dumbstruck by what he saw.

Meanwhile, Freddy, who was sitting in the front row, couldn't resist turning around and giving Walter an indiscernible look.

"Grandpa, it's time to stop, as you have already spent a lot. In fact, you have finished all the money Kai gave you."

Realizing that everyone was staring at them, Lizbeth guickly gave Walter's sleeve a tug.

Jolted back to his senses by Lizbeth's reminder, Walter explained awkwardly, "I just got carried away after seeing so many antiques. Don't worry. I'll stop now."

"Lizbeth, since your grandpa is enjoying himself, you should let him buy till his heart's content, as antiques retrieved from the ocean are hard to come by. Besides, I still have some money with me," William added with a chuckle.

"Right, right, right. William hit the nail on the head. Underwater antiques are really rare. Who knows, I might find a gem within them with skyrocketing value!"

Walter found himself an excuse to buy more antiques.

Having heard his response, Lizbeth sighed in resignation. After all, she was well aware of Walter's obsession with antiques. As long as he sees something he fancies, no amount of persuasion will stop him.

When the auction came to a close, Walter ended up buying everything except for a few dilapidated items he didn't like, spending a shocking ten billion.

Only when the event was over did he leave reluctantly. As for the antiques he won the bid for, they would be sent to his home once the cruise ship returned to Southernshire.

After the auction, Walter's display had made him the talk of the town during the two-day journey. After all, there were few people who could blow more than ten billion at a single event.

Two days later, the ship arrived at Dragon Island.

This time, the scenery had entirely changed from a few months ago. It was no longer scorching hot nor freezing cold at all.

Instead, the air on the island was so fresh that it felt extremely pleasant.

Other than Kai's cruise ship, there were many other ships docked at Dragon Island. Consequently, the entire place was crowded with tourists.

"Lizbeth, after this, take Mr. Grange and the others sightseeing and stay away from me," Kai instructed before disembarking from the ship.

Nodding in acknowledgment, Lizbeth reminded in a concerned tone, "You have to be careful!"

"Relax, there's just two of them. They can't stop me if I want to leave."

Kai wasn't worried at all. Even if he was no match for Skylar and Karl in a fight, fleeing wasn't going to be a problem. Therefore, if both of them tried anything funny, he would be able to leave unscathed.

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Chapter 1040 Poisoned

After leaving the ship, Lizbeth, Walter, and the rest left alongside all the other tourists.

"Kai, aren't your friends joining us?" Skylar asked in surprise when he saw Lizbeth and Walter leaving.

"No, they'll just end up being a burden." Kai smiled plainly.

Reading between the lines, Skylar cracked a grin. "In that case, let's go."

With Skylar and Karl walking in front and Kai following behind, the three of them set off for the depths of the island.

Taking out a geomantic compass, Karl began chanting.

Suddenly, his compass flew into the air and unleashed a faint red hue.

After spinning a few rounds, it began flying in the south-easterly direction.

"Quick, follow it."

Barking out his instructions, Karl sprinted after the compass, with Skylar and Kai following closely behind.

After running for half an hour, the compass finally stopped and flew back into Karl's hand.

"It's here!" Karl declared as he scanned the surroundings.

"What in the world are you looking for?" Kai asked curiously.

With a narrowed gaze, Skylar replied, "We're looking for the Flame Dragon. After you swallowed the Ice Dragon's draconic essence, the island went through dramatic change, including the disappearance of the Flame Dragon. Therefore, we are now looking for it so that we can obtain its draconic essence."

"Don't tell me that you're expecting me to fight the Flame Dragon? The Norton family has plenty of warriors who are stronger than I am," Kai asked with a puzzled tone.

Given that the Norton family had many powerful warriors, they didn't need Kai's help to fight the Flame Dragon. In fact, the hunched-back old man, who followed Skylar around, was a Top Level Martial Arts Grandmaster and stronger than Kai. As a result, Kai was cognizant that he was definitely not there for combat.

"Of course not. We don't need you to fight it. However, the blood that courses through your veins can lure the Flame Dragon out of its hiding place." Skylar's eyes glistened with murderous intent.

At that moment, Kai finally understood why Skylar invited him to Dragon Island. It turns out that he was supposed to be the bait to lure the Flame Dragon out.

"Do you think that just the two of you can stop me?" Kai's aura began to swell within him.

"Hahaha, that's not up to you to decide!" After breaking out in hearty laughter, Skylar looked in Karl's direction. "Do it!"

Karl nodded before his lips started to move as if he was mumbling something.

In the meantime, Kai gave him a baffled look, as he had no idea what Karl was up to.

All of a sudden, Lizbeth, who happened to be more than ten miles away, let out an agonizing scream when she felt a splitting pain in her head. Subsequently, she collapsed onto the ground and lost consciousness.

After chanting a curse for more than ten minutes, Karl was shocked to see Kai still standing and not reacting at all.

"Are you trying to nag me to death?" Kai taunted.

"What's going on?" Skylar asked Karl with his brows furrowed.

Karl had obviously spiked Kai and Lizbeth's drink. But now, Kai wasn't affected by it at all.

"I don't know. I'm certain that I had poisoned them."

Karl was baffled as to why Kai wasn't reacting to his poison.

The moment he heard what Karl had done to him, Kai's expression drastically changed. "Who else did you poison?"

With the Focus Technique shielding him, Kai was immune to all poisons. However, the same couldn't be said for others. If Lizbeth and the others were poisoned, their life would certainly be in danger.

"The lady you were drinking with, as I spiked the wine both of you drank. Perhaps, the poison in her is already reacting right now. Therefore, if you obey whatever I say, I'll give you the antidote later. By then—"