Lea Monde

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Chapter 15: World Fall

Things were falling as the three of us rushed down the stairs... or rather, Fell and I rushed down the stairs and Remy was toted over Fell's shoulder as we took the stairs ten at a time.

The castle shook, seemingly to break itself apart, with great slabs of rock cascading into the depths far below. A multi-ton block of stone fell from above and crashed through the stairs before us, and though I leapt over the gap easily, Fell had to take a running jump at it, and that was after she threw Remy to me.

"Oh... not so rough!" he groaned and held his stomach.

Down the stairs, dodging falling beams – Fell had to catch one and hold half the castle up with it as I and Remy rushed beneath it – leaping down the broken stairs and racing out the door even as the central flowstone tower cascaded downward and the sections of the castle that had been pushed out of the way collapsed inward.

Mad was waiting outside with Jenny and Alice, all three of them wet from the rain already.

"Mommy!" the girls cried and ran to me and I picked them both up, holding them to me while Mad pressed against my navel and embraced me as best he could with his head between my largest two breasts. My waist was so thick at the moment that he couldn't fully encompass it with both my arms.

We stood watching the castle cascade downward, billowing into a hard pile of rock and debris.

"Why is this place still shaking?" Remy asked; pulling himself off the ground where I'd inadvertently dropped him in order to get to the girls and Mad.

"My thoughts are that the whole mountain is coming down." Mad replied.

"Fek... thought as much." Remy said. "Fellania... could you carry me?" he blinked and made cute with a pouting lip.

"You can walk." She retorted with hands on hips and a smirk on her face.

But then the rumbling got worse and without another thought she yoinked him up into her arms and began making for the gate, with me pausing a moment to get Mad and the girls on my back so I could run on all fours.

I didn't like running on all fours... my boobs kept smacking the ground with every lunge, but it was still faster than running on my hind legs, and I was able to leap over the gate with little problems. Fell had to vault over the thing.

"Wait! Wait!" Remy cried. "Turn me around."

"What! If you forgot your teddy we can't go back for it now." Fell shouted, But Remy turned, snorted noisily, and spat right in the face of the fence that grumbled and creaked, trying to get the snag that somehow burned his face.

"That's for doubting I'll survive! Ok... now we can go." Remy mused and rolling her eyes, Fell skipped forward and sprinted down the spiraling ramp of the mountain as it collapsed inward.

"D-don't... don't wait for me!" she called to me. "Get to safety!"

"I'm not leaving you!" I cried back, but Fell slapped me on the butt, a blow that sent me sailing forward with a yowl.

"Git!" she shouted, and looking despairingly back at her, I raced forward like only cats could do.

Mad, the girls and I made it to the bottom even as it collapsed, and I watched desperately for her to arrive even as the whole mountain suddenly shattered and collapsed in on itself.

"Fell!" I screamed... and panted, padding around.

"Fellania!" Mad called

"Lady Fell!" the girls chimed.

"I'll even take Remy!" I called out too, and suddenly I saw one of the most comical things ever as Fellania was being dragged through the air by a Remy who was leaping across the falling slabs of rock the size of a city block. The wide-eyed look as he dragged her on by the scruff of her neck might've made me laugh if not for their dire situation.

Bat-out-of-hell had a new definition as I saw the desperate look on his face and an unconscious Fell; one of his arms pumping, his lips puckered to breathe deeply while he lugged behind him a fem that was three times his size and many times his weight by sheer inertia of redirecting her fall behind him with one arm.

He leapt off the last bit of falling rock, with Fell slapping against the ground and Remy rolling to his feet and throwing his arms up in the air.

"I am invinc-e-bol!" he shouted and teetered, and then teetered slowly, eyes rolling up into his skull before he fell face first with a loud slap against the ground that he bounced from. This left Mad, the girls and me to look on as the last of Castle Raven collapsed into the ground.

The night was blackest before dawn, or so the poet's always said, and Fell's staff had returned to normal and was now illuminating a great light in the darkness for us, while the relic on my back shone a lovely golden light. We had to go through the village on our way out, the village having long since burned to the ground and its ruins were smoldering in the now lightly misting rain. With the clouds having swallowed up the moon again, the red glow over the world was now gone.

Remy sat on Fell's shoulder, which, after having been saved by our little white rat, made absolutely no complaints about being ridden upon now.

It was shortly after we left Deadwood behind us that the first of us spoke.

"Mommy... I'm hungry." Alice moaned, waking up after napping on my breast and rubbing her eyes on the back of one hand.

"Me too." Jenny added and we slowed as I looked down at them.

"They've been trapped inside their prisons for goodness knows how long, dearest." Madoushi mentioned. "I'd suppose they've been dealing with hunger for centuries.

"Not much better... I take these little girls from their prisons and now they're cold and wet on top of hungry." I sighed and then stepped to the edge of the road and sat down in the mud, laying against a tree and using the rain water to clean off my breasts. "At least I can do something about hungry." I smiled at them and rolled the teats of my secondaries till milk leaked from them. "Drink as much as you want while... while we think for a bit."

Jenny and Alice leaned in and fastened hungrily on my lower teats, my primaries keeping the rain off their heads. Though the only teats I'd drank from myself were my primaries, one would suppose the milk of my other breasts were just the same...

"Look at you." Fell smirked. "You go from single to mated with a family in six days. How the hell do you do it?"

"Luck?" I smirked and rubbed Alice and Jenny's backs with either hand. "Now how do we get out?"

"Before sunrise." Remy reminded us atop Fell's shoulder as he sat there cross-legged.

I thought for a moment. "...sunder the world before travelling through death again to leave through the unseen door to exit into the place of the remembered dead." I said aloud.

"The rest of your riddle?" Mad asked and I nodded.

"Well we just sundered the world." Remy mentioned. "We sundered it nice and good right there..." and he pointed back the way we came.

"And the rest of the riddle?" Fell asked as she folded her arms.

"When we traveled through death before, we went through the crypts. Lots of dead people. Where are more dead people laid to rest?"

"The graveyard?" Fell mentioned and Mad turned to me.

"Th-the... graveyard?" he asked and swallowed, and then shook his head before striking it a couple times with the palm of his hand. "I-I remember... vaguely... when I came here. There were lots of dead things where I walked in the Dream Time. They harried me here, and once here..." he swallowed. "I-I don't want to go back there."

"Dear heart," I sighed. "Is the graveyard the only place you haven't looked for your way out?" I asked and he froze, thinking and then grimaced. "What's the price for freedom?"

"What's the price on your life?" Remy asked, and then eyed the girls suckling and then Fell's two fat naked tits. "Um... Fell... since Susan is nursing the kids and you...?"

"Let me answer your question with a question Remy." Fell said and turned her head to eye him. "Is that worth your life?"

Remy thought. "M-m-maybe? It all depends upon certain factors and..." Remy stopped as Fell took to glaring at him. "I guess that's a no then."

"Ya think?" he asked in a 'ah-duh!' sort of way.

"Well can't blame a condemned man for asking for a last meal or anything."

There was more silence that was punctuated only by the rain.

"The graveyard is where I arrived." Mad said at last, hanging his head and we all stared at him.

"It's where we arrived too." I added.

"I fell through darkness and just landed there," he said and folded his arms. "I have no idea how to get out... not without... not without *looking* for the door."

"You can take me with you." I said and gripped his hand. "I'll be with you... like in Alice's room." He gripped my hand back and smiled nervously... but then Remy rose to stand on Fell's shoulder.

"Do you mind?" Fell asked.

"No I don't... now brace yourself." And he stepped up on her head and looked out to the distance.

"Hey! Get off!" Fell shouted and he stamped on her head.

"Quiet! All of you quiet!" and his ears swiveled, the great disks moving about as he cupped them forward with his hands.

"What is it?" I asked.

Remy paused and even Fell quieted.

"Rumbling... shaking... breaking." He replied, turning his head and then stopped again. "Quick... shut off the lights." And removing the scroll from my back and Fell gesturing to her staff, the remaining light was more than apparent as it glowed against Remy's face.

"We're out of time." Remy said, and held his hand out to a red glow of approaching dawn.

Again, Remy with Fell, Mad and the girls on my back as I went all fours, we raced as quickly as we could down the road, making it a few miles before the feeling of trembling Earth greeted us, and looking behind us as dawn shone

against the remains of the mountain in the distance, it suddenly dropped away from view, and kept crumbling as the sunlight cast its glow over it. Clouds dispersed and a baby blue light of sky quickly dissipated to gray and then black as the light rolled over this world of falsehoods and lies, revealing everything for what it really was.

"Must go faster." Remy mentioned as we ran, and the world spasmed suddenly and I tripped, sliding along my belly in the mud.

"Get up!" Fell shouted and stooped as she moved past to drag me up by the scruff of my neck and I ran after her.

And as the glow of daylight washed above the trees, dispersing the clouds and breaking the now pale moon that was in the sky, we arrived at the graveyard.

"G-give me a second... I-I have to p-prepare." Mad began but I rose, shifting quickly to catch Mad and the girls, planting Madoushi on the ground as I strode right for the arbor at the back end of the graveyard, shoving my hand through it and watching it disappear.

"No need! Everyone through!" I shouted as the light struck the top of the arbor and its peak melted away.

Remy dove through, Fellania stepped over the threshold and disappeared before I turned and gripping Madoushi by the arm pushed him and Jenny through.

There was an insane thing with the human mind. When impending demise was coming, like a stupid head we turn and watch it come. You want to see it; you want to see your world end. The rising light literally carved the world apart, disintegrating the lies of even the environment that Lilith had created, demolishing rock, splintering trees.

"Mommy." Alice murmured in my arms, and looking up at the disappearing arbor, I vaulted through the hidden doorway – my riddle again making sense as I encountered it, just like the Devil said it would – revealing a set of dark spiraling stairs leading upward.

"Susan!" someone called, but their voice echoed strangely, and it sounded like everyone calling me at once.

"I'm here!" I called back. "We came down when we entered so go up." I said and began to climb, but it appears as if my moment of safety was only brief.

There was a crumbling behind us and looking back at the foot of the stairs, I watched disbelievingly as the stairs began to disintegrate.

"Oh come on!" I moaned.

"What we're climbing." Someone said, probably Remy.

"No! Run! The stairs are disappearing."

I heard the rush of movement above me as I tried to climb, forcing my way upward, ever upward on one hand and both legs, Alice tucked under one arm amidst squeezing through the stairs being that they were made for human-sized people, I felt like I was pushing my way upward through a jagged hole.

"Mommy!" two little voices cried and I strained harder, climbing and squeezing upward, coming to the top and finding a platform with a final stairway where the others were. At the end of the stair was a slanted oval shaped portal leading up into a chamber that glowed green.

"Out! Get out!" I waved at them and started forward even as the floor began to give way beneath me, and hopping, feeling the blocks give way under my very feet before I rolled onto the edge of the stairs, I got up and hurried up the stairs as they started to dissolve.

Fell leapt through, Remy leapt through, Mad with Jenny waiting for me to arrive so we could all leave together, but as I moved forward I slapped against something and bounced off. Alice hiccupped and tried not to cry, Jenny trying to calm her.

"Problems?" a voice asked and I turned and felt my eyes widen.

"You!" I gasped at the Devil from the castle as he stood near the gate. He tipped his hat to me calmly like before.

"Sorry about the barrier, but I thought I might place it there... just for a moment. I think you need to know something."

I glanced at the dissolving stairs as they burned their way like a lit fuse toward us.

"What? What?! What is it?!" I gasped, gritting my teeth and pulling Mad with Jenny closer as I pressed my back against the barrier.

"That portal is made for only one more person." The Devil said and I gaped at him, glancing back at the stairs and then back at him. "Three people in, three people out. And two have already crossed this portal."

"N-no." and I held my babies and future husband tighter.

"S-save yourself, beloved." Mad said.

"Bull shit! You're lying!" I burst into tears staring at the Devil as the burning stairs drew ever nearer. There were less than a few yards left to stand. But like Pen said... he saw only Fell, Remy and me leave Lea Monde. He said nothing about Mad or the girls.

"I'm incapable of lying." He said. "All Devils are incapable of lying. We can't. To lie would break the power that keeps us... well... more or less alive. As for you... I can give you a few choices. I can lower this barrier and one of you may live. Otherwise..." and he opened his case and produced a contract. "... we can make a deal."

"Deal..." I said and gazed back at the disappearing stairs.

"Certainly... if I can purchase your soul, then I can use some lesser souls to change that portal... allow you all to go through."

"And when I die... I go to hell." I replied.

"No beloved... No! I won't let you do that!" Mad shouted at me, his voice echoing strangely.

"I don't want you to die! Not after all we've gone through!" I shouted back and cried. Damn emotions!

It was my determination to protect my new family that made me snatch the pen from the Devil's hand as I stared at the contract, bemoaning this choice.

I lifted the pen, and I moved to sign...