

Hakuryo Gakuin, a private school in the suburbs of Tokyo, has three dormitories for upper division students.

One day, late at night.

Two shadows talk to each other in a room on the top floor of one of the most luxuriously built dormitories in the world, a converted Persian palace.

"These are the things that have happened to your husband this week."

One of them, a shadow standing at the window, silently stared into his master's face after several minutes of reporting.

The other shadow, dimly illuminated by the flickering candlelight, nods quietly and looks at the other's face as she sits on the large canopied bed with its many layers of silk veils.

The shadow standing by the window bowed deeply, even though no words had been exchanged.

Thank you for your compliments, Miss. But the problem is, after all, the Husband. That erotic, blokey Husband comes in contact with women too often, even if it's just by accident. At that rate, I can't help but think he's doing it on purpose. He has a very bad temperament."

(alt: "Thank you for your compliment, young lady. But the problem is, after all, my husband ... That erotic bokeh husband has too many contacts with women, even though it was an accident. With that probability, I'm aiming for it. I can only think that there is ... There are some things that are bad in nature. ") "....."

(alt: 「.....」) (alt: 「.....」) (alt: 「.....」) (alt: 「.....」) I know how you feel, but it's not good to leave him like this. Because of the doctrines and precepts, we cannot act like other people, so we have to be prepared and act accordingly, or else our position as the first wife may be in jeopardy.

".....,"

(alt: 「.....、.....」) Yes, of course. We have already taken some steps. We will have to make some adjustments depending on when and how the next math test goes, but no problem, we'll get it just the way you want it!

The confident voice brought a small smile to the mouth of the person sitting on the bunk.

The one-sided conversation, which would have been impossible for a third party to avoid, ended there.

The candle on the candlestick flickers and then goes out without a sound. Hence, this is the signal to break the silence and start moving.

(alt: The candlelight that was lit on the candlestick shimmered for a moment, and then went out without sound ... —— And this was the signal of the beginning that the silence was broken and it began to move.) is a bit sudden, don't you think?

I muttered my words in a whisper, but there was no response, even though my words must have been heard.

What kind of a thick skull does that squire really have to have to be able to ignore something so completely when he's facing it? The master is silent, covering his entire body except his eyes with chador and other things.

With Eiche and Hedier, the worst possible communication partners, Akiharu sighed and looked down at his right hand.

There was a card the size of a business card that Hedier had just given me.

The partner card for the N.I.S.T. exam has become a familiar sight.

It was during this afternoon's class that I heard an announcement from the full-time teacher of education, Mr. Fukaba, that the exam would be held this coming Sunday.

Probably around the same time, there should have been a request for cooperation from upper secondary school students.

Yesterday, he said, "I'm going to a movie next Sunday with Pina, and I want you to come with me.

Tomomi did not say anything about it, so it is probably correct.

Even though they were in the same room, the two of them were not in the same place at the same time. This Afram duo appeared in front of Akiharu as if they were waiting for her and handed her a partner card without even saying hello.

(alt: Even so ... This Afram teaching combination appeared in front of Akibare at the timing of ambushing, and gave me a partner card for greetings.) It was so quick that I wondered if they knew in advance the date of the exam announcement.

It is strange not to wonder in this situation.

In fact, it is too strange that after handing over the card, they don't say anything and don't seem to be leaving.

..... I can't help but get nervous that I'm going to be forced to make some kind of life transition again.

As Akiharu looked back and forth between the card in his hand and the faces of the two upperclassmen, Hedier suddenly broke the smile that had been plastered on his face and said, "Well, miss, I'm sorry. I think it's time for us to leave, since we have already achieved our goal and there are signs of people coming this way."

(alt: When Akiharu was looking back and forth between the card at hand and the faces of the two senior students, he suddenly broke the smile that Hedyeh had stuck on, and said, "— Well, young lady. It's about time to have some free time. Well, the purpose has already been reached, and the signs of people are approaching here. ") Where are these ninjas from, sensing my presence?

Hedier's words did not seem like a joke to me, and Eiche nodded in agreement with the squire's words.

While Akiharu was pouting, Aiche tilted her head in farewell, and Hedier bowed deeply, as if he were a follower.

Well then, sir, we will see you again on Sunday at the exam.

No, wait, I haven't decided to appoint a partner yet.

That's all Akiharu could say.

..... because Hedier's face was lifted up and he had a deadly blade called a smile on his face.

I don't think it's possible that even your husband, who has no more value than a discarded piece of junk on the side of the road, would refuse Miss Eiche's gracious invitation, don't you think?"

Yeah, No, that's

I would normally be thankful to sob and forehead to the ground until my skin is chafed, but the forgiving young lady does not want that, so Hedier will have to endure it too. If you should, by any chance, but it is not possible, refuse to pay the offered hand, I leave it to your imagination what will happen."

"....."

The bird's neck-squeezing motion was enough for me to imagine it.

Wow.

I've been threatened in plain English, okay? As proof that I wasn't mistaken, the Marder's Handmaiden continues to cut off my neck with her index finger.

However, I was not sure how many times I would be repaid if I complained, so Akiharu silently watched them walk away.

(alt: But I don't know how many times it will be returned if I complain, so Akibare silently saw off their backs.) It is a loser's idea, but since he is as formidable as a poisonous serpent, I have no choice but to accept the situation as it is.

While chewing over the life she has had to endure, Akiharu, left alone, begins to walk at a leisurely pace toward her dormitory. As she does so, she thinks once again about her current exchange.

(alt: Akiharu, who was left alone, started walking steadily toward the dormitory while biting into a life that he could endure ... While doing so, he reconsidered the current exchanges.) Tëm, what on earth is this?

The remaining cards in his hand insist that what just happened is real, and his heartbeat, which had doubled in speed in response to the death threat, has not yet slowed down.

After their shocking encounter, there was a little bit of a risk to their lives or their future, and since then, they have only had relatively normal contact with each other.

It was also a surprise.

I knew it was sudden... are you up to something?"

If so, the main culprit would not be the innocent-looking master, but rather his aide who seems to have a good match with a certain black-hearted person.

..... And unlike Tomomi, she's not afraid to go after you, you know.

He always has a dagger in his hand.

If someone told me that he was an assassin by profession, I would believe him.

But that's why it's not a good idea to turn down an invitation to "You look really un-busy, don't you?

"Oh, what? drill?"

I was lost in thought when I was suddenly approached by a woman with a familiar face and hairstyle.

Selnia, who was already dressed in her casual clothes, looked at me with folded arms as if to say, "I'm in a bad mood.

I didn't even realize it, but before I knew it, I was near the Education Department's dormitory.

.....

(alt: I mean, I didn't notice it at all, but before I knew it, I arrived near the dormitory of the subordinate department.) As Akiharu was enjoying the feeling of warp, Selnia, who seemed to be displeased with our reaction, raised her eyebrows and stroked her curly blonde hair, saying, "..... This stupid commoner forgets what people say as fast as a bird. I'm surprised. I thought I promised you that I would stop calling you names that make fun of my hair!"

..... Ah. Ah. Oh, yeah, that's right.

(alt: "..... Ah. Ah. That 's right.") I had completely forgotten that such a thing had happened.

However, Akiharu has a point.

Usually, I try to be conscious and call them by their first names even when I might say them out loud, but when I'm caught off guard like this, it's impossible to do so.

And since I had been calling him "drill drill" for so long, I would say it even if I didn't mean to speak ill of him.

I'm sorry, it just happened because he spoke to me out of the blue.

(alt: "No, I was suddenly talked to you, so I'm sorry.") "..... Hmm, you mean to tell me you've been thinking straight?"

Oh? Why are you doing that?"

I was not hiding in such a good vantage point, but he didn't seem to notice me at all. He looked like a bottle crusher looking for friendly tourists. Anyone with just a little bit of observation could have figured it out.

If you put it that way, I can understand the autumn sun.

But who is the bottle crusher?

How dare this drill equate a thinking person with a money hungry scam artist?

..... Well, I was walking along, tired and disheveled, and a girl I witnessed said to me, "I thought you were using some nasty drugs.

I was snitched on, and if I was a little grumpy and irritable, "I thought for sure they'd kill me if they laid eyes on me."

The results are not enough, however.

Still, I don't want to be told that I'm the type of person who will fight back tenfold no matter what is done to me.

But, well, this time it was partly my fault, so I decided not to argue and simply explained what had just happened.

No," he said, "a couple of years ago, the duo of Eiche and Hedier came in. I gave them this, and they left."

This guy?, is that a partner card?

"Ah, as you can see. "Yeah, as you can see. But you never approached me before, and now all of a sudden you're doing this? I've been thinking about it a lot, thinking there must be something to it."

In the meantime, we will keep the fact of the threat under wraps.

..... No, it's not that I'm ashamed to let my seniors know that I was scared, it's just that I want to honor them.

As Akiharu scratched his cheek, Selnia stared at the card in his hand with a somewhat tense expression.

It would be awkward if the silence continued, and since it was the right time, Akiharu asked one question.

You know, like at the end of the first semester, doesn't the upper division teach the content of the exam? If so, I might be able to understand why this happened depending on the content.

..... No, all we received was a card and a letter offering to help us with the test. It's business as usual, not like it was in the summer.

(alt: "... No, all we had was a card and a letter with an offer to cooperate with the exam. As usual, it's not the same as in the summer.") I see. That means I still have to go to

..... I don't know."

(alt: "That's right. I don't know) Throwing the spoon, Akiharu let out a short breath and said, "..... Well, there's no point in thinking about it at this point. I can't reject an invitation from a senior student, so for now, I'll just accept it and see how it goes."

"Hey,, are you going to take the job?"

Selnia reacts quickly to my words, her eyes widening, and she exclaims, "I'm so glad you're here.

That's all well and good, but please don't grab me by the breast.

Is she really a noblewoman?

Since it was not too painful, he let her do it, and Akiharu spoke calmly as much as he could.

Because if Hedier doesn't know what the test is, he can't do the traps or the details, and if he refuses to do it properly, he'll go berserk again."

"I may or may not be, but I am!"

In the first place, you never know if you'll find a partner for the exam. We are still behind the other students, so we have to take our chances.

Yes, I did say something good.

It is wonderful to have a theory that can convince not only others but also myself.

It's a billion times better to tell the truth because you are afraid of being threatened.

..... and in front of Akiharu, who was immersed in his own self-satisfaction.

For some reason, Mr. Drill bit his lip in frustration and glared at me.

No, you don't have to look at me like I'm watching an irreconcilable enemy win the lottery.

You're so beautifully made, don't you realize that you're too powerful when you look like that? Anyway, there is no use in getting angry with Selnia except to tease her, so Akiharu decided to turn the tables on her while controlling the raging drill with his hand.

By the way, Selnia.

What is? If you keep talking nonsense, I'm going to strangle you right here and now."

..... are all the students in the upper secondary school like this?

I'm just wondering. What are you doing here?"

What does it mean? Wherever you are is my business and none of your business.

That's true, but didn't you say you and Feng were going to enjoy dim sum at Yancui Lou after school today?

"Nah!"

Both the dormitory and the Yan Suiou are so far away from the dormitory that I can't help but wonder why they are here.

At the question of course, Selnia finally let go of my hand that had been holding her by the breast, and her aura of anger, which had been so intrusive earlier, began to diffuse and her gaze began to shift fidgetily.

In front of Akiharu's eyes, Selnia's eyebrows were furrowed, and she opened and closed her hands in a panicked manner, as if she was pantomiming.

He opened his eyes and said something like that in a snippy tone.

I'm going to go to "..... eh. In that outfit?"

That's because we're going straight there!

But why did you suddenly take up jogging in that flouncy skirt?"

Diet: "I'm on a diet! Do you have a problem with me?"

Of course, Akiharu had not a single complaint, so he raised both hands in surrender.

Then Selnia, still angry, ran off at a brisk pace, as if she were practicing for a short-distance race rather than jogging.

..... That's why you look like you're wearing a skirt like that.

White skin, red something.

It's getting away from me in no time at all.

As I watched her disappear, appealing to the same level of carelessness as Shikikagami, I began to think that all sorts of things were relatively unimportant.

"..... I'm going to take a bath first, then I'll text Tomomi."

(alt: "... For the time being, do you want to email Tomomi after taking a bath?") Telling herself that she had to remember to let them know that she would not be able to go to the movie, Akiharu entered the dormitory.

Sunday, the day of the examination.

Although it was early at 10:00 a.m. and the weather was clear, the autumn weather was far from refreshing.

..... Hey, I still think there's something wrong with this.

(alt: "... Well, I think this is something different.") Aisheh, who was again covered by her chador except for her eyes, tilted her head slightly as she looked back and bobbed her head awkwardly.

I think it's very adorable the way she does it, but I'm wondering, "What's the matter, Mister, have you finally realized the error of your ways?"

..... The problem is that this handmaiden has a bad mouth.

How many times do you have to break my heart, God damn it! And since it seemed that they didn't really understand the intent of my question, Akiharu asked them again.

So, isn't it strange that Eiche, who plays the main character, is walking in the back? Don't squires usually walk with their backs to the front?

In the days when horse-drawn carriages rode through the city, some people would ride ahead of their masters to warn them of their presence, and others would lead the way by holding the reins of the camel they were riding. You don't know enough, sir.

No, I'm walking, I'm walking, I'm walking, I'm walking, I'm walking.

When I confronted Hedier, who denied it with a clear face, he turned his head away, as if he were bored.

Why is this woman like this?

What does it mean that he is smart and can do everything, but is only concerned about his master?

And when I looked at her husband, I saw Aiche narrowing her eyes.

The fact that the protesters seemed to be annoyed by the situation made it impossible for them to raise any more voices of protest.

When Akiharu was feeling frustrated because he couldn't say what he wanted to say, Hedier turned to him with a somewhat awe-struck attitude and said, "— I am sorry, but I cannot do something so irreverent as to walk in front of you, Akiharu-sama. Before I treat you as a squire, I must treat you as a man who will share my future with you," said the young lady.

U....., but da"

"Well, I know that Master has a somewhat unusual proclivity for his age, and that he would like to take pleasure in gazing at your lovely backside as you walk in front of him, but I'm afraid that desire will never be fulfilled, you pervert."

I don't have even a millimeter of interest in such things. I mean, your ideas are way out of my league!

There is a limit to how far one can go in wet clothes.

What's with the "I'd rather wear a costume than a bathing suit."

The tastes are about three levels above a typical teenager's.

I must also say that even if the day comes when the Master officially becomes Miss Eiche's squire, the honor of standing by her, protecting her, and being her hands and feet can only be bestowed upon Hedier. Therefore, it is not in the least bit wrong, but rather right, for a squire to walk before you in this way.

"..... I see... .."

(alt: "..... Is that so") If you put it that clearly, I have nothing more to say in reply.

Right after saying such a maniacal thing, he goes on to speak intelligently without changing his expression.

I can't keep up with you in many ways.

Somehow holding back a sigh as her mood darkens, Akiharu looks forward and starts walking again, the awkward feeling still lingering.

It's hard to imagine what the future holds if this is the first step, but we have to do something.

..... So, you already know where you're going, right? You were on the phone earlier. Is it a clothing store or something?"

No, sir, it's a department store. So, instead of going to Sunohara, we will go to Onokura.

This means that they will go out of the main gate and move around by car.

I was relieved to find that the directions to the outside were exactly as I had imagined when I was given them.

Tēm, a few minutes ago, I was told that the test is to support my husband's shopping.

The first time the company's employees were asked to participate in the project, they were asked to provide their own opinions and opinions.

Tomorrow is Monday and I have classes, so I don't think there will be any pairs going overseas for shopping.

However, they managed to find a partner. I glanced over at the conversation of the Todoroki pair, who were apparently going to Shikoku by plane.

And Todoroki was alone.

Since there were other students who were on their way to somewhere using the bullet train, Akiharu was prepared to travel a certain long distance, but the town of Onokura was not that far away.

Although it is a bit further than Sunohara, it should not take more than an hour by car.

If the destination is a department store, it seems like a normal shopping trip.

I'm glad to hear that.

If someone had told me to go to an unexplored region to get a rare food item, I would have cried and given up.

I was prepared to endure a long shopping trip because it was an exam, but Eicher seemed like a good choice in that respect.

She has a modest personality and doesn't seem to be the type of person who moves from one place to another.

Then, if all goes well, we should be at before noon.

After releasing the words, "This may be the end," Akiharu suddenly turned around.

I had a strange sensation, so I checked it out, but there was nothing odd about it.

Perhaps wondering what he was doing, Hedier opened his mouth and said, "Yes? Sir, please, sir, have I lost my mind, or has my heart stopped, or am I just so lost in the beauty of your daughter that I've lost my mind?"

No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no! What are you going to do with that dagger you took out of my hand? And where did you take it from?

A husband who would deny the beauty of Miss Eiche is not worth living, no, there is no such thing. And the person who is sexually harassing her by saying such a small thing as, "Where did you get that from?"

That's not what I meant! I felt a gaze on the back of my head, that's why, right?"

Well, well, well... I guess that's just an excuse, isn't it? I suggest that you treat him for his excessive self-consciousness. I suggest that you amputate the affected area, leaving only a piece of the neck, which I highly recommend, don't you?"

"Listen to me when I tell you what I'm saying, instead of making some completely unacceptable suggestion! I'm sure I was looking at you, but even if I wasn't, there was something uncomfortable about it! I'm serious!

(alt: "I can't recommend it at all, so listen to me properly without making a suggestion !? Certainly, even if it wasn't, there was something wrong with it! It's serious!") I am in a hurry to make excuses, but it is too pathetic that I have to desperately say such a thing.

And with the added bonus of a life-threatening situation.

That Murder Samurai Woman is really trying to kill me.

And as always, please don't take a weapon out of a place you are not comfortable talking about.

He had to go through the full course of being depressed, screaming, and almost being killed, even though he had not yet left the Hakurei Mausoleum.

..... I guess it's not going to be a peaceful and safe

(alt: "... Isn't it safe to be peaceful ...") I am hoping that such an expectation will come true, while hoping that it will not.

Hedier still did not put the spoon away and Aiche's smiling eyes made me feel that I was going to be right.

And then, "....., I never thought I'd end up here."

When Akiharu arrived at the department store in front of Onokura Station before 11:00 a.m., he was already in a half-dehydrated state.

I had no idea that the start of the turmoil would begin just outside the main gate.

This is a bit too unexpected.

When he got into the limousine that was parked outside the main gate, and when it left, Akiharu saw the "Sole" for the first time.

I noticed that the

The cars in front of and behind us moved at the same time as the car we had boarded started moving.

If that were all, it would be crazy not to think that it is ridiculous that no matter how many times you turn down the road, it still follows you with its front and rear flanking each other.

When I fearfully asked Eiche, the answer came from Hedier's mouth.

That's an escort vehicle. There's nothing wrong with it.

"....., escort?"

Yes, it is. Even though Japan is a safe country, there is no telling what might happen or where a foreign enemy might be lurking, so it is only natural that there should be five or six guards.

"..... Wait, aren't there only two cars, one in the front and one in the back?"

The other convoys are running at a distance to ensure their safety. So, no matter how crazy your husband is, you don't have to worry about him, just expose his incompetence as much as you like.

Akiharu was so shocked by the terrible way he was told that he could not say a single word as he sat in the car facing the two men.

When I finally regained my composure, I arrived in the town of Onokura to find more surprises awaiting me.

On the way to the department store, less than a hundred meters away, Akiharu walked in front of Aiche and the others, feeling several times more awkward than when he was at Hakuryo, and looked back and said, "..... Hey, what's this all about? What does this mean?"

"How are you doing, sir? Is the honor of leading the Lady finally becoming a full-blown, joyous joy?"

"....." No, no, no, I mean the people around you."

(alt: "..... No, it's not about the people around me") As we looked around, we saw more than 20 people dressed in black walking around us.

I can tell that all of them are feminine by the slight outline of their bosoms that lift up their costumes, but there is only one other thing that I can tell.

The only thing I can say is that this group of people, which is so bizarre, is related to Eiche's group.

When Akiharu was a little intimidated by the pressure, Hedier did not make fun of him, but remained calm and said, "As I said before, this is a unit to protect your daughter from the outside enemy. You can rest assured that we are prepared for any manpower or suicide bomber attacks.

..... getting all this attention? And once again, what is the point of my existence?"

"Then let me ask you the opposite: can you alone, Master, protect Miss Eiche from four gun-toting terrorists or bombers masquerading as carefree merchants?"

"....."

It was impossible, no matter how you look at it.

..... I am shocked that such a situation exists in reality.

Although she is trained to help her master in the event of an accident, she has yet to learn anything about protection.

(alt: Although I have been trained to help my husband in the event of a deep accident on a daily basis, I have not yet been taught anything about escort.) That's just an excuse, but the tense

atmosphere created by Hedier and the other people in black tells me that a crisis situation could happen at any time, and just being near them makes me sick to my stomach.

By the time she arrived at the department store, Akiharu was completely groggy. She walked ahead as instructed by Hedier, who was politely talking down to her from behind, and took the elevator at the back of the store to the top floor. "..... What's this"

For the umpteenth time today, I was forced to make a stunned noise.

The spacious floor is filled with a generous selection of clothing.

If that's all, well, it's not surprising since it's a department store.

The question is, as you can see at first glance, "Why is there no one here"

"It's reserved for your daughter today, of course, isn't it?"

"When did you come up with"

When I called, I offered to make preparations for Miss Eiche's upcoming visit, so please do that. It's nothing out of the ordinary, nothing particularly surprising."

No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no! And it's only been an hour since you called!

I was surprised that they accepted such an urgent offer.

As an added bonus, I noticed that the products on the floor are probably tailored to Aiche's lineup.

All of this in one hour.

How much time and manpower does this take?

In response to Akiharu's natural question, Hedier rather curiously frowned and said, "What are you going to do if you can't do that much? If you can't, then you'll have to use a different store for your daughter's shopping from now on, and compared to that, even if you have to push yourself a little bit, you'll be able to set up with a smile on your face, won't you?"

..... woohoo. You're such a great shopper."

No, not so much, for a young lady of the Aafram faith is not accustomed to wearing the finest of quality, but not the most ornate of decorations."

What? Then why go to all this trouble?

The fact that Miss Eiche remembers me is more than enough to make it worthwhile. And if your father, not you, but your daughter's father, once uses it, he will pay you enough to cover the store's sales for several months.

No, it's a few months' worth of sales for a department store.

What kind of world is it really?

As Akiharu wondered with a distant look in his eyes how many digits it would be, Hedier suddenly disappeared.

"Look, look, Mister! If you feel any shame or regret over your utterly useless journey to this point, please give me your opinion!"

..... And as if by some kind of instantaneous movement, he is nowhere to be found near Aiche.

And aside from them, two female employees each hold a product in their hands and say, "....., no, you know,"

Sir, I don't want to get into too much detail right away, so I'm going to give you two choices: "Yes, sir, I'd like to know what you think of my work. Which will suit you better, the right or the left?

"..... which is"

(alt: "..... Which one is") If they were carrying different colored dresses or hats, Akiharu wouldn't be so worried about it.

I'm not sure how you can choose between a top and bottom set of lingerie:! Even a man is a creature that can be damaged by being near a women's lingerie section, even if he has no intention of doing so, and yet you tell him to choose

(alt: — — Choose your choice, and set the top and bottom of your underwear! Even though it is a creature called a man who is damaged even if he is just near the women's underwear department, even if he has no intention of doing anything, he should choose.) You can answer that question in front of the person who will be wearing it in the future at! This is a perfect punishment game for Akiharu.

If we refuse to answer, Hedier will definitely try to impose physical sanctions on us.

It's really nothing more than a penalty game.

Sure, Aiche is looking at me, but is she asking herself which is better? I don't know what's right or wrong with my underwear, and it seems like a very meaningful question? Is it too much to ask? And while there are minor design differences, both underwear seem to have less area! Moreover, the left side of the underwear seems to be slightly transparent due to the material, but I wonder if that's okay, in any sense! The difficulty, which she had never experienced before, made Akiharu's cheeks twitch unintentionally.

Oh no, I really don't know how to answer this question.

And yet Eicher looks at him as if he expects him to, and Hedier says, "If you make a mistake, I'll cut your head off.

He was smiling as if to say, "I'm so happy to see you here.

How did you get yourself into such a tight spot just shopping! You can dress it up with the right words and say, "Either would look good on the beautiful Eiche."

I guess it would have been better if I had said something like, "I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry.

(alt: If you say something like that, it will fit well, but it's not very, but you can't say such a line that seems to have a floating tooth.) I will probably die of embarrassment.

It's not surprising that he would bang his head against the wall until his personality collapses and he loses his memory.

In addition, the subject is lingerie, which sounds like a perverted line in a refreshingly different context.

I think it's a good idea that Hedier, who knows everything about Aiche, should choose the right one for her!

(alt: Akiharu, who was cornered, was about to be burned by a feeling of frustration, and while his hands were squeezing with Gooper, he made his thoughts fully rotate. I don't know what it is because I have low experience points. I think it's good that Hedyeh, who knows all about Aishe, chooses this one! ") I tried my best to escape.

"Oh, dear, what's the trouble, miss? The Master says so, doesn't he?"

Akiharu's reaction to Hedier's slightly happy reaction made him inwardly strike a pose of guts.

I knew that Hédié, being so spoiled and overprotective of her husband, would be able to handle it if I let her make the choice while subtly holding up her end of the bargain! It was a

very close call, though! While Akiharu was chewing on his joy without expressing it, Aishe, who was at the center of the conversation, looked at her handmaiden.

I don't know what that means, but I'm pretty sure it means "I have no choice, so you chose me instead."

(alt: I don't know what that means, but I'm sure it's "I can't help it, so you choose instead.") I was even more relieved when he said, "Yes, that's right. Then let's have the master look at it in person and make a choice.

Oh, no! What the hell is that?

..... There is a voice that doesn't make me feel at ease at all.

This is far from unexpected.

It's not even supposed to expose a little bit of skin in public, but to show it in your underwear in your underwear! And that's revealing! That's impossible, that's absolutely wrong.

I'm not sure if I'd like to see it for future study, but no, that's why I'm not comfortable with that kind of honest thinking.

(alt: Well, if anything, I don't think I'd like to take a look at it for later studies, but —— No, that's why that true thinking is bad.) You could end up married or dead:! While Akiharu was struggling to put together his thoughts, aware that his blood pressure was rising, Hedier turned to him with a smile that was as bright as it could get.

"What is it, sir, a dumb imitation of a submerged toad?"

No, no, no, no! Why is that so? Why are there so many things wrong with the commandments?

"So I'll let you look in the fitting room so you won't be seen by the employees."

Shh...? Wait, wait, in the dressing room? You mean, in the fitting room? Together?

Yes, of course, I should not have said it in any other way, but... ah, I see... you want to see the woman's skin from the stage of changing clothes, right, you are the kind of husband who likes to admire the skin of a woman, you pervert.

"Did you just call me an abusive person for taking the liberty of expanding the meaning of the word? No, I mean, there's no way I'm going into the fitting room! And I'm not supposed to see you in just your underwear. - No, wait, you can't use a blade!

People who say they don't want to see the beauty of Miss Eiche should be left out of this world!

First of all, you need to get rid of those unwanted eyes.

"You sure it's not just the eyeballs? No, no, no, no, I mean, it's not what you're thinking, because I don't have that kind of taste!"

I'm afraid you have a brain disease, and I'm going to treat it by cutting it open and grinding it down right now!"

"That's not therapy, is it? No, it's not rebellion or anything like that, give me a break!"

When he is faced with the dull, shiny blade of the sword with serious eyes, Akiharu puts all his pride aside and asks for a favor.

Why such a one-dimensional shopping experience is a death flag for! Hey, please, Eiche!

Do something about the murderer!

She is the only one who can stop Hedier, but when Akiharu took the lovely action of appealing to the girls to do something about it, she said, "Yes, of course, Miss Eiche, as your heart is wider than the galaxy. But Hedier is a very lucky man to have such a kind and gentle master!

As usual, she seemed to be able to communicate through eye contact alone, and the Marder's maid of honor moved away from Akiharu while shaking with excitement.

When the uncomfortable time of her life was finally over, and Akiharu was breathing out from her lungs, she felt a gaze coming from somewhere.

I looked up to see the owner of the company and saw Employee A with his underwear in his hand and a look of dismay in his eyes, and Employee B who clearly thought he was dealing with trash.

And then there is Aiche's eyes peeking through the chador, completely different in color from those of the other two.

It seemed to Akiharu as if they were smiling at a cheerful child, unlike the employees.

After all, the shopping at Aiche ended with the purchase of one set of underwear, and Akiharu and his friends were escorted out of the department store by the bowing of the employees lined up at the exit.

I know... but I guess that's something.

(alt: "Wow But what happened?") Feeling the openness of being outside, she straightens her back, takes a deep breath to refill her lungs, and looks up at the sun overhead with her hands to shelter it.

Although the results exceeded my expectations in many ways, I have now cleared the exam content.

All that remains is to return to Hakuryo (.....), but since there is nothing for me to report from the Education Department, I am essentially free to do so from here.

Flushed with the joy of the successful completion of the exam, Akiharu turned around and thanked Aiche and the others for their help.

Hey, how are you today? I don't think I was much help at all.

"Yes, well, I suppose a bad horse could have been a little more useful, but that's within the realm of possibility, so I'm not too concerned about it."

..... clearly threw the verbal knife around.

She's really relentless, isn't she?

By the way, Master, are you leaving already?

To? Of course I do, but?"

If you don't have any plans for the rest of the day, would you mind giving us a few minutes of your time? It's a rare opportunity, and the young lady would like to have tea with you."

When I looked at Aiche, she nodded her head shyly.

When she is about to return home, Akiharu puts her hand over her mouth and thinks about it.

Although they gave me the card, they certainly helped me with the exam.

I should be happy to accept the offer of a cup of tea with them.

..... But the fact that it was Eiche and his friends who invited me is a bit of a problem.

I'm not the type to casually ask for tea together, so why only today?

I can't help but think there's more to it than that.

"How are you doing, sir? We're on the clock, and if you'd like, I can arrange for lunch.

"Uh,, so you're right,?"

However, if I refused, I would be told to walk home from here, and I was at a loss as to what to do.

Outside the black-clad group surrounding them, as usual, a golden hair peeks out from a pillar in the department store.

If that were all, it might not be that unusual, but if it is a whirlwind set-up, it is a different story.

..... "Selnia? What are you doing here again?

".....!"

(alt: "...!?") Perhaps hearing my voice, the drill head that had been popping out of the pillar made a loud jerking motion and then came out with great vigor, not just the body, but the entire body.

At the sight of her, Akiharu lowers the hand he was about to raise.

..... because when I see that face, you know.

Why do you look like you've just shown up, with all your anger seasoning simmering in your grumpiness?

As Selnia approaches, the black-robed escort checks Eiche's direction and then gives way.

I wished they would stop until I had finished preparing my mind, but even the smallest wish was not granted.

Selnia, who had arrived right in front of Akiharu, tried her best to hide her toothache and looked like she was about to make a mistake. I'm really surprised that you guys are here!

I'm surprised at your level of enthusiasm and I don't think it's a coincidence either."

"What the hell is?

If you are so conspicuous, people will come to you. Unlike a daimyo's procession, people are following in droves. What's going on, guys? Why are you shifting?

It's nothing. It's just a big misunderstanding. It's just a little knee-jerk!

What is it about a high school girl who is not lacking in exercise that makes her knees buckle?

He looks exhausted, his shoulders slumped, and he probably doesn't take enough vitamins.

Well, let's put that aside.

This is an unexpected appearance, but it is surely a blessing in disguise.

We can only be thankful and make good use of them.

So, Akiharu tapped Selnia on the shoulder, who had messed up her bangs, and looked into her azure eyes, whispering, "..... Hey, Selnia, I'm not sure what you're talking about. Hey, Selnia, are you free later?"

"Well, what's the matter with you, suddenly, if you're asking me if I have the time, which I don't, not that I don't have some, but"

Sh! That's great. You're too nice.

"....., do you have ants in your brain?"

I don't mind being told this with a look of disbelief in my eyes.

Compared to Hedier, this level of bad-mouthing is nothing.

Akiharu, with a rather bright smile on his face, pointed at Selnia with his thumb as he turned back to Aiche and the others and said, "Hey, about what we were talking about earlier, is it okay if Selnia comes with us?"

"Hey, Akiharu!"

"..... What does that mean?"

I hear voices coming from both sides, like they're flanking each other, but I can't see anything, can't hear anything, can't see anything.

I'm sure we've met here because of a chance encounter. I don't care if it's a guy, if it's a girl, it's okay to be with her, right?"

That's certainly true, but "some kind of fate"? This Master is a real gutless son of a bitch, who has been with us from school all the way to here, and yet he calls it "some kind of fate. We should have taken measures to exclude her even against her benevolent daughter's will.

Hedier was mumbling something that sounded like a vindictive tone.

I couldn't understand half of what Akiharu was saying, but perhaps I was right not to.

Because those eyes look like they could kill a python with a twist at any moment.

Deciding that he should go without letting the other side or Selnia, who has yet to grasp the situation, take the lead, Akiharu narrows his target to Aiche, who is the only one in the group with the air of a herbivore.

Hey, Eiche. You don't mind, do you?"

I wonder if they understood that I was praying to them in my heart, "Please, please, please, please accept my request.

The senior student who had hidden his face showed us a soft smile around his eyes and a quiet nod of his head.

The master had given his permission, so the maid of honor could not complain, but she checked on Hedier to make sure he was all right. But you have shown great kindness by adding gold and oil to the mix! Hedier is in awe!"

..... They looked so happy!

Since she seems to be busy praising her husband from the bottom of her heart rather than complaining, should we let that one slide?

So, the other problem is that "..... Hey, Akiharu Hino. What do you mean?

Selnia asked in a whisper, as if she was reading the situation, and Akiharu replied in a hushed voice, "I've finished the exam, but he asked me to have tea with him. I can't just ignore that, can I?"

So why are you adding me to the mix?"

I'm afraid of being alone. Please, I'm begging you!"

When I said this with as much urgency as I could in a whisper, Selnia, who had been scowling, smiled wryly and folded her arms.

Then, she turns her provocative eyes toward Akiharu.

"No, I don't want to. If you want to, don't you have a more appropriate attitude?

"..... Okay, then."

(alt: "....., then no.") Why do you retreat so easily at that point?

I don't like it when people behave that way.

Although the rebellious period has passed, we are sixteen years old and prone to biting.

It seems that Selnia was quite displeased with Akiharu's honest behavior, and she grabbed me by the chest and pulled me toward her.

..... and that's fine, but you're right.

Too close to the average for a high school student, and the elasticity should have been higher than the average.

Drill, who seemed to be completely oblivious to Akiharu's agitation, looked as if he wanted to ask her if she had fallen into the Shura-do (the Way of the Samurai), "What are you doing talking on your own? Akiharu, you, are you trying to play with me?"

No, I don't think so.

(alt: "No, I don't mean that ...") "Then get off your ass and tell me! "I need you so badly, please come with me!"

I was wondering if you'd be interested in following me on and"

If you say so, I guess I have no choice!

Despite her rather calorie-free response, Selnia readily agreed.

..... I really can't underestimate this drill, it's so simple and yet so vigorous that sometimes I can't read it.

What did he want to do?

Well, anyway.

I'm going to move on then. Please proceed in that direction.

Tea" with the insured bomb Selnia

Akiharu, with a bad premonition, headed for the "new" place, the "new" place of the "new" city.

◇ ◇ ◇ When I got off the helicopter, I was already on the south island.

"..... no, where is it, here"?

I tried to fool myself into believing I was in a famous literary novel, but I couldn't do it.

The blue, or green, ocean spread out below.

The white, fine sandy beach glistens in the sunlight.

It is halfway through October, but it is so hot that a short-sleeved jacket is just right.

The palm-like monocotyledonous plants and the seagulls or petrels or whatever seabirds are flying overhead make it look like a southern island from every angle.

"..... Japan, right here?"

When Akiharu asked, Aiche nodded, and Hedier put his hand on his chest and opened his mouth.

Yes, Japan, otherwise you would have to steal or fetch your passport, but there is no need for such a hassle, it's in Japan.

This Marder's Handmaiden, "Steal."

I wonder if they would have tried to say, "I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry."

(alt: Didn't you try to say that?) And to top it all off, this is the Hadim family's own retreat that they bought and improved for the Eiche girls. Normally, the young lady is required to keep herself well covered, but on this island, only scheduled visitors are allowed to enter and observe. You can wear light clothing and relax in comfort.

"....., even though I'm there too?"

Otherwise, why should a trash like you be called "sir?"

"....."

Well, I would like to add that it is okay to expose your bare skin to the opposite sex in areas that have been applied for as private property. Before this was established, there were people who would forcibly remove their clothes, break into bedrooms, and commit other violent acts. Of course, such tramps are carefully eliminated, but I have heard that the number of such tramps was so great that the commandment had to be revised.

Akiharu's response was quite heavy, but she remained silent and gave no reaction.

..... If they were before the revision, they would have married without question if they saw her real face.

It makes me feel a little bit bad that I have been placed on hold because of these scumbags.

..... I'm sure Hedier would have certified me as garbage too, so that's even more reason for me to do so.

(alt: It seems that I myself have been certified as waste by Hedyeh, so it's superfluous.) I was surprised at that. Is it the Ahuramite way to go to an isolated island for a "short break"? It's long past lunchtime.

Not one to let her usual attitude slip away, Selnia speaks in a tone of questioning, holding her hair down as if it is about to be ruffled by the wind.

What is it about this drill that makes you so fearless?

Although we have yet to experience the threat of a realistic serial killer, it is still too big a deal.

Surprisingly, Hedier did not seem offended. "You could have had lunch first, but you're not used to helicopters, are you, Flameheart? We would not want him to vomit and diarrhea during the flight, so we have decided to ask him to be patient.

Most people will go their entire lives without ever having ridden in a helicopter, so why is it taken for granted that they have already done so?

It's too late to say this, but there is something wrong with the race of people who attend Hakuryo.

What is the standard value?

However, Akiharu thinks that it might have been a relatively good experience.

When we were led to a tall building a short distance away from the station in Onokura, I thought we were going to have dinner there, but it was a complete fake.

The air trip lasted more than an hour, reminding us once again of the vastness of the oceans, which cover 70% of Daichi's surface, and we arrived at this island just as we were beginning to wonder if we would be transported overseas.

Unlike the uninhabited island owned by the Flameharts, where we visited in the summer, or the island owned by the Tianyung Ji family, where we held an obedience camp, there is little that is uniquely Japanese, yet it gives the impression of being strangely calm.

It seemed like Akiharu was about to fall in love with this island, which somehow resembled the atmosphere of Eiche.

"Just tea at? Or is it lunch? Either way is fine, but you have to be there in time for dinner in the dorm.

Sweat was soaking through my clothes, and I was interrupted in the middle of my questioning while taking off my jacket.

The shutout culprit was neither Selnia nor Hedier, but rather, "Oh, Hah, you mean the helicopter? The helicopter's going to fly away!

The helicopter is gradually gaining altitude, making a violent rotor noise and creating a strong wind.

It is needless to say, that is what Akiharu and his friends came on.

The fact that the only means of transportation that might be available is rapidly slipping away, and no one but myself is moving at all increases my anxiety.

What does it mean that Selnia, in particular, who usually makes more noise than anyone else, has a blank expression on her face?

What are you in such a hurry for? What are you in such a hurry for? They will be back before we leave. You are at, aren't you, Mr. Hedier?"

Selnia, who was still comfortable with the situation, responded to Hedier with a secretarial smile, "I'm sure you'll be able to find out what's going on.

(alt: Hedyeh replied with a secretary-like smile to Selnia, who had plenty of time to confirm.)
Yes, of course, Mr. Flameheart. I will come back early tomorrow morning.

..... The Selnia's leeway was shattered by the brilliantly instantly, Akiharu, who was able to escape from reality and look at things objectively, like a monologue, immediately said, "No, wait, no.

I tell myself, "I'm not going to do this.

It was not only Selnia who was hit from an unexpected angle, but also herself.

This is not the time to watch the helicopters grow smaller and smaller.

Wait, wait, wait, what do you mean tomorrow? Tomorrow is Monday, and we have class!

Yes, and you stayed out overnight without permission! And if they find out you have this man with you, who knows what kind of rumors they will spread about you!

Selnia seemed to realize what was going on, and she turned red in protest.

If the rumor-mongering members of the upper division were to find out, I'm sure it would reach out to social circles outside of Hakuryo.

(alt: Certainly, if it is known to the rumor-loving senior education folks, I'm sure it will reach the social circles outside the White Rei Ryo.) Of course, they must be desperate.

However, in the sense of urgency, there is no difference even in the autumn sun.

I wonder what would happen to him if he finds out that you went AWOL. At best, you'll get a half-day lecture, at worst you'll be suspended or even expelled from school.

(alt: What kind of eyes would you encounter if you were to stay out without permission? At best, a half-day sermon, or worse, suspension or dropout.) The reason why they are not making a fuss is that Aiche is not moving.

If it is only Hedier, who has a twisted personality when dealing with people other than his master, but Eiche, who is quite conscientious, is standing by and watching this situation, there must be something going on.

As Akiharu had read, "Rest assured, I will contact Hakuryo from my side. Besides, it is not uncommon for people who spend weekends abroad to return on weekday mornings, is it? As long as you don't make a fuss, there is no need to be conspicuous.

"If you'd like to see my dressing room and bedroom, please contact me at"

Of course, we will be happy to provide you with a few items for your guests, so we should have something that fits your size. We will not make you uncomfortable here on Eiche's island.

Even Selnia had nothing more to say to Hedier, who confidently asserted with his hand on his chest.

..... However, it seems that this is just a story from the other side, and he turned his face vigorously toward Akiharu and said, "It's all your fault, Akiharu Hino! This debt you owe me is incredibly big, so you'd better be prepared for it!

..... Yeah, yeah. I just remember it."

(alt: "..... Ah, yeah. I remember ...") I told them that I was a victim too, but they wouldn't listen to me anyway, so I let it slide.

While sensing something disturbing in the way Aiche was looking at her from beginning to end, Akiharu wondered, "How can I get through this night on the island in a peaceful manner? The biggest uncertainty of all was the fact that I was already feeling a headache.

..... but the unexpected has come so far.

(alt: ◆ ◇ ◇ "... But unexpected developments will come to this point ...") "You're telling me that? It's really hard to say whether it's a good thing I'm following you or not.

After lunch of smoked salmon and fresh vegetable bagel sandwiches and lentil soup, Akiharu and Selnia decided to go for a walk around the island.

As usual, Eiche's meals must be prepared in pairs with his attendants, and since he has already prepared meals for his guests, the only option that comes to mind is to eat in silence and then quickly leave the dining room.

But there was nothing to do, and since Akiharu and Selnia were similarly in need of help, the two of them decided to walk around the island together.

..... seemed like a small island from the helicopter, but it's a lot bigger when you walk around it.

(alt: "... But when I saw it from the helicopter, I thought it was a small island, but when I walked, it was rather wide.") Yes, that's right. I think it's smaller than our island in Atami, but it may seem so because of the many trees and the intricate paths.

"Ah, I see., but still, it's just"

The exam was over and I had left my jacket at the log cabin, but the summer-like temperatures and the fact that I had been walking around for several minutes made it very hot, even with the top two buttons of my cutter shirt unbuttoned and the sleeves rolled up.

Selnia, who usually wears light clothing, is still feeling the heat, so she holds her cardigan in her hand and wears a sleeveless shirt and a long skirt with a cutout above the knee, looking reasonably cool.

However, since his hair is still the same, it is a little hot and bothered to watch.

Selnia occasionally wipes her hands and chest with a handkerchief, but she is only able to do so because the trees that cover the entire island block out the sunlight.

If not, then Akiharu, who is accustomed to the bad environment in the regular demo classes, should be down for this drill, as she is the daughter of an aristocrat.

"But why are there so many trees here? It's almost like we're surrounded by trees, except at the heliport.

As we walked around, there were many places that appeared to have been touched by human hands.

I like it because it doesn't seem to have been left to grow.

So, when Akiharu spoke, thinking that he would ask Aiche or Hedier about it later, he unexpectedly received an answer from the side.

That's because this island was made for you, isn't it?

Hm? What do you mean?"

I know you said that the restrictions would be somewhat less in private areas, but that doesn't mean you should expose your true face with impunity. The Hadim family is one of the wealthiest families in the Middle East and the world, and I can't imagine how much the newspapers would pay for the film if they succeeded in capturing their daughter's true face, which they never reveal.

(alt: "I said that the restrictions would be a little looser in a private area, but that doesn't mean that it's not desirable to openly expose your face ... The Hadim family is one of the world's leading wealthy people, not just in the Middle East. The real face of the lady, never revealed — If you succeeded in leaving it in the video, I can't even imagine how much the newspaper would offer on the film. thing") At Selnia's words, Akiharu said, "So much the better."

He muttered to himself, and let out an exhale of admiration.

I knew from the previous engagement fiasco that Aiche's family was rich enough to stand out even in Hakuryo, but if the current story is true, then he has accomplished the feat of seeing the real face that even Papa Latch, a man of 100 years of experience, could not accomplish?

It was just too much of a coincidence, but what was I going to do with my precious life luck in such a situation?

The very same time, the two of them were in the same place, and they were in the same place at the same time.

When Akiharu frowned at the slightly un-drill-like manner in which he looked at her, as if he was probing her, she said, "This is the time for this. Akiharu, there is one thing I would like to ask you.

"Oh? What's the matter with you?

Selnia, her voice subdued in the presence of no one but herself, said, "After the summer debacle and this latest incident, it seems that Mr. Aiche is seriously considering marrying you, but why aren't you interested in that? Why aren't you interested in it?

Why is it obvious? Suddenly, you can't get married for, like, religious reasons."

Yes, that's right. But now, that's not the case.

Although he agreed with her, she was strangely involved, so Akiharu became a little mysterious and listened to Selnia's words, thinking that there must be something going on.

..... but as soon as I got into a listening position, I immediately thought, "Hmm? Did you hear something over there?"

What is it? It's the sound of birds' wings. It's been there for a long time.

No, it's not that. It's the sound of the water.

The sound was not continuous, like the sound of a stream or waterfall, but rather something falling on the surface of the water.

I heard it twice or thrice, proving that I had not misheard it.

This allowed us to pinpoint their approximate location, and it also helped to focus Selnia's attention on them, who had been giving off an aura of discomfort when she was interrupted.

Frowning and looking to her right, where the visibility is obscured by the many layers of palm-like foliage hanging down to her shoulders, Selnia said in a quieter voice, "..... Aside from birds, what do you think the chances are of a beast such as a boar or a fox? How likely do you think it is that there is some kind of beast, such as a boar or a fox, let alone a bird?

..... There are a few islets around, but other than that, it's an isolated island where you can only see the ocean. Maybe it's uninhabitable.

(alt: "... There were some small islands that looked similar to the surroundings, but other than that, it's an isolated island where you can only see the sea? Maybe it doesn't inhabit.") I can't rule out the possibility that they are keeping the boar as fresh food, but I can't picture Aiche eating boar meat, so I'm going to assume it's not there and return it to Akiharu.

I believe the waterfront beyond this point, other than the ocean, is supposed to be a lake.

I remember seeing a lake near the log cabin when I was flying over it in a helicopter, so that's probably it.

But, as they say, "seeing is believing," so here we must move forward.

..... Yes, that's right. If bandits were to enter, we would have to teach them a lesson about personal responsibility.

(alt: "... That's right. Should a thief invade, you have to teach yourself what you are.") "..... you've always been so belligerent..... well, let's go."

(alt: "... You have a warlike personality ... well, no, do you want to go?") Unlike the light tone of his voice, Akiharu proceeded to rake through the leaves with careful steps.

I could sense that Selnia was following close behind, and it seemed that this driller had no intention of waiting quietly.

Fortunately, we had no trouble sneaking along without making a loud noise.

Then, a long, horizontal rock, more than 6 feet tall, was perched at the end of a clear field of view.

At a glance, it looks as if it would be as long as a large truck.

When something unexpected appeared in front of her eyes, Akiharu and Selnia involuntarily looked at each other.

"Is that a lake up ahead?"

I think you're probably right. Just as well. We'll split up.

Oh? Why did you go to all this trouble?"

If there are any bandits trespassing, it's to make sure they don't get away!

Selnia says it like it should be, but it seems she's a "bandit."

He had no idea that he would be in danger if there was a

At the thought that seemed too much like Selnia, Akiharu thought for a while and said, "..... Okkake. I'll start from the left.

I am right, aren't I? You must be very careful not to make any blunders.

For some reason, Selnia quickly walks to the right side of the room, sounding like a rival who is about to be beaten.

After seeing this, Akiharu also begins to move.

If paparazzi are lurking in the background, we'll quickly knock them out.

If Selnia were stronger than a man, there would be no danger, but she is a woman, so we have to be careful.

Also, the peeping tom should be grateful because it is easier for him to do it himself than for him to do it to me, and the degree of injury will be less.

Akiharu continued to walk along the rocks, thinking that this could be called a kind of good deed.

When I reached the edge of the rock, I looked over to the other side.

The lake was there, as I thought.

The area was a little larger than a boxing ring or a wrestling ring, and the surface of the water was shining as if reflecting the sunlight coming through the trees.

A woman in dark purple bathing.

I didn't recognize her at first because she was so bare-faced and barely dressed, but it was Aiche.

It seemed to be underwater, slowly rising to its feet, its long hair glistening in the little sunlight that shone through the shadows of the trees.

She is wearing only a thin lintel-like garment, which is wet, so you can clearly see the lines of her body.



Akiharu could do nothing but stand there in stunned amazement at the sight.

Almost half-naked, but less exposed than when we first met or when they raided my room, should have been, but what is this unusually lewd impression I get from! Is it because she

looks so much more naughty now that she's wet with her bare face than when her skin is exposed?!

Perhaps she noticed Akiharu's gaze, which she couldn't help but notice, and her eyes met Aiche's purplish ones as she turned to look at her.

Perhaps it was the fact that they smiled at me.

..... Well, you know, normally you would react by screaming or panicking and hiding your body under the water, so why are you smiling there?

Of course, Akiharu did not have any bad intentions at all, but when she reacted like this, I did not know what to do, "— — Hey, what are you looking at so blankly?

Oh?

A familiar driller appeared almost across the river and shouted in alarming anger.

Although they are quite far away from each other, Akiharu can see them.

That's a really angry face.

I bet his eyebrows are raised and he's baring his teeth in menace, as if he's about to grow fangs.! But thanks to you, I woke up.

(alt: I'm sure the eyebrows are hanging, and I'm sure they're threatening to peel off their teeth with the feeling that they might grow even with fangs ...! But thanks to that, I woke up.) Even if it was an accident, it is just perverted to stare at a person while he/she is bathing.

Suddenly embarrassed by what he was doing, Akiharu hurriedly turned away from Aiche and looked back at her, and - for some reason - the impact of the drop-kick to his back forced him to dive into the water.

Like a character in a Kung-Fu movie, he jumps a considerable distance while flapping his wings, and then, "Boom! and then plunges into the water, making a loud splash.

"What the heck is and what the hell is?"

Although she stood up while spitting out the water that had come into her mouth, Akiharu was still totally clueless as to what was going on.

I'm pretty sure I've been kicked in the back, but I don't know why they would do that on this island.

(alt: I'm sure I was kicked on my back now, but I don't know why I'm doing that on this island.) The only person I can think of who might do this is Selnia, who is staring at me, and Aiche, who is standing very close by, who has a surprised look on her face, who would do something like this, who would say, "Oh, sir, what is it, sir? It's a little too passionate of you to be so taken by the sight of Miss Eiche bathing that you jump in!

..... Yeah, there he is.

I turned around at the sound of a white voice and saw a dropkick woman, who had been an ally of Murder, in the area where I should have been a moment ago.

I put my hand over my mouth and said, "Oh, my God!

The culprit is this guy, no matter how you look at it.

While rubbing his back, which was not that painful in spite of the impact, Akiharu glared at Hedier, who always causes him problems, and asked, "What are you really doing to me, you little bitch? Where did you come from?

It is the duty of an aide-de-camp to always stand by her master's side, and I will show you before you, yes, I will show you."

Why do you keep kicking him? Thanks to you, we now have and like this."

"You almost ran into your husband's eiche, didn't you?"

Hajime Hasegawa, who was planning to complain loudly, stopped idling.

The reason is that Eiche was right next to us.

I knew she was wearing a dark purple long underwear, but not only did it show the lines of her body, it also made even the smallest bumps appear to be raised, which if I'm not careful, may be even more revealing than being completely naked!! The power of the thin garment that absorbs water and sticks to the skin tightly may exceed that of an F1 car engine in terms of instantaneous output.

(alt: I knew that I was wearing dark purple underwear like a long underwear, but ... not only did the body line come out, but it seemed that even a little small unevenness emerged, which was If you're not good at it, it might be more dangerous than naked ...! The power of thin clothes that absorb water and stick to the skin is probably more than the engine of an F1 car at the momentary output.) And when it's a deep-veiled young lady with a ladylike and fragile impression who wears it, it's like, "What? What the hell did you just throw at me, man?"

Sir, I think you should leave while you still can. I know you have the eyes of a pervert!

No, no, that was more like a work of art.

If your head is so evil that you pollute the arts with your evil feelings, I will have to crack it open after all!

"Break it! Are you really going to kill me?"

After she had made a full-fledged attack on Selnia, who seemed to be serious about it if she said she would do it, Akiharu hurriedly tried to leave the scene and said, "What the hell?"

Somehow, his legs didn't move properly and he fell into Aiche, who was standing right in front of him.

I almost pushed her into the water, but I managed to hold on to her slender shoulders and prevented her from doing so.

Akiharu let out a sigh of relief and her clothes were wet, but her body was warm, and he was in a hurry to get away from her, "....., what is this? Her legs were tied together before I knew it!

When I looked down to feel another jab, I saw that my ankles were tied tightly with a string.

This should not have happened when I woke up after being pushed into the lake, but when did it happen? And since my legs are not free and I am still off-balance, it is difficult for me to get back up and away from Aiche.

The first time I saw a new product, I was so excited to see it.

What are you doing? I'm going to have your head so far up your ass I'll break it!

I guess you must have been swayed by the charms of the young lady. Well, I'm sure you've been swayed by the charms of Miss Eiche.

(alt: "Well, I've been wobbling about the charm of the young lady. Then there's no choice, because the other party is the young lady, the most wonderful Aishe lady!") "No, this is your work, Hedier!"

"Oh, dear, what do you say, Master, sometimes wet clothes are a capital offense, and you're invited on a sunbathing tour through the Arabian desert until you're a dried-up fish."

Scary! But you're in the same position as before and you're soaking wet! That's because you went under and tied my feet!

"I don't care about that, just get out of here."

As Akiharu protested vehemently against the culprit, Selnia, perhaps growing tired of the protests, entered the lake in a rough, rushing manner.

Selnia, who as usual came with a powerful and angry face, pulled the collar of Akiharu's dress off of Aiche and pulled it off of her, saying, "You are always here, let's go! And it's time for your punishment. I'm going to teach your body that being a scoundrel is a crime!"

"Ugh, choke! You have to go.

(alt: "Ugh ..., neck, squeeze ...! And legs ...") There are too many orders. If you keep on complaining, I'll push you off the cliff and feed you to the sharks!

"Whoa, wait! My feet are bound and I'm on Oh, no, wait!

Depending on how you look at it, Selnia's comment sounded like a murder warning, and Akiharu was dragged along as it was, and had to do the extremely tiring task of moving around while jumping in the water.

The island is a place where people can go to have a good time, but it is also a place where people can't go to have a good time.

We returned to the log house before sunset, had dinner and a bath, and began to relax, feeling tired in mind and body. What do you mean by that?

Selnia's voice was so loud that it seemed to echo throughout the island, not just in the log house, and when I looked at her from the side, I could see that even her ears had turned bright red.

..... There is a reason why Akiharu is sitting quietly in her chair, even though she is not in a situation where she can afford to think about such an objective thing.

It's almost pathetic to try to explain, but here's the situation.

What I mean by that is, "I wonder if it will turn out to be a dream if I hit my head on something.

(alt: The reason is, "If I hit my head somewhere, I wonder if it would be a dream and it wouldn't develop ...") I was half running away from the reality, which was too harsh.

Selnia glared at me sharply and approached me with such force that a weak dog would show its belly and swear obedience, and said, "..... Akiharu, what are you going to do? I don't think so, but I never thought that I would do as they said.

He said such things with a very scary face.

If it's Todoroki, he's here to say, "You're ruining a beautiful woman, aren't you?"

I'm sure she will be punched in the face after making the tea cloudy by sexually harassing behavior such as touching or peeping, but I can't be that much of a challenge fool, so I decided to give it back to her straight.

(alt: While saying that, the sexual harassment of touching or peeking would make the tea muddy, but Akiharu, who cannot be a challenge idiot to that extent, decided to return it straight.) Of course, I'd prefer not to, but

He then glances at Aiche.

She had already changed into her nightclothes when she spoke to us via Hedier about the problem.

I've already had dinner and bathed, so that in itself is not really odd or anything. But in a place where there is one man in the room, it is unbecoming to wear something that reveals a little bit of skin.

(alt: After having finished the supper and the bath, it's not strange in itself, but ... In this place where one man is mixed, what kind of dressing is it that the skin can be seen and hidden?)
Although she is wearing a gown, it is too much for my adolescent body.

Whether or not she knew how Akiharu was feeling, Aiche was staring at her with a pure and elegant appearance.

Hedier, who was standing right behind him, opened his mouth as if to take his place.

I cannot allow you to do that.

Why? You have two bedrooms, don't you?

Yes, that is correct, Mr. Flameheart. But one room is Miss Eiche's and the other is the guest room, so I'm sure I'm not saying anything funny, am I?

What are you doing?

Hedier, with a smile on his face, says flatly, while Selnia, with her teeth peeled back, says, "There's no way that Akiharu and Aiche are sharing a room!

The protesters raised their voices in a wave of protest, almost snapping at each other.

..... Yeah, well, I had a bad feeling about it.

After the walk, at dinner, and in the bathtub, no decisive problems occurred.

This, in turn, has made me more and more anxious, so that I am not confused by this sudden situation, but am only able to chew on the fragility of life.

..... However, we can't just keep running away forever, so Akiharu also joined the protest.

I know Eiche has two beds in her room, but why can't Selnia use them?

That's what I'm talking about. This is unprecedented, sir. Only Hedier, the unworthy handmaiden, and her husband or intended husband-to-be may spend the night in the same room with the young lady, and not even family members of the same sex, let alone the same sex.

"..... mmm."

(alt: "..... Mu") It was difficult to return the compliment when he raised the issue of the commandment, and Akiharu looked at Selnia sideways as if asking for a rescue ship.

But apparently, the drillers have no words either.

She was biting her lip in full dissatisfaction.

In this situation, the only person you can rely on is yourself.

The other side is formidable, but this is not the time to be talking about it.

Ah, that's it. "Oh, you know, Selnia can have the guest room, and I'll just sleep in the living room, if that's okay?"

I'm sure that's it," he said. It's a very suitable treatment!

(alt: "That's it. It's a very good treatment!") Nice shout out, thanks for the support, I'll remember this drill later.! As Akiharu was in tears, Aiche frowned a little sadly and quietly shook her head.

(alt: Nice support Thank you, remember later This drill! When Akibare was swallowing tears, Aiche shook his head quietly, with a slight sadness in his eyebrows.) Hedier then said, "I would like to say, 'Well, well, well, sir, you know your own worth, but I can't let you do that.

What? Why?"

There is no way that Miss can sleep in bed when her husband sleeps on the floor. In that case, I'm sorry to say that Miss Eiche will be sleeping on the cold floor herself, and there's nothing I can do to stop her."

(alt: "When my husband sleeps on the floor, I should be able to sleep on the bed, but in that case, I'm sorry to say that Lady Aiche also sleeps on the cold floor. I can't stop it either. ")

"Oooh, that's ridiculous"

You are the one who is talking nonsense, sir. Incidentally, if you allow the young lady to do such a thing, Hedier, in his grief, may inadvertently invite the master to eternal sleep.

"No offense, but..."

Another murder warning.

I am really moved to tears by the very noisy maid of honor.

But sleeping in the same room with Aiche is just too much of a pinch.

Although I managed to get through the first semester without any problems, spending the night in the same room with the innocent and graceful beauty Aiche was, to be honest, tougher than doing the 24-hour endurance training menu for the "Deep Silence".

The reason why Akiharu doesn't raise his voice to argue even though he thinks so is because of the presence of Selnia, who is more heated up than he is.

"Well, Mr. Flameheart, would you and Master like to sleep together in the guest room? There is only one bed in the guest room, and since the master is not allowed to use the floor, by process of elimination you two will have to share the same bed.

It's called ".....! That's impossible!

I was like, "Oh, really? Well, then I guess I have no choice. Then Master will be sharing a room with Miss Eiche.

Meanwhile, Hedier and Selnia were talking, as if to say, "Stop.

I guess it's hard for Selnia to deal with this Murderer's Handmaiden.

Too much incompatibility.

If Tomomi was there instead of just Drill, they could fight a little, but I still think Hedier would win in the end if there was an argument.

Selnia's mouth twisted in frustration, and Akiharu watched in silence, not knowing what to say to her.

Maybe the right thing to do is to encourage them, but in this case, hey.

I'd like to be encouraged by them.

As I was thinking, Mr. Driller turned his eyes toward me with a terrible grudge and grabbed my chest with such force that he almost lifted Akiharu, who was sitting down, up and said one word in a dusky voice.

"..... in case there is ever a mistake you know about it!"

(alt: "... If there is something that seems to be wrong You know !?".....")

(alt: 「 」) I was so forceful that I wanted to ask him if he was going to kill the ogres, but I had no choice but to reply.

Akiharu felt as if he were on death row and looked to Aiche for help.

Then he smiled and bowed deeply and politely.

..... Now what am I supposed to take this to mean? In my head, it means, "Please give me your best wishes."

The voice automatically played back, but the point is how to say hello, isn't it? Come on, come on, folks, we have to get up early tomorrow and move on, so it's time for you to go to bed!

Hedier's cheerful voice pushed Selnia to say once again, "You know what I'm talking about, don't you? Do you understand me?"

After giving me a look as if to say, "I'm sorry," he finally released his grip on my chest and said, "..... humph."

(alt: After giving me a gaze, I finally let go of the hand that was holding the chest, and said, "... Hmm.") He disappeared into the guest room with a snuffle.

As Akiharu was stretching out his wrinkled shirt, a smiling Hedier approached him, an event that sent chills up and down his spine.

Then, Master, please go to Miss Aiche's room. The late arrival will affect your daughter's skin and health, so please move along, you dullard."

..... Good, Hahn's usual black-and-white response.

I feel like I'm in my last days of being relieved to be humiliated, but a good Hedier is just as horrifying as a pure and innocent Tomomi.

Reluctantly getting up after being urged to do so, Akiharu moves to the room indicated.

I stepped into the room, still feeling a chill, and froze.

"..... おい"

"Sir, what happened, sir? I told you to hurry up and do it, but you ignored me or shirked my offer, don't you have some nerve?"

Words that sting as sharply as a bow gun's arrow are barely audible now.

The fact in front of his eyes came as a shock to him, and he turned his head as if he were a broken dummy and slowly asked Hedier, who had a big smile on her face.

Hey, if I'm not going crazy with my eyes,, then, do the two beds look like they're attached to each other?

"Rest assured, I have no doubt that your husband's eyes are as good as his eyes, but there is no doubt about that."

"Where did beds mean two things?"

What is the meaning of this question? If it's just the two of you, it's a little cramped for sleeping, so I'm just providing a bed for the two of you.

There's nothing left but problems! Why didn't you leave the bed?

I am at a loss as to why. We have left the equipment in place so that it wouldn't come loose.

"..... なん"

(alt: "..... what.....") When Hedier replied in a brisk manner, Akiharu was at last at a loss for words.

I had a bad feeling about this, but I didn't expect it to go this far.

I mean, that? That? Two people sleeping together in a place that's barely wider than a regular double bed? A wholesome, enviable young man and woman of age? And one with mysterious good looks and the other with the kind of beauty that says, "....."

(alt: 「.....」) I am an older woman who is smiling at me as if to say, "I am a man whose reason and instincts are on a seesaw, and I am wobbling along. So, good night, Miss Eiche, and we will see you in the morning.

After politely bowing down to his master, Hedier tried to close the door and said, "No, wait! Wait, please!

What's going on? It's the middle of the night and it's noisy. If you have so much energy, then you should be able to enjoy the rest of the night.

Will you please shut the fuck up?

"Oh, my God, sir, your language is so meta.

That's not what I'm talking about! Where is Hedier?

Of course, we will be outside to provide security. Although we take all possible precautions against foreign enemies, we do not want anything unexpected to happen. If you need me for anything, I will be there immediately.

"のっ.....、..... お....."

The way she said it, Akiharu's thought process was affected and she was unable to continue speaking.

And then they take the liberty of saying, "The question has been asked.

Perhaps deciding that he had been wrong, Hedier closed the door and, just as he was about to close it, he opened the door a crack and said, "Oh, yes, yes, the walls here are very soundproof, so you can rest assured.

This time I really closed the door, this time with words I knew were meant as a warning, but didn't want to admit to.

"....."

(alt: 「.....」) "....."

And in the silence.

In front of Akiharu's stunned eyes, Aiche walked to the bed she had reached, relying on the subdued glow of the floor lamp at the back of the room.

At the sight of Aiche sitting upright on the bed and staring at him, Akiharu unconsciously swallowed his spit.

I had a vague feeling that maybe that was the case.

No, but he continued to deny it, saying, "No way." Somewhere deep inside, he must have been aware that he would never admit to it.

But in this situation, I have no choice but to admit it gracefully.

"..... 嵌められ た あ !"

I don't know how long it has been going on, or where it started, but I'm certain that if the circumstances are so perfect, there is no doubt about it.

(alt: I don't know where it came from, but if the situation is right up to this point, there is no doubt.) What do you mean the bed is fixed?

There is no way that such a thing could have originated.

The same is true of the meals served on the island, and if you recall carefully, that soup should have been prepared by soaking the beans in water for nearly an entire night.

That means that the planning started as late as yesterday.! Regretting it but unable to do anything about it, Akiharu staggered to bed.

(alt: In other words, the plan had started at the stage of yesterday at the latest ...! I regret it, but I couldn't help it, and Akibare headed to bed.) Unless you lie down, Aiche will probably remain seated.

No matter how well this situation was set up, I can't bear to see it happen.

After going to the opposite side of the bed to be as far away from Aiche as possible, Akiharu decided to lie down with his back to her and take a deep breath to calm himself down.

I'm sure you're right, no matter how much Tomomi Hedier tries to manipulate you, you just have to stay out of it.

(alt: —Yes, no matter how much Hedyeh tampered with the plan like Tomomi, it's just a matter of getting out of hand.) This is where self-control, the iron will forged in the education department, is shown.

And there's one more thing worth trying.

The only way left is to negotiate directly with Aiche, which can only be done now, without the interference of the Marder's handmaidens.

So, when he was a little less upset, Akiharu turned over and said, "Hey, I.....?"

The person I was about to call out to was right in front of me.

I'm not exaggerating. I'm sure it's only about ten centimeters wide open.

(alt: It's not an exaggeration, I'm sure it's only about ten centimeters open.) Even in close-up, her face is still so beautiful that it chokes her breathing and makes her cough, but Akiharu manages to hold it in.

But close, as close as you can get.

What does it mean to be so close that you can feel each other's breath, or even body heat?

And they were making eye contact with each other.

I panicked and tried to back away, but the edge of the bed was right behind me, so it was too close for my heart to handle.

Still, he chided himself with positive thinking that he was doing much better than before, and Akiharu opened his mouth while looking straight into Aiche's eyes, which were bright even in the darkness.

"Oh, you know, this kind of thing, it's kind of not good.

(alt: "Ah, uh What do you mean by this ... I think it's not good ...") I was surprised at my own lack of confidence.

Not only my head, but also my tongue doesn't roll well.

What a weak pressure I am under, and I feel so ashamed of myself that I want to die before I get killed.

I would cry if I had to, but unfortunately, that's not going to help, so I decided to give it a shot, and grab Mikankan's prized handmade lure, and said, "Look, there it is! You are a high school student who should be studying hard, so I think moderation and chastity are important!

I wanted to tell myself that I was born in the Meiji era, but I held back and said, "And you're right, what's important is that both parties understand each other's intentions. What?

He was trying his best to persuade her, but his words were stopped in the middle of his speech.

To be more precise, he was stuck in a very pathetic situation where he was unable to move simply because Eiche was quietly approaching him.

Despite his determination to appeal for a thorough resistance, Akiharu himself was astonished to see that his body did not move as if under a spell, and he was surprised to see that he had been

Quietly and slowly, Aiche's face comes closer.

When she entered the area where body temperatures were again passing each other, Akiharu could only gulp his breath and could not move his gaze enough.

My head was so confused that I couldn't come up with any solution to the problem.

I couldn't even resist, and he just snuggled up to me with a snuggle.

In addition, she looked up at me from a very close distance, a special combo, and her little lips trembled slightly as she said, "..... Please rest assured, sir.

I am told such a thing in a situation where I do not feel at all secure.

It's been a long time since I've heard your voice, and I'm in the midst of a near-arrhythmic situation.

Telling himself to calm down, Akiharu tried to nod but his face was too close, and doing so would have caused a serious accident that would have resulted in a crash, so he panicked and stopped, leaving himself in an even more frazzled state.

I hope it is a lie that I am this pathetic creature.

In contrast, Aiche, who is almost zero distance away from us, is smiling quietly, and her heart is taking over again, which is a real bummer.

When Akiharu was unable to respond, Aiche made a mysterious remark, her eyes softened and she said, "..... If it is not what you want, I have no intention of forcing a relationship with you. Tonight and in the future.

"..... な、ん.....?"

After all this time, Akiharu's eyes blinked at the unexploded ordnance.

No, well, it's certainly a development I'm glad to have avoided, but isn't this a bit odd? The excitement of the heartbeat and the confusion of expectations and apprehension were fading away like fireworks after the show had passed, and Akiharu's thin voice reached his ears three times.

"....., but tonight, for this one night, will you allow us to share your bed like this?"

"Oh, ah?, but we just sleep together, don't we,?"

..... Yes, that's correct. Of course, if Akiharu-sama changes her mind, then we will continue to do so.

(alt: "... Yes, that's right. Of course, Akibare-sama's mind has changed, so if that happens, beyond that —") "No, I've had enough snuggles! I'm full just with that!"

A faint laugh was heard as she hurriedly repeated her denial. And just like that, Aiche closed her eyes.

(alt: When I hurriedly repeated denials, I heard a faint laughing voice ... And as it was, Aiche closed her eyes.) Akiharu stared at her face and, while thinking unnecessary thoughts like, "She has small, soft lips," he observed her carefully and concluded that she was not going to fall asleep at night.

"....."

I kill my voice, exhale slowly and finally feel relief.

I was wondering what would happen at one point, but it looks like it won't be decisive.

Of course, being approached by a beautiful, good-natured woman like Aiche and even crossing the line with her would be a dream come true even if you wished for it, but when your life depends on it, it's a different story.

I don't know what would have happened if I had been forced to be more aggressive with her. To be honest, I don't have much confidence in my ability to put up with it.

(alt: What would have happened if I had been forced to be more aggressive? Yeah, honestly, I don't have much confidence to put up with it.) And I'm really glad that we're only

sleeping together, and I'm really glad that we're only sleeping together, and I'm really glad that we're only sleeping together, and I'm really glad that we're only sleeping together.

Yeah? Well, you can go to or for something lighter."

When Akiharu was unable to hide his agitation at being suddenly asked to speak, Aiche opened her eyes and looked into our eyes.

And here, for some reason, she shyly removes her gaze and whispers to me in a quiet voice. "May I hold your hand, Akiharu-sama?"

"..... hand,? That's, well, that's okay, but"

To be honest, I had been dreading what kind of absurd requests would come out, but the content was much lighter than I had expected, and almost by reflex, Akiharu agreed to do it.

I realized late what I had allowed and panicked and thought to myself, "Well, that's OK.

Just the fact that we are sleeping together like this now is an extraordinary anomaly.

Compared to the more dangerous territory that the game is about to go into, I'd rather hold your hand a little longer.

Akiharu instantly regretted that he had been naive.

It was more comforting than I had expected to feel someone gently holding my hand as if they were holding a snowshoe hare or a baby bird.

(alt: It's more comfortable than I expected to be able to hold my hand as if I'm holding a snow rabbit or a chick.) A shy smile from a very close distance is an added bonus.

He closed his eyes so we didn't have to stare at each other, but it was still pretty embarrassing.! And the unexpected attack didn't end there.

(alt: He closed his eyes so he didn't stare at me anymore, but the situation is still quite embarrassing ...! Moreover, the unexpected attack did not end there.) "i°... i°... i°.....?"

The sudden sensation made her almost scream, and she hurriedly covered her mouth with her left hand.

I looked down to see what was going on and found that Aiche's right hand, which had been holding onto hers, was now firmly on her chest.



The soft, moist and cold texture is enough by itself to make it a weapon, but what is more dangerous than that is its appearance.

Aiche, who had taken off her gown and was wearing only a thin negligee, was holding my hand and looking happy in her eyes.

This tickled Akiharu's male mind to the point of scratching and tugging at his brain from the inside out, and it was already becoming a terrible thing.

This is much more destructive than being undressed or attached to a body.! And if you look closely, the underwear she's wearing under her negligee looks like that thing she bought just before lunch.

(alt: It's bad, it's much more destructive than it's badly taken off or stuck to your body ...! Moreover, if you look closely, the underwear attached under the negligee looks like the one I bought before noon.) What a stimulating and transparent cock you have equipped yourself with.! It's still before ten o'clock at night, and no matter how early we get up, we probably won't leave before the sun rises, so we should be in bed for about a quarter of the day.

(alt: You're equipped with a stimulating and transparent array ...! It's still 10 o'clock in the evening, and even if you get up early, you probably won't leave before the sun rises, so it should be about four and a half days at bedtime.) How can you survive this six-hour sandwich between heaven and hell if you don't?

"..... ん... .."

(alt: "..... Hmm.....") I was in a hopeless mood when I finally recognized how severe the ordeal was in this space where I could hear voices that sounded like they were worried about me.

"Oh my goodness, Mister, you look so tired, don't you?"

"..... うっせ え"

(alt: "..... Usseewa") It was the best Akihara could do to reply in a voice that lacked even a micron of high spirits.

He closes the door behind him and leans back against the wall of the log cabin.

And a big sigh that might spit out your soul.

Although it is a southern island, there is still plenty of time for the sun to rise, and the damp night air is cool and pleasant, which is a relief.

I glared at the ill-tempered maid of honor who giggled at my appearance, but there was no way that Hedier would pay attention to such a thing.

The fact that we were sitting down helped, too, and we were looked down upon.

..... But by the looks of it, you've resisted the temptation of the young lady, haven't you? It's quite a difficult question whether I should humiliate you as a seedless brute or praise you as a man who has the potential to become a homosexual.

Nothing's too hard, okay? damn it, how much pain have I gone through because of some conspiracy hatched by someone somewhere"

But your daughter didn't press you, did she? She is gentler than a goddess and more open-minded than the sea, and as an aide-de-camp, I am very happy for her.

"Oh, there, there. That's what I wanted to ask you.

The fact that he went to the trouble to wait until Aiche was sound asleep and then, with great caution, slowly pulled her off her feet and out of her body was not simply because his defenses were in terminal condition.

The crisis was considerable, but more importantly, I wanted to ask Hedier a question.

"You're the one who put this together, right? "So why this half-assed"

It is only if you respect your daughter's wishes, nothing more, nothing less."

What do you mean, ".....?"

Miss Eiche's desire to marry her husband is genuine, but she doesn't just want to be with him; she wants you to choose her. That's why she had no intention of crossing the line during the first semester, even if Mr. Daichi hadn't interfered.

"....., you know what they say about, you know,"

(alt: "..... Even if you say something like that") As someone who has been on the receiving end of more than enough aggressive attacks, I can only sigh.

That was not the only thing that Akiharu did not understand. He did not even understand the more fundamental aspects.

So, I take this opportunity to look up at Hedier, who is still smiling, and ask him, "What do you want me to do with this?"

Hey, why is Eiche so determined to marry me? I mean, I know it's a commandment and all, but she could have just done it, and it would have been an accident, and she would have been safe, right?"

"Yes, that's right, sir, how did you manage to remember that with a brain the size of a caterpillar?"

The second half of the sentence is obviously unnecessary, isn't it? Tell me why, why not"

When asked again, Hedier looked toward the room where Eiche was sleeping and said, "It is because Miss Eiche has decided that it is her destiny.

"..... Fate? But it was an accident, right?"

Yes, it was an accident. - Yes, it was an accident, but, Master, Miss Hakuryo is a prestigious girl's school, that's why she was admitted to Hakuryo. Although the school became co-ed last year despite opposition from the surrounding community, there were only five boys. And with Hedier here by your side at all times, how slim is the chance of an accident involving your daughter being seen in her true colors?

It's and"

She tries to reply, but she can't come up with what she thinks is the right answer, so she keeps her mouth shut.

Then he folded his arms and said, "The reason Hedier left Miss Eiche alone under such circumstances is because he had no idea that something would happen in the mere forty-two seconds it took to get her dressed. I'm sure the young lady must have been quite surprised.

(alt: As if to fold it up there, "I thought that the reason why this Hedyeh left Lady Aishe alone in such a situation was that the happening happened in a short time of only 42 seconds to prepare for changing clothes. Because I wasn't there. The lady was also surprised. ") "....."

(alt: 「.....」) (alt: 「.....」) (alt: 「.....」) As a young lady who was baptized and ordained as an Aarphramite before she could even remember, she had very few freedoms. She is not allowed to eat by herself, nor to wash her body when she bathes, and she cannot do most things without me, her maid of honor. In such a situation, the young lady, who already had five prospective fiancées and was supposed to be married off to one of them by the time she graduated from high school, has a chance to make even a slight intervention of her own, which can be considered as fate, wouldn't you say?

Hedier's words, which he spoke cheerfully, lacked none of the sneer he usually had when he was abusing Akiharu.

On the contrary, the way he talks about his master with his unwavering eyes shining makes me feel a strong sense of respect and loyalty toward him, and I feel as if he were a different person.

It made me realize that Aiche is the only one who is really special to this person, and while I was a little dazzled by the sight of my seniors going down the same path, I still decided to say what I needed to say.

So, are you okay with this? These prospective fiancées, they have such great blood and fortune, don't they? And to marry some butler candidate..."

Yes, of course. For Hedier, there is only one person who is special to her, and the others are just stones on the side of the road, even if he is the future master.

..... As usual, the alma mater was poignant as ever.

And it didn't end there. He looked at Akiharu with a curious look in his eyes and said, "What is it that the Master is so unhappy with Miss Aiche? Even if you were to marry her and convert to Buddhism, it would be nothing compared to what you would gain, wouldn't it? It is not impossible that you could acquire a vast fortune if you were so inclined, or that you could take one of the most precious women in the world as your wife, and that you could even aspire to the profession of a steward. Oh, and of course, if you wish, you may take Hedier as your consort to make amends for your past resentment. Neither I nor Miss Eiche will ever complain, will we?"

"....., what do you call me"

I would like to ask how much of a monster they are set up to be.

But I'm sure he's being teased, since he seemed to think I was right about him not touching Eiche tonight.

(alt: But it seems that he didn't touch Aiche tonight, so I'm sure this is being teased.) It is not impossible that they are serious.

At any rate, to the unmannerly words of the maid of honor, Akiharu scratched the back of his head roughly and said, "..... I've got my hands full just trying to do my best each and every day right now. If you need help, I'll help you, but I don't have the luxury of being in love, much less getting married.

"Even if marrying a young lady means I can afford it?"

Maybe so, but no, you can't do it. I said I would work hard at Hakuryo in front of my fathers' graves, and it's bad for my partner that I'm getting married before I'm even a full-fledged person. No matter what they say, this is my problem.

If it were just a matter of whether or not they were going to be in a relationship, it would be different; however, in Aiche's case, the three-step leap to the finish line would be even more impossible.

..... But why such honest exposure? Like Tomomi, this Marder's maid of honor seems to be good at lure, so it would be better not to give her any information that could be disadvantageous to her.

Are you tired? As Akiharu was holding his head in embarrassment and regret, suddenly a laugh sounded from above him.

I didn't need to see it, but when I looked up, I saw Hedier smiling with her mouth pressed shut.

"....., yeah?"

"No, no, nothing at all, it's just that the purity of your husband's character struck me so much that I couldn't help but marvel."

"No, you were laughing, weren't you? I mean, we were laughing at you, weren't we? Damn"

With a sigh and a shove, Akiharu stood up on his knees.

I'm going back. If Aiche wakes up, he's going to be mad at me for breaking my promise."

"That's a good idea, and I'd be happy to just go right in there and attack him."

(alt: "It's a good idea, and I wonder if I should just attack it as it is.") No, no, no, no! No, no, no, not you."

We are honored to receive a compliment from the gutless Master. Well, you're right.

As Akiharu was about to open the door and enter the log house, he stopped and turned around at the sound of something meaningful.

Then the mean-spirited maid of honor, with a wry smile on her face and a penetrating look in her eye, said, "It seems the other one has had a strong influence on your endurance this evening.

"You're a real pain in the ass, you"

When he unexpectedly and pointedly pointed out the right thing to me, I could only reply in that way.

Akiharu almost ran back inside and let out a deep breath.

..... What kind of witch is she, that she can not only communicate with others with just her eyes and eye contact, but can also read other people's minds?

It's too much to ask for.

Scratching his head, Akiharu reached for the door to return to the room where Aiche was sleeping,..... and suddenly looked at the door to the next room.

The room is used as a guest room.

One of the guests who had just arrived should have been sleeping soundly.

I'm sure Hedier is right that the fact that someone else was right next door had a lot to do with the fact that I didn't get too close to the overly attractive Aiche. I guess you have to admit it.

(alt: — As Hedyeh says, the fact that Aishe, who is too attractive, wasn't touched at the last minute was not a little affected by the fact that there was someone right next to him ... I wonder if there is no choice but to get it.) I never thought I'd be thanking him for a reason like this.

(alt: "For this reason, the day will come when I will thank him ...") You may not know him at all, but thank him from the bottom of your heart.

Akiharu then entered the room where Aiche was sleeping to endure the remaining time before the wake-up call.

◇ ◇ "..... morning home, hey hmmm"

Of course, Tomomi is the one who is always harping on about it, and I really wish she would give me a break.

However, since there was no way to escape during lunchtime service activities in the cafeteria, Akiharu just had to endure the situation. He would have liked to use a temporary illness, if possible.

(alt: However, since it was a time when I couldn't escape from the service activities in the cafeteria during the lunch break, Akiharu had no choice but to endure ... I wanted to use it even if I had a false illness.) But they will find out soon enough anyway, so there is only room to consider it.

I returned by helicopter from the Eiche-owned island and made it to class on time, only to be met with the cold stares of my roommates.

However, it was unusual that Daichi also looked sleepy, so he must have been concerned, and Akiharu had no choice but to apologize honestly.

While that is still a good thing, what about Shikikagami's reaction to Todoroki's incessant speculation, which caused a bit of a panic?

I thought I was quiet after class time, but then Tomomi got involved with me.

And the perceptive Black Belly said, "I'm curious about Hadim's island and the fact that Selnia was there, too."

"....."

And she seemed a little sleepy, too. It's funny, because she's not the type to lose sleep over a pillow change, is she?"

"....."

Besides, you are less talkative than usual. I wonder if something happened to you? Hey, Akiharu? Do you have any idea what's going on?

....., no

(alt: "..... No, no ...") The incredibly embarrassing serving time continued for some time after that.

Akiharu, meanwhile, felt as if he had not lived at all, and after last night, he had experienced something so significant that he could only hope that the time would pass quickly.