

November 23
Unleashed!!!

The fog was thick as I slowed my blinding speed to a walk just outside of the London Gates. This was where Lady Tso was last reported being seen. I just needed to find her. The fog was so thick, I could not tell who was who. I strained my hearing, and concentrated on every voice in the city. If she was here, then I'd follow her voice. After all, she does like to talk. I listened for a bit. What I found was not her voice, but a voice that clearly said where she was.

"Center of town, by the well." I jumped at this, because it was not a human voice. This came from my head. How I know this, or why I'd even guess this is beyond me. But what better way to start looking, then from the center of town.

The well was not all that far. I stopped next to it, and concentrated. To my left, I heard the rustle of cloaked figures. I looked, and only saw shadows. I walked over to them, and stopped immediately. The colors of the Draco Disciples were visible enough, despite the fog. They entered a large building. I went to the window, and looked inside. There must be at least thirty to forty Draco's in there. And in the center of it all, was the one person I was after. Lady Tso must have gathered a meeting to discuss the next step of her plan. I could not get in there, for they would know me. There had to be a way to get in undetected. Just then, a bright light flashed and glowed out of nowhere. I looked down to see my pouch glowing. I opened it up, and saw a silver square glowing brightly. It was one of the Tharenian Spells. I remembered that the sage said that it is acquired how you can read and use them. I took it out and looked at it. The strange symbols formed words, and I could read it. On top of it, it clearly said: Undetectable Invisibility. I smiled. Maybe in time of need, the right Spell Card will become usable. I began to read the text.

Sunlit sky and moonlight's glow,
Protect me and never show.
In a time so keen,
I wish not be seen,
And no one will ever know.

I felt tingly as I finished reading it. I looked at my hands, and they were not there. The spell card did work, and I was invisible. Now, I just need to get in without drawing attention to a self opening door. The door suddenly opened, and two Draco's stepped out. I quickly snuck in. The room was quiet, and all eyes were on Lady Tso.

"Welcome back, my Disciples. It is time to carry out the next step. But first, report on the guardians. I assume they are ALL taken care of." Her voice sent a shiver up my spine. The damned witch. In time, I will have the Gem of Souls, and her reign of terror will be over.

"Well, most of them are. Over half of the guardians stayed in Bristol to protect the Egg. A few have went to far away places, not knowing your plans." One of the Draco's reported.

"Good. But what about them? Caius Shadowsworn and Lady Snowfire? I hope they are out of the way." She said. Wow, she really doesn't like us. I wonder how Lady Snowfire is? I haven't seen her since I parted from Bristol.

"Caius is searching for the Temple of Chaos, so he is way north right now, at least a month or

two away. And Lady Snowfire is Dead.” WHAT!!!! Alarms went off in my head. No... No way. She can't be dead.

“Excellent. That's one less annoyance to worry about. And Caius will be broken by this news, meaning he will not interfere.” She laughed. Anger boiled up inside of me. She killed Lady Snowfire? This is the lowest of anything she's ever done. I will have revenge. I must avenge her death.

It was at that moment that something inside of me kind of snapped. Anger took over, and an undeniable taste for death struck me. I didn't care anymore. If I am to lose my life, then I will take as many of them with me as possible. Tears started to trickle down my cheeks. I knew what was coming, but I don't know how it will end. With all the courage I had, and this anger to back it up, I released my Invisibility spell.

“What did I tell you? If you hurt her, I would kill you. AND NOW I WILL!!!” The whole room was focused on me. A room full of Draco disciples, and a very surprised Lady Tso. I let out a loud scream, and ran at her. The Draco's didn't see it coming. I Conjured a Blade, and began to swing at any of them who stood in my way. With blinding speed, and the agile movements that brought me this far, I slayed one Draco after another. This was against everything I stood for. But...It...Felt...So...GOOD! I saw a few trying to retreat out the door. I threw a Shadow Bolt at them, and they hit the floor before they got the door open. This was great! I have felt like this before. When IT took me over the first time. Oh no! I must keep control. I must...control it.

“Stop him. Kill this fool!” Lady Tso screamed. I smiled. Her horror and the Draco's pain made me feel strong. I slashed another one, and turned to Lady Tso, she was surrounded by at least five Draco's.

“Caius, I must say I'm impressed at how much stronger you've gotten. But you remember, you cannot harm me, the Gem of Souls will reflect everything you throw at me.”

“I haven't forgotten, Tso.” The tone in my voice changed. Suddenly, a large net was thrown over me, and Draco's were surrounding me, holding me down. I laughed. Then, it happened. I felt myself infused with the Pure Darkness the Shadow King had used to take me over. I couldn't control it.

Power of Darkness, All through the Night,
Give me the power to win this fight.
Unstoppable might, Submit no Ploy,
I command thee, Dark Force, come forth and destroy!

With that, I was consumed. I felt myself getting larger. My arms and legs grew massive, my cloths started to rip, and my vision went from blurred to red. Blood Red. I let out a roar, and threw all of the Draco's off of me, shredding the net like it was a web. I looked at the pitiful Draco's that were attempting to protect Lady Tso, one ran forward, and swung a sword at me. It collided with my chest, and snapped in half, as a rotten branch crumbles after hitting the tree. A look of panic washed over him. I reached down, and picked him up. Without thinking, as I was incapable of doing anyway, I drained his life-force into mine. Dropping the lifeless corpse, I stomped over to where lady Tso was. The other Draco's ran in Fear.

“Cowards!” She yelled at them.

“Silence, Mortal!” I growled. Reaching for her, I was shocked by some sort of barrier. I withdrew my hand suddenly.

“Fool! You cannot harm me while I hold The Gem of Souls.” Good point. But unable to act, I reached out again. This time, the Shock was bigger. I stumbled backwards, shaking it off. She began to mutter some kind of spell. Suddenly I felt myself regaining control. I began to shrink back down. My vision returned, and the rage disappeared. Once I was back to normal, except for the ripped robe, I looked around. There were corpses lying everywhere. Did I really do this?

“You surprise me even more. I was going to wait until after I was done with Tiamat, but I want your power!”

“Sorry, Tso. But your not getting it.” I said, now able to speak freely. I began to build up a ball of dark energy. A Shadow Ball.

“Ha! You cannot hurt me! I still have the Gem! What do you hope to accomplish by doing this?” She taunted. I shook my head.

“I’m not aiming for you!” I said, fixing my gaze upon the Gem itself. She had a confused look on her face. I released the Shadow Ball, and it collided with the Gem. The Gem was knocked out of her hands. She was slightly stunned, not knowing what had happened. I took the chance and ran to the Gem. She noticed this and dove at it. We both grabbed it at the same time.

“Let go, you Filth!” She screamed at me. I continued to hold my grip, not caring that I was crushing her hands, as well as mine.

“Never! This ends now!” I gave a strong yank, and releases her grip on the Gem. I stumbled backwards, and tripped over a corpse. I got it!

“Yes!” I exclaimed. I got up, and Lady Tso was staring at me.

“You may have won this time, but you...” She started, but I didn’t let her finish.

“Hey. Shut up.” I said. And with that, I began to build another shadow ball. She turned and fled to the door.

“Too Late!” I said, and launched it. Just as I did so, she got the door open, and snuck out, right as the bolt hit the door. The door crumbled. She escaped.

I let out a deep sigh, It’s over. I looked down at the Gem. It was still in one piece. But something was wrong. It didn’t glitter or glow like it should. I studied it closer. On the tip, was a scratch.

Wait! Such a powerful Gem could not be harmed like this. I held it in my palms, and said:

“Release the Soul Stored Inside!” I waited, but nothing happened. DAMN! This was a fake. She must have switched them in all the commotion. I ran to the door, and looked down the streets.

She was gone. I have failed again. She still has the Gem of Souls, and I have a fake. And...hey.

It that blood? I looked at my side, through the torn holes. A large gash was there and was bleeding profusely. I didn’t have much time to think about it. Everything suddenly went black.