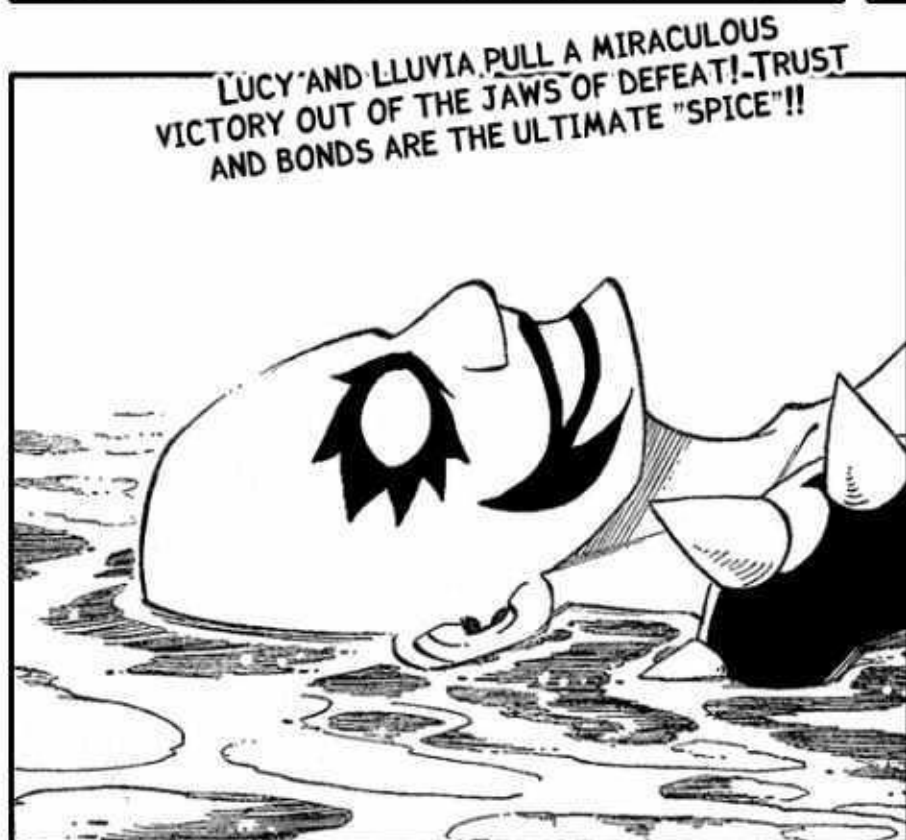
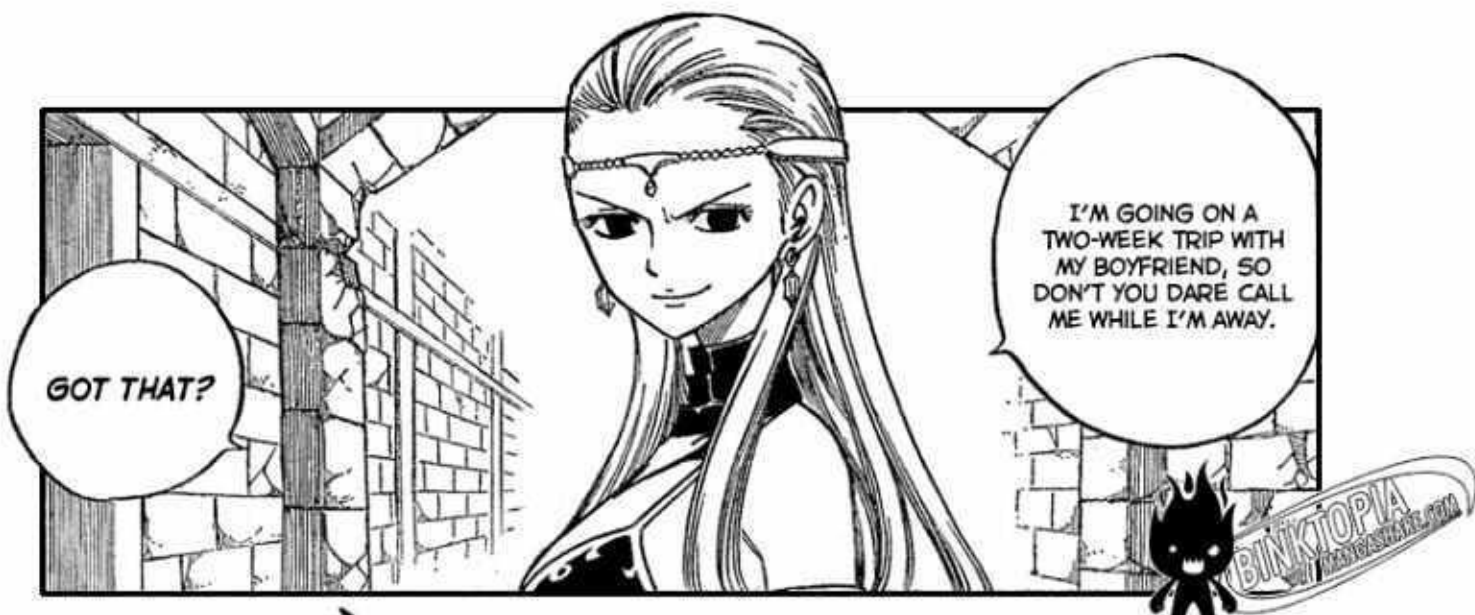




CHAPTER 88: "NATSU IS THE BAIT"



HIRO MASHIMA









...ONLY TO NEVER
ACTUALLY ACHIEVE
THEIR GOAL.....

I'VE HEARD
STORIES OF
PRIESTS WHO
WASTED THEIR
WHOLE LIVES
TRYING TO
ACHIEVE THAT...



UNISON
RAID...?



HEHEH...

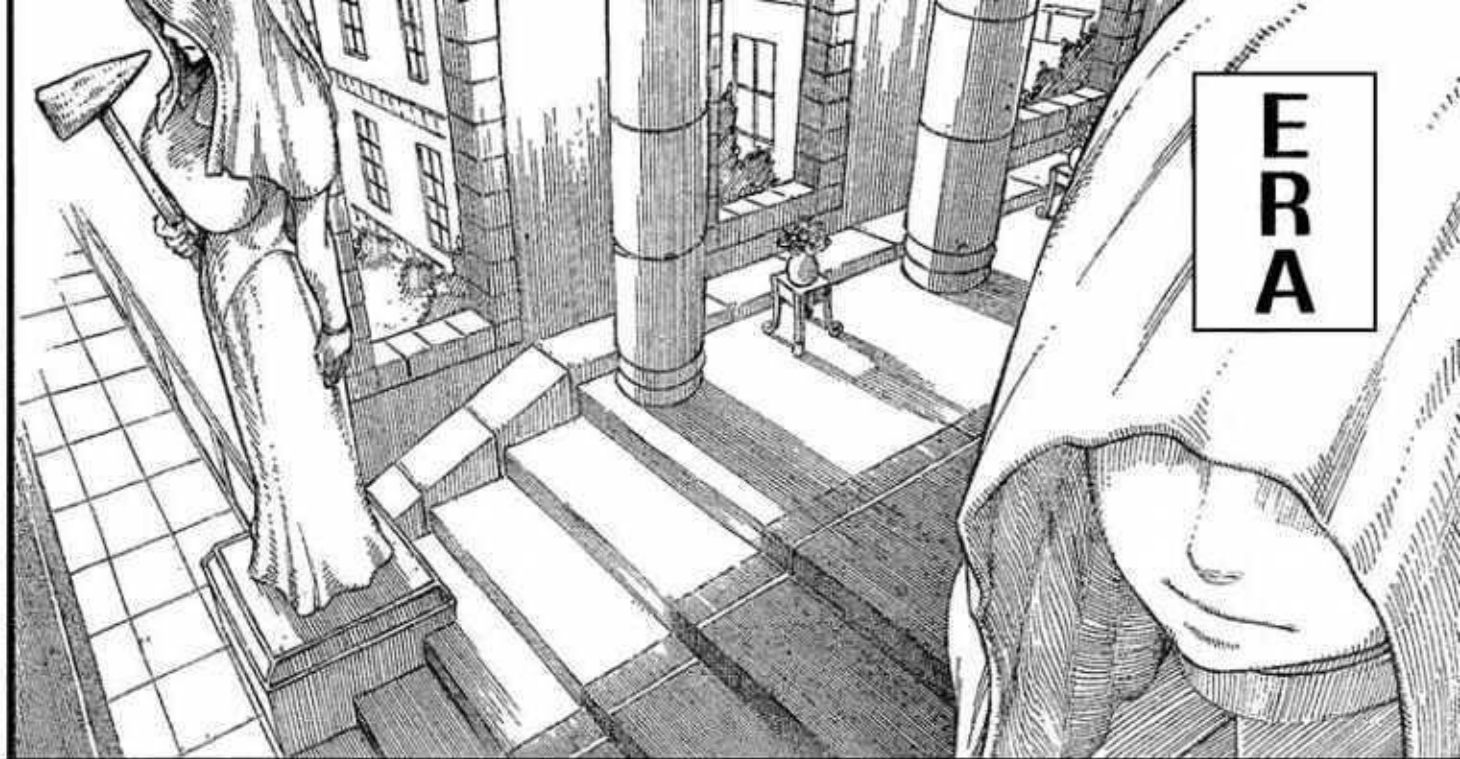
CALL IT
COINCIDENCE,
BUT THAT'S
QUITE THE
LITTLE ACT
TO PULL.

THEY MAY JUST BE
LITTLE GIRLS, BUT I
GUESS THEY ARE
ERZA'S NAKAMA,
AFTER ALL.



I GUESS IT'S MY
TURN TO ADVANCE A
PIECE ON THE BOARD
AS WELL...





ERA



...THERE ARE
FOUR VOTES
FOR, VERSUS
FIVE AGAINST.

THE RESULT
OF VOTING:
AETHERION WILL
NOT BE FIRED.

ON THE
MATTER OF FIRING
UPON THE TOWER OF
PARADISE WITH
AETHERION...



THERE ARE
PEACEFUL WAYS
TO APPROACH
THIS MATTER,
AS WELL.

STOP THIS
NOW, SIEG... THE
DEBATE HAS GONE
ON LONG ENOUGH.



WAIT!!!

DO YOU
ALL TRULY
UNDERSTAND
THE SITUATION
IN WHICH WE
CURRENTLY
STAND?!!







I DIDN'T WANT
TO CAST ANY
UNNECESSARY
SUSPICIONS
UPON MYSELF,
SO I DIDN'T
MENTION THIS,
BUT...



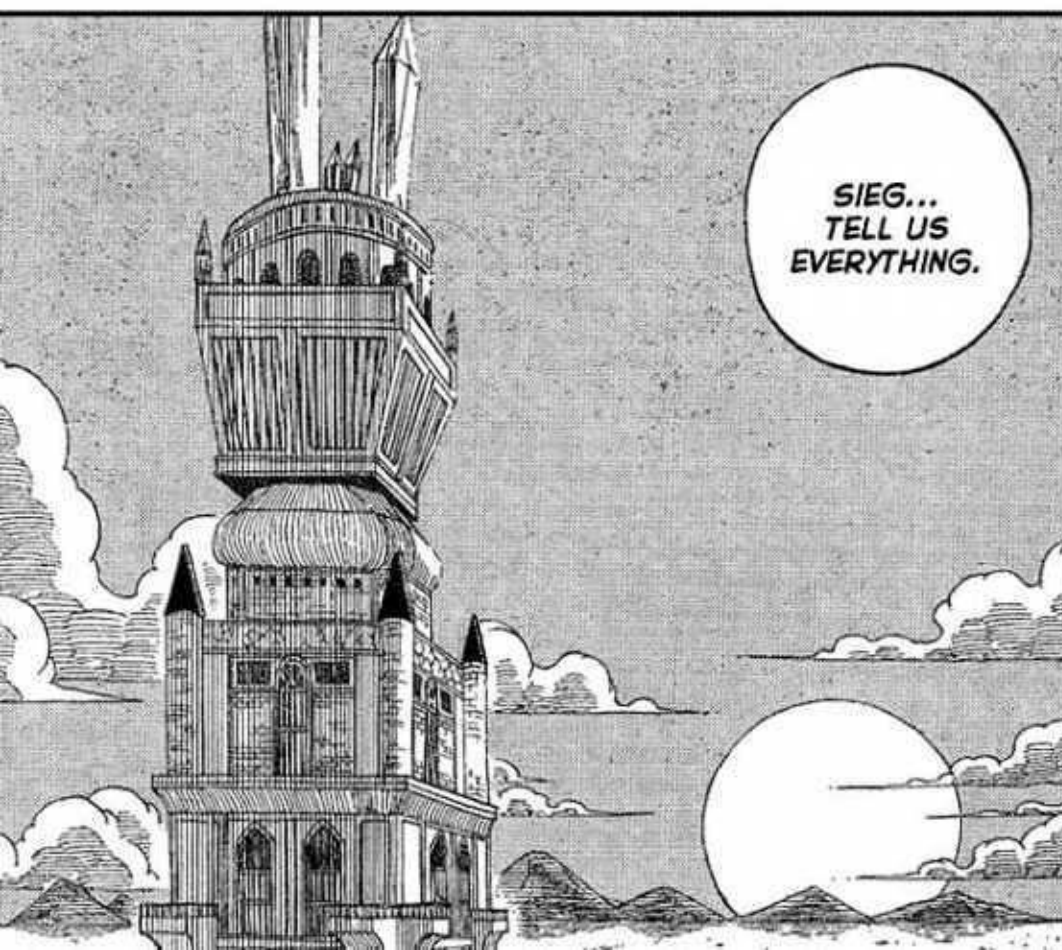
SIEG, HOW
COULD YOU
POSSIBLY KNOW
A THING LIKE
THAT?!!

Y... YOU...
WHAT DID YOU
JUST...?!



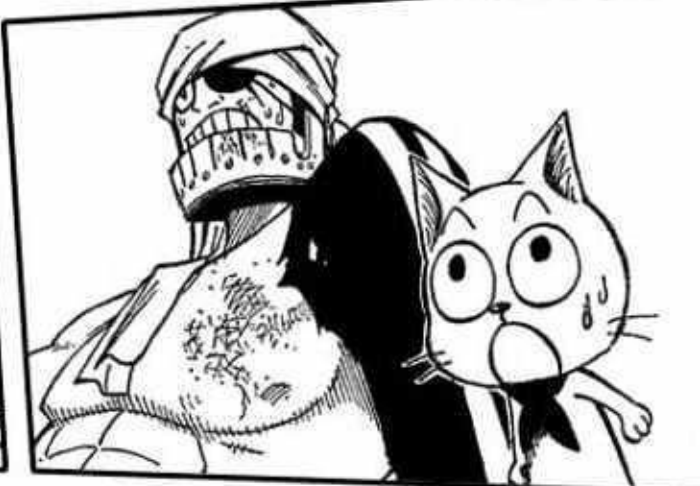
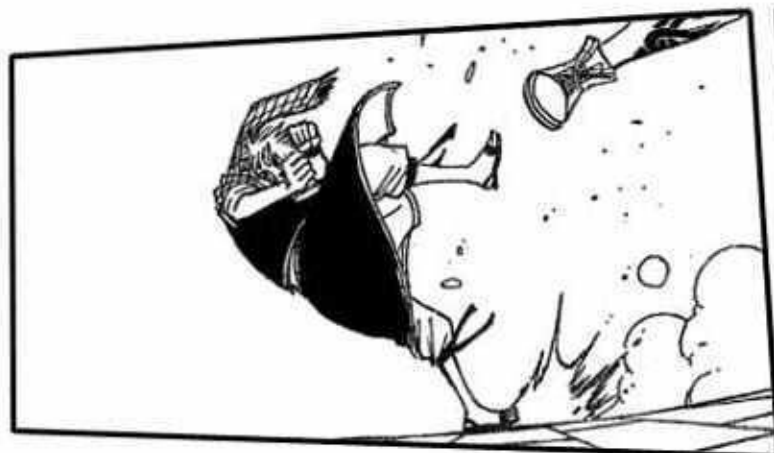
AND I
KNOW WHAT
HE MEANS
TO DO.

I KNOW THAT
MAN; THE ONE
KNOWN AS
GÉRARD.



SIEG...
TELL US
EVERYTHING.

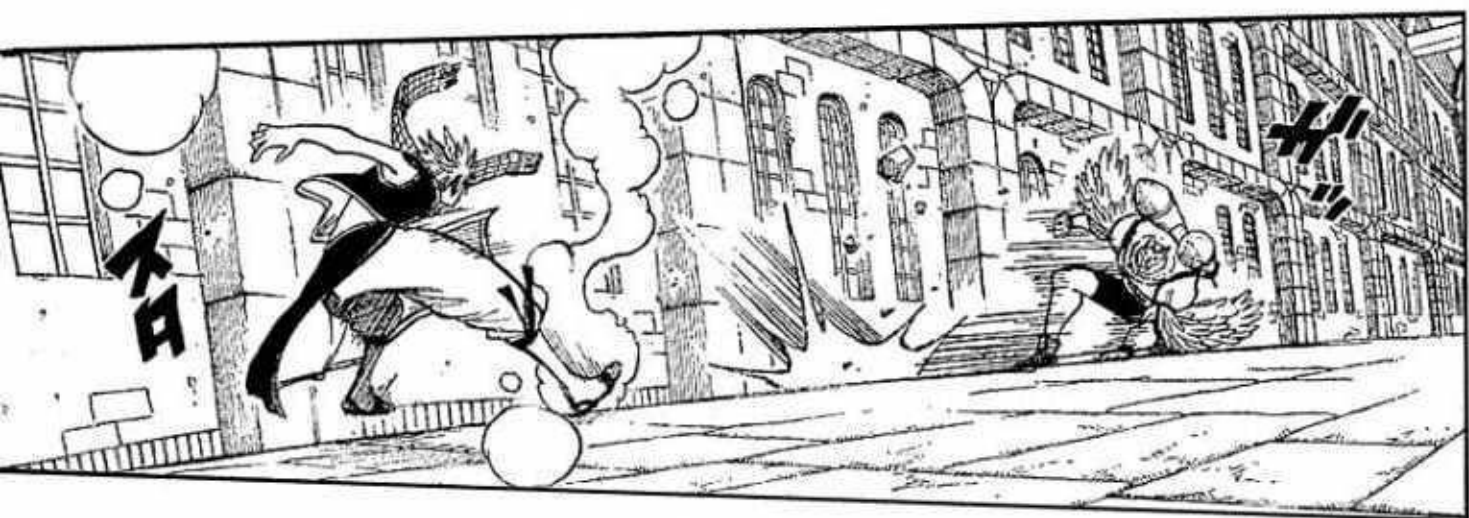




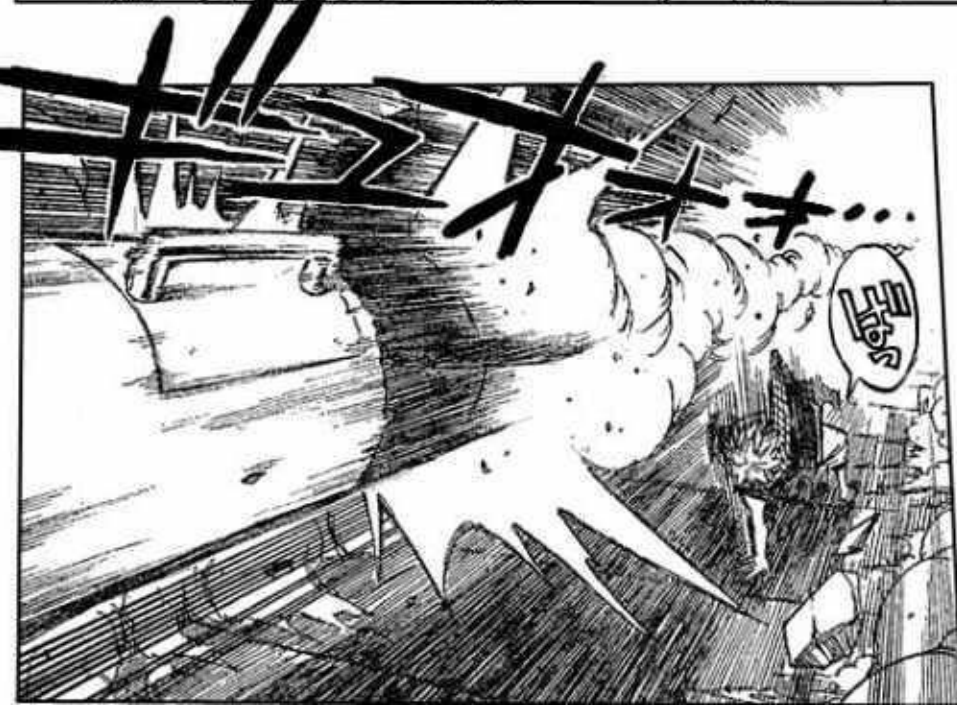
KARYUU
NO...

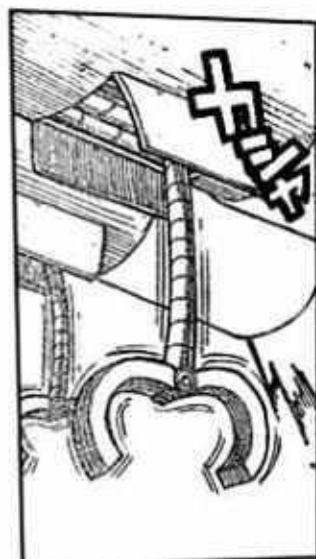
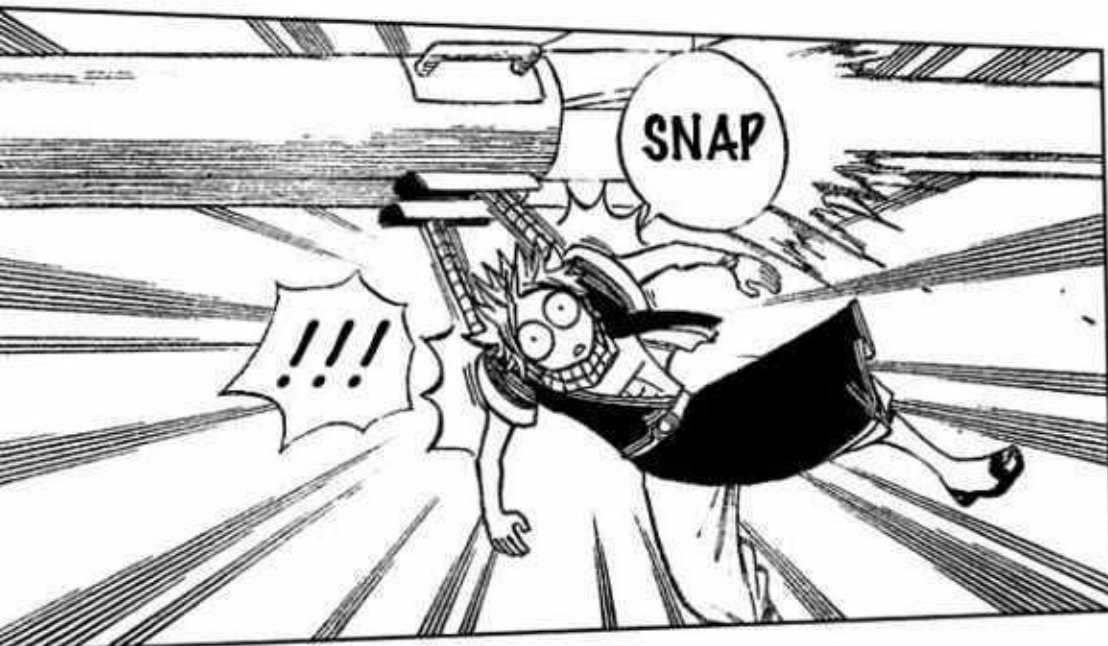


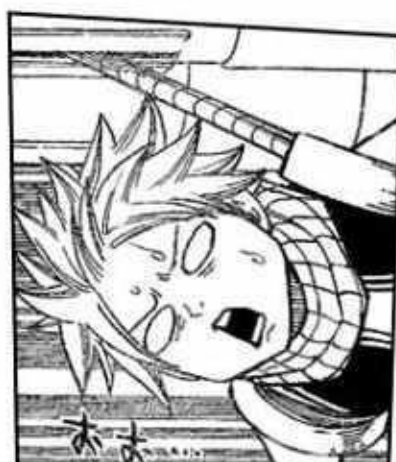
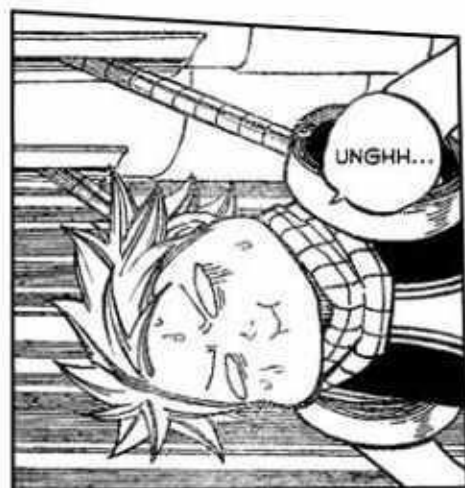
TM: "FIRE DRAGON CLAWS"



BINKTOPIA
MANGA-READER.COM









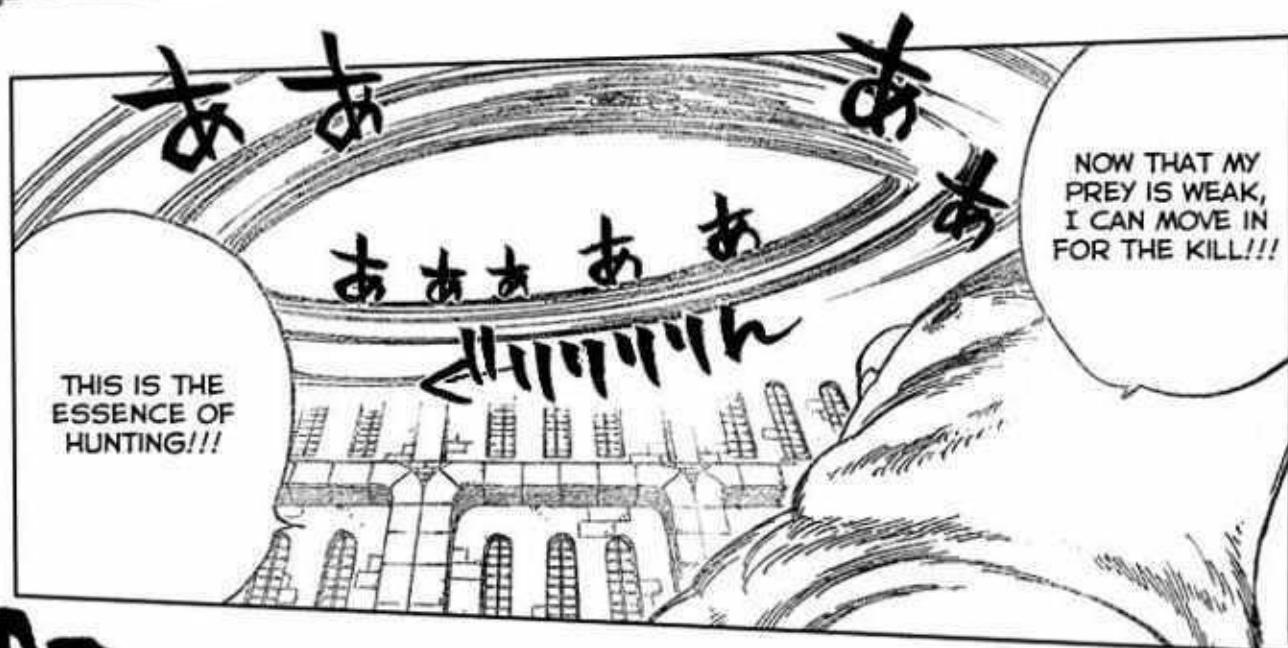
NATSU CAN'T
HANDLE RIDING A
VEHICLE TO SAVE
HIS LIFE!!!!

WHAT?!



?!

THIS IS BAD!!!
THAT THING'S A
VEHICLE!!!!



THIS IS THE
ESSENCE OF
HUNTING!!!

NOW THAT MY
PREY IS WEAK,
I CAN MOVE IN
FOR THE KILL!!!



NOW!!!!



DROP





NEXT WEEK, WE HAVE COLOUR PAGES! DON'T MISS IT!!



GIVE
NATSU BACK
HERE!!!



UNGH!

FIRE
HO-HO-HOU!!!!



BINKTORIA
MANGA



HE CAN'T MEAN
HE'S ACTUALLY
ABSORBED
SALAMANDER'S
ABILITIES?!

"DIGEST"...



HEY!!!
ARE YOU ALL
RIGHT?!!

FIRE?



WHO-WHOO...

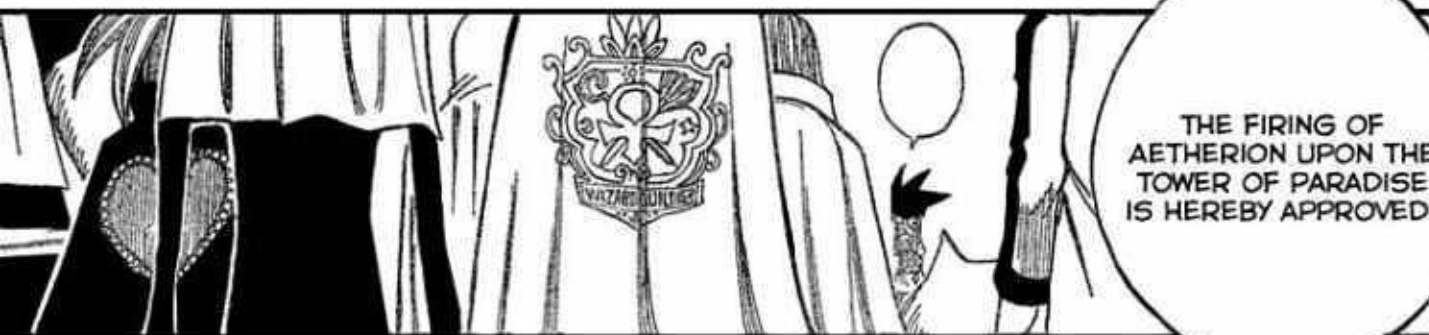


EIGHT IN
FAVOUR, ONE
AGAINST.

THAT
WILL BE
ALL.



TH... THIS
IS THE SHEER
LEVEL OF AN
ASSASSIN'S
GUILD...



THE FIRING OF
AETHERION UPON THE
TOWER OF PARADISE
IS HEREBY APPROVED.



BUT I HOPE
YOU ARE
READY TO
TAKE RESPON-
SIBILITY FOR
THE CONSE-
QUENCES,
YES?

IT IS NO
LONGER MY
PLACE TO
RESIST
.....

OF COURSE...
I WILL TAKE
FULL RESPON-
SIBILITY...



BUT YOU CAN AT
LEAST SEE THAT
WE MUST NOT
ALLOW ZEREF'S
REVIVAL, RIGHT?

YAJIMA-SAN...
YOU MAY
FIND THIS
DIFFICULT TO
ACCEPT...





I AM TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE'S LIVES HERE, SIEG!!!!

ALL THE LIVES THAT ARE ABOUT TO BE LOST WILL BE UPON YOUR HANDS!!!!

くろ

ALL OF THIS IS ACCORDING TO GERARD'S PLAN...?!



YOU'LL HAVE YOUR ANSWER SOON ENOUGH...

AETHERION WILL BE FIRED IN ONE HOUR PRECISELY!!!

EVERYBODY, MAKE THE PREPARATIONS!!!

THE FATAL SCENARIO DRAWS EVER CLOSER... AN ALL-TOO-SHORT TIME-LIMIT HAS BEEN LAID UPON EVERYONE'S LIVES!!



NOW... WHAT'S YOUR MOVE? YOU'RE OUT OF TIME...

IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE THE LIGHT COMES CRASHING DOWN...

ERZA... LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE LOST YOUR MOST POWERFUL PIECE.

TO BE CONTINUED IN CHAPTER 89:
"ARMOUR OF THE HEART"

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