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Chapter 1151: On the Nuptial Chamber

The biggest reason why Zhao Hai doesn't want his identity revealed was because he had another enemy stronger and more terrifying than Lu Wei and the Yin Wind Spirit Emperor. And this enemy was the Myriad Treasures Pavillion!

Zhao Hai knew some details about Lu Wei. He was an elder of the Five Gates Sect, but Zhao Hai knew that his position didn't have a huge authority in a sect. This was because Zhao Hai was able to find out about known elders from first rate sects. And it seems like Lu Wei was just an ordinary elder of his sect.

As for why Lu Wei, who didn't have much influence, was able to collect Faith Power from the lower realms, there was a good explanation for it. Those who were able to collect Faith Power did so in secrecy. Even those they were closest to were not told about it.

Moreover, collecting Faith Power from the lower realms required specialized artifacts. These artifacts needed to have a certain relation to the lower realms and could only be obtained through chance.

Zhao Hai looked up some Experts from great sects in the Cultivation Realm, however, he wasn't able to see Lu Wei's name. This made Zhao Hai understand that Lu Wei was just an ordinary elder of the Five Gates Sect. He didn't have real strength to speak of.

There was nothing to say about the Yin Wind Spirit Emperor. The Emperor's true threat was the fact that he was a free person who didn't have any foundations that tied him up in place. It might also be possible that his connection with the Underworld was due to luck. So although he was quite strong, there was no need for Zhao Hai to be afraid of him. After all, the ability of a single person was limited.

Moreover, the Yin Wind Ghost Emperor had offended formidable people and was chased down to the point of forcing him into hiding. In his current state, he had no time to chase Zhao Hai down.

But the Myriad Treasures Pavillion was different. The pavillion was a huge trading company in the Cultivation Realm. It can be said that they were a huge power. And because of their scale, they were very rich. This also made them able to have massive amounts of experts working for them. It can be said that offending such an existence wasn't wise.

And through the internet, Zhao Hai was able to look into how the pavillion was able to grow so quickly. The reason for their growth was the unique yin-attribute items that they were able to sell.

Upon seeing this report, Zhao Hai knew that he was in big trouble. Breaking a merchant's source of income was the same as breaking their legs. This hatred would forever remain unforgotten. And Zhao Hai just severed the Myriad Treasures Pavillion's main source of income.

Breaking the pavillion's source of income meant that Zhao Hai was now the pavillion's biggest enemy. Additionally, the Myriad Treasures Pavilion was different than Lu Wei or the Yin Wind Ghost Emperor. Unlike the latter two, Zhao Hai didn't just offend one person, but the entirety of the pavilion itself. If the pavilion were to know about Zhao Hai's identity, then a huge trouble would come for him.

Although Zhao Hai had cut off the pavilion's benefits, the pavilion was still unaware as to who he was. Their connection to the Underworld was just a low-level transmission formation. And it was impossible to see Zhao Hai through that formation.

But things were different when it came to Lu Wei and the Yin Wind Ghost Emperor. The two sent avatars to the lower realms, so they were able to see Zhao Hai's appearance. If the two knew about Zhao Hai's enmity with the Myriad Treasures Pavillion, then it was possible for them to work together with the pavilion to deal with Zhao Hai. Naturally, Zhao Hai didn't want this to happen, therefore, he needed to hunt down Lu Wei and the Yin Wind Ghost Emperor as soon as possible.

While Zhao Hai was pondering about these matters, Laura and the others had already told Margaret about Zhao Hai's accomplishments in the lower realms. They didn't only tell Margaret about these matters, they also showed her pictures and recordings taken by the Space.

In addition to Zhao Hai's accomplishments, Laura and the others also told Margaret about the Space, which without a doubt surprised her.

After the talk, Laura looked at Margaret and said, "Margaret, we can see that you're interested in Brother Hai. We always encouraged him to pursue you because he needs you. Your identity will allow him to integrate better into the Ashley Family. However, Brother Hai doesn't want to pursue you for this exact reason. If you didn't confess to him today, then he would never reveal this place to you. This is because this place is Brother Hai's roots. He can move unhindered in this world because of this. Do you understand?"

Margaret gave a nod. Then Lizzy added, "It's also because of the Space's abilities that Brother Hai wouldn't easily tell other people about it. Him letting you enter the Space today means that he has already accepted you. But if you really don't want to share Brother Hai with us, then we hope that you'll forget everything you heard about this place. Otherwise, Brother Hai wouldn't be able to have a place in this realm."

Margaret looked at Laura and the others, then she smiled and said, "I've already decided on Zhao Hai, naturally I won't regret my decision. Zhao Hai not pursuing me because he is thinking about you only told me that he is a person who won't betray me. With a man like that, I wouldn't have anything to worry about."

Upon hearing Margaret, Laura and the others couldn't help but smile. Then Laura pulled Margaret and giggled as she said, "Then you need to be at your best. Megan, help Margaret with her makeup. We'll have her share a room with Brother Hai today."

When Margaret heard Laura, her face couldn't help but turn red. However, she was faintly smiling as she was taken away by Megan. Meanwhile, Laura called Zhao Hai over, "Brother Hai, come here quick."

Zhao Hai immediately broke out of his thoughts. Then his body flashed as he entered the Space. Seeing Laura grinning from ear to ear, he couldn't help but ask, "What happened?"

Laura looked at Zhao Hai and smiled, then she said, "Brother Hai, Margaret has agreed to marry you. Go get ready quick. Everything's been taken care of. It's time for you to go to the nuptial chamber." Upon hearing Laura, Zhao Hai couldn't help but smile bitterly as he said, "Margaret just learned about the Space, why is the nuptial chamber already involved?"

Laura pouted and said, "Brother Hai, you're really stupid. Margaret has already confessed to you, so there's nothing to worry about. Go get ready."

Zhao Hai smiled bitterly and said, "Why do you need to make a big fuss over this. Alright, I'll go prepare." Laura didn't delay and immediately made Zhao Hai wear formal clothing. Then he had Zhao Hai sit down so that she could handle his hair. It was necessary for Zhao Hai to be in his best attire when he enters the nuptial chambers with Margaret.

Zhao Hai was a man, so he was clueless about how important a wedding was to a woman. This was especially true for men that they loved, they would make sure that it was special. If Zhao Hai was too casual about this, then Margaret would regret it all her life.

Before long, Margaret was sent over by Laura and the others. Zhao Hai was also in his best attire. Then Laura and the others performed a simple chinese wedding for Zhao Hai and Margaret before they pushed the two towards the nuptial chamber.

Seeing Zhao Hai and Margaret entering the nuptial chamber, Laura and the others let out a long breath. After cleaning up, Laura said, "Alright, Margaret's matter has finally been solved. I believe Brother Hai's status in the Ashley Family would become more solid. And with Margaret's help, our identity will slowly be solved." Lizzy and the others also nodded. To be honest, they weren't really jealous of Margaret.

Since Zhao Hai already had multiple wives, adding one more wasn't a problem. After cleaning the place up, everyone proceeded to take a rest.

There was no need to say about Zhao Hai and Margaret's matter inside the nuptial chamber. The next day, the two of them shared breakfast with Laura and the others before saying goodbye and then leaving the Space.

After coming out of the Space, Margaret turned to Zhao Hai and said, "Brother Hai, although we've officially become a couple, I think we should keep it from others in the meantime. Otherwise, we don't know what kind of things would come up."

Zhao Hai smiled bitterly and said, "Margaret, you're underestimating the family too much. You came over here but you didn't return for the night. The Patriarch has surely gotten word of it. Forget it, just stay here."

When Margaret heard Zhao Hai, she couldn't help but get startled, then she quickly said, "What do we do? What if he doesn't agree?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "Rest assured, there's no problem. Take a seat while we wait for the Camp Lord and the others to arrive. It seems like they've been looking for us the entire night." Margaret nodded, then she sat down albeit her face was red. Zhao Hai waved his hand, then a pot of tea appeared

on the table. This tea wasn't from the Machine Field, instead it was from the Space. The tea from the Space tastes much better than tea from the Machine Field.

Not long after the two began drinking tea, Desbarres's group of three arrived. The three didn't think much after seeing Margaret. She was seen more and more often with Zhao Hai, so they were already used to seeing her.

After the three were asked to sit down, Zhao Hai quickly offered them tea. But this time, the tea wasn't from the Space, it was already replaced when the three arrived.

Drinking a sip of his tea, Desbarres looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Little Hai, you need to prepare. We're leaving for the realm qualifiers." Zhao Hai nodded and said, "I don't have much to prepare. We can go whenever you want."

Desbarres nodded, then his face turned serious as he said, "Little Hai, this realm qualifiers is very important for the Ashley Family. You need to get good results or else the family would face huge problems."

Zhao Hai nodded, "I understand. You can rest assured. Camp Lord, the Zhang Family also wanted to block me from entering the realm qualifiers, right?"

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When Desbarres heard Zhao Hai, he nodded and said, "Correct, the Zhang Family is indeed planning to do that. Since they have spies in the family, they were aware about your abilities. They don't want you to join the realm qualifiers and then gain benefits for the family. This is because once you show your ability in the competition, the family would no longer worry about having allies. When that time comes, the Zhang Family would have no way of dealing with us. This is also the reason why you should win and gain the best position you can. The better your position, the safer the family would be."

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Rest assured, Camp Lord, I understand."

Desbarres nodded, then he turned to Margaret and said, "Miss Margaret, will you be coming with us?"

Margaret nodded and said, "Of course I'll go. We can go anytime, I also don't have much to pack."

Desbarres smiled bitterly and said, "Alright, then we'll be heading to Lofty Demon Island first. The Patriarch wouldn't be going with us. Instead, Cadjo will be leading our fleet."

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Alright, let's go. The Family's matters are important, we can't afford to waste time."

Desbarres nodded, then he brought Margaret and Zhao Hai out of the villa. But as they went out, Desbarres looked at Margaret and noticed something different about her.

Desbarres was an experienced person, therefore, he knew that something happened between Zhao Hai and Margaret between now and last night. With this thought in mind, Desbarres couldn't help but worry.

Although Thunder had agreed to Zhao Hai and Margaret's relationship, the two were doing things prematurely. Desbarres wasn't sure if Thunder would be provoked by this or not.

The group went out of the building and immediately rode a car to Lofty Demon Island. While sitting inside the car, Desbarres looked at Zhao Hai and said, "After you came back, the Patriarch immediately warned the Zhang Family. Moreover, the Patriarch dissolved Miss Margaret's marriage agreement with them. This is literally a slap to the Zhang Family's face. The Patriarch is afraid that we might meet danger along the way, so he told us to leave as soon as possible."

When Margaret heard Desbarres, she couldn't help but stare. Then her face lit up as she asked, "Fat Uncle, did the Patriarch really dissolve my marriage agreement?"

Desbarres nodded with a smile and said, "Of course. I wanted to tell you this yesterday. But because I drank too much, I wasn't able to. Who knew that you two would reach this point."

Hearing Desbarres, Margaret knew that he had already found out about Zhao Hai and her. Her face couldn't help but turn red as she lowered her head in silence. Meanwhile, Zhao Hai smiled and said, "Camp Lord, will the Patriarch blame me for this matter?"

Desbarres sighed and said, "At present, there's no way for the Patriarch to blame you. After all, the family still needs you. Moreover, the Patriarch has already agreed to wed Miss Margaret to you."

Zhao Hai didn't worry about this matter. He believed that Thunder should already know about Margaret not returning to her villa last night. Judging by the fact that Thunder didn't send anyone over last night, it's highly probable that he wouldn't send someone today.

The car arrived at Lofty Demon Island while everyone was talking. The island was very huge and also quite lively. But the car didn't stop and just immediately sped towards the port. Cars and small-sized ships were already waiting there as well as Cadjo and the people from the other Camps. Only the Bone Symbol Camp was missing.

When the car stopped, Desbarres immediately went out of the car. When he saw everyone, he laughed and said, "I apologize for being late. I drank too much yesterday."

Cadjo stared at Desbarres before turning his head to look at Zhao Hai. Then he smiled and said, "Forget it, I'll let you be proud this time. Get in quick, the Patriarch said that he wouldn't see us out. But when everyone heads back victorious, the Patriarch will personally fetch us."

Everyone nodded and entered the ship with Cadjo. Desbarres went to the other Camp Lords and said, "Everyone, there's no need to worry about the fellows from the External Hall. I'll take care of them."

Dia and the others nodded. They didn't say anything. They just owed Desbarres and Zhao Hai a huge favor this time, they could no longer act like before.

Desbarres didn't say anything else as he boarded the ship. Since this ship was just used for transport to the outer space base, the ride wouldn't take too long. Therefore, Cadjo didn't assign any rooms to everyone. They were all just standing inside the command hall.

The ship smoothly took off and soon it was passing through the planet's atmosphere. Cadjo looked at the view outside the ship and said, "The family will send five medium-sized ships this time. Additionally, we're going to take 10 thousand mechs. This should be enough to ensure our safety. Our goal is the planet at the core of the Machine Field, our realm's capital. The qualifiers will be held there."

Zhao Hai and the others nodded, then Cadjo continued, "It will take us eight days of full-speed travel to get there from Dark Demon Planet. The time we have left should be sufficient enough. As for any accidents on the road, you won't need to worry, the family has already taken care of it."

The ship arrived at the outer space base during Cadjo's speech. They didn't stop here as the small ship immediately went towards the family's medium-sized ships. Not long after everyone had transferred, they took off once more.

The medium-sized ships that they were in were larger than the one used in the previous mission. Not only can this ship store thousands of mechs, it also had smaller emergency ships inside. Moreover, this ship had much stronger firepower.

After assigning everyone their respective rooms, Cadjo called them over to the conference room. Although it was smaller than large-sized ships, this medium-sized ship actually had complete facilities along with several conference rooms.

Everyone was called over to a small conference room. Present inside were Cadjo, Desbarres, Zhao Hai, Margaret, and then the other participants from the other camps.

After everyone had sat down, Cadjo said, "I called you over to tell you about the opponents that you might meet in the qualifiers. These are very powerful people, you need to be careful if you encounter them. Besides Zhao Hai, everyone should have already received information about the participants from the other families." Then he turned to Zhao Hai and said, "You can use these days to read up on them. It's fine as long as you get a general idea of their strength."

Zhao Hai gave a nod. Then Cadjo continued, "I'm here to tell you about experts that you need to pay special attention to. These people are said to be the strongest participants in the realm qualifiers."

After he said this, Cadjo moved to the side as the wall behind him turned into a display monitor. On the monitor was the image of a person, a Mage. Displayed on his side were pale blue formations. His hair was also pale blue. He was quite handsome with his faintly smiling face. One would feel intimate while looking at him

On the person's side was an introduction. Zhao Hai read the description: Name: Streep. Nickname: Saint of Ice. Background: Water Temple. Ascendance: Four Years. Strength: Level 4 Mage. Conclusion:

Extremely dangerous. Some reports state that he fought with a small battleship and ended up destroying it.

Then there were even more detailed introductions. Zhao Hai looked at it and understood that Streep was truly strong. He managed to reach level 4 just four years after ascending. And from the time he ascended up to the present, he had already experienced hundreds of battles and suffered no defeat.

After the introduction, Streep's fighting scenes were seen. These video clips were very short, some were even fuzzy. One of these fuzzy scenes seems to show an arena, most likely from the local qualifiers. From the video, one could see Streep cast ten-layer formations with no problem. And he could also cast 50-layer formations in a short time. One could see that his spiritual force was strong from this point.

With Zhao Hai as an exception, all other participants had unattractive expressions as they looked at the video. When they saw that 10-layer formations were easily being sent out, they thought that it was because of a magic staff. However, the person on the video didn't actually use one. This ability was too formidable.

They knew that only Zhao Hai could face Streep. It was impossible for them to fight these kinds of people.

Although the equipment that the family provided them were the best there was, the other participants would be the same as them. Since everyone deemed the competition as a very important matter, people like Streep would also have top-graded equipment.

At this time, the image on the monitor changed. When he saw the person depicted on the monitor, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare. It was because this person looked so strong, it also seems like he wasn't a human being, more like a giant. However, his height was somewhat shorter than most giants.

The man was about two and a half meters tall. He was bald and had skin akin to molten copper. And with his well-developed muscles, the man looked like an ancient giant that came out of the earth.

He was currently wearing armor that covered his whole body, boosting his formidable image even more. However, the most noticeable aspect of this person were the two sledgehammers on his side. They were quite large, looking almost impossible to wield.

One must know that spatial equipment weren't uncommon in the Machine Field. It was a general practice for experts, even some normal people, to have spatial equipment on them. And whether one was a Mage or a Warrior, those of notable ability would be bestowed at least a spatial item by their families. Because of this, it was impossible for this burly person to not have any spatial equipment on him. Nevertheless, he was still carrying his impossibly huge sledgehammers on his side.

Zhao Hai looked at the person's information and found out that he was named Xiong Li, nicknamed Violent Bear. He was a warrior from the Wu Family that had ascended three years ago. He was already a level 4 Warrior and was known for the powerful sword qi that he could send from his hammers. He was also physically and defensively strong judging by his copper-like skin. After making his debut, he was already undefeated in a thousand battles.

Zhao Hai knew that the Wu Family was a famous Warrior Clan and was a huge influence in the Warrior Association. Moreover, people from the Wu Family were famed for their strength. Xiong Li ascending in the Wu Family was his absolute luck.

The third expert was an assassin named Lone Wolf Yan Zhenshan. He wore black clothes to cover his dark and thin body. His facial features were ordinary, but his eyes had a sharp and cold look. He was also at level 4. His hand techniques were very formidable. Without using any swords, he was able to one-shot his enemies. He was merciless. In the four years since he ascended, he already assassinated 1000 people, and all of them died, nobody survived.

The Tian Family where Yan Zhenshan came from was quite a special existence. Unlike the Ashley Family or the Wu Family that were famous for being Mages or Warriors respectively, the Tian Family dabbled in both practices. However, their Mages were always Dark Mages while their Warriors were always Assassins.

But even with their special practice, the Tian Family was a member of the Dark Church. This was because the people from the Warrior Association didn't like them, they always thought that they weren't a Warrior Family. Because of this, the Tian Family joined the Church Alliance becoming one of the forces that the Alliance had against the Warrior Association.

The fourth expert was named Swift Wind and Rain Lei Xiaotian. He's a Wind and Water element Mage from the Wind God Palace's Lei Family. He wasn't surnamed Lei initially, but after he ascended and demonstrated his innate skills, the Lei Family decided to take him in and bestow him the surname Lei. This man was a level 4 Mage. And because he was a double-element Mage, his strength was quite formidable. In his three and a half years since ascending, he was able to fight more than 100 battles undefeated.

The fifth Expert was Divine Fire Dragon Sword Dongfang Yu. This man ascended three years ago and joined a family from the Flame Dojo of the Warrior Association. He's a level 4 Warrior with a fire element sword technique named Fire Dragon Sword. He became a force to be reckoned with in the Dongfang Family. All of his 300 missions in the family were all completed in a perfect manner. He was a person who was serious in his duties.

The sixth expert was Strong Wind Li Kuangren. He wasn't very tall but his muscles were quite developed. He wields a two-handed ax and practices the Strong Wind Technique. He's a level 4 Warrior from the Song Family.

The seventh expert was named Meteor Zhu Chen. This man was from the Earth Temple and had ascended three years ago. His handle on earth magic was superb. He could use 10-layer formations as comfortably as drinking water. Moreover, he claimed that he was the strongest level 4 Mage in the realm.

The eighth expert was Army Breaker Lu Dingtian. He's a level 4 Warrior from the Warrior Association's Dong Family. With his one-handed axe, it was said that he managed to hold off against a 1000-man army.

The ninth expert was Fire Saint Sun Fei. Unexpectedly, this person was from the Fire Temple's Zhang Family who had an enmity with Zhao Hai. He ascended four years ago and was also a level 4 Mage of the fire element. He was known to use 10-layer formations easily.

The last expert was Golden Egg Zhang Qinghe. This person had just ascended three years ago. There were no metal element ability users back in his lower realm. However, after he ascended and taken in by the Divine Palace of Metal's Rhea Family, his talent in metal-element formations blossomed. It took him three years to reach level 4. And with his talent in metal-element formations, both his attack and defense were beyond formidable. He's someone whose strength couldn't be underestimated!

Chapter 1153: Quicksand Starfield

Zhao Hai also heard about Quicksand Starfield, however, he didn't worry about it. He looked at Cadjo and said, "General Manager, do we know what kind of ship they are using?"

Cadjo looked at Zhao Hai in confusion, he doesn't know why Zhao Hai was asking this. But he still answered, "About 20 medium-sized warships. Although their level is lower than the ones we have, 20 is still enough to cause us serious damage."

Zhao Hai replied, "If we wipe them out in the Quicksand Starfield, what consequences would we face?"

Upon hearing Zhao Hai, Cadjo couldn't help but smile faintly and said, "And how could we do that? Although our five battleships are more advanced compared to theirs, they have the numbers. Perhaps we might be able to survive, but wiping them all out is impossible."

Zhao Hai shook his head and said, "Naturally, it would be impossible if we only depend on the family's five ships. But if you add me, then it's possible."

Everyone in the room stared. Mages couldn't fight against a fleet, this was a well-known fact in the Machine Field. But now, Zhao Hai actually wanted to fight against the enemy's battleship fleet? This was completely out of everyone's expectations.

After Desbarres recovered from his shock, he turned to Zhao Hai and said, "Are you confident?"

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "I am. If they come, then they would not be able to return. Perhaps we might even seize a couple of ships for ourselves."

Desbarres looked at Cadjo. Naturally, Cadjo also thought about Liquid Silver. He doesn't oppose this idea, but he still hesitated before he asked, "Do you need any help from the ships?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "Actually, our fleet doesn't need to face the enemy fleet. Our ships can form an encirclement around their ships. After that, we will disrupt their communication systems. This way, even if they can still talk to each other, they wouldn't be able to send a message back to their family. Can the General Manager do this?"

Cadjo blankly looked at Zhao Hai, then he said, "It wouldn't be difficult, however, it seems like you want to face all of their ships alone? Little Hai, don't joke. The other side has 20 medium-sized battleships."

Zhao hai smiled faintly and said, "Even if they have a lot of ships, I'm only a single person. If they cannot hit me, then what use do their numbers have?"

Cadjo couldn't help but bod. In fact, one person destroying a battleship fleet wasn't unheard of in the World of Cultivation. However, there wasn't a case where someone from the Machine Field was able to do so.

Zhao Hai looked at Cadjo and Desbarres and said, "General Manager, Camp Lord, I'd like to talk to you two alone. What I'm about to say is quite important."

When Cadjo and Desbarres heard Zhao Hai, they couldn't help but pause. Then they nodded before commanding everyone to leave. Only the three of them and Margaret were left in the small conference room.

Once the others had retreated, Desbarres looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Little Hai, what do you need to say?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "It's good news this time. General Manager, Camp Lord, you should already be clear about my relationship with Margaret. Although Margaret and the Patriarch's relationship isn't good, they are still father and daughter in the end. Moreover, Margaret is already closely tied to the Ashley Family. Although I wouldn't dare to insert myself in the Ashley Family's matter, now that Margaret has become someone from my side, I need to do something."

Cadjo and Desbarres were intently listening to Zhao Hai, they were waiting for what he has to say next. Zhao Hai continued, "In the past few days, Margaret and I have been analyzing the refinement method used on Liquid Silver. And after we had a glimpse of the method, we were able to discover something. Although we can't make something as strong as Liquid Silver, we can still make inferior replicas of it. If we can successfully achieve it, then this would be an absolutely good news to the family."

Cadjo and Desbarres were immediately shaken. They never expected a windfall such as this to appear. It has been a dream for many generations in the Machine Field to refine Liquid Silver. However, even with how many materials and methods were used, none were able to succeed. And even if the Machine Field was becoming much more advanced compared to the past, this matter was still left unaccomplished. The many failures caused people to be disinterested in this matter. It was precisely because of this that Liquid Silver has been seen as a waste in the Machine Field. People only regarded it as an antique with a significant history behind it. They never did look at it as a weapon.

Chapter 1154: A Good Plan

After some time, Cadjo and Desbarres sobered up. Then their eyes lit up. Cadjo looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Little Hai, are you telling the truth? You really can make replicas of Liquid Silver?"

One couldn't blame Cadjo for his excitement. Zhao Hai wasn't from the World of Cultivation so he might not know that replicas were almost always easier to use than the original copies.

It was widely known that the Cultivation Realm was the most powerful realm in the World of Cultivation. Almost all huge sects and factions in the Cultivation realm had incomparably powerful magical artifacts; each one capable of turning mountains to seas. However, such artifacts couldn't be easily taken out.

But in addition to these powerful artifacts, these huge powers also had replicas of said artifacts. These replicas were made by these powers themselves. But even if they were just replicas, one shouldn't underestimate their might. The power held by these influences wasn't unrelated to the quality of their artifact replicas. Because of this, there was a huge market for artifact replicas in the Cultivation Realm.

Thinking that the Machine Field would have these replicas thanks to Liquid Silver, it was no wonder that Cadjo became excited.

Zhao Hai looked at Cadjo and nodded as he said, "Yes, we can certainly produce replicas. Little Silver has already chosen me as its owner. It has my spiritual imprint, allowing me to study it better. If I hand Liquid Silver over to the family, then it would only be useless. As long as I have the time, I reckon I'll be able to find out the materials used to make it. As for the refining method, it would take a while. But when the time comes, I'll have to ask the family to provide me the materials for refinement."

Cadjo happily replied, "There's no problem with that. As long as you can make replicas of Liquid Silver, then the family will give you anything you want."

Desbarres looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Why didn't you reveal this before?"

Zhao Hai smiled bitterly as he replied, "Camp Lord, the time just wasn't right. If Margaret couldn't become mine, then what benefit would I have if I reveal it? If I did, then I'm afraid I wouldn't be able to guarantee my freedom."

When Desbarres heard Zhao Hai and thought about Thunder's temperament, he couldn't help but sigh and stayed silent. Zhao Hai looked at Desbarres and said, "Camp Lord, I'm aware of how well you treated me, and it has been engraved deep inside my heart. However, Liquid Silver already belongs to me. And no price can make me hand it over. If the Patriarch wants to take liquid silver away because of its value, then I would have no other choice than to leave the Ashley Family. Of course, I wouldn't preemptively do this. After all, I already have a deep relationship with the camp. Nevertheless, I wouldn't just recklessly reveal the matter of the replica. But now that Margaret has become my woman, I'm already a member of the Ashley Family. Because of this, I have already placed the family's benefits inside my mind. Therefore, I decided to reveal this matter. I'll have to ask the General Manager and the Camp Lord for forgiveness."

Cadjo nodded and said, "This matter has already passed. Little Hai, you don't need to worry too much about the family. Also, when the time comes, don't forget to call me uncle."

Cadjo was indeed worthy of being a General Manager. He knew when to let things go. Naturally, people in the family who had the power to forgive numbered only a few.

When Margaret heard Cadjo, she couldn't help but feel embarrassed. She adorably pouted and said, "Uncle, you're teasing me."

Cadjo laughed and said, "This little girl. You actually knew about these matters but decided to hide it from me. Hai, it seems like there are no good women left in this world."

Margaret turned to Zhao Hai and said, "Brother Hai didn't tell me that it was Liquid Silver. He just told me that it was a special metal and he needed my help to study it."

Zhao Hai and Margaret reached a tacit agreement about what to say about this matter. But since Laura already told Margaret about the Space, she naturally knew about Liquid Silver. And because Laura and the others didn't hide anything from her, Margaret knew that Zhao Hai was deliberately lying. But in order to not expose the identity of the Space, Margaret decided to help Zhao Hai with his lie.

Cadjo teased Margaret several times more. Then after some time, he turned to Zhao Hai and said, "Are you confident in dealing with the enemy fleet?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "I was able to return from the Rainbow Meteorite Field with more than 1000 people. Taking care of a fleet wouldn't be any harder. Since we don't want the Zhang Family to know that their fleet has been destroyed, I'll have to ask the General Manager to disrupt their communications. We cannot let the Zhang Family know about this information. If a war were to happen before the end of the Six Realm Beginner competition, then the Ashley Family would suffer."

Cadjo has been a General Manager for the Ashley Family for decades. He has seen a lot of things. Therefore, he understood what Zhao Hai meant. He immediately nodded and said, "Little Hai, you can rest assured that information about this wouldn't be sent over. All of us here are core members of the family, so there's no need to worry about loyalty. You just need to put your mind into fighting. Hurting the Zhang Family would make us expel some bad air."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "General Manager, you should send a message back to the family. Have them go to Quicksand Starfield in order to take the captured battleships."

Cadjo laughed and said, "Alright, I'll go send a message. You go rest."

However, Zhao Hai shook his head and said, "I can't rest now. I still need to look at the general situation. General Manager, Camp Lord, I'll be heading out first." Then after he said that, Zhao Hai vanished from the ship.

When Cadjo saw Zhao Hai disappearing in a flash, he couldn't help but turn to Margaret.

Margaret just smiled faintly and said, "Brother Hai has left. Uncle, you forgot that Brother Hai can use the space element. If he wanted to leave the ship, then he wouldn't need to open any doors."

Cadjo stared, then he understood that Zhao Hai was showing him his capabilities. Moreover, Cadjo knew that although Zhao Hai said that he got help from Margaret to study Liquid Silver, Liquid Silver was complex enough that Margaret wouldn't be able to give much help. And as for Margaret being his woman, that was just a reason that Zhao Hai thought up.

Cadjo was convinced that Zhao Hai not telling the family about Liquid Silver's replicas was in order to leave a backdoor for himself. Everyone knew that Desbarres has been good to Zhao Hai. And it seems like Zhao Hai took the matters of heart very seriously. Therefore, Zhao Hai shouldn't have any reason to betray the family.

Moreover, if the Ashley Family did decide to deal with Zhao Hai, it wouldn't be very easy to do so. Zhao Hai had his spatial abilities. With the help of Liquid Silver, he was even able to send more than 1000 people to Dark Demon Planet from the Rainbow Meteorite Field. Such capability couldn't be looked down upon. If Zhao Hai really wanted to leave, then nobody would be able to stop him.

Zhao Hai using his spatial ability in front of Cadjo might be him showing that nobody can stop him if he really decided to leave. And if the family decided to take action against him, then they wouldn't just gain nothing, they would also have a formidable enemy. Such a plan wasn't worth it, so the family might as well treat Zhao Hai well.

Cadjo sighed at Zhao Hai 's thorough plan. Although he was still weak compared to the Ashley Family's overall strength, Zhao Hai still had cards he could play, allowing him to stand at an equal position with the family. At this point, it wouldn't be wise for the Ashley Family to make a move on him.

Cadjo turned to Margaret and said, "Little Margaret, go take a rest. I'll send the message back to the family. I reckon it wouldn't be long before we need them to take the captured ships away."

Margaret nodded before turning around and leaving. Her face had no signs of worry. After experiencing the marvels of the Space, Margaret was already confident in Zhao Hai's survival.

Once Margaret had left the room, Cadjo sighed as he turned to Desbarres and said, "Fatty Des, this Zhao Hai is quite the character. I only hope that he can be tied down by Miss Margaret. This way, the family will gain a lot."

Desbarres smiled faintly and said, "I believe that as long as the family doesn't make a move against him, then Zhao Hai will not betray the family. Even if he gets separated from the family in the future, he will still look after the family because of his relationship with Margaret. Once he becomes an expert of the realm, then the family can sleep without worries."

Cadjo looked at Desbarres and smiled, "You fatty, you really think so? You're that confident in Zhao Hai?"

Desbarres smiled and said, "Do you think someone who completed Liquid Silver is a normal person? Maybe the whole Machine Field wouldn't be enough to contain Zhao Hai." Cadjo didn't say anything more about the topic. This was because he was beginning to believe Desbarres's words.

When Margaret entered her room, a spatial rift suddenly appeared in front of her. Margaret stared for a moment before she entered the rift. Once she was on the other side, she saw Zhao Hai along with Laura and the others.

Margaret stared, then she looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Brother Hai, didn't you go scout? Why are you here?"

Laura looked at Margaret's expression and smiled, "Silly girl. We have the Space, so why does Brother Hai need to scout himself? Unless it is a special area, Brother Hai doesn't need to head out. Alright, let's go to the living room to have some fun."

Before long, Margaret entered the living room. Upon entering, Margaret noticed that the monitor already had some images displayed on it. There wasn't much to look at it since it was a view of outer space. But it wasn't just stationary space, the image seemed to be moving fast. Margaret knew that this wasn't the space moving, but something was moving quickly through it.

Then Margaret was attracted to an area close to the monitor. Laura and the others were playing with Liquid Silver replicas to control flying needles outside.

Although Zhao Hai hadn't gone to the Quicksand Starfield before, there was already a star map saved inside the Space. This star map was something that was publicly distributed in the Machine Field. Although the star map had yet to be incorporated into the Space, Zhao Hai and the others can still use it as an ordinary map.

Chapter 1155: Fig Leaf

Three days later, Zhao Hai returned to the ship. But what made Cadjo and Desbarres wonder was Margaret being always absent at the same time Zhao Hai was gone. She would make people deliver food to her room and would just stay inside.

When Zhao Hai returned to the command hall, Margaret was also with him. Seeing that Zhao Hai had come back, Cadjo and Desbarres quickly welcomed him. Zhao Hai went to the command hall's main computer and opened the Quicksand Starfield's map and said, "The Zhang Family hid in these spots. They made sure that they were hidden well. Moreover, their ships don't emit any electromagnetic signals, making it hard to detect them. If we weren't prepared, then we might get too relaxed and fall for their sneak attack."

Cadjo didn't become an expert by doing nothing. He clearly knew that the Zhang Family's positioning was the optimal setup that they could do. It seems like the Zhang Family really wanted to destroy them.

Cadjo nodded and said, "So what do you need us to do next?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "We'll deviate from our original route. Although we may still encounter the Zhang Family, I will deal with them, there's no need to worry. The General Manager just needs to encircle these ships and interfere with their communication systems."

Cadjo nodded and said, "That's not a problem. So when do we make our move?"

Zhao Hai replied, "We'll just go along our usual time frame. After we arrive at the destination, then you do what you need to do. The battle will start immediately. Alright, then I'll start getting busy." Then Zhao Hai's figure vanished from the ship.

Cadjo looked at Desbarres and smiled bitterly as he said, "This kid, he's already giving us commands. Alright, let's start getting busy as well." Then he turned to Margaret and said, "Little Margaret, what have you been doing these days? Why did you decide to head out of your room now?"

Margaret yawned and said, "I came out because I'm starting to get bored. I don't have much to do unlike you old men. I just enjoyed playing games inside my room. Alright then, Uncles, I'm taking my leave." Then she turned around and left Cadjo and Desbarres puzzled.

Desbarres quickly stopped Margaret and said, "Little Margaret, aren't you worried about Zhao Hai? He's going to face a fleet."

Margaret turned towards Desbarres and just smiled as she said, "I'm not worried. There's nobody in this world that can kill Brother Hai." Then she waved her hand and returned to her room.

Cadjo and Desbarres looked at Margaret, speechless. They didn't expect Margaret to be this confident in Zhao Hai. What they didn't know was that Margaret spent the last days inside the Space with Zhao Hai. The two had been together all this time.

Zhao Hai went back to the Space with Margaret following behind soon. When he entered the Space, he immediately looked at the huge monitor. This time, everyone wasn't planning on playing any games, they were planning the attack on the Zhang Family's fleet.

The Zhang Family's fleet was now fully being monitored. Zhao Hai even stationed some of the silver needles around the ships. In this case, there's no way for the fleet to escape.

The only thing left for them to do was to begin to take action. Lizzy looked at the map and said, "The Zhang Family's fleet has 20 ships and about 40 thousand Mechs. This isn't a small number. Dealing with them wouldn't be easy. I think we should use the Undead to assault them. Brother Hai, you'll use Liquid Silver to break their shields so that we can lead the Undead to attack them in close proximity. We'll destroy them in one go."

Zhao Hai agreed to the plan. The Zhang Family didn't bring any Mages or Warriors with their fleet. As long as Zhao Hai breaks their shields, the Undead could overwhelm them. When the time comes, the ships would just be sitting ducks waiting for slaughter.

Zhao Hai also recently discovered that the Liquid Silver's needles couldn't touch the other ships if their shields were up. Because of this, he wasn't able to see the situation inside each ship. It was only once the shields were down that the needles could get in close and invade.

Because they were staging an ambush, the Zhang Family's ships had been passive in the past few days. They would only erect their shields if meteorites came close. This situation provided Zhao Hai opportunities to make some experiments.

Zhao Hai knew that he would encounter more battleships in the future. Therefore, he needed some time to understand them more. This way, he would know their strengths and weaknesses. And his recent results came out very good.

Actually, when Zhao Hai discovered that he could send Undead into the battleships, he didn't immediately think about handing the ships over to the Ashley Family.

But soon, Zhao Hai realized that the more valuable aspects of warships were its operators. It wasn't easy to train people that can run a battleship. Once he defeated the Zhang Family's fleet, not only could he get their battleships, he would also gain Undead operators that could help him run the ship.

In the end, Zhao Hai decided to give the ships to the Ashley Family. However, the soldiers and operators inside would have to be taken away.

Megan looked at the ships and said, "We need to keep everyone in the ships inside. It would be a problem if the Mechs headed out."

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "If those Mechs manage to escape, I'll personally go deal with them. The Space doesn't have enough materials to make a lot of Liquid Silver replicas, we're quite lacking in that aspect. The Space's army is still not enough to contend against a Mech army. I have to deal with the Mechs myself. But as long as we take control of the battleships and turn the operators into Undead, we'll be able to deal with those Mechs. There's no need to worry much about it."

Megan and the others nodded. Then they discussed other aspects of the attack. Actually, what was left to discuss was very simple. They were only waiting for the right time to make an attack.

After the discussion, Laura turned to Margaret and said, "Margaret, do you want to lead a team?"

When Margaret heard Laura, she couldn't help but stare for a moment. Then she felt cold. She just heard them talk about murder as though it was a game. She wasn't used to it.

When Laura saw Margaret's expression, she immediately knew what she was thinking. Laura smiled and said, "It's fine. I can't even count the number of people Brother Hai killed since his debut. However, all

of these people are his enemies. Enemies needed to be destroyed or else they will come after us in the future."

Margaret nodded. She practically grew up in the greenhouse, so she was quite pure. However, she was already prepared for these events when she decided to follow Zhao Hai. This was the real Zhao Hai, and she must adapt in order to follow him.

It can be said that Margaret was a complete idealist in the past. She always lived inside a very safe environment. The most cruel and ruthless situation that she experienced were internal family issues.

But after following Zhao Hai in the past few days, Margaret began to see the true face of the Machine Field. Although the Machine Field was dominated by the three major forces, the smaller influences were bearing grudges against each other and were constantly fighting. One could only kill their enemy if they wanted to improve themselves.

Because of this thought, Margaret agreed to commanding a team of Undead. Since she already accepted Zhao Hai, then she would need to help.

Once they were done with their discussions, Laura changed the monitor's display to the Quicksand Starfield. There were a few green dots seen on the map.

Besides these green dots, there were also red dots seen. These red dots were the Zhang Family's fleet. Zhao Hai saw this situation and said, "Calculate when the General Manager will arrive at the area."

Laura nodded and said, "There's no need to worry about that. It would take a day for the General Manager and the others to enter the area, and another four hours before arriving at the predetermined place. Then it would take another two hours before they could suppress the electronic communications. When the time comes, we can make our move. Brother Hai, you should take a rest. After all, when the time comes you will need to personally act."

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "You take a rest as well. We can leave this area to Cai'er. We don't want you to be exhausted when the battle begins." Laura smiled and said, "Rest assured, we will do well." Zhao Hai nodded before turning around and entering his room.

Cadjo and Desbarres didn't share the same relaxed mindset. They stayed inside the command hall all the time. They didn't even think about asking for reinforcements from the family in order to help Zhao Hai. They believed that once the family makes a move, the Zhang Family would notice it. And when that time comes, the Zhang Family would also send their own troops, triggering an open war between the two; which was very bad for the Ashley Family.

The Zhang Family were doing everything they can in order to prevent Zhao Hai from participating in the competition. With the realm qualifiers happening in a few days, Cadjo's fleet couldn't afford to be delayed.

Since Zhao Hai was confident enough to eliminate the enemy fleet, what they needed to do now was to send a message back to the family asking for personnel to man the soon to be captured ships. This would allow them to rush to the Machine Field's capital as soon as possible.

At this point, the Zhang Family and the Ashley Family's contradictions were beginning to reveal itself. Only a piece of fig leaf was keeping everything from blowing up. However, none of the two sides wanted to remove this fig leaf. Once this barrier was punctured, things wouldn't bode well for both groups.

And with this fig leaf, it was impossible for the two sides to fight on a large scale. Since they couldn't fight with huge numbers, they could only resort to small-scale conflicts like this fight between a 20-ship fleet and a 5-ship fleet. The number of ships involved wasn't large and none of them sent large-sized ships.

Most importantly, both sides were still official allies. Even if they knew that the other party was responsible for a small conflict, they would still deliberately ignore it. They would take it as a pirate vs army situation. Since battles between those two sides were common, nobody would be able to say anything.

Actually, from what Zhao Hai can see, the current farce was disadvantageous to both families. They need to wait until after the Beginner Competition ends, then they could have a final showdown.

The ten great experts gave the people from the Machine Field hope. Therefore, high-level figures of the Machine Field regarded this competition as crucial. If the two families dared to disturb this event, then the three major powers would certainly take action.

Even if the Ashley Family and the Zhang Family held great power and influence, they would still suffer if they offended the three major powers. After all, the rulers of the Machine Field were still the big three.

With this thought in mind, Cadjo and Desbarres only sent for personnel to operate the captured ships. They didn't ask for military reinforcements since they already decided to believe in Zhao Hai.

They believed that Zhao Hai's Liquid Silver was something that the gods had bestowed to the Machine Field. Therefore, they were very confident in Liquid Silver.

The two stared at the computer screen for a while. Then Cadjo turned to Desbarres and said, "Fatty Des, what do we do if Little Hai isn't able to take control of those ships? When the time comes, we would have to meet head-on."

Desbarres coldly snorted and said, "If we need to fight, then we would do it. We're not afraid of fighting head on. Also, if Little Hai didn't propose this action, wouldn't we still need to fight them? We don't have much choice. We need to believe in Little Hai."

Cadjo sighed and said, "It seems like we can only proceed like this. Let's hope that Little Hai succeeds. If he does, then his ability is already enough to reach the top ten in the 6 Realm Beginner Competition."

Desbarres looked at Cadjo and said, "Don't underestimate Little Hai's strength. Do you think beginners from the other realms are able to defeat 20 medium-sized battleships on their own? If Little Hai succeeds, then he might as well snatch the top position."

Cadjo looked at Desbarres and said, "Fatty Des, don't boast too much. We're talking about the Six Realm Beginner Competition."

Desbarres rolled his eyes and said, "I know what I said. Or do you want to bet on it?"

Cadjo looked at Desbarres's expression, then he waved his hand and said, "I wouldn't dare bet against you. I'm not dumb enough to jump into a pit you dug." When he heard this, Desbarres couldn't help but laugh.

Chapter 1156: Done

Zhao Hai calmly looked at the Ashley Family's fleet through the monitor. They had already arrived at the designated area. However, they were an hour later than what Zhao Hai expected.

Zhao Hai knew that this was because Cadjo and the others were still reluctant about his capabilities. Nevertheless, he didn't say anything nor go see Cadjo. What he needs to do now was to maintain his mysterious capabilities, making Cadjo and the others feel that he was an unreadable character.

Maintaining one's mystery can save you a lot of trouble sometimes. Others would hesitate to take action against you if they had yet to grasp your capabilities.

Zhao Hai was doing this exact thing. He would help the Ashley Family with their matters but he wouldn't reveal everything to them. Besides his family, he wouldn't easily trust anybody else.

Upon seeing Cadjo and the others entering the predetermined area, Zhao Hai shifted his attention towards the Zhang Family's fleet. Because the Zhang Family's fleet had their communications withdrawn, they weren't able to detect the Ashley Family's fleet. They could only rely on the sentries they sent outside for information. However, these sentries had already been dealt with by Zhao Hai. Because of this, the Zhang Family fleet wasn't in any state to fight, which gave Zhao Hai the best opportunity to attack.

Zhao Hai saw that Cadjo was almost prepared to start. However, he wouldn't immediately take action. He would wait until Cadjo and the others began to suppress the enemy's electronic communications.

You ask why Zhao Hai knew that Cadjo's fleet was prepared to take action? Zhao Hai had been inside Cadjo's ship for a long time. At this point, he knew how many cockroaches were inside the ship and where they were.

When Cadjo and the others began suppressing the enemy's communication system, Zhao Hai immediately began to move. In a flash, large quantities of Undead appeared inside the Zhang Family's ships. However, these Undead weren't controlled by Zhao Hai. Zhao Hai came out of the Space and arrived in front of the Zhang Family fleet.

Just like what Zhao Hai expected, the ship operators couldn't resist the onslaught of the Undead. On the other hand, the mech soldiers were still on standby when the Undead attacked. A lot of them engaged in melee combat with the Undead. Some of these soldiers died while some were able to ride their Mechs and exit the ship.

Zhao Hai calmly looked at these Mechs. Mechs pilots were all elite soldiers. If these people didn't have Mechs, then their strengths would be worse than Mages and Warriors. But as long as they were inside their machines, they would then be able to fight groups of Mages and Warriors. These people started their training earlier than Mages and Warriors. Among the major influences, their status was higher compared to Mages and Warriors of their level.

Being able to exit the ships in a short period of time was a testament to these Mech pilot's capabilities.

Now that the battleships were being overrun by Undead, the tall Mechs would be inconvenienced to fight inside. Moreover, it seems like they have guessed that the other battleships were also under attack. Because of this, they ran out of their ships to either escape further into the starfield or regroup with the Mechs from the other ships. It can be said that they made the correct choice.

They were truly elite soldiers. However, it was a pity that they were against Zhao Hai. And there was no chance for Zhao Hai to be polite to them.

The Mechs were still flustered from the surprise attack. And with Zhao Hai killing them one by one, the panic among the pilots was increasing.

But just before the Mechs were about to find their footing, they suddenly saw their ships starting to open fire. This collapsed the Mech army. They were now aware that there was no way for them to survive this ordeal.

Even if they were able to realize this, the thought came too late. The battle was over very quickly. And just like Zhao Hai expected, the Zhang Family fleet tried to report the situation to the family. But with Cadjo's suppression, their last hope was destroyed.

Twenty battleships were defeated just like that. The battle was extraordinarily simple. In less than five hours, all ships were captured and the Mechs were destroyed. Besides the ships and Mech fragments, not much else was left.

Bloodstains were the only things left inside the ships. Not a single living person nor dead corpse was seen. Meanwhile, the ships and the unmanned Mechs were left in fairly perfect condition.

After Zhao Hai swept the battlefield, he glanced at the battleships before returning to the Space. At this time, Laura and the others had already finished their work.

Seeing Zhao Hai return, Laura immediately said, "Brother Hai, are we done?"

Zhao Hai nodded, then he turned to Margaret and said, "Margaret, we should head back." Margaret's expression wasn't good. She just commanded a team of Undead to slaughter the people inside a ship. Although she was looking at the situation through a monitor, her face was still quite pale.

Zhao Hai looked at Margaret, then he softly comforted, "It's fine, Margaret. Don't forget that they are enemies." Margaret nodded.

Zhao Hai couldn't bear to see her pale expression, so he immediately changed to another topic, "Right, Margaret, how powerful is the jammer that you made? Is it strong enough to stop the flight recorders inside the battleships?"

Flight recorders were machines used to record what was happening in the ship during an emergency. This machine was connected to the main computer of the ship but was set up independently. It was contained inside a high-strength alloy which cannot be easily destroyed. Sometimes, even if a battleship was destroyed, these flight recorders would still work with no problems.

Although flight recorders and the main computer were connected, flight recorders were independent from the main computer. As long as unauthorized people entered the ship, the flight recorder would immediately start recording everything that happened on the ship.

Zhao Hai knew about these things before he began his attack. This was also where he had some problems. Whether it be the Ashley Family or the Zhang Family, both of them would be able to use these flight recorders to look into what happened, which was very bad for Zhao Hai.

However, this issue was actually solved by Margaret. Besides being a Mage, she was also interested in magic formations inside electronics.

In fact, in the Machine Field, Mages and electronic products have an inseparable relationship. The technology here was different than on Earth. Earth electronics were generally made with a combination of mechanical and electrical engineering. But in the Machine Field, electronics had magic formations mixed in them. Each electronic product in the Machine Field had some sort of magic formation inside. And there was no need to say about the compositions of battleships and Mechs.

The magic formations inside these Mechs and electronic products weren't just ordinary formations. They were specifically designed for electronics. The main function of these formations were to assist, not to fight. Because of this, Mages wouldn't normally dabble to deep into these formations. In the Machine Field, there were only a few Mages in each family who researched these formations. The lack of any offensive and defensive capabilities of these formations made most Mages ignore it.

Even Zhao Hai ignored these formations when he started learning Magic Theory. Only when he took note about flight recorders did these formations enter his eyes. If this matter wasn't solved, then there was a risk that his secrets would be revealed.

But at the right moment, Margaret actually offered some help. She made a type of jammer for Zhao Hai to use. The range of this jammer wasn't huge, but its power was quite large. As long as a jammer was inside a ship, then the flight recorder would be as functional as space junk.

It was through this matter that Zhao Hai began to look into the significance of supporting formations. And after looking into it, he found out that these supporting formations were able to increase the offensive and defensive strength of formation sets.

Zhao Hai asked the question in order to distract Margaret. And he succeeded. Margaret quickly replied, "Brother Hai can rest assured. There won't be any problems."

Zhao Hai nodded, then he turned to Margaret and said, "That's good. Now, my strength wouldn't be exposed. Let's head out. After you return to the Space, you can study these formations. They might provide great use for us."

Margaret's thoughts immediately shifted to these formations. Her face turned for the better as she nodded repeatedly. Seeing her recover, Zhao Hai couldn't help but smile. Margaret was shaping up to become like Karen and the others.

After sending Margaret back to her room, Zhao Hai also teleported inside Cadjo's ship. Desbarres and Cadjo were eagerly looking at the direction of the Zhang Family's fleet. They want to see when Zhao Hai's fight would begin. However, nothing happened in the distant space. There weren't any lights nor sounds being captured by the ship. This caused them to be puzzled.

At this time, Zhao Hai suddenly appeared in front of them. Seeing Zhao Hai come back Cadjo quickly asked, "Little Hai, how is it? Do we need to ask for help from the family? If so, then I'll immediately send a message. However, we cannot stay here for long. We need to rush towards the capital." Cadjo thought that Zhao Hai had yet to engage the Zhang Family. Therefore, he said these words.

Zhao Hai looked at Cadjo and smiled faintly as he said, "General Manager, we can leave. I've already dealt with the Zhang Family's fleet. The family can come and collect the ships."

Cadjo and Desbarres stared. They looked at each other and saw the doubt in each other's eyes. Twenty battleships were dealt with just like that? How is that possible?

Chapter 1157: Everpresent Ancient Sand

Zhao Hai looked at Cadjo and Desbarres's expressions, then he smiled and said, "General Manager, Camp Lord, you can rest assured. I've already taken care of it. If you want, we can go and see the situation. In any case, confirming it wouldn't take too long."

Naturally, Cadjo and Desbarres agreed to visit the site. They directed their fleet to where the Zhang Family's ships were. And as soon as they arrived, everyone was dumbfounded. Besides a few Mech fragments in Space, everything else in the fleet was completely preserved. It looked like they didn't receive even a point of damage.

If not for the absence of shields as well as incoming attacks, they might have thought that the Zhang Family were still manning the ships.

Cadjo and Desbarres turned to Zhao Hai with completely confused expressions. Zhao Hai just smiled at them and said, "Camp Lord, General Manager, do we head inside a ship to take a look?"

The two couldn't help but look at each other. At this time, Margaret, who had already entered the room, smiled and said, "Alright. Let's go and take a look. I want to see how different the Zhang Family's ships are compared to ours."

Since they didn't have anything to say about the matter, Cadjo and Desbarres just nodded when they heard Margaret. Before long, their ship suspended a bridge to connect towards a Zhang Family battleship.

Entering another ship through a connection bridge required the approval of the ship being boarded. If nobody were inside the other ship, then the connection bridge would be useless. Cadjo and Desbarres turned to Zhao Hai and wondered how it worked. If it weren't for Margaret, the two wouldn't have been confident in boarding the ship.

Once they entered the decompression chamber of the other ship, Cadjo and Desbarres couldn't help but stare. This was because those in the decompression chamber weren't human, they were Undead!

There were no living beings in sight, but the two Undead present were wearing the Zhang Family's uniform. When the Undead saw the group arrive, they immediately gave a salute before going to the side.

Zhao Hai didn't care about this as he led the others towards the ship. Once they were inside, Cadjo and Desbarres finally began to believe Zhao Hai. This was because they were able to see bloodstains inside the ship. However, besides the bloodstains, not a single person nor corpse was there.

Zhao Hai looked at the scene, then he smiled and said, "General Manager, Camp Lord, I have turned all of the people in the Zhang Family fleet into Undead. The ships have been completely preserved. As long as the family arrives, they can have the operators take over the ship and be more familiar with it. With enough practice, they would be able to use these to fight."

Cadjo stared at the battleship, then he laughed all of a sudden. He repeatedly pat Zhao Hai's shoulder and said, "Good, Little Hai, well done. I'll immediately explain the situation to the family. Also, I'll leave a ship behind to guard this area. I'll also leave some operators behind. At the very least, we could erect

the ship's shields and weapons. It's highly probable for these ships to be hit by meteorites at any time. If we don't guard them, they might be destroyed."

Desbarres and the others were also laughing with happiness. After they returned to their ship, operators were left behind to staff the captured ships. Then shortly after that, they continued on with their journey.

Cadjo detailed everything Zhao Hai said in his report to the family. When Thunder read it, he couldn't help but be surprised. He never thought Zhao Hai to move this flawlessly.

But what made him confused was how Zhao Hai was able to enter these ships silently. Nevertheless, Thunder proved that he was equipped to be a Patriarch. He didn't ask much about the process and instead just sent people to retrieve the ships.

Naturally, the people who were with Zhao Hai on the fleet knew about his accomplishments. Their admiration towards him was now going through the roof. At the same time, those from the other camps completely removed the dissatisfaction in their hearts. When someone who defeated you only had a bit more strength, then you might feel that the result was unsatisfactory. However, when that person shows overwhelming strength, you couldn't help but just accept it."

Two days after Cadjo's fleet left the Quicksand Starfield, the Ashley Family's operators arrived. They quickly took over the 20 ships. The Ashley Family basically gained a fortune by doing nothing.

At this moment, Zhao Hai was inside the Space, observing the Quicksand Starfield. Naturally, the scene he was observing wasn't the meteorite field outside the Quicksand Starfield, but instead the wide expanse of desert in the center.

Laura and the others were also looking at the vast desert. After some time, Megan said, "Big Brother Hai, don't you want to take a look at the desert?"

After following beside Zhao Hai for a long time, Megan and the others were already aware of his thoughts. Seeing how Zhao Hai looked at the vast desert, they immediately knew that he wanted to personally see it for himself.

But there was one of them who was still clueless. When Margaret heard Megan, her expression changed as she asked, "Brother Hai, you really want to go there? You shouldn't. It's too dangerous."

Zhao Hai looked at Margaret, then he smiled and said, "It's fine. Nothing's going to happen to me. I just want to take some sand and send it to the Space to see if it's something useful."

Margaret was still unwilling to let Zhao Hai go. But at this time, Laura said, "Margaret, it's fine. There's no need to worry about Brother Hai. And Brother Hai, you can go, but don't go deep into the sand sea. Just take some sand for the Space and then exit the area."

Zhao Hai nodded, then his body vanished. The next moment, he appeared on the screen. Margaret was looking at him with worry in her eyes.

When Laura and the others saw Margaret's expression, then couldn't help but smile. They weren't worried about Zhao Hai at all. This was because they knew that nothing will happen to him.

Zhao Hai stood on a meteorite just on the outskirts of the sea of sand. Looking at the boundless desert, Zhao Hai couldn't help but sigh inside. This desert was too big. Under the radiance of the nearby stars, it shimmered with seven-colored lights. Such scenery wasn't present inside the Space.

However, Zhao Hai wasn't planning on taking a step towards the vast desert since he didn't want to make Laura and the others worry. Instead, Zhao Hai waved his hand as a spatial rift appeared ten thousand meters in front of him. Before long, the spatial rift began sucking up the nearby sand. But what Zhao Hai didn't expect was the corrosion brought up by these sand particles. As they came in contact with the rift, they actually made it even bigger.

Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare, then he immediately closed the spatial rift. Then at this moment, the Space issued a prompt: "Everpresent Ancient Sand detected. Earth element attribute detected as well as the property to last for a very long time. It can be used to augment a weapon. It has effect stronger than black iron. It also has the ability to corrode materials as well as eliminate spiritual force."

When Zhao Hai heard this prompt, he paused for a moment. He didn't expect the sand to be this formidable. It could actually corrode all things. Moreover, it can eliminate spiritual force. These properties were terrifying.

The ability to corrode might be alright. However, the property to eliminate spiritual force was another thing altogether. Take the Cultivation Realm, for example. Weapons that underwent spirit attachment could be branded using one's spiritual force. Once one was able to brand their spiritual force into a weapon, then that weapon would forever belong to them.

Fortunately, the spiritual force in most weapons could be eliminated once their masters were killed. However, if one killed a descendant of a powerful being, then they would need a substantial amount of spiritual force to remove the branding. Even if a trace of that powerful being's spiritual force was left, it would still be very hard for it to be eliminated. Moreover, the powerful being could use that branding to locate the weapon and kill the thief.

In the Cultivation Realm, murders because of weapons were common. However, not a lot of people dared to kill those with powerful backgrounds. If they did, then they would be tracked down and killed. However, with the everlasting ancient sand, eliminating spiritual force on a weapon would be easier. Even those powerful experts would have no way of tracking their weapons.

Besides weapons, there was also another thing. In the Machine Field, most spatial equipment had no spiritual branding. So if it was lost, it would be very hard to find it. But in the Cultivation Realm, spatial items were like magical artifacts and were branded with spiritual force. If you cannot eliminate the owner's spiritual branding on a spatial equipment, then it would be impossible for you to access its contents.

And if you decide to be forceful in breaking through the spatial equipment, then it might create a spatial disturbance inside and destroy everything. What you need to do was to erase the spiritual branding bit by bit. And this process would take quite a long time.

However, if one uses the everpresent ancient sand, this issue would be easily solved. It can be said that this material would be very useful for robbing the people from the Cultivation Realm.

Zhao Hai entered the Space and immediately examined the sand. The sand was extremely small, much finer than ordinary sand. However, it was very heavy. Zhao Hai felt that the handful of sand he held weighed about ten thousand jin(5 thousand kg). Such weight to volume ratio was too astonishing.

The sand was golden yellow, bordering the color of gold dust. Because of this beauty, Laura and the others couldn't help but look curiously at it.

After seeing nothing else, Zhao Hai stored the sand as everyone returned to the living room. The image currently displayed on the screen was the situation inside the ship.

Seeing that nothing was out of the norm, Zhao Hai turned to Margaret and said, "Margaret, how far are we from Machine Field Planet?"

Margaret smiled and said, "We're not that far. We should be able to begin seeing ships from other families in two days."

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And just like Margaret said, after two days of travel, the Ashley Family's fleet began seeing the fleets of other families. These fleets weren't huge. At most, there were ten ships in a fleet.

Zhao Hai was somewhat puzzled by this situation. After asking Margaret, he came to know that each family wouldn't send too many ships during the realm qualifiers because Machine Field Planet couldn't handle a lot of ships.

In the Machine Field, there were no less than 10 thousand small and large powers. Imagine if all these groups send large numbers of ships over. Then how many would fit in the space around the capital? Therefore, every realm qualifier, it was agreed that each power wouldn't send too many ships.

Zhao Hai also saw Cadjo and Desbarres beginning to get busy greeting the other fleets. They even made direct communications from others. As for the rest, flashing their signal lights was enough.

Zhao Hai stayed in the Space for over two days before returning to the ship. He didn't stop his cultivation during this time. His body tempering technique was beginning to get more and more refined. And as his body got stronger and stronger, his spiritual force was also increasing. Although these effects were only appearing slowly, Zhao Hai still kept pushing on.

Moreover, Zhao Hai began condensing formations once more. But this time, the formations he used were supporting magic formations. Zhao Hai also discovered that the number of supporting formations weren't less than offensive and defensive formations, it was even possible that there were more.

It wasn't easy making new combat formations. This was because there are latent dangers during each testing. However, this danger didn't exist when it came to supporting magic formations. Some of these formations were used to increase the strength of metals. Some were designed to increase a metal's radioactivity, some for increasing its property of transmitting signals, and many more.

Most importantly, there were no dangers in testing these formations. Even if the test failed, two or three things might be destroyed, nothing else. Because of this, there were more supporting formations than offensive and defensive formations.

Zhao Hai didn't know whether he could find any uses for these formations. In any case, he still decided to condense them. Even if they were useless, nothing remarkable would be lost.

However, Zhao Hai didn't expect the result he would get. After these supporting formations were condensed and analyzed, it actually elevated the quality of Zhao Hai's formation sets. Now Zhao Hai can use his spiritual force to support 3000-layer formations sets. These formations sets had a lot of supportive formations inside. After these supportive formations were added, not only was the strength of these formations preserved, the spiritual force needed to operate them also reduced by a lot. This was a very good news for Zhao Hai.

There was no need to mention his 5-layer and 10-layer formations. Their power increased by several folds while also reducing the time needed to cast them.

Zhao Hai didn't expect these supporting formations to have this effect. But more surprised than Zhao Hai was Margaret. In the Machine Field, people always believed that supporting and combat magic formations were different. The two cannot be combined, otherwise the power of formation sets would drop.

But after seeing Zhao Hai's formation sets, Margaret's thoughts were changed. This event made Margaret more curious, she wanted to understand what was happening.

Margaret knew that if supporting formations and combat formations could really be united and have this effect, then it would be a huge boost for the Machine Field's Mages. This will cause Magic Theory to obtain a huge qualitative leap forward.

This didn't mean that nobody in the Machine Field tried to combine supporting and combat formations together. However, nobody had succeeded before. After seeing what just happened, Margaret knew that the issue was with how the two were combined.

There were simply too many supporting and combat formations in the Machine Field. Combining combat formations together was already hard, so there was no need to say what would happen if supporting formations were added to the mix. The more factors there were in a combination, the more complex the results would become. Finding a suitable combination for a formation set was easier said than done.

The Machine Field failed to combine combat and supporting formations because they had yet to find success. After carrying out experiments, they weren't able to find an appropriate combination to make into a useful set. Because of this, the might of the resulting formation set was reduced, causing the current misconception.

But with the Space's scanner, things like finding a suitable combination was made much easier. Because of this, the effect of supporting formations was seen.

At this point, in Margaret's eyes, Liquid Silver was no longer the most valuable item in Zhao Hai's hands. Instead, it should be the Universal Scanner. If people came to know about this godly device, then they would certainly find means to snatch it. The uses of the scanner far surpasses Liquid Silver.

Liquid Silver was a formidable weapon, enough to shake the current state of the realm. But in the end, Liquid Silver was just that, a weapon. Moreover, the spiritual force needed by Liquid Silver was enormous. Not anyone could use it.

On the other hand, the Universal Scanner would calculate differently according to different people. It was the most formidable device for making magic formation sets.

Imagine if a family had their hands on a universal scanner. All of their formations would be combined to form more powerful formations.

Powerful Experts were certainly important to families. However, a comprehensive increase is strength was something that they needed more.

While Zhao Hai was being busy, they finally arrived at Machine Field Planet. When they reached the planet, Zhao Hai and Margaret quickly went to the command hall. They wanted to take a look at the Machine Field's capital.

Machine Field Planet was the realm's center, its capital. This was where the three major powers stationed themselves. They even have their fleet stationed in its outer space bases.

From outer space, Machine Field Planet had three colors – green, blue, and silver! The green part was the forest, the blue part was the oceans, while the silver part were the buildings built on the surface.

Almost all of the buildings in the Machine Field Planet were made of metal. This place was the most developed area in the entire realm. All of the talented natives were also here, at Machine Field University.

The Machine Field University was an institution studying all sorts of fields. There were departments for Magic, Martial Arts, Magic Formations, Magic Formation Sets, Mechs, Battleships, Military Command, and other fields. All of the realm's best teachers were also hired by the university, making it the best learning and research environment in the realm. Majority of the Machine Field's Patriarchs were graduates from this institution.

Besides the university, Machine Field Planet also had the most special place in the realm, Leng Wuyeng's Tomb!

Leng Wuyeng held a very special status in the Machine Field. It could even be said that the Machine Field would not exist without him. Therefore, every year on Leng Wuyeng's day of passing, plenty of people would come here to pay homage. This has become a tradition in the Machine Field.

Looking at the beautiful planet, Zhao Hai couldn't help but feel somewhat excited. This place was an amalgamation of the realm's talents. He would be lying if he said he wasn't thrilled.

Cadjo looked at the planet, then he looked at Zhao Hai. Seeing Zhao Hai's calm expression as well as the burst of fighting intent in his eye, he couldn't help but smile and said, "While we wait for the qualifiers to start, I'll be taking you to visit people who had made friends with our Ashley Family. We'll also visit Bishop Gode from the Dark Church. You can explore the place when the competition ends. But before that, we can't have you aimlessly wander the planet."

All the family's representatives nodded. At this time, the ship's captain received confirmation for their dock. Before long, the ship was anchored on a dock with a platform.

Once the ship has stopped, Cadjo brought Zhao Hai and the others out of the ship. This dock wasn't an outer space base. Instead it was a place where outsider ships could dock their ships. It was designed roughly the same as outer space bases.

When Cadjo and the others got down from the ship, a person wearing Dark Mage Robes immediately walked over and said, "General Manager, Camp Lord Desbarres, welcome. The vehicles have already been prepared."

Cadjo smiled faintly and said, "Luke, you're too courteous. Little Hai, let me introduce you. This is Luke, he's a family director stationed in Machine Field Planet. Luke, this is Bone Symbol Camp's Zhao Hai, the champion of the family's qualifier."

Luke looked at Zhao Hai, his eyes shone as he nodded said, "Zhao Hai, I've heard about you. The family's new genius. I'll be eyeing you in the realm qualifiers."

Zhao Hai was also observing Luke. The man was about 1.8 meters tall. His hair was very neatly combed. His robe was also carefully organized that one couldn't see a single crease on it. One could see from this point that he was a very old-fashioned man.

Zhao Hai quickly returned the greeting, "I wouldn't disappoint Director Luke."

Luke nodded, then he turned to Cadjo and said, "Everything has been arranged. As for the ship's staff, somebody else is in charge of taking care of them." Then he led the group to a nearby small ship.

After everyone entered the ship, it immediately took off and flew towards the planet. From what Zhao Hai saw, Machine Field Planet was much more prosperous than Dark Demon Planet. There were a lot of other small ships shuttling back and forth in the planet's atmosphere. It was a very busy scene.

The ship quickly entered the planet's atmosphere. Before long, the ship stopped in front of a building. This building wasn't very high, at least thirty floors. With the buildings surrounding it having more than

100 floors, it appeared on the shorter side. On this large building was a huge emblem. Upon looking at it, Zhao Hai identified that the insignia belonged to the Ashley Family.

After the ship stopped, Luke quickly led everyone down. Along the way, Luke was seen whispering things into Cadjo's ear. Luke was quite casual with Cadjo. Neither one of them exuded authority over the other. One could see from this point that Cadjo trusted Luke very much.

Luke led everyone into the building. Then after everyone were assigned their own room, Luke invited Cadjo and Desbarres to his room.

Not long after the three met, a robot arrived outside Zhao Hai's room and knocked on the door. When Zhao Hai opened the door, the robot immediately said, "Mister Zhao Hai, Director Luke is asking for your presence. Please come with me." Zhao Hai didn't say anything. He just closed the door and then followed the robot to Luke's room.

When Zhao Hai entered Luke's room, he couldn't help but stare. He expected everyone to be here. Instead, the only other people inside were Cadjo and Desbarres. Nobody else was here, not even Margaret.

Although Zhao Hai paused for a moment, he immediately recovered. He didn't say anything and just gave the three a salute and then sat down.

After Zhao Hai sat down, Cadjo said, "Little Hai, we invited you over to let Luke introduce you to Machine Field Planet's situation. This is to prepare you for the future. At the same time, we also want to tell you about an order from the family."

Zhao Hai stared, but he still nodded and asked, "What order did the family give?"

Cadjo's eyes flashed a cold light, then he said, "The Patriarch wants you to cripple Sun Fei!"

Zhao Hai wasn't surprised, he nodded and said, "Alright, the moment I face Sun Fei, I will immediately cripple his cultivation. The General Manager doesn't need to worry about this. Even if the family didn't give me this order, I will still cripple him to lessen the Zhang Family's benefits."

Luke was somewhat surprised at Zhao Hai's response. He didn't expect Zhao Hai to accept the order this easily. One must know that Fire Saint Sun Fei wasn't someone that could easily be dealt with. He was known as a rare talent in the Zhang Family. Moreover, his title wasn't just nonsense. His fire element magic was indeed more powerful than most. Average people wouldn't even think of winning against him. So why was Zhao Hai talking about this matter as though it was as simple as brewing tea?

But what surprised Luke more were Cadjo and Desbarres's responses. They didn't think that Zhao Hai was saying something strange, they wore normal expressions when they heard Zhao Hai.

Cadjo nodded and said, "Try to not head out in the next few days. Now that only a few people know about your true strength, people will want to understand you better. If someone provokes you outside, make sure to endure."

Zhao Hai just nodded and didn't say anything.

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Desbarres sneered and said, "If they really want to test Little Hai's strength, then he might as well show them. Let Little Hai go out and challenge those bastards. I can still remember what they did in the past."

Cadjo smiled and said, "All these years, we're always at the receiving end of their bullying. It's good to expel some bad air."

When Luke saw how confident Cadjo and Desbarres were, he couldn't help but get curious. He looked at the two and asked, "Is Little Hai really that strong?" Cadjo smiled and said, "If you face Little Hai, then even you might not survive. Alright, Little Hai, you can head back first and study the materials we gave you." Zhao Hai nodded before he turned around and left.

Seeing Zhao Hai leave, Luke looked at Cadjo and Desbarres and said, "You really are that confident in Zhao Hai huh? Anyway, you two really showed off this time. You defeated 20 ships of the Zhang Family. You even managed to leave them intact. The Young Master is very happy. I'm sure he will reward you when you return."

Cadjo and Desbarres looked at each other and smiled, then Cadjo said, "You say we defeated 20 Zhang Family battleships? What if we tell you that they were defeated by Little Hai alone? Will you believe me?"

When Luke heard Cadjo, he couldn't help but stare, then he exclaimed, "He did that? Are you telling the truth? Don't you lie to me."

Cadjo rolled his eyes and said, "Bah. Luke I'm telling you this because Zhao Hai's relationship with Miss Margaret is doing well. It wouldn't be long before he becomes a powerhouse of our Ashley Family. Do you really think that we will falsely give him merit?"

Luke muttered, "So the kid is really a hero huh. It seems like its time for us to hold our heads up high." One must say that Luke had been feeling suffocated all these years. It wasn't only the Ashley Family who had a building in the Machine Field Planet. The other families also opened branches here.

If the relationship between two families were good, then they would lend each other a hand. However, if two families were at odds with each other, then it's normal for them to compete.

In the Machine Field Planet, people wouldn't act unreasonably. After all, this planet was where the three major powers did their work. Moreover, this was where Leng Wuyeng was buried. If they dared to disturb the peace, then the three major powers definitely wouldn't let them off.

However, things like discouraging talks couldn't be avoided. In the past few years, the Ashley Family has been getting bad results in the realm qualifiers. Naturally, this gave the Ashley Family's enemies an opportunity to take shots at them. The amount of negative words that Luke had received all this time was enough to kill a human being.

Because of this, Luke had always been hoping for the family to produce a powerful expert. This way, the Ashley Family could turn the tables and allow Luke to breathe out some foul air. And now that Zhao Hai was here, Luke couldn't help but be happy.

While the three were talking to each other, a knock was suddenly heard, then a voice came in, "Director, Zhang Family's Young Master Mingyue is here. He wants to see Miss Margaret."

When he heard this, Luke immediately opened the door. He looked at his assistant and said, "What?" The assistant replied, "Director, the Zhang Family's Young Master brought people over to pay Miss Margaret a visit. They're currently in the guest room."

Luke knitted his brows. Then he waved his hand and said, "Alright, I'll go down soon." The man responded before turning around and leaving.

Luke looked at Cadjo and Desabaress and asked, "What do you think?" Luke knew about the dirty matters regarding the Zhang Family. Therefore, he asked the two for their opinion.

Cadjo sneered and said, "Let's inform Miss Margaret about this first. I want to see what she has to say." Luke nodded, "Alright, you wait here while I go see her." However, Cadjo and Desbarres stood up and said, "Let's go together." Then the three walked over to Margaret's room.

Just after Cadjo knocked on the door, Margaret's voice was heard, "Yes?" Cadjo said, "Little Margaret, it's me."

Margaret opened the door and was shocked. She didn't expect Cadjo and the others would look for her. She looked at the three and asked, "Uncle, what's the problem?"

Cadjo replied, "Young Miss, Mingyue is here. He wants to see you. What do you think?"

Margaret's expression sank, then she coldly said, "Mingyue wanted to see me? And why should I meet him? Our engagement has already been broken."

Cadjo nodded and said, "Alright, I understand." Then he turned around and went towards the elevator. He will go meet the Zhang Family's Young Master.

When Margaret saw the three of them leave, she didn't immediately go back to her room. Instead, she went to Zhao Hai's room. She thought that it would be best to tell Zhao Hai about this. After all, she was once engaged to the Zhang Family. She didn't want Zhao Hai to misunderstand. Although she hasn't seen Zhang Mingyue for a long time, she didn't have any feelings towards him.

Margaret knocked on Zhao Hai's door. Before long, Zhao Hai's voice was heard, "Come in."

Margaret pushed the door open and saw Zhao Hai sitting beside the table reading the materials Cadjo gave him. These materials were information regarding the various participants in the realm qualifiers. Naturally, it was impossible to list all of the participants. Cadjo made sure to sort them out and leave only those with substantial strength. However, the list still had several thousand people.

Zhao Hai looked at Margaret and said, "Margaret, why are you here? Come take a seat."

Margaret looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Brother Hai, Mingyue came. He said he wants to see me. But since I don't want to meet the Zhang Family, I had Uncle Cadjo see him."

Zhao Hai said, "Zhang Mingyue? Who's that? Ah, its that Third Young Master from the Zhang Family, the one you were engaged to. Why is he here? Doesn't he know about the current state between the Zhang Family and Ashley Family?"

Margaret replied, "I don't know. Even I don't understand. I haven't even met him that many times. His visit here is somewhat strange."

Zhao Hai wrinkled his brows. Then he suddenly smiled and said, "Interesting, very interesting. I think this Mingyue didn't come to see you, he wants to challenge me. Hehe. It seems like the Zhang Family is unwilling to give up."

When Margaret heard this, she couldn't help but feel relieved, then she looked at Zhao Hai and asked, "Brother Hai, what do we do now?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "This MIngyue didn't bring Sun Fei. Instead, he wants his family's experts to cripple me, reducing the risk to Sun Fei. Let's head inside the Space." Margaret nodded and the two went to the Space.

Upon entering the Space, the two saw Laura and the others in front of the monitor. On the screen was the confrontation between Cadjo and another party.

The other party only had ten people in it. Leading them was a young man. This young man was wearing a fire red mage robe. He had a delicate and pretty appearance, as well as a masterful bearing. However, arrogance could be clearly seen on his face. His two eyes were cold making everyone he looked at feel uncomfortable.

Behind him were five Warriors and four Mages. The five Warriors looked much older than the young man, with the youngest looking at least 30-years old. All of them carried a sword and seems to share the preference for two-handed swords. Their swords were longer than what seems comfortable and was also wider than normal swords. The sword cross also looked very imposing, which made them look magnificent.

As for the four Mages, they were also wearing fire red mage robes. Just like the Warriors, they were older than the young man. They also held red magic staffs on their hands. Although one couldn't see what the staffs were made of, it was clear that they were advanced-level goods.

Zhang Mingyue stood up when he saw Cadjo and said, "Cadjo, don't give me that smiling face of yours. I want to see my fiance. This isn't something you can budge into."

Cadjo was smiling, however his eyes began to narrow down. Those familiar with him would know that he was close to losing his temper. But Cadjo still chuckled and said, "Young Master, you must be joking. Your fiance isn't here. My family has already renounced our arrangement with the Zhang Family's Patriarch. Is the Young Master unaware of this?"

Zhang Mingyue coldly snorted and said, "So you're saying that my engagement has been broken? Who gave you such power? Did this Young Master agree to it?"

Cadjo just smiled when he replied, "Young Master Mingyue misunderstands. I didn't renounce your engagement, the Ashley Family's Patriarch and the Zhang Family's Patriarch agreed to it. Does the Young Master not know this? Or you just don't agree with your family head's decision?"

Zhang Mingyue expression changed. He knew that he would need to think about his next words. Otherwise, his father wouldn't let him off. Although they were father and son, in the face of the family's matters, paternal love was useless.

Zhang Mingyue sneered and said, "Of course I know about the decision. However, we've been in a good relationship all these years. I just want to see Margaret. Am I demanding too much?"

Cadjo smiled and said, "So this is what Young Master meant. However, I'll have to apologize. Our Young Miss is not here. She just left and I don't know when she'll be back. I'll have to ask the Young Master to return another time."

Zhang Mingyue's expression changed. He knew for certain that Cadjo was deceiving him. However, he didn't have the means to push through. If he decided to force himself in, then Cadjo might make a move. If this matter reaches outside, then the Zhang Family would face consequences. After all, this was Machine Field Planet, not the Zhang Family's domain.

Zhang Mingyue also had talent for cultivation. After years of cultivation, he managed to reach level 6. However, he still fell short compared to the cunning of Cadjo. With Cadjo here, Mingyue was left not knowing what to do.

At this time, a Mage behind Mingyue stepped forward and said," I have seen General Manager Cadjo. Since Miss Margaret left, then we'll have to let this matter go. However, the Young Master is also here to meet the Ashley Family's new genius, his name is Zhao Hai right? We heard that he's quite strong. Although he just ascended months ago, he's already able to win your family qualifiers. When our Patriarch heard about this, he couldn't help but feel happy. Because of this, he prepared a gift specifically for Zhao Hai. He wants us to personally hand it over. I don't know if General Manager Cadjo will allow us to see him?"

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When Cadjo heard the Mage, he immediately knew what they were after. They just wanted Zhao Hai to appear so that they could challenge him. Then they would find an opportunity to kill him in battle.

To be honest, Cadjo wasn't afraid of Zhao Hai being challenged by these people. He believes that Zhao Hai could easily defeat them. However, it might force Zhao Hai to explode with his true strength, which wouldn't be good for Zhao Hai.

Cadjo smiled faintly and said, "This is really unfortunate. Zhao Hai has been closing up recently. Not just here, but also on the ship. Because of this, he couldn't see Young Master Zhang. If Young Master Zhang has something to give Zhao Hai, then I can give it to him on your behalf."

Shameless!

Mingyue and the others had this same thought inside their hearts. They had seen shameless people before, but they haven't seen someone so shameless that they would lie straight to their face. There wasn't even a tinge of red on his face.

However, Mingyue and the others couldn't do anything about it. This place was the Ashley Family's office. If they caused any trouble here, then their family would be directly affected.

Zhang Mingyue rolled his eyes, then he suddenly had an inspiration. He looked at Cadjo and laughed, then he said, "I didn't expect the Ashley Family's so-called genius to actually be a cowardly turtle. I heard that Margaret has been playing around with him lately? So is he just a pretty boy that she feeds? Hahaha. Only knowing how to hide under a woman's skirt. So this is the Ashley Family's genius. Such a person wants to receive my gift? I'm leaving!" Zhang Mingyue made sure to use magic alongside his voice so that the entire building could hear him.

Although Zhang Mingyue said that he was leaving, he didn't actually have any intention to head out. He just stood there arrogantly and waited.

Awkward silence!

Cadjo and Desbarres looked at the proudly standing Zhang Mingyue. Nobody made any noise. At the same time, Mingyue stayed there, as though waiting for Cadjo to say something.

Five minutes passed by...

Zhang Mingyue's expression began to turn dark....

Ten minutes passed by, Zhang Mingyue turned pale. In these ten minutes, Cadjo didn't say a single word. Desbarres and Luke were also similarly silent. And even Zhao Hai who was badmouthed stayed silent. Zhang Mingyue began to feel like he was acting like a fool, jumping on the limelight in order to attract attention. And now that nobody bought his antics, he looked like a stupid monkey.

Cadjo and Desbarres naturally knew about Zhang Mingyue's thoughts. To be honest, they were afraid of Zhao Hai falling into Zhang Mingyue's trick.

In the beginning, Cadjo intended to berate Zhang Mingyue with a few words. However, after looking at his proud expression, Cadjo began to want Zhao Hai to come out and deal with Zhang Mingye's group.

But what Cadjo didn't expect was Zhao Hai's absence. Seeing Zhang Mingyue left drying up in the sun for several minutes, Cadjo really wanted to speak. But after seeing Mingyue's expression turned darker and darker as Zhao Hai continued to be absent, Cadjo decided to stay silent. He just stood there to watch the fun.

He suddenly found out that ignoring someone was also a good way to deal with taunts. Not only that, knowing that they were being ignored, the perpetrator would become angrier as time goes by.

Cadjo observed as Zhang Mingyue's expression turned blue. He couldn't help but suppress his laughter. He felt that Mingyue would spit out some blood soon. It was actually amusing to look at.

Desbarres was also happily spectating at the side. On the other hand, Luke's expression was somewhat distorted. His stomach was contracted too much that it might get shredded. If he wasn't facing the Zhang Family, then he would have long since laughed out loud.

Seeing that Zhang Mingyue was about to spit out some blood, Cadjo couldn't help but cough lightly and said, "Young Master Zhang, Zhao Hai is unavailable. If you have anything to give Zhao Hai, then I can send it on your behalf. If you don't have any other matters here, then I'll have to ask you to leave."

At this moment, Zhao Hai's stomach was already hurting from laughter. Not only him, Laura and the others were also making fun of Zhang Mingyue's current expression.

Seeing Zhang MIngyue leave, Zhao Hai stopped laughing and turned to Margaret and said, "Margaret, stop laughing. Let's go out, it's time to return."

Margaret nodded as she wiped the tear on her eye. Then she took deep breaths to calm herself down from laughing. After some time, she stopped and the two returned to Zhao Hai's room.

When Mingyue and the others were out of sight, Cadjo and the others wildly laughed. It took almost all of their strength to stop themselves from laughing. But now that the other party was gone, they laughed loudly.

It took some time before the group calmed down. Then they went back to the elevator and headed towards Margaret's room. But when they knocked on the door, nobody was in. Then when they thought about it they immediately went to Zhao Hai's room.

Sure enough, after knocking on Zhao Hai's door, Margaret was the one to open it. The three entered and saw Zhao Hai sitting beside the table, looking through materials.

Cadjo looked at Zhao Hai and smiled, "Little Hai, did you hear Zhang Mingyue?"

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Of course I heard it. That person is interesting, he came here just to shout like an idiot. Hahaha. He actually wanted to trick me. Did he leave?" When Cadjo recalled Zhang MIngyue's dark expression, he couldn't help but laugh once more. As they talked about what just happened, even Zhao Hai and Margaret laughed at times.

After talking about this matter, Cadjo looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Right, Little Hai, you need to hold back even if you get taunted by them. The family isn't officially at war with the Zhang Family. If you deal with Zhang Mingyue now, then the situation would escalate. This wouldn't be good for our future plans."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "I didn't intend to head down at all. If I know that the other side is tricking me and I still go, then wouldn't I be the fool? But they better make sure that I don't meet Sun Fei, or else I'll immediately kill him."

Cadjo smiled faintly and said, "Alright, then you go take a rest. Don't leave the building in the next few days. I'm certain that the Zhang Family has sent people to monitor your actions. Once you get spotted, they will immediately attack you. I can only ask for your forgiveness for the next few days."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "General Manager, it's fine. You can rest assured, I wouldn't leave the building."

Cadjo nodded. Then he patted Zhao Hai's shoulder before leaving.

When the three men left, Zhao Hai brought Margaret to the Space. While Zhao Hai was sitting on the side reading some information, Margaret and the others divided Liquid Silver and then used it to explore the entire planet.

It has already become a custom for Laura and the others to release needles to scout whenever they reach a new area. This way, they would become more familiar with the place and also monitor their enemies.

The silver needles were originally tiny. And with Laura and the others commanding it to fly at high altitudes as well as deep underground, it was impossible for other people to discover them. Because of this, the women looked like they were playing around.

Zhao Hai actually wasn't paying much attention to the things written in the materials he was provided. It was impossible for these people to be a threat to him. Paying attention to them would only be a waste of energy. Therefore, he just swept through most of the material without any care.

The levels of these participants weren't too high. The strongest among them were level 4 while the lowest was level 1.

The Mages and Warriors sent by the smaller powers had some qualities worth looking at. Some of them were level 3 or level 4. It seems like these smaller powers were trying to use this qualifiers to elevate their positions.

Nevertheless, Zhao Hai still didn't care. He just read these materials in order to get acquainted with the general state of the realm. After all, no participant could match him in this competition.

In addition to reading about the beginners, Zhao Hai also checked their situation using the internet. But unfortunately, the network of the Machine Realm wasn't so interconnected. He couldn't find a lot of useful things.

At this time, while Zhao Hai was browsing through information, Laura suddenly yelled, "Brother Hai, come here, quick. We found something!" Zhao Hai quickly put his computer down and went to the living room. Shown on the monitor was a fight. And among these people was someone who left an impression on him, Strong Wind Li Kuangren!

This Li Kuangren was one of the ten experts that Cadjo introduced. Judging by the information they had on him, this person was quite strong. When Zhao Hai saw the fight, he became curious and immediately sat down to spectate.

Li Kuangren was about 1.8 meters tall. He had withered and uncombed hair with a full beard. His two eyes were cold. He only had ordinary clothes on. And in his hand were his two broad axes. He didn't look very big but it was evident that he was strong. His face was quite long horizontally. He had a dark skin that seemed to have a special luster to it. When he saw this, Zhao Hai's eyes couldn't help but flash. His defense was quite formidable, otherwise his skin wouldn't turn into this appearance.

Zhao Hai was curious about his opponent. But as he looked at the other side, Zhao Hai couldn't help but get surprised. This was because he knew these people. They were the five Warriors that Zhang Mingyue had with him, the ones with the heavy cross swords!