Bringing The Farm To Live In Another World - Chapter 11 - Planning

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Green had lived in the imperial capital his whole life, what great spectacles hadn't he seen? He at once returned to his senses, but still didn't look at the thing on the table, rather looking at Zhao hai with light flickering in his eyes: "Young master, you can use magic?"

Zhao Hai shook his head: "I can't use magic. You know, anyone who has drunk the Water of Nothingness will be unable use magic. This is just an ability, it has no offensive ability, it can only let me store some things."

Green nodded, slightly disappointed, then finally turned his head to the table. Seeing the radish on the table, he couldn't help staring blankly, at once grabbing it and looking it over. Smelling it again and again, he finally took a bite, nodded, placed the radish back on the table and turned to look at Zhao Hai: "Young master, this is a magic weed turnip, a very common magic vegetable."

Zhao Hai looked distracted: "What's magic vegetables? Don't tell me there are still other vegetables?"

Green nodded: "Yes, young master, the vegetables on the Ark continent are divided into two kinds, one is common vegetables, such vegetables are ordinarily eaten by commoners or slaves, and nobles generally all eat magic vegetables. Such vegetables all contain some magic energy, and can only be grown on especially good land, and still need people to nurse them very carefully. Magic radish is a kind of such magic vegetables, but they're the most common, the current market value is around one silver coin per catty."

Zhao Hai swiftly calculated in his mind. Right now he had eighty thousand catty of radish, one silver per catty, that was still eighty thousand silver, exchanged for gold it would be eight thousand. This was a lot more than selling in the space, where they could be sold for five hundred gold, a little more than six copper per catty. Referring to the purchasing power of this world and comparing to Earth, if he sold these radishes in the space, he would only get little more than six tenths of an RMB per catty, but if he sold it to the people here, he could get ten RMB per catty, a difference of close to twenty times. Even idiots knew how to do this business.

At this time Green picked up that radish again: "But this magic radish is a bit strange, I've never seen such a large magic radish on the continent, and the taste is a lot stronger than magic radish. Young master, where did you get this thing?"

Zhao Hai didn't answer, he only continued: "Then does Blue Eyed Rabbits eat the leaves of these things? When we buy magic radish, do we buy it with the leaves?"

Green shook his head: "If we were to buy this magic radish, we wouldn't want the leaves. The leaves of this thing don't taste good. But it's still food that Blue Eyed Rabbits are extremely fond of. Why do you ask, young master?"

Zhao Hai stood up, pacing two laps with a happy expression: "The Heavens haven't forsaken me, the Heavens haven't forsaken me, hah, too good, with this thing, I can start a pasture."

Green looked at Zhao Hai's appearance, and felt a burst of fear. He didn't know what was up with Zhao Hai, and thought he had gone insane, promptly saying: "Young master, young master, what is it? Don't scare an old man."

Zhao Hai returned to his senses, looking at Green and laughing: "Don't be scared, grandpa Green. I'm only too excited. Oh, right, grandpa Green, let me ask you, is this magic radish easy to sell?"

Green saw that Zhao Hai was alright and was relieved, at once nodding: "Easily, right now there are no major conflicts on the continent, and people have a lot of income. A lot of commoners will also buy some magic radish to eat, and magic radish is the cheapest magic vegetable, so a lot of people buy it."

Zhao Hai nodded, sitting down and having Green sit down as well: "Grandpa Green, right now I have eighty thousand catty of this magic radish on hand, think of a means to sell it, it doesn't matter if it's a bit cheap, but it has to be sold as quickly as possible. Afterwards buy some Blue Eyed Rabbits, the more the better. The mountain we're living on has a lot of abandoned dwarven mines, we can turn those mines into Blue Eyed Rabbit warrens, then we can have a stable income later."

Green stared blankly, standing with an agitated expression: "Young master, you say you have eighty thousand catty of magic radish? How come you have so much magic radish?"

Zhao Hai shook his head: "Don't mind that for now, implement this as soon as possible. Moreover, find a big buyer and tell him that the magic radish I have on hand is eighty thousand every two days, as much as he wants is fine."

Green stammered. "Young master, are you telling the truth? You really have that much magic radish? From where?"

Zhao Hai smiled: "Don't worry about it, as long as you carry this out it's fine. You have to be quick, but also low key. Don't let people discover that we're selling these things. Can you do it?"

Green calmed down. Even though he didn't know from where Zhao Hai was getting these radishes, he thought it definitely had to be related to that ability Zhao Hai obtained, and so he at once said: "Don't worry, young master. That much this old man can still accomplish. I'll start making arrangements at once."

Zhao Hai nodded, calling after the departing Green: "Grandpa Green, have those slaves not worry about those supplies and put those mines in order at once, we have to put them in order as soon as possible. We will raise a lot of Blue Eyed Rabbits, I will deal with those supplies, no need to worry."

Green's eyes flashed, with a new understanding of Zhao Hai's ability. Even though Zhao Hai said that his ability didn't have any attack power, just his ability to store so many things, and to provide such quantities of magic radish, it was already astonishing.

Green nodded at once: "Don't worry, young master, I will arrange it. Blockhead, Rockhead, from now on, you have to closely protect the young master step by step. I will leave for a few days. Meirin, Meg, you see to those slaves, you have to have them follow the young master's orders in the shortest time possible, understood?"

At this moment, Green finally displayed the dignity and skill of a great butler of a grand noble house, arranging the most important things in the shortest possible time, first seeing to Zhao Hai's safety, second starting the main focus of the work, third doing outside to sell the radishes. Moreover, very clearly, this third matter he would handle himself.

Meirin and the others were just listening numbly. They really hadn't thought that Zhao Hai would actually have such a secret. Now being called out to by

Green, they returned to their senses and replied, Green then quickly stepping outside.

Zhao Hai looked at Green's departing figure and nodded. It seemed Green wasn't someone who didn't understand. Spending all their money before coming to the Black Waste might be because of the reason he guessed, to keep Adam from having money to spend and could only honestly stay here. But now it seemed that he wouldn't be so anxious.

Meirin watched Green leave, then turned to Zhao Hai: "Young master, are you hungry? You haven't eaten a it all morning. I'll at once get something ready for you." Finished speaking, she walked towards the kitchen.

Zhao Hai hastily said: "Grandma meirin, it's alright, I ate half a magic radish earlier, and I'm still full, I can't eat anything."

Meirin promptly shook her head: "How is that alright, how could you be full eating nothing but such a thing. Young master wait a moment, I'll fix something up at once, it'll be done very quickly."

Zhao Hai saw he couldn't block her, and promptly said: "Grandma Meirin, take this magic radish to the kitchen and use it for cooking."

Meiring replied, then took that half radish and entered the kitchen. But meg stood next to Zhao Hai, and Blockhead and Rockhead stood behind him to his left and right.

Zhao Hai looked at all of them, and couldn't help smiling wryly. He knew that right now Blockhead and Rockhead wouldn't listen to anything he said. Those two had very inflexible minds, and right now they only listened to Green, so he didn't say anything to them, only turning to Meg: "Meg, bring me some keja, I'm a bit thirsty."

Meg replied, then turned and left for the kitchen. But when she walked behind Zhao Hai she still stealthily glanced at him, then quickly left.

Zhao Hai sat there bored senseless. Right now there could be said to be too few people in the castle to talk to, only Green and the others. It was still impossible for those slaves to carry a conversation with him, and if he went to them they would likely be scared. Consequently, Zhao Hai could only sit here alone.

Originally Zhao Hai thought to chat with Blockhead and Rockhead, but the two of them could both be classified as empty headed, there was basically no way to chat with them. So he could only set there being bored senseless by himself.

Fortunately Meg returned with a pot of keja before long, but after she had served Zhao Hai a cup, she again retreated back behind him, without saying a word. This made Zhao Hai depressed, but he still didn't know what to say to her. Because of Adam's previous indiscretions, Zhao Hai also felt extremely awkward when facing Meg.

Meiring really worked very quickly. Before long Zhao Hai's breakfast was prepared. Almost the same as a western style breakfast from Earth, the breakfast Meirin made for Zhao Hai included bread, meat gruel, and a few fried eggs. These fried eggs were naturally not the same as chicken eggs on earth, but rather eggs from a kind of level one magic beast chicken on the Ark continent.

Zhao Hai turned to Meirin and the others: "Grandma Meirin, you all sit down and eat. After eating you still have a lot of work to do, there's no need to keep me company."

Meiring nodded, and didn't object this time, because she knew that after eating, they really did have a lot of work to do. So Meirin and Meg again went into the kitchen for a few sets of breakfast, in addition to food for Blockhead and Rockhead as well.

After breakfast, Zhao Hai didn't return to his room, but rather went to the first floor drawing room, sitting there drinking keja. He knew that Green would definitely come inform him once everything was in order, and so he didn't worry.

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Chapter 12 - Headshake

Sure enough, Zhao Hai hadn't been sitting for long when Green walked inside, bowing and saying: "Young master, I have put the family's matters in order, I will set off shortly."

Zhao Hai nodded: "No need to rush, it's fine if you don't worry. I have those things here, nothing will happen. Even keeping them for ten years wouldn't be a problem. After you leave, you have to find a big client, then sign a long term contract with them. You must also remember that we will be breeding large amounts of Blue Eyed Rabbits, and this is also something that will go through them. If I guess correctly, after the shock of the magic radishes we have on hand, the market price will drop. This is something we have to be prepared for."

Green nodded, and Zhao Hai indicated he sit to the side: "Grandpa Green, sit. I'm not comfortable having you stand like that. Sit, I still have a lot of things to tell you. Blockhead, go get grandpa Green some breakfast, let him eat here today."

Blockhead glanced at Green. Green nodded, and Blockhead then turned towards the kitchen, and Green also sat down. Zhao Hai didn't express any opinion about this, he was very clear about the character of the previous Adam. If not for Green always looking out for him before, Adam would have already died an unknown number of times, so he naturally wouldn't envy Green's authority now.

After Green sat down, Zhao Hai continued: "Grandpa Green, I'm also aware of our current circumstances, therefore I hope you will remember, low key, we have to stay low key. We're in a place like this now. If we do something those grand nobles can't stand, then we're also finished. Consequently, we cannot let people know our relation to this deal."

Green nodded, and Zhao Hai sighed: "Even if I don't know why those grand nobles would let my Buda clan off, only sending us off to a place like this, but I know what we have is something they would definitely have misgivings about. If they wanted to deal with us, they would have to pay a very large price, but if we now let them learn that the Buda clan might have a chance to rise again, then regardless of the cost, they would definitely destroy us. That's why we have to be low key now. Even though talking about being low key sounds cowardly, to let our Buda clan continue until the day we can rise again, we can only keep low key for now."

Green's eyes reddened, standing and bowing to Zhao Hai: "Don't worry, young master, I will definitely handle this well."

Zhao Hai nodded: "Don't be like this, grandpa Green, sit down. You have to remember, the magic radishes are only the first step. For the next while I will

experiment and see whether I can change the black soil outside into something that can be farmed, that would be even better. But we also need even more manpower, so you have to buy some more slaves through every channel you can. Regardless of race, as long as they're useful, as long as they have skills, buy them all. Anyway, most people wouldn't come over to look at us, but we still have to be careful."

Green nodded. He discovered that the young master had changed. If it was the previous young master, then it would be impossible for him to think about this. The current change, to the Buda clan, was definitely a good thing.

Now Blockhead also returned to serve Green breakfast. Zhao Hai glanced at Green's plate. Very simple, making Zhao Hai shake his head, turning to Green: "Grandpa Green, after the magic radishes are sold, first buy some Blue Eyed Rabbits, second buy some Long Tailed Chickens, third buy some Scaleless Fish. The castle moat is empty right now, and it seemed to me that it was running water, suitable for raising fish. First we won't care about making money, we have to improve our own standard of living. When you go, don't be afraid of how much magic radish they want, however much they want, we can supply. But I think a lot of people will be struck by us attacking the magic radish market like this, and they will definitely investigate. Therefore, no matter what, you absolutely cannot let them trace it back to us. Also, buy some books. Best is books related to flora and fauna on the continent, this will be of great use to us. Anyway, right now I can only think of these, you deal with the rest on your own. Oh, right, our current defensive strength is too little, you pay attention and buy some slaves with fighting strength if you can. But we'll do it bit by bit, the first goal is to improve our lives."

Green ate and listened to Zhao Hai, remembering what Zhao Hai said. These matters were also of varying degrees of importance, but they were all things he was capable of handling.

Before long, Green had finished eating and let Blockhead bring the tray to the kitchen. He stood and bowed to Zhao Hai: "Young master, I'm leaving. I won't be present for a few days, if there's anything, you make sure to speak to Meirin. Young master, you must look after yourself well. You are the last hope of the Buda clan, if anything happens to you, I won't be able to face the late old master."

Zhao Hai smiled slightly: "Don't worry, grandpa Green. I know what to do. I also won't be as wilful as before. Leave quickly and return soon, as long as everything is handled. Oh, right, transporting our magic radishes is a big

problem. If I wait until after you've settled things and then deliver them personally, that would draw less attention, what do you say?"

Green pondered: "Let's leave this matter for when I have made the arrangements. Don't worry, young master, I will take care of everything."

Zhao Hai nodded, looking at Green, then suddenly bowed to him: "Grandpa Green, I thank you on behalf of the Buda clan. From today on, you are my family."

Green's eyes reddened, but he accepted Zhao Hai's respect, facing upwards and laughing: "Old master, esteemed master, did you see, the young master has grown up, the young master is thoughtful, the Buda clan has hope. Even if I have to stake these old bones, I will make the Buda clan flourish." Answering Zhao Hai's salute, he turned and left. But now Green didn't have the air of a servant, but with heroic spirit soaring towards the sky, displaying the might of an eighth level warrior.

Zhao Hai looked at Green's departing back, smiling slightly, the turned and walked towards his own room. Zhao Hai knew that making other people accustomed to his changes would take some time. Right now his display was already very eye-catching. He should be a bit well behaved. Anyway, matters of the house had already been settled by Green, and the remainder was for Meirin and Meg to see to, no need for his involvement. He'd return to his room and go take a look at the farm, there he could settle down and relax.

But Blockhead and Rockhead, those two inflexible fellows, followed behind him like a pair of ghosts, following regardless of anything, thoroughly implementing Green's orders, leaving Zhao Hai helpless.

Zhao Hai still didn't want to let Green and the others know too much about the spatial farm, but with Blockhead and Rockhead so inflexible, making them understand that might be impossible.

Entering his room, Zhao Hai turned to speak to Blockhead and Rockhead: "Blockhead, Rockhead, you return to your rooms, I want to rest a while. There's nothing happening in the castle anyway, you don't need to worry.

The two shook their heads simultaneously, saying nothing, and Zhao Hai impatiently said: "I will rest, you go help grandma Meirin?"

Headshake!

"I'm going to rest, you can't always stand by my bedside? Go stand outside the door!"

Headshake!

"I'm the young master, you two get out of here!"

Headshake!

"Big brothers, see it as me begging you, give me a bit of space, be a bit charitable and go out."

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Zhao Hai looked at the two and really didn't have any means, he could only say: "Blockhead, Rockhead, I know you two were raised by my father from childhood, absolutely loyal to the Buda clan, but the place I'm about to go relates to the future development of the Buda clan. Therefore, it's best if you don't follow. If you do you won't be able to keep up. So, in a moment, if I suddenly disappear, don't worry, and don't shout either, okay?"

Zhao Hai just finished speaking when the two brothers reached out and grabbed the twin large swords on their backs, holding them across their necks with a look of 'if you don't let us follow we will die'.

Zhao Hai facepalmed. Running into such inflexible people really gave him a frightening headache. But he could do nothing. Looking at Blockhead and Rockhead, he knew that if he really didn't let them follow him, they really could kill themselves. These were part of a small number of people absolutely loyal to the Buda clan, how could he let them die?

But if he brought them into the space, then they would also know the secrets of that space. Zhao Hai still really was a bit unwilling.

But Zhao Hai still hadn't completely figured out the space yet, and the seeds had been planted when the sky still wasn't light, whereas now it was already bright, and he didn't know how they had grown. He wanted to go take a look, if the radishes were ripe, he could collect them, that was money.

Most importantly was that Zhao Hai still wanted to take a look at whether he could bring the spatial water and soil outside. The spatial soil and water could transform land, and if he really could transform land, then perhaps the black

soil outside could be made fertile, and that was what Zhao Hai needed the most right now.

While Zhao Hai was weighing the pros and cons, Blockhead and Rockhead never put their swords down. The two were rigidly staring at Zhao Hai, afraid he would disappear.

Aftera long while, Zhao Hai returned to his senses. Looking over the two, he smiled wryly: "Fine, you follow as well. But what you see today, you absolutely can't speak of outside. If you do, you can at most only tell grandpa Green, grandma Meirin, and Meg. Those three people. You can't tell anyone else. You can't even talk about it in your sleep.

The two nodded simultaneously, but their swords didn't leave their hands.

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Chapter 13 - Change of perception

Zhao Hai looked at the faces of the two men, but they remained silent. It seems that these men are not really fools. Either way, he doesn't want to tell lies to his friends and family. Probably the only thing he can do is bring them into the farm space, so he relents, realizing it won't be too bad since he will eventually have to tell them about the farm space anyway.

Smiling, Zhao Hai said: "All right, put down the swords, you are taking all this to seriously. I'm ready, we're moving forward." As he finished speaking, the trio disappeared from this place and in the next moment they appeared inside the farm space.

Blockhead and Rockhead waited a little bit and then wholly examined the place inside the space farm. They paid attention to growing radishes on the fields, while also seeing some straw huts and a pile of different things in front of a shack.

Looking over the two men who were still holding swords in their hands, Zhou Hai clapped them on the shoulders and said: "Put down your swords, they are out of place here, don't you think so?"

At once it dawned upon Blockhead and Rockhead. Both unconsciously put down their swords at last. They didn't dare to ignore Zhao Hai, because now his words have a prime importance for them and must be carried out.

Sensing the change in the men, Zhou Hai kinda feels that from now on they will perceive him as a true master and follow his orders.

However, he doesn't lose himself thinking about it, instead he attentively inspects the growing radishes and the things inside of the shack, other than the fact that he has 200 gold coins now, there are no changes at all. He can remember that when it was a game the system would automatically update the farm with weeds and insects. Moreover, it was quite often then. These things are direct enemies of cultivation.

Fortunately, they were not updated, but it is still a reason why Zhao Hai should come to this space sometimes. It is not essential for him to think about the results of cultivation, the space farm reminded him about harvest time. Unfortunately, Zhao Hai can't know about growing weeds or the appearances of insects. The space farm is not his ally in this matter.

In the present situation he can't just guess about it, because all of these matters affect income. And if he want to think about staying alive, he will need a lot of money, much more money. It is out of the question to make any mistakes.

Blockhead and Rockhead are following close to the Zhao Hai in the same way as before, though from now on their perception has changed. Previously the duo only obeyed Green, but after coming to this place, the status of Zhou Hai has risen above Green's status. From now on, not only will they obey Zhou Hai's orders, they will place them above all else.

Zhao Hai doesn't know whether this space is some kind of space magic now. In fact, all things in here obey his orders. However, the place is supposed to be leveled up from the start. His level is too low now, this fact is clear for him. Therefore, he should raise its level in the near future. After it becomes a high level, this place will wholly obey his orders.

Since he is the owner of the farm space, whatever he took into the space would automatically acknowledge him as its master. He is not a God, but his orders are absolute here. So now Blockhead and Rockhead think about him in the same way in this place.

Zhao Hai is not aware of this yet, he is just attentively examining the space farm for anything new, but there are no changes at all. The situation here is pretty normal. Although he got a level up, Zhou Hai was only presented with some seeds.

However, Zhao Hai isn't in a bad mood. Even though he doesn't have too much money, this amount is sufficient for one additional seeding. If Green is not here at the moment of harvest, then he will buy seeds after exchanging a part of the harvest for gold coins.

Zhao Hai doesn't want to sow different seeds, because he doesn't have enough knowledge about the plants of this world. He is afraid that other plants will not be sellable. If he cultivates a lot of those types of plants, he is bound to make little to no profit. He can't allow this to happen in his current situation.

Radishes are sold quite well in this world. So the seeds of radish are the safest approach for now. Zhao Hai can't make even a little mistake, because it will not only affect his life but the future of the Buda clan.

It is clear for Zhao Hai that he has inherited not only the body of Adam Buda or the house of Buda, but also a huge part of the responsibility. Due to this fact, he prefers stability and will have to keep a low profile. He doesn't want to make a mistake and allow his actions to be known. If his enemies find out about it, he certainly will die.

Zhao Hai made sure that there were no changes, nodded and addressed Blockhead and Rockhead, "There's nothing left to do here, we are going back out."

Both Blockhead and Rockhead obey his orders now, so they don't have anything against it. They said simultaneously: "Yes, young master!" Zhao Hai was astonished, for the first time Blockhead and Rockhead answered him as they should. He unintentionally inspected the duo, but didn't find anything strange. He thought about exiting and at that moment they left the space farm together, appearing in his chamber.

In an instant, he observed the chamber, the door was closed so no one had entered. As Zhao Hai understood this fact he let out a sigh of relief and addressed BlockHead and RockHead: "Let's go, we will walk out of the castle to look around. I want to see the soil of the BlackLands and also the moat, since we will soon set up a fishery there." He said while moving with the duo outside.

In the past, BlockHead and Rockhead would stop him because Green was against Zhao Hai leaving out of the castle gates. But now they just followed him silently.

The three men came out on the castle yard, Zhao Hai inserted supplies, which were not put into the castle's storehouses, in a barn of the space farm. At the same time, he was thinking about space and he found that supplies had been allocated and classified, also he knew the amount of things. Zhao Hai was very pleased.

Zhao Hai also found out, that he is able to control his farm without entering it. At the time, when he wants to see anything in that space, a projection will appear in front of him. Moreover, it looks like BlockHead, RockHead or anyone else can't see the projection, it is much more convenient that way.

The trio slowly left the castle through the opened gates. Meirin and Meg are carefully watching the slaves, who are doing required arrangements in the previously deserted mine.

In truth, even if they don't watch, the slaves will not be lazy. Zhao Hai gave them a goal, whilst they try their best, sooner or later they will not be slaves anymore. For the slaves such a purpose is the best motivation.

Meirin and Meg also noticed, that today the slaves are especially energetic. They work in such a manner that tasks, which required them to spend 1 hour previously, can now can be finished in just half an hour.

Zhao Hai will not go there, although he can trust only a few people now, Meirin is there with them. And the slaves absolutely believe in his vow, because of that he doesn't have a reason to go there. At present he wants to see the BlackLand to understand, is it possible to use the space farm to improve the condition of its soil or not.

However, firstly he decided to take a stroll by the moat. The moat is not too wide, but it is possible to see that the moat was constructed well. You can even see that its bottom was piled with stone foundation. Therefore, no one has lived here for years, but the water is still clear.

Zhao Hai inspected the bottom of the moat. It seems like it had been constructed with the usage of two sources of water, so that the moat could repair itself. The first one is spring water, the other one is an underground river, which flows from the mountains.

In general, it is strange, that the moat is connected with an underground river. But anyway, the underground river flows into the moat from the one side, and on the other side drainage can be seen. So because the water is from the river, it can be used for a fishery.

However, at the present time building a fishery here means losses, because fish move with the flow, but the water here is from the river. If he puts fish in here, they will just flow away. It is essential to make some renovations for the moat.

Still there is another problem, the moat is connected with the drainage system of the castle. To reconstruct the moat, the drainage system of the castle should be changed too. The amount of issues is only growing.

Zhao Hai frowned, but calmly put off all of these things for now. Firstly, he wants to inspect the BlackLand. If the soil can be improved, he will have even more concerns. Such as farming, irrigation, harvest, it requires careful planning.

Agriculture looks like an easy thing, but it is quite difficult to acquire a good harvest, in addition Zhao Hai was a nerd in his world. However, he has some understandings about agriculture, he saw farming people before, also national attention had been drawn by agriculture. There were annual informative reports about farming, droughts, floods. Moreover, he liked to read history books too. Because of all these facts, he could definitely understand how difficult it is.

Also he often heard about such a term as water conservation. It had been mentioned frequently in the history of China. Emperors of different ages were concerned by this matter. However, the fief of Zhao Hai is here and from the beginning there are no such things as irrigative constructions.

It is strange that nothing grows on the BlackLand and it seems like has been the case for years. Something devastated everything in the past. Apparently he understands too little for now.

Zhao Hai was leading BlockHead and RockHead with him. At last he reached the closest area with black soil by ten or so steps. Zhao Hai slowly sat down and took a handful of soil. He is full of thoughts now.

Previously Zhao Hai had lived in an oil city to the North of China. There was pretty much the same thing as black soil, it was called oil soil. That oil soil was

something like the mix of sand and oil. This matter is not ordinary at all, but the color is the same, it is black. Zhao Hai had touched oil soil and it had the same feeling as this black soil.

His heart trembled, if it is really oil soil, it will be a dead end for him. He will not be able to grow anything. Hopefully, the similarity is just how it feels to the touch.

Zhao Hai said to BlockHead: "BlockHead dig out some soil, we will carefully research it." BlockHead agreed, took out his sword and inserted it into the land. Soon he dug out some soil.

Zhao Hai nodded a little bit: "It is enough." After saying such words, he took a lump of black soil and placed it into the barn of the space farm. He will come back to it later and research.

Since he got a sufficient lump of black soil, Zhao Hai peeked at the huge expanse of BlackLand and unintentionally let out a sigh. It is so tremendous, but nothing can grow here, it's just to wasteful. Hopefully, water and soil from the space farm will be able to change this. Otherwise even if they begin to grow something, it will be too slowly and everyone will know about his secret. In this case the Buda clan will perish.

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Chapter 14 - Heaven and Earth

Zhao led Blockhead and Rockhead towards Meirin and Meg to check out the mines.

There had been many places mined by the dwarves. Almost the whole mountain had been hollowed out. But with the mountain's peculiar structure, combined with the many years of dwarven mining experience, everything was sturdily built. There were no dangers of landslides or cave ins.

Meirin and Meg, much like Green, have always been in service to the Buda clan so doing something like watching over the slaves wasn't a problem. Those slaves, with the hope of restoring their freedom with Zhao's promises, were very energetic and simply did not need anyone watching over them.

In the mines, the slaves discovered that within the first few meters there was an opening to what seemed to be a residential area consisting of open spaces and caves. It was a tidy place and it seemed like those dwarves must have built these mines to live in for many years, so the design was almost like a small city near a source of water. There were some drainage facilities, plenty of spacious areas, and some holes close by that could be used for storage. However, you couldn't go too deep into the mines because the tunnels would eventually curve down, leading you to caverns that have been flooded with water. But just outside of that was a nice area that could be used to raise a lot of blue eyed rabbits. The space was big enough to keep tens of thousands of them without a problem.

Although the entire Iron Mountain wasn't very tall, only about a thousand meters above sea level, surrounding it in a semi-circular formation was the Black Waste, which stretched for thousands of miles. And behind the Iron Mountain was a notoriously fierce area known as the carrion swamp, which was one of the continent's five forbidden lands. The mountain terrain was dark brown. There were some piles of weeds growing here and there but they all looked like they were near death. There were also some crooked trees growing around that had a malnourished look to them.

Seeing all of this, Zhao sighed, knowing why those nobles exiled them here. Even though those nobles didn't execute them with an immediate death, in a place like this death would have come sooner or later. The only thing Green could do before they were sent here was to clear away their entire family's wealth in exchange for some supplies and slaves, which those nobles allowed him to do because thinking that a few supplies could help restart the Buda clan was tantamount to nonsense.

Zhao walked quickly and arrived at the mines, but since Meirin and Meg were busy watching and directing the slaves, they did not notice his arrival.

Although these mines were built by dwarves, the openings were very large, a full three meters high and five meters wide. It was big enough for people to move around and live in without a problem. Zhao was in shock. He did not expect that the dwarves could create such an amazing underground city.

Looking inside the mines lined with stone arches, Zhao nodded involuntarily. It was a very good place. As long as they made some modifications, it could be used to raise the blue eyed rabbits or be turned into a secret base. But that would require time, so he noted it down for later.

Just then, Meirin saw Zhao and quickly came over. "Master, why are you here? This place is very dirty. You should go back to the castle."

"I'm just here to check out the mines. Grandma Meirin, how many caves in this mountain lead to the mines?"

Meirin thought about it. "Such a big mountain has only two main caves. One on the side facing the castle and the other is on the other side of the mountain. The rest are just a few dozen small tunnels."

Zhao nodded. "Do these caves link up together? And how deep do the tunnels go? Do you think we could build a barricade so the blue eyed rabbits we'd raise would have no place to run?"

"Master worries too much. These caves were built by experienced dwarves to ensure the mountain would not collapse. They would not go around digging random tunnels. The only problem is that some of the tunnels lead to caves that are full of water. I don't know how deep the water is, so it's a dead end. But those caves won't be a problem. You can rest assured that this place has a lot of uses for Master."

"That's good." Zhao smiled. "We do not need to worry about the cave on the other side of the mountain. We'll just focus on repairing this one. With the water, the blue eyed rabbits won't be able to run that way, but we do need to do something to prevent them from drowning."

"Master shouldn't worry. I know what to do. This isn't a place for Master to be. You should still go back."

"I'm not worrying, Grandma Meirin. But I still want to see one of the tunnels that lead to the water."

Meirin nodded. "Fine, I can lead you there. After all, I am a Water Mage. The water is still very understanding. I believe I can help, Master."

Zhao smiled. "Well, then there is nothing to worry about, although Grandma Meirin shouldn't work too hard. I'll walk with you." They moved around inside the mines. Blockhead and Rockhead followed behind Meirin and Zhao, but Meg did not go with them. She was left behind to watch over the slaves.

The four walked through the mine tunnels until it slightly skewed downwards. The sloped tunnels led them down a few hundred meters until they made it to

the subterranean lake. In the darkness, they could not see it, but they could still hear the faint sound of waves.

Suddenly a burst of light lit up around them. Zhao glanced sideways and saw that Meirin was holding a ball of bright light in her hands. At first he thought it was a lamp, but he soon realized it was magic. From Adam's memories, he learned that this was a basic lighting technique. It had no attack, defensive, or healing properties. It only makes light. Practically every magician on the continent, including those at the weakest levels, knows this magic because this magical lighting technique was easy to learn and had no restrictions on learning it.

Zhao looked around and saw the underground lake with the help of the magical light. With such a large body of water, it was not wrong to describe it as a lake. Looking closely, there were several small islands breaking the surface. The islands weren't big, only a few dozen square meters. And attached to the islands, like they had taken root there, were pillars.

Zhao was puzzled. "Grandma Meirin, what's with the pillars?"

Meirin smiled and said, "Those pillars were made to support the entire mountain. You see, this place was completely hollowed out by the dwarves, which eventually resulted in this lake."

Zhao's eyes lit up, then he laughed. "Great, this is great! So we can raise a lot of fish here. This is a natural treasure."

Meirin looked around. "Young master's ideas are good. If the water was stagnant, then there would be no way to raise fish here. It seems like the water is flowing. I can feel it. The water element it still very active here. But the source of the water is a problem. If there is a flow in the water, then there must be an outlet, otherwise the water could not have been maintained at this level. So if the water is flowing somewhere else, then no matter how many fish we raise, they would likely swim away down the outlet."

Zhao nodded. "Yes, that is a big problem. But I also found that same problem in the moat. It seems like it is connected. With this, we might be able to solve this problem." He then turned to Meirin. "Grandma Meirin, can you please gather some water? I want to use it for some research."

Meirin did not know what Zhao meant by research, but she did what he asked. With a few hand gestures, a large water bubble about one diameter in size rose from the lake and floated in front of Zhao.

Zhao's heart sighed at how amazing magic was, but he didn't stay idle. With only a thought, the water bubble entered his barn space. After checking around, he made sure the water bubble could really be kept inside. Zhao couldn't help but be excited. The spatial barn was really amazing. Even a large bubble of water could be stored there.

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Chapter 15 - Level Up

Meirin was speechless, but Zhao did not realize how surprised she was.

Meirin was an eighth level water mage. On the Ark Continent, a mage was divided into ten levels. One to Three were just apprentices. Four and Five were Low-Leveled Mages, Six and Seven were Intermediate Mages, while Eight and Nine were called Advanced Mages. And Ten was a level that only existed in legends.

For most people who have a talent for magic, they would only end up in the first five levels. A lucky few might even become Intermediate Mages. However, only one percent of all the magicians in the Continent would end up as an Advanced Mage. That was a one in a million chance! With such a ratio, the rare advanced mages were treated with respect. In fact, that was one of the reasons why the Buda clan was only exiled and not treated so ruthlessly by the King of the Aksu Empire. Meirin, who was loyal to the Buda clan, was an advanced mage.

As an eighth level water mage, Meirin was very sensitive to the magical elements. If someone within one kilometer from her used magic, she would be able to feel it.

In the Ark Continent, there is a type of magic called Space Magic. It was extremely rare to find a mage who was able to learn it, and among those who do learn space magic, if their level was not high, there would be no way for them to open up their own secluded space.

The Continent did have some magical items of the space attribute. These items were used to store things in a magical space. To make these types of items, you would need to become an advanced spatial mage, have access to certain strange materials, and create a secluded space which you would seal into the item, thus forming a spatial item. However, even an advanced space mage would only be capable of making five magical spatial items in their entire lifetime. So a spatial storage item was very rare and precious in the Continent.

Meirin knew that ever since Zhao drank the Water of Nothingness, it was impossible for him to learn magic, so he naturally could not be a mage. And when she saw the water bubble disappear, she did not feel any magical fluctuations. So there were only two possibilities. One was that somehow Zhao had magical powers that were on a higher level than Meirin's, and so was able to hide any magical fluctuations from her notice. But that was impossible because Zhao drank the Water of Nothingness. The only other possibility was that Zhao simply did not use magic or a magic item, otherwise Meirin would have felt it.

Zhao turned around and saw the look on Meirin's face. "Grandma Meirin, don't worry. In a few days I'll tell you all about how the gods gave me this ability." After awhile, Meirin just nodded her head and did not ask. As long as there was no danger to Zhao, this ability could be a good thing. Zhao looked at the water one last time and then said, "It's about time to go back. We'll wait until Grandpa Green's return before we continue with our plans."

Meirin nodded. "Master should go back. You do not need to worry about these things. Meg and I will take care of it."

"Okay. But Grandma Meirin shouldn't work too hard. The slaves could handle their tasks by themselves. It shouldn't be too difficult to clean up these caves before grandfather gets back."

"Master really grew up, being concerned for other people." Meirin smiled. "Don't worry, my old bones are still holding. Master should go back to the castle, and I'll cook you something to eat."

"Okay, I'll head back," Zhao said. Blockhead and Rockhead followed him out of the mines.

Meirin looked at Zhao's departing back and murmured, "Ancestors, I did not expect such a strong ability to be bestowed on the young master. The Buda clan might rise again beyond all expectations."

Zhao led Blockhead and Rockhead back to the castle. He wanted to check out the black soil and that water bubble as soon as possible.

Once he was in his room, he turned to the two and said, "You two are not going with me. Stand out there and guard the door. If anyone comes, tell them I went to bed." Zhao was testing them to see if they would now listen to his orders. Ever since he had taken them to the spatial farm, their attitudes have changed, as if they were in awe of him. And so he wanted to see if the two would listen to him if he told them to stay.

They did not hesitate. "Yes, sir."

Zhao left Blockhead and Rockhead outside the door and closed it, leaving them to guard his room. Zhao didn't think those two would be so obedient, but this was a good thing, so he immediately entered his farm space.

While in the spatial farm, with a single thought, the pile of black soil appeared in front of him. The voice came immediately: [The discovery of new materials for soil variability has large amounts of harmful substances. It is possible to transform this soil with available spatial earth and water up to one mu per day. Due to the discovery of new materials, your level has risen to three. Spatial earth has also upgraded to level two. You are given two bags of corn seeds, with each bag able to fill one acre of farmland. With your higher level, the farm's growth rate has risen to elevenfold.]

Zhao felt a moment of joy. He did not expect to get a level up and two bags of corn seeds. Corn was very good with a very high yield. With corn they could almost solve all of their food problems. But the most important thing was that it was possible to transform the black soil with the spatial water and earth. This was great!

Even if he could only transform one mu of land per day, it was still amazing. However, even though he had risen up a level, the area of his spatial farm did not change. This was strange because in the past, when he played this game, the land would automatically become larger when his level rose.

While he thought about this, the voice echoed again. [Do you want to cultivate new land? Cultivating land has a requirement of being level three plus the cost

of two hundred gold coins. You can expand your farm land by two acres.] [The next land cultivation will require you to be at level five and five hundred gold coins.]

Zhao was overjoyed, but then he realized the difficult decision he had to make. He only had two hundred gold coins left. If he cultivated new farm land, he would have no money to buy seeds. Of course, he could sell his radishes, but he was very reluctant to do that now. The result was he didn't immediately expand the land.

Instead, he took out a bag of corn seeds and gently poured them into his hand. They were large golden seeds, the finest he had ever seen. If they were to grow into ripe corn, they would taste amazing. Zhao suddenly froze for a moment as his brain flashed with an idea. He smacked his head. "Yes, ah, I forgot about how plants could make their own seeds, including radishes. If that's true, then I wouldn't need to buy anymore seeds." He laughed.

While holding the corn seeds, Zhao didn't cultivate any land just yet. Instead, he looked at the radishes. He honestly did not know if the crops he planted inside this space would be able to produce seeds. If this spatial farm was exactly like the game, then the plants wouldn't make any seeds, which would mean big trouble for him if he spent the last of his money to cultivate the land. He decided to wait for the radishes to mature first. If the radishes do produce seeds, he will immediately cultivate new farm land. If not, then his plans would be delayed.

Figuring this out, Zhao decided not to rush it. Instead, he took the water bubble out of the barn. The water bubble maintained its form in this space, which could be part of Zhao's ability. Outside of this space, he might not be able to do it, but it was possible within his spatial farm.

When the water bubble appeared, the voice appeared: [Discovery of new materials with good quality. Able to enhance spatial water. Because of the discovery of new materials, your level has risen to four. You will be rewarded with two wheat seed bags, with each bag able to fill one acre of land. Spatial water has also upgraded to level two. Can improve crop growth by doubling tenfold.]

Once he heard this prompt, Zhao could not help but laugh. I did not expect the two things I brought from outside would be able to let me expand my land if I wanted, gave me four bags of seeds, and also leveled up my spatial water and spatial earth. This was really great!

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