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神様だっ
手出し厳禁

Please, God, stay out of this!

Say, if I really was a demon,
what wouldja do?

DEMON WHISPERS

アタラのまじやま

★ Hinako Takanaga

高永ひなこ



THESE ARE THE WORDS OF ST. PAUL.

AND IN A CERTAIN DISTRICT OF THAT LAND

THIS IS A SMALL COUNTRY SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD...

THUS IT IS WRITTEN, "TO SET THE MIND ON THE FLESH IS DEATH..."



THERE WAS A CERTAIN COUNTRY CHURCH...



"BUT TO SET THE MIND ON THE SPIRIT

IS LIFE AND PEACE.**

NOW LET US CLOSE WITH A HYMN.

*ROMANS 8:6 (RSV)

It's peaceful...

SURROUNDED BY BELIEVERS AND CHILDREN

STUDYING THE WORD OF GOD EVERY DAY...

GOODBYE, FATHER MARLOWE!

Goodbye.

SEE YOU AGAIN NEXT WEEK.

GOODBYE.

AHH, THIS PEACE ...

IF ONLY IT COULD CONTINUE FOREVER...

たあ、

NICE WORK TODAY, FATHER!

♡

PAT

RAOUL!

!!

+



I MADE SOME TEA-C'MON.

WAIT A ...

RAOUL!

I DID IT ON PURPOSE. I TOLD YOU, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

OH, THIS?

Y-YOUR HORNS!!

YOU'RE NOT HIDING THEM...!



Just Barely...



THIS WAY, IT LOOKS LIKE ONE OF THOSE NOVELTY HATS, RIGHT?



HUH!?

OF ALL THE IDIOTIC...

BULLIT, LATELY IT SEEMS LIKE THEY'RE GETTING BIGGER, YANNO?

I CAN'T HIDE THEM WITH A HAT ANYMORE.

COVER THEM UP AT ONCE!



RAOUL BARCLAY (17)...

IT WAS ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO THAT HE CAME TO THIS CHURCH.

UNDER THE COVER OF THE BUSHES IN THE CHURCH GARDEN...

U
N
N
N

HE HAD COLLAPSED, COVERED WITH WOUNDS.

HE...

LP...

ME...

MOAN



SFX: SA = JUMPS BACK

EH?! IT COULDN'T BE...

!!





WAH...



SO MEAN...

TREATING ME LIKE A DEMON WITHOUT EVEN GIVING ME A HEARING...?!

HORNS



AND A TAIL

No matter how you look at it, it's...

DON'T ASK ME...

O
W
W

... ONE DAY... THEY JUST STARTED GROWING ALL OF A SUDDEN...

BUT...

YOUR APPEAR-
ANCE
...

EH...?

Shiiiiit -
You're a priest, ain't ya?
C'mon... rescue a pitiful little lamb...





RUB
RUB

SERIOUSLY,
MAN...
I FEEL LIKE
THEY'RE
GETTIN'
BIGGER
ALL THE
TIME.

It's
friggin'
scary—



WHADDYA
THINK,
FATHER?

YOU'RE
ASKING
ME?

BECAUSE
HE
KEEPS
OBSTI-
NATELY
INSISTING
THAT
HE'S
NOT A
DEMON
...



I'M NOT...
Please
believe
me...

BUT...
I'M NOT
SOME DAMN
DEMON...

I'M
LETTING
HIM
LIVE
IN THE
CHURCH.



.....

IT SEEMS THAT THE CHANGES IN HIM BEGAN SLOWLY, STARTING ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO.

Hell no!

DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT YOU SHOULD GET THAT CHECKED OUT AT A HOSPITAL?

LITTLE BY LITTLE, IT BECAME IMPOSSIBLE TO HIDE.

I'LL JUST WIND UP SUFFERING THE SAME SHIT AS BEFORE!

FUCK THE HOSPITAL!

BUT IF WE ASSUME THAT THEY'RE NOT REALLY HORNS OR A TAIL...

FRIENDS, ACQUAINTANCES, NEIGHBORS... EVEN HIS OWN PARENTS...

HE TOLD ME THAT THEY ALL TREATED HIM CRUELLY, UNTIL AT LAST HE MANAGED TO ESCAPE AND CAME HERE.

BEST CASE, I'D END UP FODDER FOR SOMEONE'S EXPERIMENT.

NO THANK YOU.

stare



RAOUL!

UWAA—

EVEN YOUR EARS ARE BRIGHT RED!



NICE ASS!

IT COULD BE SOMETHING BAD LIKE A TUMOR OR...

HIII!?

SFX: PERON = RUB



Y-YOU... ARE YOU SERIOUSLY WORRYING AT ALL?!

UH-HUH. 'COURSE I AM.

TOLD YOU, I'M NOT NO DAMN DEMON.

DON'T THINK I AM, ANYHOW...

If you're not a demon, get your hands off me!

Whoa!

Hey... will you stop that?

SFX: SASU, SASU; RUB, RUB
SFX: MOMI, MOMI; GROPE, GROPE



You're the one who said you weren't a demon...

THAT'S...

NATURALLY, IN THE BEGINNING I WASN'T SURE WHAT TO BELIEVE, BUT...

YEAH.

ha

ha

YOU'RE A STRANGE ONE, FATHER.

ha
ha

YOU'RE A PRIEST.

YOU OF ALL PEOPLE OUGHT TO BE TREATING ME LIKE A DEMON, DONCHA THINK?

THERE'S NO SIGN OF YOU HAVING ANY KIND OF MYSTERIOUS POWER

YOU'RE A HARDWORKING PERSON...

SINCE YOU CAME HERE, YOU'VE NEVER ONCE DONE ANYTHING PARTICULARLY CRUEL OR EVIL.



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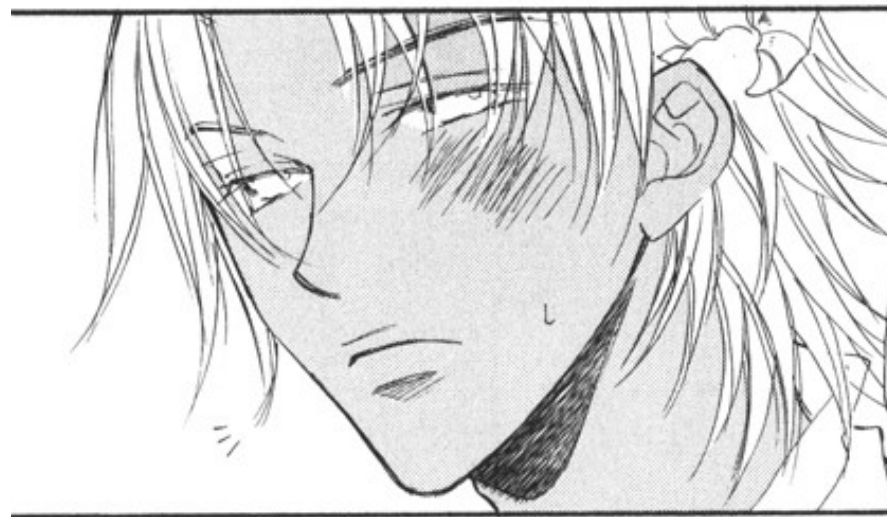
If you could just cut back on the sexual harassment a bit...



heh
heh

MORE THAN ANYTHING, JUST FROM LIVING TOGETHER...

I REALIZED THAT YOU'RE NO DIFFERENT FROM ANY ORDINARY 17 YEAR OLD THAT I KNOW.



BESIDES,

I DID SOME RESEARCH, AND ACCORDING TO THE BOOKS...



**SORTA
LIKE
THIS.**

Note: Raoul

A "DEMON"
WOULD LOOK
A BIT MORE
SCARY...

AND IT EVEN
SAID YOU'D BE
ABLE TO CHANGE
YOUR FORM AT
WILL AND
STUFF!

IT DIDN'T SOUND
ANYTHING LIKE THOSE
SAD-LOOKING LITTLE
HALF-GROWN HORNS
OF YOURS...

YOU CAN
RELAX!

What a
relief,
eh...

Actually,
I'm offended.

THAT DOESN'T
EXACTLY MAKE
ME HAPPY,
FATHER.

sfx: GO GO GO
"menacing atmosphere"



ZZZZZ





BUT...

sigh.

I TOLD YOU,
NO HOSPITAL.

I WAS
RIGHT...

YOU
REALLY
SHOULD
GO TO THE
HOSPITAL...

I'M
FINE
NOW!

You're
sweating
like crazy.



YOU'RE
LOOKING
TERRIBLY
PALE...



IF YOU REALLY
FEEL BETTER,
I DON'T MIND,
BUT...

AH, HA HA HA !

AH,
IT'S WEIRD,
BUT SOMEHOW
I FEEL A BIT
BETTER



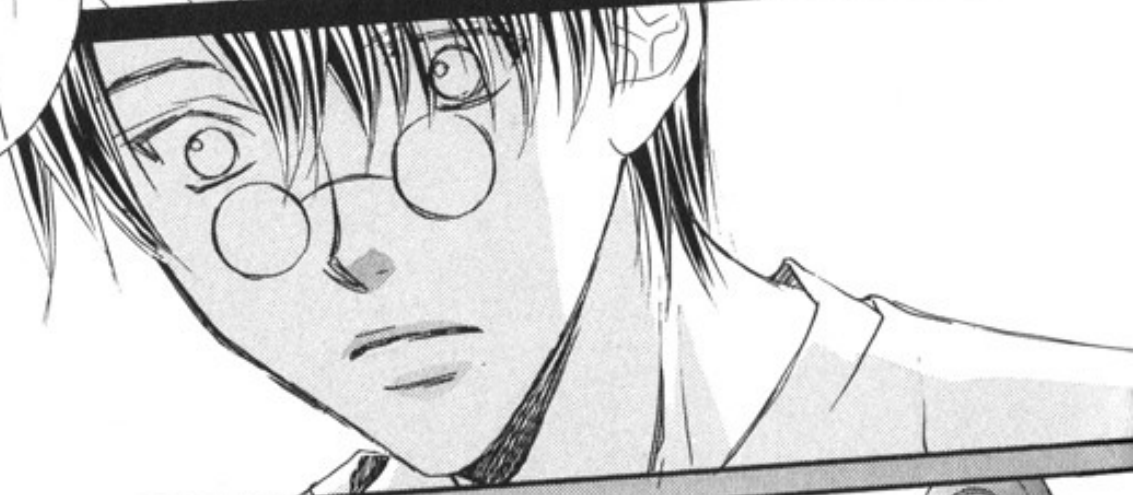
THEN...

PLEASE
LET ME STAY
LIKE THIS FOR
A WHILE.



YOU
REALLY
ARE KIND...

IF I REALLY
WAS A DEMON,
WHAT WOULD
YOU DO?



NOW THAT I
THINK ABOUT IT,
LATELY

I'VE COMPLETELY
STOPPED THINKING
ABOUT THAT KIND
OF THING...

I WONDER
WHY THAT
IS...

stroke



TICK TOCK



TICK TOCK

HE SEXUALLY HARASSES ME ALL THE TIME, AND

ZZZ

HE TURNS THIS PEACEFUL PLACE UPSIDE DOWN, BUT...

SOMEHOW... IT'S NOT DISAGREEABLE...

EVEN IF...

SURELY...

THEY HAVE GOTTEN A LITTLE BIGGER THAN BEFORE...?

THE HORNS...

EVEN IF HE WERE A DEMON...

THEY SUIT HIS LOVELY FACE.

THEY'RE ACTUALLY QUITE BEAUTIFUL...

WUH?

I WOULDN'T PARTICULARLY CARE...



FROM THAT DAY ON, IT GOT TO THE POINT

THAT RAOUL WAS IN AGONY PRACTICALLY EVERY NIGHT.

AM I...

FOR HIM...?

RAOUL!

EH...?

I... I...

WHAT AM I THINKING?

BLUSH



I'M SUPPOSED TO BE A PRIEST...





WHAT
IF YOU
DIE?!



EVERY
SINGLE
NIGHT,
THIS ISN'T
NORMAL!

PLEASE,
GO TO THE
HOSPITAL!

DON'T
MAKE
A JOKE
OF IT!

I WASN'T
NORMAL
IN THE
FIRST
PLACE.

ha
ha



THERE ARE
WORSE THINGS
THAN DYING,
AREN'T
THERE!



A MAN IN
YOUR POSITION,
HOW WILL THAT
LOOK!

A PRIEST,
TAKING A
DEMON TO THE
HOSPITAL?

SO PLEASE...

I'LL GO
WITH YOU AND
TALK TO THEM SO
THERE WON'T BE ANY
MISUNDERSTANDING.



FATH...

I'M WORRIED
ABOUT YOUR
HEALTH...

I CAN'T
EXORCISE
SOMEONE
WHO'S NOT
A DEMON!

YOU'RE
NOT A
DEMON!

FATHER...

AH!

RAOU..

YOU'RE
THE ONLY ONE
WHO DOESN'T
TREAT ME LIKE
A DEMON.

THAT'S
WHY...

.....
!!

LET GO!

STO...

RAOUL!

GRIND

AH...!

RAOUL...

FATHER...

NN...

NGH...

HEY...
DOWN
HERE...

GRAB

rustle

SFX: PICKLE TWITCH



WOW,
IT'S REALLY...

COULD IT BE THAT
YOU'RE TURNED
ON...?

squelch

squelch

GOTTEN
WET.....

tremble

AH...

NO
WAY...

squelch

ST...

SHAKE

WOBBLE

SFX: KAA: BLUUUUSH



DAMN,
LOOKS LIKE
I REALLY AM
A DEMON.

DOING A
ROTTEN THING
LIKE THIS TO
YOU...

AH...

THIS IS...
THIS IS...

ha
ha
ha



Hey, you're
shivering...

I KNOW.

YEAH.

ah

I'M...
A
PRIEST...!

ha



I SWORE
AN OATH...

h
h
h
?

ha
TITCH
ha



SFX: SQUELCH

FOR THE
REST OF
MY LIFE...

THAT I
WOULD DEVOTE
MY BODY
TO GOD...

ha
ha

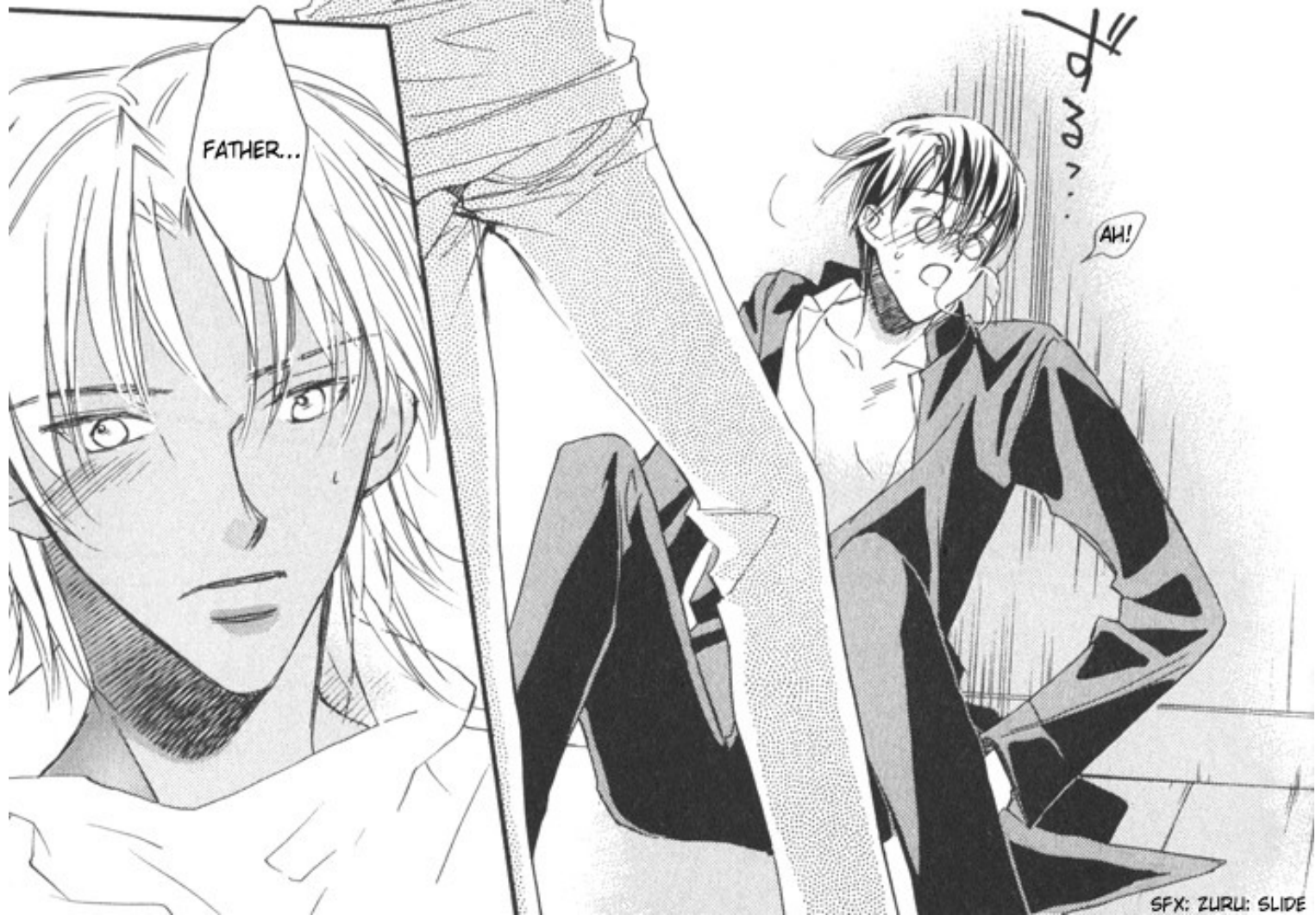


YOU...

RELEASE

MIGHT
BE A
DEMON

AND
YET...



FATHER...

AH!

demon...

EVEN SO...
I STILL
HAVE THESE
FEELINGS...!

YOU
REALLY...

RAOUL...

THINK
SO...?

ha

ha

I DO...

AND
YET...

I...
I...

I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO DO...!!





YOU'RE SO ADORABLE.

RAOUL..

DAMN...

I'M THE ONE WHO DOESN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.

SFX: KUSU: CHUCKLE

AH...

YOU...

YOU REALLY ARE...

AH...

IT'S
EXTRAORDINARY...

ha

haa

ha

AH!

ah!

NGH...!

ah!

A FEVER IS
SPREADING
OUT FROM
EVERY PLACE
HE TOUCHES...

SQUELCH

squish

IT'S FINE,
JUST LIKE
THIS.

RAOUL...

I'M FEELING
EX-TRA SINFUL,
I'M ON FIRE.

THE
BED...

IDL...

AAH!

PINCH



YOU'RE MOVING YOUR HIPS.

AH...

HAA...!

HAA!

IT DOESN'T EVEN HURT... THERE'S ONLY...

AH... BUT I...

PLEASURE

PLEASURE

squelch
squish
squelch
PLEASURE

ha

ha

NO...

AND YOU A PRIEST, TOO...

WHAT A LEWD BODY YOU HAVE.

SHIVER

RAOUL...

THIS IS...

H... HARDER!

AH!

YOU GOT IT...

IT'S UN-THINK-ABLE.

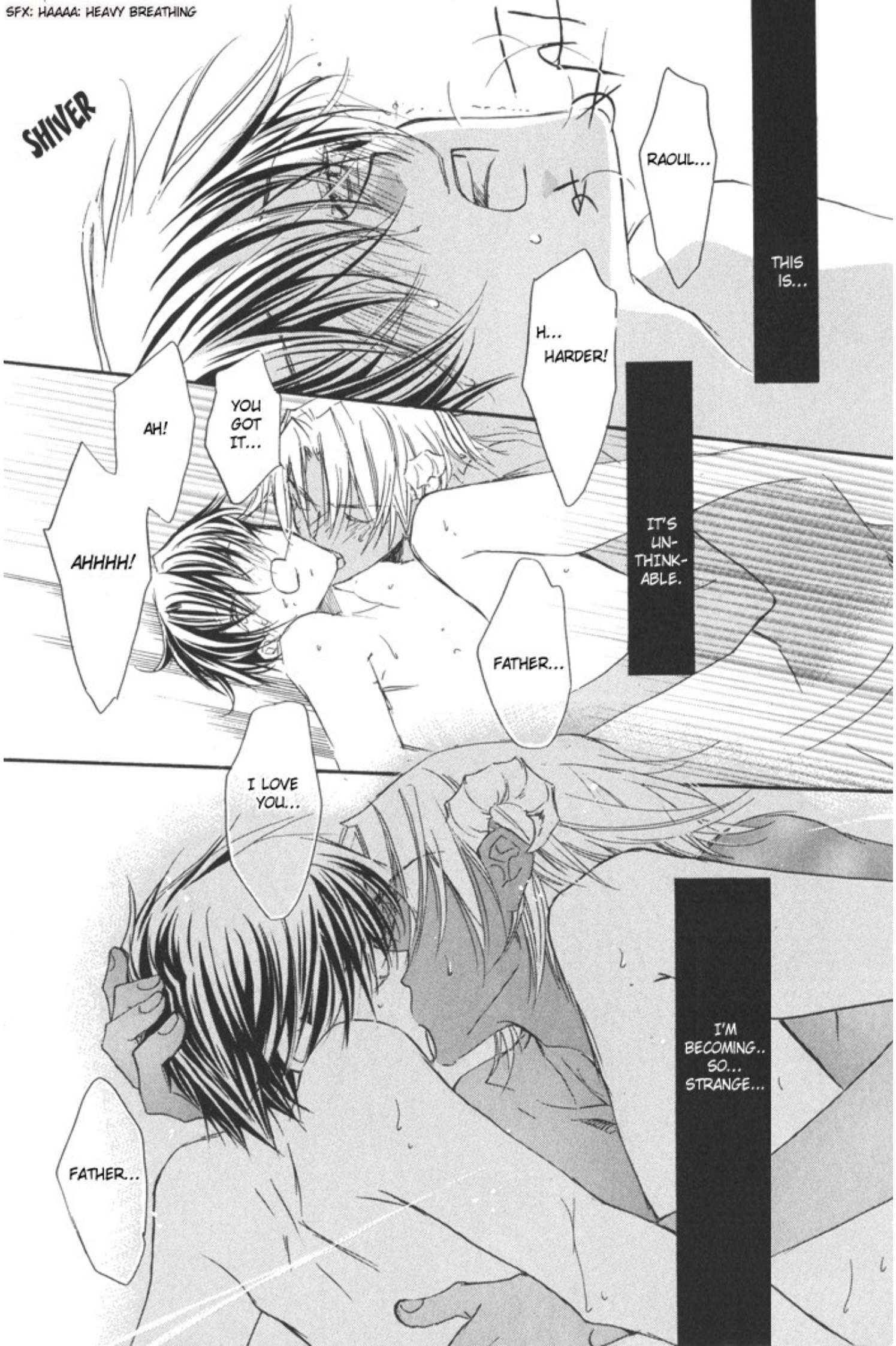
AHHHH!

FATHER...

I LOVE YOU...

I'M BECOMING.. SO... STRANGE...

FATHER...





EH...

WEIRD...

AND SO...

HAVE YOUR HORNS...
GOTTEN A BIT
BIGGER...?

AM I
IMAGINING IT,
OR...

Huh...?
And your
tail too...
It's kinda...

WHOA!?

Now
that you
mention it...
somehow,
they are!

I FEEL WAYYY BETTER.

chirp
chirp
cock-a-
doodle-
doo



THIS IS...
COULD IT BE,
BY ANY CHANCE...

HAHAHAHA...

WHAT
DO YOU
THINK IT
MEANS...?



D'YOU SUPPOSE
I COULD BE AN
INCUBUS?

Tee
hee!

Well,
whaddya
know!

SFX: HAA: HUH!?
SFX: GAN: HORRIBLE REVELATION



'CAUSE, FOR INCUBI

IF IT'S GONNA BE LIKE THAT, MY BEING A DEMON ISN'T SO BAD...

PLUS, THE WAY YOU WENT TOTALLY WILD YESTERDAY

"THAT" IS FOOD, RIGHT?

LEER

That's why I'm feeling better now... and my horns...



AH

"Wild"...?

tremble tremble



FOR ME, A PRIEST, HOW EMBARRASSING

TO THINK THAT AFTER ALL THAT, YOU TURNED OUT TO BE A DEMON AFTER ALL...

WHOA- YOU WOULDN'T! DON'T BE RASH!!

I'LL... I'LL BITE MY TONGUE AND DIE!*

*A TRADITIONAL FORM OF SUICIDE, USUALLY A LAST RESORT, WHEN THERE IS NO OTHER WAY OF KILLING YOURSELF.



DEAR GOD... WHAT IN THE WORLD SHOULD I DO...

MUMBLE MUMBLE

It's gotta be! The horns, that's just your imagination!!

Hey, d'you think the condition I was suffering from was lovesickness?

END

HEY, FATHER! LOOKIT ME !!

My HEART and my BODY can't resist!

アキラの心と体が
まらないうわーん

He might be a DEMON, but...

彼は悪魔かもしれない...だけど

Even demons can't interfere

アキラだって邪魔出来ない♥トキメキ読み切り

Thrilling short story

アキラのひみつ♥ Demon Secrets

✧ HINAKO 高永ひなこ TAKANAGA ✧

COUNTRY CHURCH.

THIS IS A CERTAIN

PLEASE, FATHER, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH...

COME ON...

BUT, RAOUL...

ah...

gritting teeth

irritated

JUST HOW LONG DO YOU INTEND TO KEEP TURNING ME DOWN!!

YOU'RE SO PALE...

YOU WON'T
LET ME DO IT...
I'M WASTING
AWAY...

YES, I AM!
IT'S YOUR
FAULT...

IF YOU ASK
WHAT A DEMON
IS DOING IN
A HOUSE
OF GOD...

uwa!
TH...
THEN...

haa
haa
haa

SFX: GU GU GU GU GU: STOMACH GROWLING

YOU
REALLY ARE
AN INCUBUS,
AREN'T YOU...

JEEZ!

Does that
mean your
life force
is running
low?

FATHER...

TO MAKE A
LONG STORY
SHORT, IT'S
LIKE THIS...

HONEST
TO GOD!
YOU ARE
SUCH A SORE
LOSER!!

DON'T
YOU LOVE
ME...?

SFX: DOKI THUMP



UWA A!?

HMPH

DAMN...

WH ...

I GRANT YOU...
ACTUALLY MANAGING
TO SEDUCE A
PRIEST...

MY OWN
LITTLE BROTHER,
WHAT A DISGRACE.

YOU
MIGHT BE A
PRETTY FINE
INCUBUS,
BUT...

Ow
Ow
Ow
Ow
Ow!

RAOUL!

My spine!
My spine...!!

WHAT
THE HELL!?

YOU
BASTARD...

TOUCHDOWN

sits
up

SFX: ZUSHI: SQUISH
SFX: PUSHUUU: FSSSH: NOISE OF BILLOWING STEAM

YOUR
OLDER
BROTHER.

MY NAME
IS BALDUR.

SFX: GO GO GO: TRUMBLE, MENACING ATMOSPHERE

WE
DON'T
LOOK
A BIT
ALIKE!!

BROTHER — !?

AYASHII: FISHY...

He put
his wings
away

RAOUL!

GRAB

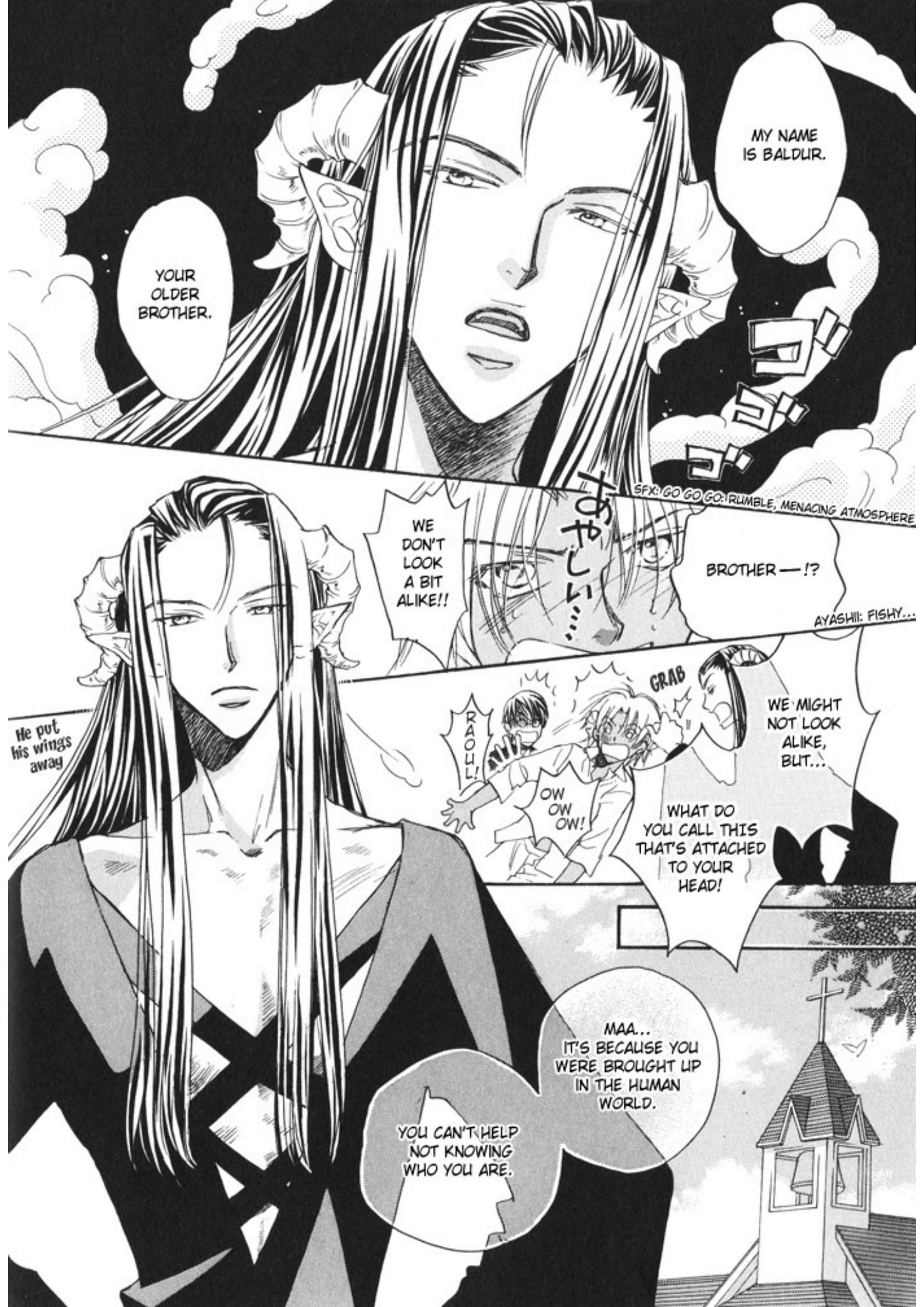
WE MIGHT
NOT LOOK
ALIKE,
BUT...

OW
OW
OW!

WHAT DO
YOU CALL THIS
THAT'S ATTACHED
TO YOUR
HEAD!

MAA...
IT'S BECAUSE YOU
WERE BROUGHT UP
IN THE HUMAN
WORLD.

YOU CAN'T HELP
NOT KNOWING
WHO YOU ARE.





Hell if I know...

Raoul... what in the world is this...

RIGHT AROUND THE TIME YOU WERE BORN, BY SOME CHANCE...

IT SEEMS YOU FELL INTO A CRACK BETWEEN THE DIMENSIONS...



ha ha ha

THERE ARE 106 OF US SIBLINGS, SO IT TOOK US A WHILE TO REALIZE WHAT HAPPENED!

SORRY 'BOUT THAT!

UWAA...

THAT'S UNBELIEVABLY CARELESS...



TO COME HERE IN PERSON TO FIND YOU!

MAA, DON'T BE SO MAD.

I, AS THE ELDEST BROTHER, TOOK IT UPON MYSELF...



EH!?

HUH!?

NEVER MIND.
LET'S JUST GO
HOME.

HM?

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?

EH...!

WAIT
JUST A
MINUTE!

You think I'm just
going to do what
you say?!

THIS PLACE
SUITS ME JUST
FINE!!

GO
HOME?

I'M
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE!



RAOUL!

LET'S
GO!

I DON'T
CARE WHAT
YOU WANT.

I SAID,
NO!!

FATHER..

LET GO!

はっ

HE OBVIOUSLY
DOESN'T WANT
TO GO.
STOP IT!

SFX: BA: SHOVE

DON'T
INTERFERE,
HUMAN!!

SFX: KATSU: CASTING A SPELL: "FLASH"

!?

twitch
twitch
twitch

FATHER!?



AH...

AHH...

strangle

strangle

SFX: GAKU, GAKU, SHAKING

FATHER...

I CAN'T BREATHE.



MY...

MY BODY IS...?

FATHER!



HMPH.

YOU REALLY ARE A DISGRACE.

YOU'RE ACTUALLY SIDING WITH A PRIEST...

OI! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING!?

OHH



IF YOU
DON'T CURRY
FAVOR WITH THIS
HUMAN, YOU CAN'T
EVEN GET A SINGLE
MEAL?

I WAS
WATCHING YOU
A LITTLE WHILE AGO.
WHAT THE HELL
WAS THAT?

HUH?

YOU'RE
AN INCUBUS,
YOU OUGHT TO
BE ABLE TO DO
THAT MUCH.

EH....

IF YOU
HAVE TO PLEAD
WITH THE LIKES OF
HIM, WHY DON'T YOU
JUST MAKE HIM YOUR
SEX SLAVE?

YOU
BASTARD!

NOW
LOOK
HERE!

UWAA!?

FATHER
SAVED MY
LIFE!

LET GO OF
HIM THIS
SECOND,
YOU BALDING
OLD FART!

SFX: DOKA: KICK

"SAVED
MY
LIFE"?

OW...

You dare
to address ME,
the eldest
brother...

"BALD-
ING"?

FATHER!

ARE
YOU OKAY?
HANG ON!

FATHER...

THAT'S
RIGHT...

.....
THEN HE CAN USE
MYSTERIOUS POWERS...

IF RAOUL IS AN
INCUBUS...



.....
RAOUL?

Oh!

AH!
YOU'RE AWAKE?
THANK GOD-

COULD IT BE...
MY FEELINGS, TOO...
IT COULDN'T BE...
COULD IT?



.....
THAT MAN!?

IT'S OK!
I CHASED HIM AWAY.



heh heh
I'll just KICK HIM OUT AGAIN!

I've got no intention of going back there-

RAOUL...

HE SAID HE'D COME BACK, BUT...



SAY,
FATHER...

IF YOU'RE
OK NOW...



SUCH
TERRIFYING
POWER...



A LITTLE
WHILE
AGO...

WE GOT
INTERRUPTED,
RIGHT?

!



I...
CAN'T HOLD
OUT ANY
LONGER...



SFX: BA: SHOVE



RAOUL...

YOU...


FATHER...

YOU REALLY ARE AN INCUBUS.



WH... WHAT THE HELL!

ARE YOU STILL HARPING ON THAT?!



IF YOU'RE
MANIPULATING
ME WITH YOUR
DEMON POWERS...

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND
YOUR FEELINGS
ANY MORE...


THESE
FEELINGS
I HAVE...



DON'T
TOUCH
ME!!

I'M NOT
USING ANY
WEIRD POWERS!

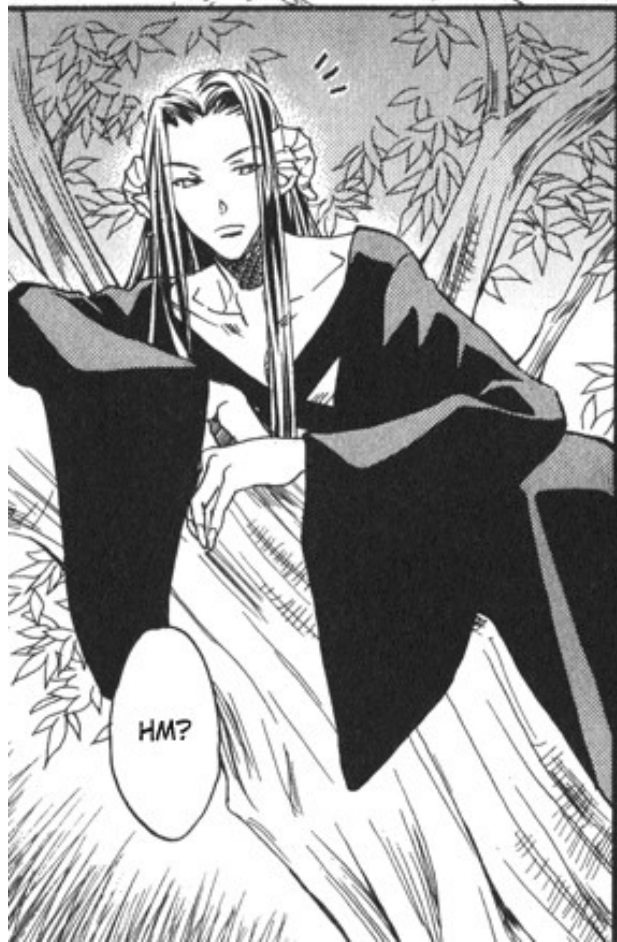
SFX: BA: SITTING UP



SFX: GATSU: GRAB



STAGGER



HM?



I...

I DON'T
WANT YOU
MESSING WITH
MY HEAD ANY
MORE...

FATHER...



IF IT WAS
SOMETHING ABOUT
MY PERSONALITY,
I COULD FIX IT,
BUT...

HE THOUGHT
I WAS GOING TO
USE SOME SORT
OF WEIRD POWER
ON HIM, EVEN
THOUGH I
CAN'T...

WHEN IT'S
MY VERY SELF,
SOMETHING I CAN'T
DO ANYTHING
ABOUT...

IF HE
HATES ME
BECAUSE OF
THAT...

Oh!

RAOUL...?

RAOUL!
STOP!

WAIT!
HEY!

OH NO!

WAIT
A...

SILENCE

SOMEHOW,
WHEN RAOUL'S
NOT HERE

IT FEELS
STRANGELY
QUIET...

I DIDN'T
MEAN TO
SAY THOSE
THINGS.

FATHER...

AND I
MADE HIM
LOOK LIKE
THAT...

.....

SFX: ZUKI: SHARP PAIN

THIS
ROOM..

THAT
RAOUL...

WAS IT
ALWAYS
SO BIG AND
EMPTY...?



HE GAVE UP SO EASILY...

TRIED TO DEFEND HIMSELF A BIT MORE...

HE COULD HAVE...



Oh!

AH...
I...

I'M SO SELFISH...

AFTER I WAS THE ONE WHO CHASED HIM AWAY...



RAOUL!

NO WAY.. IS HE REALLY GOING BACK...?

RAOUL...
WAI...

.....
!

RAOUL?

AH...

IS
RAOUL...

.....
!

LOOKING
FOR HIM?
HE'S RIGHT
HERE.

THUMP

EH!?

NO
WAY!
THIS?

IT'S
TRUE.



IT'S
A PAIN
FOR ME
TOO!

RAOUL
CHANGED ALL
BY HIMSELF.

WHY IS
HE LIKE
THIS?

THAT'S
NOT FUNNY!

WHAT
THE HECK
DID YOU DO
TO RAOUL!

IF I TAKE
HIM BACK HOME
LOOKING LIKE THIS,
IT'LL ONLY MAKE
OUR FATHER
ANGRY AT ME.

DEMONS
AND SPIRITS,
WHEN THEY DESPAIR
OVER SOMETHING,
SOMETIMES THIS
SORT OF THING
HAPPENS...

WELL...

NO
WAY...

THEN,
WHY...?

DESPAIR?

.....
BECAUSE I SAID
THOSE THINGS
TO HIM...

I HURT HIM
THAT BADLY...?

SFX: BASA: FLAP

MAA,
CAN'T BE
HELPED.

EVEN IF
HE'S LIKE THIS,
I GUESS IT'S
BETTER THAN
NOT TAKING
HIM BACK
AT ALL!

AH!

UWA!
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING!?

WA...
WAIT!!

SFX: GASHI: GRAB



HEY!

GIVE THAT BACK, YOU!

NO!

AH!

SFX: GYUU: SQUEEZE TIGHTLY

SFX: BA: SHOVE



Wh...

RAOUL IS MINE...!

Oh...!

I TRIED
TO BLAME MY
FEELINGS ON
RAOUL...

WHAT
DID HE
JUST..

THAT
HUMAN

I'M A
FOOL...

I HURT HIM
SO BADLY THAT
HE CHANGED
HIS FORM AND
SHUT HIMSELF
UP IN THIS.

THE TRUTH IS,
I... RAOUL...

I LOVE
HIM SO
MUCH...

PLEASE
DON'T TAKE
HIM AWAY...!!

EH?

IS THAT REALLY TRUE?

FATHER!

SFX: BOWAN: POOF!

RAOUL?

THAT WAS FAST!!

YOU'RE BACK...!

FAAATHER!

RAOU...

Kiss Kiss

W H O A ! ?

!?



AH!

BA... BALDUR'S STILL HERE...

RAOUL, HANG ON...

ha

ha

ha

SFX: BIKUN: TWITCH



twitch

ah

SFX: GUI GUI: GRAB/GROPE



OI!

O...

AH...

AH...

ha

ha

HEY...

DON'T...



NO...

.....

NN...

NGH...



AHH...
NGH...

haa



slump



HMPH

THAT'S IT,
I'M GOING
HOME.

WOULD YOU
PLEASE?

And don't
come back!!

ha
ha



flap
flap

AHH...

OF ALL
THE
ABSURD..

RAOUL...

FATHER,
WHAT YOU SAID
BACK THERE...

IT MADE
ME REALLY
HAPPY.

THAT
WAS...

I
WASN'T
THINKING...

ha

ha

pinch

THAT'S
CHEATING...

EH?

THAT YOU'D NEVER RETURN TO NORMAL...

I THOUGHT...

TURNING YOURSELF INTO A BALL LIKE THAT...

snicker

tweak

AH

slide

I DIDN'T EXPECT THAT TO HAPPEN EITHER.

tweak

FROM NOW ON, I GUESS YOU BETTER NOT HURT ME TOO MUCH, HM?

ha

LOOKS YUMMY...

AH...

SQUEEZE

AH...

HA...

SUCK

SUCK

nah

AH!

I KNEW IT...
FATHER, YOU TASTE
SO GOOD...

haa

STU...

BLUSH

PID...!

haa

SEEING
AS I'M AN
INCUBUS...

AAH

haa

schlip

schlip

ha

ah

IF I
DON'T "EAT,"
I JUST MIGHT
DIE...

squelch

squelch

squelch

DON'T..

PULLS
OUT

AH!



AH...!

shiver

AH..

AH...!

THRUST

AND I HAVE
NO INTENTION
OF EATING ANYONE
BUT YOU...
♡

FATHER...

I LOVE
YOU SO
MUCH...!

BALDIR
DROPPED BY
SEVERAL TIMES,
BUT...



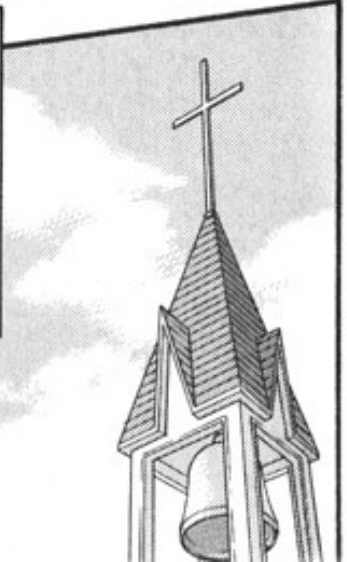
GAH!
NOT YOU
AGAIN!



O...I.

stare

AND
AFTER
THAT...



Wonder when
I'll ever be able
to carry out
my duty...

HMPH



Father is
furious,
you know.

IF I
TAKE HIM
HOME AGAINST
HIS WILL

HE'LL
JUST TURN
HIMSELF INTO
A BALL AGAIN,
AND IT'LL BE
A HASSLE
FOR ME,
SO...

Get out,
shoo!

RELUCTANTLY,
HE ALWAYS
GOES BACK.

IN
HIS
OWN
WAY,
THE
PRIEST...

FOR
SOMEONE
WHO'S BEEN
POSSESSED BY
AN OUTRAGEOUS
DEMON...

IN... IN
MODERATION,
OK?

PROMISE
YOU'LL NEVER LET
ME STARVE?

HE SEEMS
SURPRISINGLY
HAPPY.

END

学園ラブ キュート・ハート

よみきり
37P

生徒にならないうちで
この恋を告白しよう

学園ラブキョウトハートの
教員陣も注目

もた

無駄なこと しましたよ!

[MUDA NA KOTO
SHINASHYO!]

Hinako Akanaga
高永ひなこ

YESTER-
DAY,
AT A
STREET
CORNER,

HEY THERE.
ARE YOU
ALONE?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?

AN
UNPLEASANT
THING
HAPPENED.

YOU'RE
CUTE --- <3

WON'T YOU
ACCOMPANY ME
IF YOU'RE FREE?



This is the first time
I have been mistaken
for a girl.

AM A
MALE....

I....

YUP.

WHAT IF
I ALREADY
KNOW THAT?

Come on.

Ah! Even your
voice is nice..

...



**B
L
A
M**

...LOOK
AT THIS.

HMM?

LIFT



初めまして。これを描いている時何年かぶりに鼻血が
出ました。ティッシュでふがふがしながら描きました。

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IN CONCLUSION,
YESTERDAY
EXPOSED MY
PHILOSOPHY

IN OTHER
WORDS,
EXISTENCE
ITSELF IS
MEANINGLESS.

AS YOU UNDERGO
YOUR TRAINING,
MENTAL PREPARATION
IS THE MOST
IMPORTANT
PART OF A
TRUE TEACHER...

HAGINO-KUN
IS IN CHARGE
OF YEAR
2 CLASS D.

I AM
A GUY
THAT
HATES
TO DO
NON-
PRO-
DUCTIVE
THINGS

YES,
PLEASE
GIVE ME
YOUR
GUIDANCE
FROM
NOW ON.

HE MUST
BE A
HOMO...

CHATTER

HE'S FEISTY
BUT STILL CUTE...

I AM HAZANO
SHUJI,
31 YEARS OLD.
A STUDENT.





WE WELCOME
THE NEW
TEACHER-IN-
TRAINING.

HEY, PAY
ATTENTION TO
WHAT I HAVE
TO SAY.

2-D

CLATTER

WARD 501

602

HMM?

HAGINO-SENSEI,
PLEASE
INTRODUCE
YOURSELF...



!



SHOCK

AH

SO YOU'RE OLDER THEN ME I THOUGHT THAT WE WERE ABOUT THE SAME AGE!

WE MEET AGAIN! DON'T YOU FEEL THAT IT'S FATED TOOP

THIS IS AMAZING--

I AM SAWATARI KENYA. AH! YOU SAW THE CLASS LIST, SO YOU ALREADY KNOW--

HAHAHA!

This kid is so persistent...does he think he's a teacher too?

TURN

HEY...

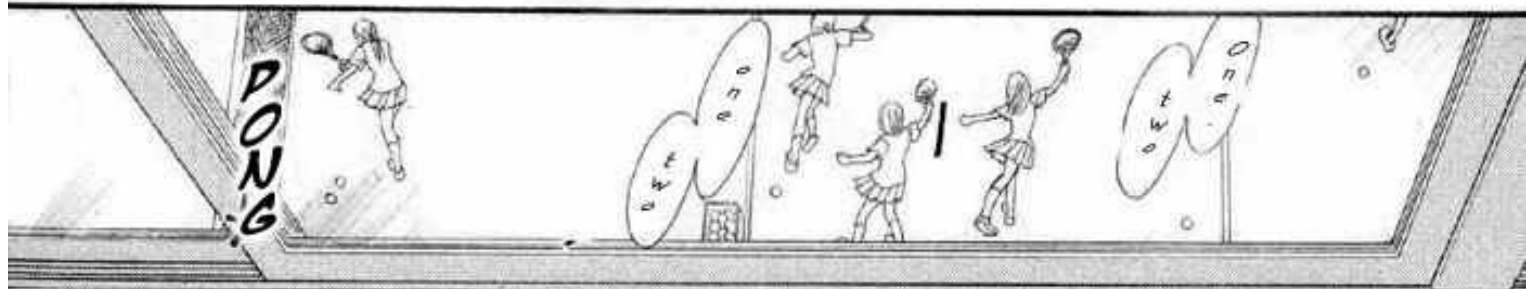
EH?

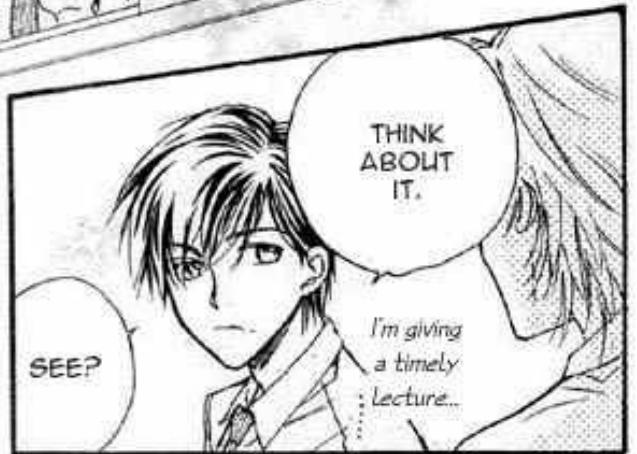
WHAT DO YOU GET FROM BEING A HOMO?

HEY.

YOU...

Get?





GLOMP--



!?

HA
HA
HA!

SENSEI
IS SO
INTERES-
TING~!

WHAT...

WHAT IS
THIS CRAZY
GUY UP TO?

準備室



HAGICCHI??



IT'S MUCH
EASIER TO
UNDERSTAND
WHEN
HAGICCHI
EXPLAINS IT.



SENSEI -

I NEED HELP
WITH THIS!

HOW DO YOU
SPEND YOUR
NON-WORKING
DAYS?

LIKEWISE,
MEAT!

I LIKE
HAM-
BURGERS!

HAGICCHI,
LET'S HAVE
LUNCH
TOGETHER

WHAT
DOES
HAGICCHI
LIKE?



.....!!

THANK YOU!
I WILL
WORK HARD!

HAA,
WORK HARD!
GOOD LUCK!

SAWATARI,
YOU'RE SO
INTERESTED
IN HAZANO -- ?



THERE'S
NOTHING
RIDICULOUS
ABOUT THAT!

IT'S
PERFECTLY
NORMAL.

EVERYONE
IN THIS
SCHOOL'S
RIDICULOUS!

WHY?

A PERSON
LIKE YOU
CAN BLEND
IN NATURALLY!!

WHAT IS THIS....

THIS
GRACEFUL
ACCEPTANCE.

IN THIS CASE,
WHICH ONE OF
US DO YOU
THINK IS THE
MORE PERVERTED
ONE??

I FEEL
THAT SENSEI
IS EVEN MORE
INTERESTING.

HE
DOESN'T
UNDERSTAND
ANYTHING.

HE'S LIKE
A PEST
THAT
MESSES
THINGS UP...

YOUR
IMPRUDENT,
UN-PRODUCTIVE
GAMES DOES
NOT GO
TOGETHER
WITH THAT!

STOP DOING
NON-
PRODUCTIVE
THINGS LIKE
PAYING
ATTENTION
TO ME!

I'M HERE
TO EARN MY
TEACHING
CREDENTIALS.

DON'T
COME
SO
CLOSE!!

HOW
CRUEL IT IS,
YOUR
SERIOUS-
NESS...

HAGGICHI...

UP CLOSE
HE IS
INDEED
A FINE
YOUNG
MAN...

WAIT...!

THADUMP!

I JUST
LIKE TO PLAY
IMPRUDENT,
UN-PRODUCTIVE
GAMES WITH
YOU!

HEY...

WAA!!

!?
:
...NO
WAY!

STOP IT!

CLATTER
AH!

WAAH!

CRASH!

!?







TO SAY
SOMETHING
LIKE
THAT...

AS A TRAINEE
TEACHER, IN THE
FIRST PLACE,
YOU'LL BE
EXPOSED TO
MANY CHALLENGES,
HOWEVER...

YOU MUST
LEARN TO DEAL
WELL WITH
STUDENTS'
PRANKS!

SORRY...

ALL OF THEM,
YOU HAVE
TO IGNORE!



YES!
YES!
YES!

SO DO
YOU ALL
UNDER-
STAND
THIS
QUEST-
ION?

THIS
CON-
DITON



ALONE



GIVE
SAWATARI
A CHANCE

GIVE IT
TO HIM!

SOMEONE
ELSE
OTHER
THAN
HIM...

TYAAA...

KYAAA...



SHOCK!





AH

HAGICCHI



WAIT!
SORRY

ARE
YOU
DISPLEASED?

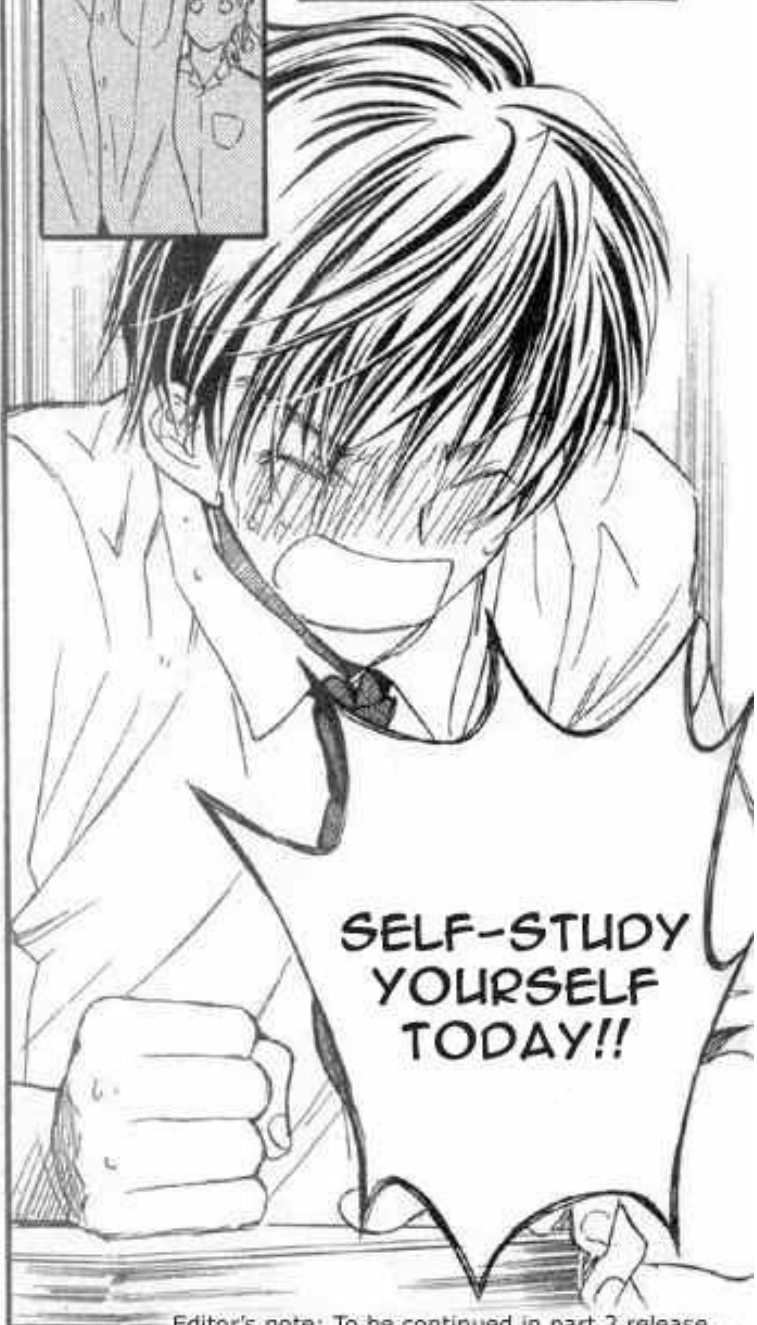
Wait

THAT'S
NOT THE
PROBLEM!

GRAB



BANG!



**SELF-STUDY
YOURSELF
TODAY!!**



THAT'S NOT THE REASON!

WHAT ARE YOU SO ANGRY ABOUT?

THANKS TO YOU, I WON'T BE ABLE TO GRADUATE!

YOU ARE TRYING TO WRECK MY TRAINING!

BECAUSE HAGICCHI, YOU WILL BE HERE FOR ONLY 3 WEEKS RIGHT?

BECAUSE HAGICCHI,



Of course it's MINUS

WHAT YOU'RE DOING HAS JUST THE OPPOSITE EFFECT.

EH?



I JUST WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND MY FEELINGS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...



IN AN ORDINARY SCHOOL, YOU ENGAGE IN EMBARRASSING, LOUD PERFORMANCES!

WHAT? YOU'RE LYING!

How the heck can I even be in a mood to understand anything..



I SHALL TRY SEEING IF HE'LL DO IT.

HE'S ABNORMALLY OBEDIENT TODAY.

ALRIGHT.

I UNDERSTAND, I WILL STOP DOING IT IN SCHOOL....

I WAS JUST GIVING EVERYONE SOME ENTERTAINMENT.

THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!

?



I DIDN'T MEAN....

!!!

MOVE CLOSER

SO IN PLACE OF THAT,

YOU'LL MEET ME OUTSIDE SCHOOL?

THAT...

WAAH!

...?

CAN'T YOU?

DROD



KYUAAAAAAAAA

IMPACT

???



EH...?



AH!

DROD



ERIKO!
ERIKO,
ARE YOU
ALRIGHT!?



WHAT
HAPPENED?

I'M HAPPY THAT IT HAS ENDED...

THANK GOD SHE WAS NOT SERIOUSLY INJURED, SO I DID NOT HAVE TO FEEL RESPONSIBLE FOR IT...

A mere trainee teacher.

THE FALLEN BOOKS SHOCKED THE FEMALE STUDENT, CAUSING HER TO SLIP AND FALL.







EVEN OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL,

EVEN THOUGH I DO NOT MIND, I HAVE BEEN TOLD.

IF ANYTHING, I THINK THIS IS THE GOOD THING TO DO.



BUT IT'S MY FAULT...!

IT'S NOT THE REASON THAT FORCED ME TO QUIT.

I DECIDED TO QUIT MYSELF.



...WHY...?



ALTHOUGH THERE'S A SUBTLE GUARANTEE AND STABILITY TO IT...

MY SCHOOL WILL ALLOW ME TO EKE OUT A LIVING EASILY

HMM... I THINK I WILL GET THE TEACHING CREDENTIALS...



I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW STUDENTS THINK NOWADAYS.

IF THAT IS REALLY TRUE,

I DON'T WANT TO BECOME THE COMPANION OF IDIOTS.

STUNNED
STUNNED
STUNNED

IS THIS THE GREATEST WASTE OF MY LIFE? I CERTAINLY THINK SO!

STUNNED

I-DIOT



REALLY...

Ah...

REALLY MY FAULT...

SO IT'S...



I JUST...

SAWA-TARI.

SORRY HAGICCHI.

I... HAVE MESSED UP YOUR PLANS.

WHY...
WHY IS HE...

SA...
SAWATARI...

WHEN
I SAW
YOU ON
THE
STREET

SOB

I'M
SORRY...

I WAS
SO HAPPY
TO MEET
YOU AGAIN.

IT WAS
LOVE AT
FIRST
SIGHT.

I DON'T
KNOW WHY
THE TEARS
JUST KEEP
COMING.

I WAS
TOO
FORWARD,
WASN'T I...

I WAS
JUST USING
A FIGURE
OF SPEECH
JUST NOW...

I'M
CRYING
LIKE
THIS...

I'M
SO
DEFEATED.

WHERE
DID THIS
COME
FROM...




HAGICCHI
IS SO
KIND...



I NEVER
LOOKED
FORWARD
TO BECOMING
ONE.


THERE IS
BOUND TO
BE PROBLEMS
IN THE LONG
RUN ANYWAY.

IN TRUTH...
I DECIDED
TO BE A
TEACHER
ON A SPUR
OF A
MOMENT



No...
Even if
you don't
do that...
It's
alright.

HE SAID
ALL THAT
TO CONSOLE
ME...



WHAT SHALL
I DO TO
GET YOU
TO RETURN?

I EXPLAINED
TO EVERYONE
THAT HAGICCHI
IS NOT BAD.

I JUST
CAN'T THINK
OF HAGICCHI
AS A
TEACHER.



WHAT SHOULD I DO TO EARN YOUR FORGIVENESS?

I'M REALLY SORRY.



THIS FELLOW STILL WASTES HIS TIME...

OVER A MAN HE'S CRYING LIKE THAT.

YOU'RE LYING.

YOU ARE ANGRY.

BUT...

I'M NOT ANGRY WITH YOU...

A BIT OF AN IDIOT...

SAWATARI IS REALLY...

YOU ARE.

I ALREADY SAID I'M NOT.



HOWEVER
I...

CAN'T BRING
MYSELF TO
HATE HIM...



WHAT
WAS I
DOING?

THAT
WAS
CLOSE!

THERE!

THAT'S
ALL...

NOW
YOU KNOW
I'M REALLY
NOT ANGRY.

HASHI-
CCHI-
...

NO!

AH!

JERKS

TACKLES

HAGICCHI!!

WAA!

IDIOT--!!

I'M AN
IDIOT!

YOU
FINALLY
UNDERSTAND
MY FEELINGS!

THAT'S NOT...
I JUST
WANTED TO
MAKE YOU
UNDERSTAND
THAT I'M
NOT ANGRY...

WOULD YOU
PLEASE
LISTEN TO
OTHERS--!!

I LOVE
HAGICCHI--!



ZZZZZZ



WAAH-!

I KISSED HAGICCHI!

WAA-H!

AAAAHHHH!

UWAA!

POP

POP



IDIOT!

LET ME GO!

NO WAY!



IT'S TIME TO DO THIS.

Don't be so violent.

YOU...!!

PULL

Isn't this a crime...?

!!

HAGICCHI...



YOU MIGHT SAY THAT THIS IS A NON-PRODUCTIVE ACT...

BUT IS THAT REALLY SO?



THADUMP!

AAH!

WAAH!

SQUELCH

DON'T TOUCH THAT PLACE!

HMM...?

BUT...

DOESN'T IT FEEL GOOD?

THIS IS THE THING THAT FEELS THE BEST...

THAT'S A FAR-FETCHED ARGUMENT...

ISN'T THERE SOME MEANING TO IT THEN?

NN!

SLIP

AH

AH!

DAMN IT!

AH...

DON'T...

NE...

GOOD?

I CAN'T... RESIST...

DOES IT FEEL GOOD?



...IT'S
NO
GOOD...

LNN...

IT
FEELS...
GOOD...

AH!

Haa...

SMIRK

Ha...

WHAT...!?!

Ha...

LH...

WITHDRAW

HAGICCHI

I'LL LET
YOU FEEL
IT MORE...





!

SO HAVE YOU COME TO LIKE ME?

THRUST

HAAA!

AH...!

FEEL IT

FEEL ME IN YOU.

THIS...

THRUST

SILLY...

THRUST

THRUST

LIAR.

JUST ADMIT IT...

THRUST

SHUT UP...

AH...

HAGICCHI...

I LOVE YOU...

HOW...

THRUST

AH

DID THIS...

HA...

AH!

NO...

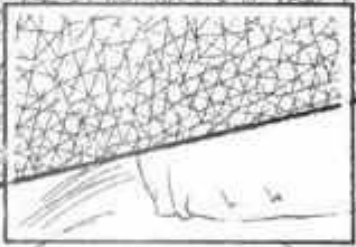
I...

I'M COMING...

AH...

LET'S COME TOGETHER...





COLLAPSE

HAGICCHI....

ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

SAWA... TARI...



HE ACTUALLY HAS THE CHEEK TO ASK THAT..



SILENCE



HEE
HEE

IT'S GOOD TO DO, RIGHT?

NOW, EVEN IF THAT'S UNPRODUCTIVE,

SO CALMLY...!



NO WAY!

WHAT IS IT?

LOVE HAS BEEN BORN, RIGHT?



UNTIL THIS GUY REFLECTS ON WHAT HE'S DONE,

I SAID IT'S NOT, THEREFORE IT'S NOT!

YOU'RE LYING! IT *'IS'* BORN!



I'M NOT GOING TO TELL HIM THAT

UNDERSTANDABLY, THIS FELLOW'S EFFORTS ARE ALL GOING TO GO TO WASTE. (BUT I DON'T CARE!)



HE DID HIT THE NAIL RIGHT ON THE HEAD.

FROM NOW ON, A LOVE EDUCATION WILL START! ♥

MUDA NO KOTA SHIMASHOI!

THE END

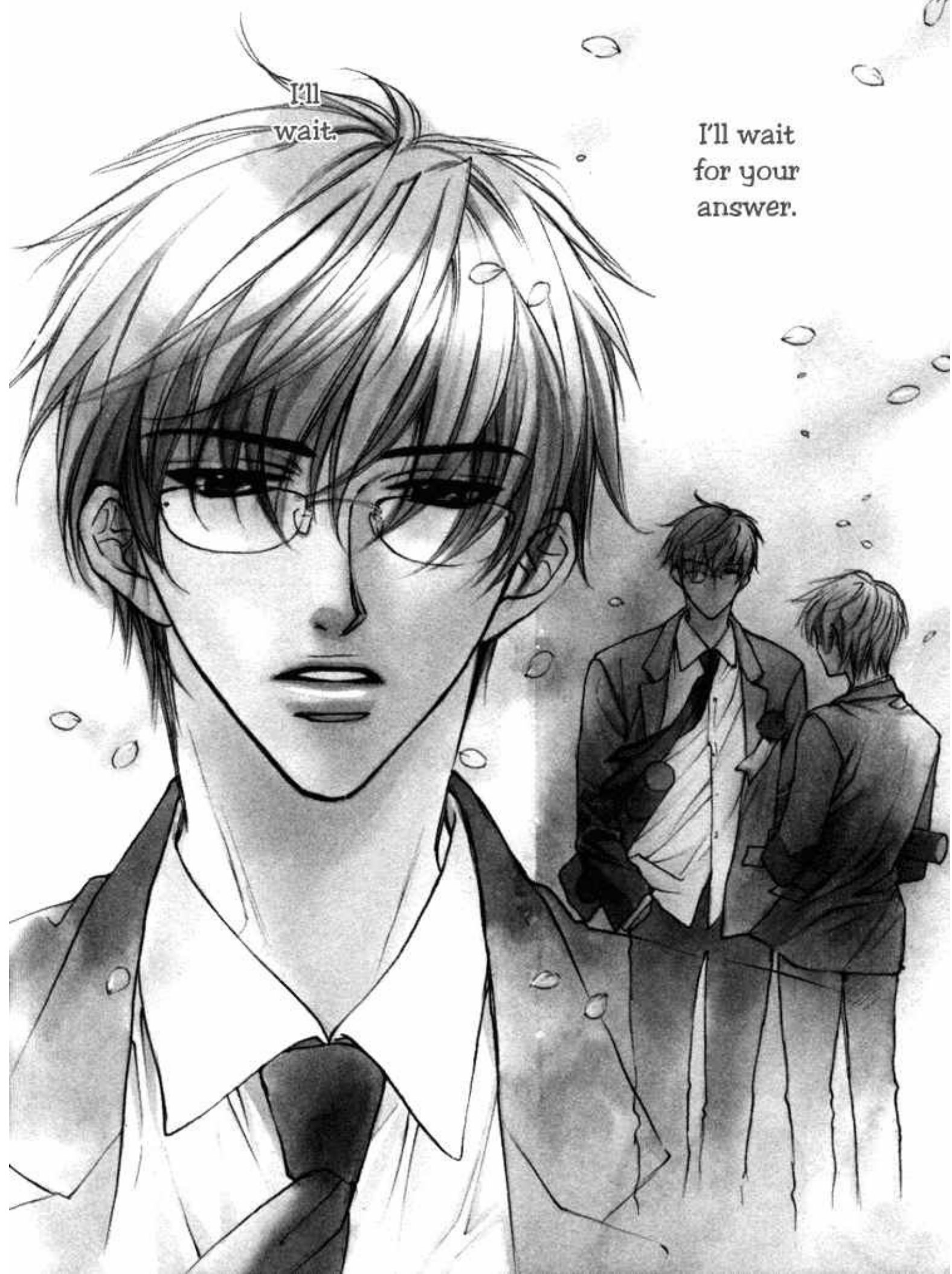


冬が来る前に

"Before Winter Comes..."

I'll
wait.

I'll wait
for your
answer.



AH...

CLATTER

It's my first winter as a college freshman.

CRAP ...

I HOPE IT DIDN'T BREAK.

TOMONO,

DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE STILL USING THAT OUTDATED MODEL OF CELL PHONE?





ANYWAY, IT'S FINE.

IT STILL WORKS, SO...

NOT REALLY ...

ARE YOU BROKE?

Go get a job.

HAVING A CELL THAT CAN'T EVEN SEND PICTURE MESSAGES IN THIS DAY AND AGE ...



Am not!

Right... in other words, you're broke.

He he...

Flip

Pheew...

THANK GOODNESS

NOTHING HAPPENED TO IT.

I've been using this cell phone since high school.

Actually,

I know that I should just go ahead and replace it with a new one.

Pi

Pi

Pi



The
guy
named
Yuba

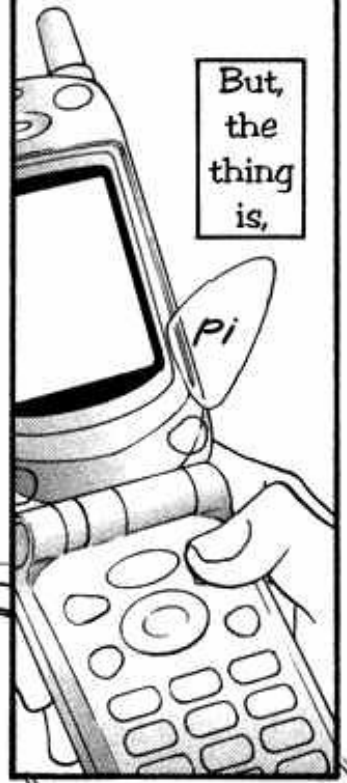
there's a
text message
I still haven't
replied to...

But,
the
thing
is,

.....
YUBA.

And so
I just
keep
putting
off
getting
a new
phone
...

was my
friend
during
high
school.





Yuba was in my class, what you'd call an honours student, I suppose.

Art Prep Room

slide



...WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE...?

TOMONO

jump

WARGH.

wah wah wah

Yuba?



I'm running an errand for the teacher.

I'M A MEMBER OF THE ART CLUB, SO...

WHAT ABOUT YOU, YUBA...?

SKIPPING CLASS...

ERM SKIP ...

ERM

I'd never really spoken to him before...



MY BOOK ...

I thought I'd hidden it...

ACTUALLY, THAT'S

Close-mouthed and serious, he was pretty intimidating.



OH... RIGHT. UM... SORRY FOR MAKING A MESS...

Don't tell the teacher about this, kay...?

shuffle

He was completely different from me.



EH?

S...

SORRY ...

This manga, you mean? You actually read comics?



Actually I came here to sleep, but I got really caught up in reading it...

YEAH ...

UH,

HUH?



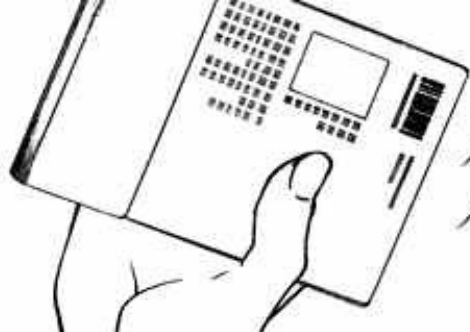
WAS IT GOOD?

... SO ...

...This was really unexpected.



smile



When I started hanging out with him some more, Yuba turned out to be a fun guy.

TOMO-NO,

HAVE YOU READ THIS ONE YET?



IF YOU LIKED THE OTHER ONE, YOU'LL TOTALLY GET INTO THIS STORY.

NOVELS AREN'T REALLY MY THING ...

Really?

Yup.

He was a bit different from the others.

BUT HAVING ONE'S REALLY CONVENIENT.

BECAUSE TYPING TEXT MESSAGES IS SUCH A PAIN.

HOW COME YOU DON'T HAVE A CELL, YUBA?

... IT'S A PAIN.

... HMM.

I WANT TO GET INTO AN ART UNIVERSITY, AFTER ALL!

NAH, I STILL NEED MORE PRACTICE.

He had his own goals.

WHOA, YOU'RE GOOD...

ISN'T THE WAY YOU DRAW NOW GOOD ENOUGH TO GET ACCEPTED?

REA-LLY?

He was good-looking, but didn't flaunt the fact.







AT AN ART UNIVERSITY THERE'S RELATIVELY LITTLE WRITTEN WORK, WHAT REALLY MATTERS IS ABILITY.

So getting an A doesn't mean much.

YOU'VE GOT IT GOOD ... YOU GOT AN A IN THE MOCK EXAM RECENTLY TOO, DIDN'T YOU?

But your paintings are great too...



I'M JUST GOING TO APPLY TO ANY OLD UNIVERSITY THAT'LL HAVE ME, REALLY... And then see from there.



I THINK IT'S REALLY GREAT THAT YOU KNOW WHAT YOU WANT TO DO.

I DON'T HAVE A CLUE...



... YOU SHOULD MAKE THE MOST OUT OF THIS CHANCE AND ENJOY YOURSELF AS MUCH AS YOU CAN.



THE SKY'S THE LIMIT FOR YOU.

THAT JUST MEANS YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO TRY OUT LOTS OF DIFFERENT THINGS, UNTIL YOU FIND WHAT YOU WANT TO DO.

hmm

It was the kind of joke

HEH, YOU DO HAVE A WAY WITH WORDS.

...that I made relatively often.

IF I WERE A GIRL, I'D FALL HEAD OVER HEELS FOR YOU!

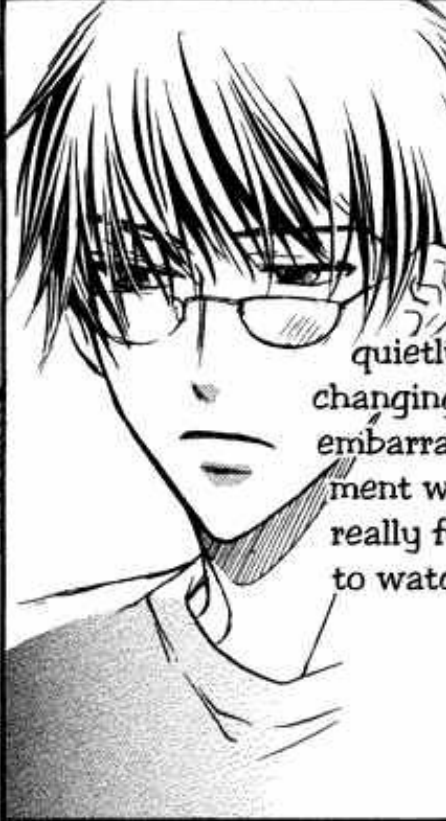
I guess I'll think about it, then.



...I

DON'T REALLY ...

But, thinking back,



quietly changing to embarrassment was really fun to watch.



Seeing Yuba's always-cool expression

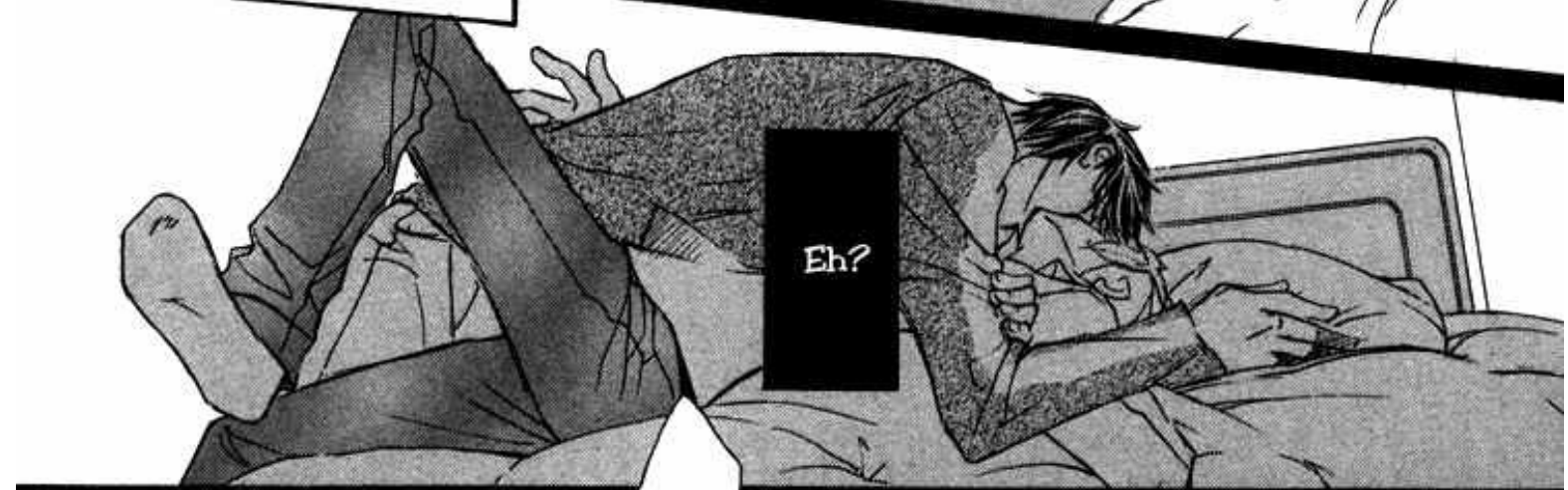
it was an awfully insensitive joke to make...

MIND THAT YOU'RE NOT A GIRL...

move

HUH?







YU...
BA...

NO...

I...

I TOLD
YOU TO
STOP!!

CLONK



I DON'T
KNOW
WHEN IT
STARTED ...

WHEN
I FINALLY
REALIZED, I
ALREADY HAD
ALL THESE
FEELINGS IN
ME...

SI...
SINCE
WHEN?

YEAH...

ARE YOU...
IN LOVE
WITH ME OR
SOMETHING?

I...



NO, I DON'T!!

BECAUSE YOU ALWAYS ACT THAT WAY TOWARDS ME...

WHY?

WAS STARTING TO THINK THAT YOU MIGHT FEEL THE SAME WAY ABOUT ME...



I DO NOT!!

YOU DO SO.

NO, I DON'T!

YES, YOU DO.



DO YOU HATE ME NOW?



I... I DON'T HATE YOU ...

BUT, THAT'S ...

Actually, I like you a lot.



JUST AS FRIENDS ...



down

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE QUITE SO VEHEMENT ABOUT DENYING IT ...

LM ...

SORRY ...

But, still ...

Then,
on the
day of our
graduation,
he called
me out.

Yuba
told me
the same
thing
again.

AND
I'LL HAVE
TO MOVE
AWAY
FROM
THIS
TOWN.

MY UNI-
VERSITY'S
FAR
AWAY,

I WONDER
IF I CAN
KEEP ON
WAITING...



IF YOU
DON'T
DISLIKE
ME,
THEN...

I'D
LIKE
YOU TO
THINK
ABOUT
IT.

I'LL
WAIT.

LOOK, YOU'VE
JUST DUMPED
AN AWFUL LOT
ON ME HERE...

What do
you mean,
"think
about it?"

YOU CAN
TAKE YOUR
TIME...

I'LL... BE
WAITING.

...To be
honest,

When our
exams started
shortly after,
we stopped
being together
as much...

Why
couldn't
I just tell
him that
straight
out?

Even
now...

I still
don't
under-
stand
my own
feelings.

Since
gra-
duat-
ing,

I
haven't
seen
Yuba
even
once.

I'll
wait.

.....
"It's im-
possible
for me,
so don't
wait..."

WE
WON'T SEE
AS MUCH
OF EACH
OTHER FROM
NOW ON,
BUT

I'M
SURE MY
FEELINGS FOR
YOU WON'T
CHANGE.

SO I'LL
WAIT...
FOR YOUR
ANSWER.

strangely
sweet to
me.

When I
imagine his
face while
he's typing
one,

His aw-
kward,
short
messag-
es
become

Even
though
he
said
he
didn't
like
texting.

Instead,
he's
started
sending
me text
messages.



I'm having a group
art exhibition with
some classmates.
Come and have a
look if you like.

And in the
summer,
I got this
one.

How about
going out to
eat together?
We could
catch up.

But
then,

in the
spring,
I got this
text.

...And
then,
when
autumn
came

I made
up an
excuse,
and turned
them
down.

For
both
of
them

...THE SKY
LOOKS LIKE
IT'S ABOUT
TO SNOW...

...The
season's
changed
completely
to winter
now.

The
fact that
I haven't
replied...

YUBA... I
WONDER
IF HE'S
MAD...

I SHOULD
WRITE
SOMETHING,
NO MATTER
HOW SHORT...

Nh...

isn't
because I
don't want
to see him
anymore

...

I didn't

send a
reply.





It can't be!

EH...
WHAT'S THIS?

Pi
Pi



Pi



HUH?



Pi
Pi
Pi



Pi

OKAY, SEND-ING ...

JUST A TEXT ABOUT SOMETHING UNRELATED ...



...!

changed his cell.

...Yuba

YEAH?

BUT SHE
KEEPS
AVOIDING
GIVING
YOU AN
ANSWER
...

...HEY,
IMAGINE YOU
HAD A GIRL
YOU LIKED,
AND YOU
CONFERRED
YOUR FEELINGS
TO HER.

EH?
Only?

HMMM
...
ABOUT
A WEEK, I
GUESS.

Where
did all
this come
from?

OKAY
...
AND?

clatter

...WELL,
HOW LONG
WOULD YOU
WAIT FOR
HER?

M...
ME
...?
LMMMMM
.....

WHY,
HOW LONG
WOULD YOU
WAIT?

WHAT? THAT'S
ABOUT THE
NORMAL TIME
TO WAIT.

...ARE YOU SOME KIND OF MORON?

Ah...

Probably...

A... ABOUT... A YEAR...

I GUESS ...?

I KNOW WHERE HE MOVED TO AND HIS FAMILY'S HOME ADDRESS, TOO.

BUT...

THAT MUST MEAN THEY DON'T WANT YOU TO CALL ANYMORE.

IF SOMEONE CHANGES THEIR CELL NUMBER...

But

.....
IF I WANTED TO SEE HIM, I COULD GO ANYTIME...



You told me

the text wouldn't send,

...You liar.

you'd wait.



and the phone call didn't connect.



"Before winter comes"

is what Yuba told me.



...I'm
the one
who kept
putting
it off.

BUT IT'S
ALREADY
THE MIDDLE
OF WINTER
...

Even
if

I want to
send him
my reply
now,

it
won't
reach
him.



I BET HE'LL
BE PRETTY
SHOCKED...

SUDDENLY
APPEARING
ON HIS
DOORSTEP
LIKE THIS,



RATTLE

What on earth

am I hoping for?

SO THERE'S NOTHING FOR IT. Yeah.

BUT

I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER WAY TO CONTACT HIM.

RATTLE

If Yuba's already given up on me,

clack

then I should just let things be.

LET'S SEE ...

...But I don't want that.

Be-cause ...

AH.



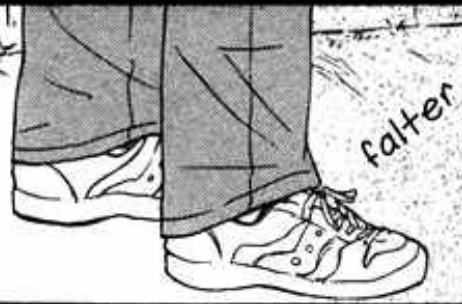


Hah...

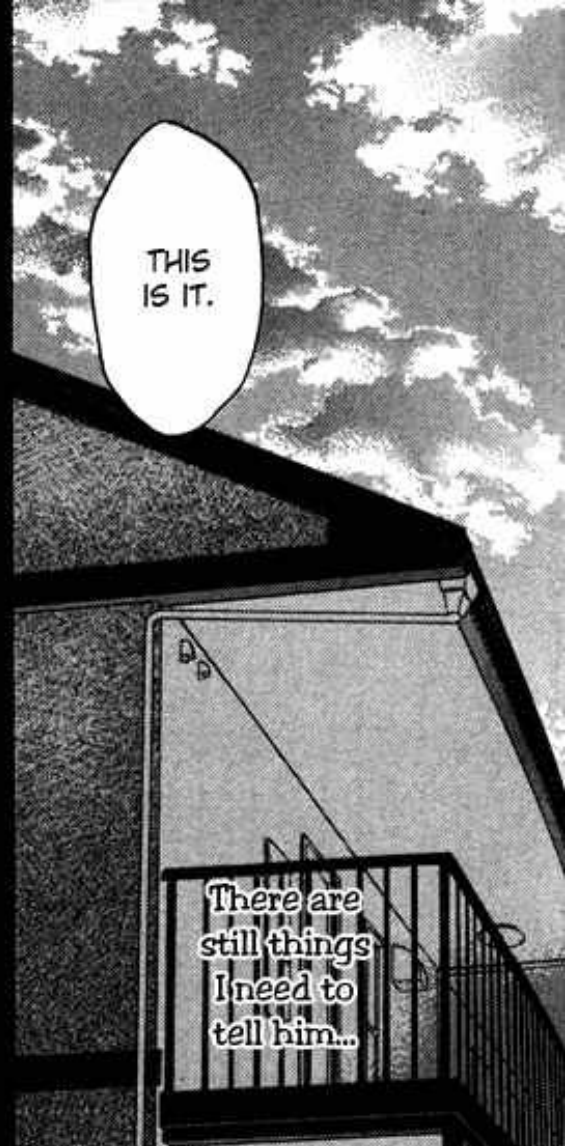
AH... BUT...



BUT IF YUBA'S REALLY RUN OUT OF PATIENCE WITH ME ...



AND MY COMING HERE IS JUST A BOTHER TO HIM...



THIS IS IT.

There are still things I need to tell him...



What am I

...HE MIGHT ...

ISN'T IT A BIT LATE FOR THAT?

SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

Ugh



Hah...

doing here!?







AH.

EH...

HM.

IT'S BEEN A
WHILE
...

...
TOMONO?

Yuba
...

Wah



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE...?

is suddenly making me...

Uwah ... just...

seeing his face...

YOU REALLY SURPRISED ME.



HUH!?

No way!

Jerk

I JUST SENT YOU A TEXT MESSAGE, ACTUALLY.



I changed my cell xxx xxxx

AH...

IT'S TRUE.



YEAH. I DROPPED MINE IN A PUDDLE ...

SO YOU GOT A NEW CELL PHONE...

ALL THE DATA GOT WIPED...

I couldn't believe it...

Anyway, why don't you come in first...?



I SEE.

LOOKS LIKE I MADE YOU WORRY...

Actually I'm fine, as you can see.

SORRY.



OH, RIGHT ...

SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED.

... WHAT A RELIEF.

AH... WAS THAT THE REASON YOU CAME?



I'M THE ONE WHO WAS JUMPING TO CONCLUSIONS.

OH, NO.

OH, YEAH.

WELL THEN... MAKE SURE TO SAVE MY NEW NUMBER.



...



GO AHEAD AND SEND ONE.

YEAH.

I SHOULD SEND YOU SOME KIND OF TEST MESSAGE, JUST TO MAKE SURE.



thump thump

OH,
IT'S
ARRIV-
ED.

AH...

riirin
riirin

...YOU
REPLIED

...AT
LONG
LAST.

smile

Sorry to make you wait.
I missed you too.

YOU
SENT YOUR
ANSWER.

Bmw

NAH.

THANK YOU.

YEAH.

LIM,

WAH ...

YUBA...

I'M SORRY.

I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME.

I...

I LOVE YOU,

TOMONO.





Squeeze

I THINK

I MIGHT

YEAH.

FEEL THE SAME WAY.

... MAY-BE.



THIS TIME I'D SEND YOU ANOTHER TEXT BEFORE THE RAINY SEASON STARTS...!

THANK GOD... I WAS THINKING THAT IF I HADN'T GOTTEN A REPLY FROM YOU BY SPRING,

It's really cold out here. Just come inside already.


...pardon the intrusion.

YOU SURE HAVE A LOT OF PATIENCE ...

FOR REAL?



Before winter comes / END



My youngest
son still hasn't
returned...

So there are
things that
even you cannot
handle... Baldur.

UM...

YOU HAVE
MY DEEPEST
APOLOGIES
...

RUMBLE

Secret of the Demons

アクマたちの

ひみつ♡



IT LOOKS
LIKE HE'S BEEN
COMPLETELY
ASSIMILATED INTO
THE HUMAN WORLD.
THERE'S NOTHING
I CAN DO...



GREAT, NOW I'VE BROUGHT MY FATHER'S WRATH DOWN UPON MYSELF AGAIN...



BALDUR!



IT'S HIM...

!

EXCELLENT TIMING, I WAS JUST ABOUT TO GO SEE YOU!

OVER HERE, OVER HERE!

WELL, WELL, IF IT ISN'T BALDUR!

IT'S
ZAHAN
...!!

WHAT'S
WRONG?

YOU'VE
GOT SUCH A
SOUR LOOK
ON YOUR
FACE...

IS THERE
SOMETHING
BOTHERING
YOU?

I HEARD,
YOU KNOW.
ALL ABOUT
YOUR
BROTHER
...

THERE
YOU GO
AGAIN... YOU
DON'T HAVE
TO BE SO
SECRETIVE.

NO...
NOTHING
AT ALL.



Ha
ha

pissed

AND JUST
WHAT
EXACTLY
DID YOU
HEAR?

HEY,
DON'T GET
SO MAD!

IT'S JUST RARE
FOR YOU TO
HAVE SO MUCH
TROUBLE WITH
ONE OF YOUR
ASSIGNMENTS.

I THOUGHT
MAYBE
THERE WAS
SOMETHING
I COULD DO
TO HELP YOU
OUT.

THAT'S
SO
COLD
...

turn

NO
NEED!

ALL YOU'D
DO IS MESS
THINGS UP
EVEN MORE.

AS MY
LOVER, YOU
SHOULD BE
TREATING ME
MUCH NICER
...

EVEN THOUGH
IT'S BEEN SO
LONG, YOU DON'T
SEEM GLAD TO
SEE ME AT ALL.

slide

thwack

WHO THE HELL ARE YOU CALLING YOUR LOVER!?

I HAVEN'T HEARD A PEEP FROM YOU IN HALF A CENTURY.

AND NOW IT'S LOVERS? YOU AMAZE ME!

oww~

!!



HALF A CENTURY?

WAS IT REALLY THAT LONG?

Wasn't it more like ten years?

Yes, it was that long, damnit!!

AND NOW THAT YOU'VE FINALLY SHOWN UP AGAIN, I FIND YOU LIKE THIS ...



OH? COULD THIS BE JEALOUSY?

NO, IT'S NOT!

Aren't you done talking yet?

Zahan honey~

Come play with us later too, 'kay?



BALDUR ...!

YOU'RE A STAIN IN MY LIFE!

FRIGGIN' INCUBI...!

MY FATHER SHOULD DO THE SAME AND JUST LEAVE THAT DAMNED INCUBUS CHILD OF HIS TO HIS OWN DEVICES...

YOU'RE NOTHING BUT JUVENILE, FICKLE, LYING BASTARDS... AND I DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA WHAT YOU'RE THINKING!

Why should I have to... mumble grumble...



INCUBUS ...

YOUR LITTLE BROTHER IS AN INCUBUS?

THAT'S RIGHT.

THE CHILD MY FATHER MADE WITH THAT INCUBUS MISTRESS OF HIS.


Actually, he's got over ten incubi as lovers.




HUH ...?

IN THAT CASE, I CAN SEE WHY IT'D BE DIFFICULT PERSUADING YOUR LITTLE BROTHER.

NOW I GET IT ...




THEN IT'S
POSSIBLE
TO BIND
-OURSELVES
TO THEM BY
CONTRACT.



IF WE DO
THAT, WE
CAN NEVER
LEAVE THAT
PERSON.

...IN
THAT CASE,
KILLING THAT
PARTNER OF
HIS SHOULD
DO THE
TRICK.



WELL,
YEAH.

GENERALLY
SPEAKING IT'S
BETTER FOR US
TO GET THE VITALITY WE
NEED FROM VARIOUS
DIFFERENT SOURCES,
BUT WHEN SOMEONE
APPEARS THAT WE
TAKE A PARTICULAR
LIKING TO...

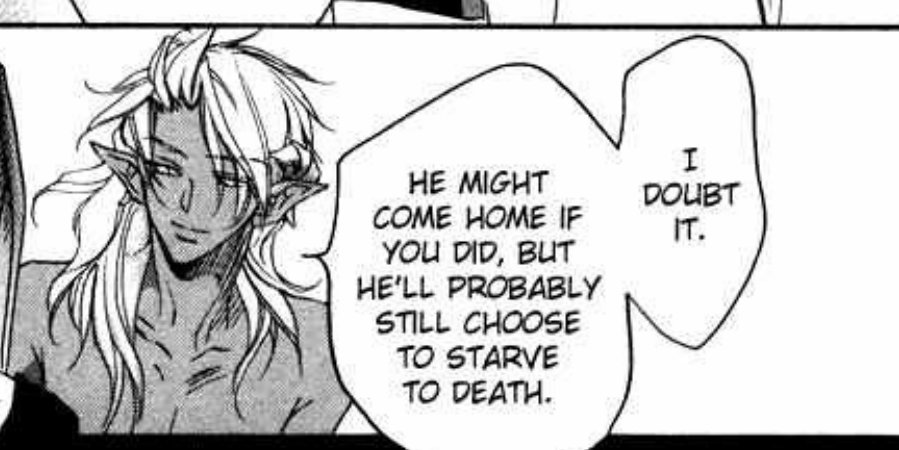


...HOW
WOULD YOU
KNOW?

BECAUSE
YOU'RE AN
INCUBUS
TOO?



SO
BASICALLY
I'M SCREWED
WHATEVER
I DO!



HE MIGHT
COME HOME IF
YOU DID, BUT
HE'LL PROBABLY
STILL CHOOSE
TO STARVE
TO DEATH.

I
DOUBT
IT.

BUT MY FATHER HAS SO MANY INCLUBI LOVERS, HE SHOULD BE MUCH MORE FAMILIAR WITH THEM THAN ME...

I GUESS ALL YOU CAN DO IS TRY EXPLAINING THE NATURE OF INCLUBI TO YOUR FATHER, RIGHT?

*T/N: Daiou = Great King

RUMBLE

I won't do it with *Daiou-chan until he brings me back my baby!

uh-oh

JEEZ, I CAN'T BELIEVE MY FATHER THESE DAYS...!

HE'S COMPLETELY ENTHRALLED BY THESE YOUNG, BEAUTIFUL, FEATHERBRAINED INCLUBI.

SNATCH

WAH!

IN THAT CASE, I'VE GOT A GREAT IDEA.

COME WITH ME A SEC.

Flap



WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...!!

THERE, THERE.

Oh noo~
Zahan, baby~

WHAT IS THAT...?

GO ON, OPEN IT.

THAT'S THE HIDING PLACE OF SOMETHING I WANT TO GIVE TO YOU.

perch

tumage
tumage

IT'S
A GOHN
RING!!

THIS
IS...!

FU FU
FU.

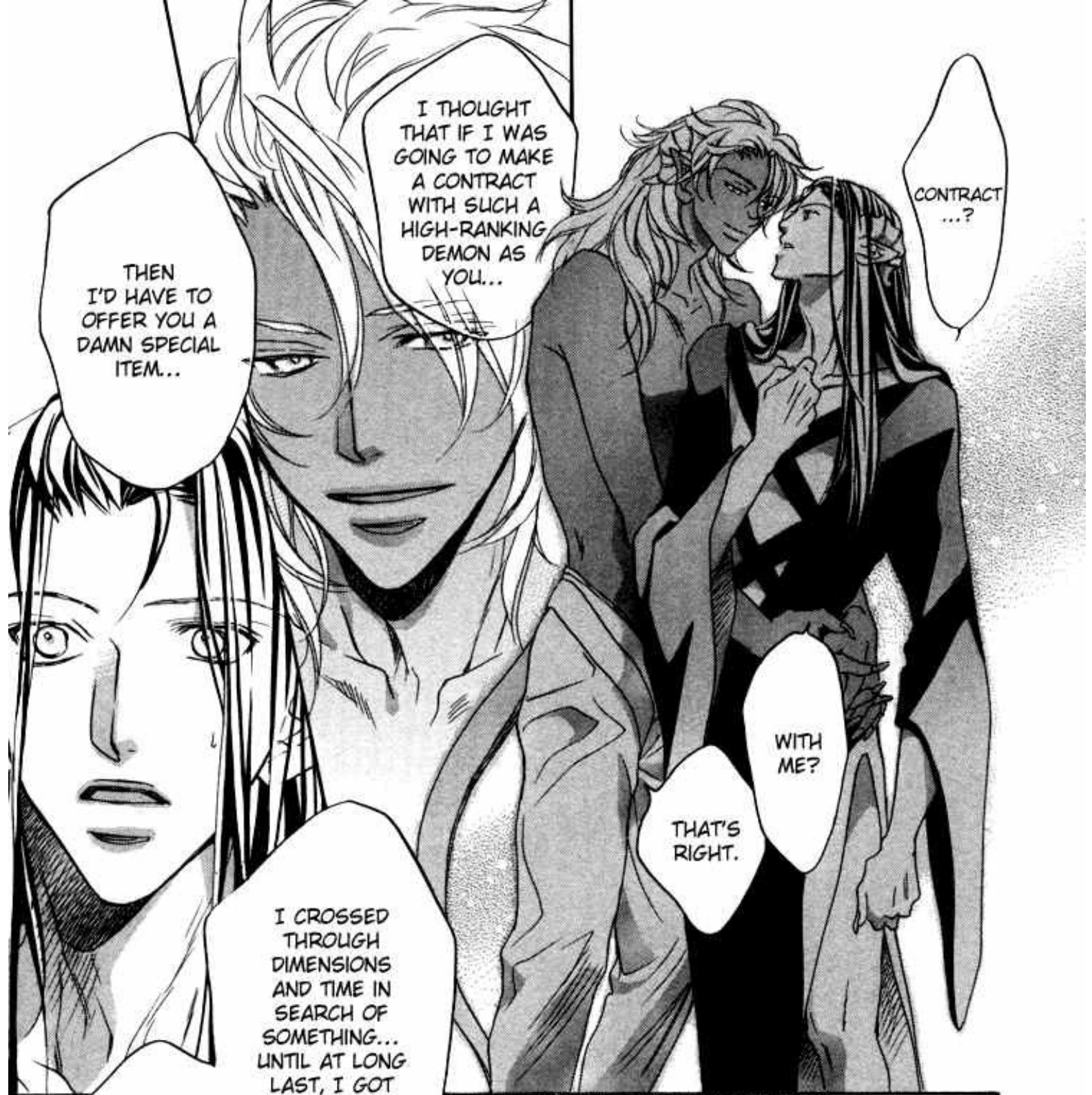
WHERE DID
YOU GET THIS
FROM? SUCH A...
HIGH QUALITY
PIECE OF
TREASURE
...!!

IF YOU
PRESENT THIS
TO HIS MAJESTY,
YOUR FATHER,
HE'LL BE PRETTY
PLEASED WITH
YOU, DON'T YOU
THINK?

EH...?

THOUGH
THE TRUTH
IS...

IT'S SOMETHING
I OBTAINED WITH
THE INTENTION OF
ASKING YOU TO
ENTER INTO A
CONTRACT WITH
ME...



THEN I'D HAVE TO OFFER YOU A DAMN SPECIAL ITEM...

I THOUGHT THAT IF I WAS GOING TO MAKE A CONTRACT WITH SUCH A HIGH-RANKING DEMON AS YOU...

CONTRACT ...?

WITH ME?
THAT'S RIGHT.

I CROSSED THROUGH DIMENSIONS AND TIME IN SEARCH OF SOMETHING... UNTIL AT LONG LAST, I GOT HOLD OF THIS RING.

THOUGH IT WAS PRETTY CARELESS OF ME TO LET HALF A CENTURY SLIP BY WHILE I WAS BUSY SEARCHING.

chuckle

Ah...



TH... THAT'S WHY YOU WERE GONE SO LONG ...?



ZAHAN

...



AS FOR ME...
I'LL GO FIND A
DIFFERENT ITEM
TO REPLACE IT.



HOWEVER IF
YOU'RE REALLY
IN TROUBLE, YOU
CAN GO AHEAD
AND USE IT AS AN
OFFERING TO HIS
MAJESTY.



WHEN
THAT TIME
COMES...

WILL YOU
AGREE TO
ENTER INTO
A CONTRAGT
WITH ME?
BALDUR...?



HEH.

HARD
TO PLEASE
AS USUAL,
AREN'T
YOU...

THAT
DEPENDS
...

ON
THE ITEM
YOU BRING
BACK...

BUT I
LIKE THAT
ABOUT
YOU.

NH...



HN?

BALDUR ...

twitch

NN...

BEFORE YOU HAND OVER THIS RING AS AN OFFERING...
WON'T YOU TRY IT ON?

WHAT ...?
ARE YOU CRAZY? WHAT IF I GET ENCHANTED BY IT AND REFUSE TO LET IT GO...?



THU-DUMP

AND ENHANCE IT.
AH...



slide

ALL IT DOES IS ADD TO OUR OWN POWER...

DON'T WORRY.
IT DOESN'T HAVE THAT KIND OF MAGIC.



tremble

hah

...HOW IS IT?

hah...

UH... UH.

YOU'RE RIGHT...

IT'S FILLING ME WITH MAGIC... IT'S GETTING MORE AND MORE...

THIS IS...!

skiiiiine

SO HOT ...

IT'S GETTING YOU EXCITED, ISN'T IT...?

YE... AH...



AH...





AH...

haah haah

Tremble

ha

ZAHAN
....!

suck

push

ENOUGH
...

HURRY
...

suck

press

ah

ah

ZAHA...

ahust

ah

AH...

ZAHAN.

ah

ah

ah

ah

AAAAH

...

ahust

I KNEW IT...
YOUR TASTE
REALLY IS THE
GREATEST...

BALDUR

...





EH?

THAT'S THE RING I GAVE TO YOU, ZAHAN!!

STOP, ROMI!

WARGH.

DEAR GOD, DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT I WENT THROUGH TO GET THAT FOR YOU?!



NO, UM.

WARGH

THAT...

YOU KNOW ...

... WHAT DID SHE SAY?

...



BUT I STILL EXPECT YOU TO TAKE CARE OF THE THINGS I GIVE TO YOU!

I KNOW I SAID I DIDN'T MIND COMING IN SECOND!

ZAHAN ...

SHUT UP...

ROMI ... I BEG YOU...

...!!

RUMBLE

YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG.

His magic power's on MAX, too...

RUMBLE

...I'll get rid of you once and for all.

static static

Prepare yourself!

RUMBLE

BAL...

oooooooooooo

!



Mean-
while

CALM
DOWN!

DIEEEEEEE!

BALDUR,
PLEASE!!

FAAATHER.

Over
in the
human
world...

CALM
DOWNWN~

IT'S
MORNING
ALREADY,
FATHER!

Eeeep!

Damn
you, Romi! I
helped you
search for
it after
all!!

Liar! I'm
the one
who did
all the
work!

crackle
crackle



The two are free of trouble and happily in love.

As a result, Raoul's magic power has increased substantially.

He learned the spell to hide his horns and tail,

And it also seems like he's grown a size taller.

MORNING, FATHER.

HOW'RE YA FEELING?

dazed

gasp

NOTHING ...

I'LL GET UP RIGHT AWAY...

WHAT'S WRONG?





I'M FINE! I CAN GET UP!

I'LL GETCHA BREAKFAST IN BED, 'KAY?

IF YOU'RE STILL FEELING SLUGGISH, GO AHEAD AND SLEEP SOME MORE.

WE WERE AT IT ALL NIGHT AGAIN YESTERDAY, HM. ♡



RAOUL...

JUST SLEEP.

NOW, NOW,



IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO TELL HIM APART FROM ORDINARY HUMANS NOW...

HE GETS ALONG REALLY WELL WITH THE NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY, TOO.

HE'S STOPPED HAVING TO HIDE HIMSELF AWAY ALL THE TIME ...

But...

Breakfast!

Now that he's discovered what he really is,

Raoul has started smiling more easily again...

Though at night,


The incubus inside him is exposed ...

LIWAAH ...

AAAA

THINN





To be honest,

Even with a demon as a lover,

I've still found happiness.

The only remaining worry is...

Taste good?

Yup.

Say "aaah".

HUH?

BALDUR?

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, HE HASN'T SHOWN HIS FACE FOR A WHILE.

BUT



EVEN IF HE DOES COME, I'LL JUST KICK HIM OUT AGAIN. DONTCHA WORRY.

YOU SHOULD KNOW I'D NEVER LET YOU GO, FATHER.



I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT.

YOU WOULDN'T THINK SO JUST BY LOOKING AT HIM, BUT I HEARD HIS BARK IS WORSE THAN HIS BITE.



I'M TAKING THIS!

↑ Fliched it.

IN THAT CASE, GO FIND SOMETHING YOURSELF NEXT TIME!!

I REALLY DO WANT A CONTRACT WITH YOU! BELIEVE ME, BALDUR!

DON'T BE SO MAD AT ME-

I won't lift a finger to help you this time, just so you know!