

Beast Tamer 1281

Chapter 1281: Mermaid Blessing!

Fang Mu left Shu Liangjun's residence and had been cultivating ever since, preparing himself to be in optimal condition during these three days.

In order to reach the best condition, Fang Mu specifically informed the Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen, asking it not to absorb his Soul Energy.

Every time Fang Mu's Soul Energy was completely drained, it took two or three days to recover—it couldn't be fully restored with just one sleep.

With the continuous improvement of its rank, the Spiritual Intelligence of the Soul Ant Queen had increased, and it was now able to understand Fang Mu's words.

Otherwise, if Fang Mu hadn't allowed it to absorb Soul Energy in the past, the Soul Ant Queen would surely have thrown a tantrum!

The three days flew by in a flash. This time, Lian Dai took the initiative to visit Fang Mu's residence before he could seek her out.

Lian Dai, fearing too much commotion from her Mermaid Blessing for Fang Mu, had her maidservants notify Jun Feng, and then joined Jun Feng to guard Fang Mu's place together.

Even if there were disturbances, they had to ensure that no one would interrupt themselves and Fang Mu in the palace!

Normally, Lian Dai's maidservants alone would be sufficient for this task, but the reason Lian Dai had her maidservants notify Jun Feng was to give Jun Feng some face.

Lian Dai could see that Jun Feng's strength was at the Peak of Order and that he had the potential to make a sprint towards the Gods' Domain!

Following the Saint Creator Qixing, Jun Feng's chances of sprinting towards the Gods' Domain would be greatly magnified.

Jun Feng, as a publicly acknowledged Peak Order Practitioner among humans, was well-known by Lian Dai.

With a Grandmaster Creator behind Jun Feng as well as Saint Creator Qixing, Jun Feng was certainly not lacking in Creator resources!

Lian Dai was willing to invest her attention in a potential God Territory Powerhouse.

Fang Mu did not inform anyone about the Mermaid Blessing he had traded for from Lian Dai; that, he thought, was one of his trump cards.

Lian Dai had also reminded him that something like a blessing was best kept from others.

Because Fang Mu needed time to fully assimilate the Mermaid's Blessing, and during this process, the energy of the Mermaid's Blessing mainly resided within his soul.

If Fang Mu were targeted by someone with ill intent, they could extract the remaining energy of the Mermaid's Blessing from his soul by killing him.

By rashly revealing the news of having received the Mermaid's Blessing, Fang Mu would essentially be exposing himself to danger.

"What was the reply from Master Qixing of the Qixing Pavilion? Is he willing to let me become your Dao Protector?"

In Lian Dai's view, Fang Mu could not make a decision because he had not consulted Qixing's opinion; Fang Mu's original Dao Protector simply did not qualify to offer Fang Mu any advice.

Given how Saint Creator Qixing so highly regarded his disciple, a Beast Master who had just stepped into Order not long ago did not seem fit to be Fang Mu's Dao Protector.

Given Lian Dai's status and strength, unless it was a human Grandmaster Creator, probably only another God Territory Powerhouse like herself would be treated equally by Lian Dai.

Lian Dai held a contemptuous attitude towards everyone else.

Mermaids inherently carried a proud emotion in their bones, and all clans that valued bloodlines heavily had this problem to some extent.

Fang Mu said with a smile,

"Lendai senior, I'll be looking forward to your guidance from now on!"

Hearing this, a smile appeared on Lian Dai's face as she activated her soul.

Lian Dai's Soul Energy Imprint was placed upon Fang Mu's soul, making him feel as though his Soul Energy had received an overall enhancement.

"I see that those few people around you call you Little Wood; how about I call you Little Wood from now on?"

"Just now, I imprinted you with Soul Energy into your soul, which is a good thing for you as you are about to receive the Mermaid Blessing."

"It will allow your soul to endure more of the blessings' energy and to withstand its purification for a longer period!"

Previously, Lian Dai had explained to Fang Mu the specifics of the Mermaid Blessing, and Fang Mu had a sufficient understanding of it.

The longer one held out during the Mermaid's Blessing, the better the effects.

This reminded Fang Mu of when he had just graduated from elementary school in this lifetime, standing on the school's sports field, enduring the stimulation of low-frequency spiritual waves to awaken his Destiny Guidebook.

Fang Mu was the last one among those students standing on the field, but unfortunately, being the last one standing did not result in awakening his Destiny Guidebook, and he did not become a Beast Master.

Fang Mu possessed a great capacity for endurance, which was a testament to his resolute character.

Fang Mu regarded the forthcoming Mermaid Blessing as a major challenge.

Since the longer the endurance, the better the benefit, Fang Mu naturally wished to persist for as long as possible!

Fang Mu looked forward to the enhancement that the Mermaid Blessing would bring him.

Lian Dai spoke with a very serious tone, reminding Fang Mu once again of the precautions needed for accepting the Mermaid Blessing.

Fang Mu said to Lian Dai very seriously,

"Aunt Dai, I have finished all my preparations, and I can now be sure that I am in my optimal state, ready to receive your blessing at any time!"

With Lian Dai changing how she addressed Fang Mu, he also changed how he addressed her.

Now that Lian Dai had become his Dao Protector, the relationship between him and Lian Dai was no longer just one of trade and cooperation; Lian Dai had become akin to his elder.

After confirming with Fang Mu several times, Lian Dai extended her left hand and pointed her fingers towards Fang Mu's forehead.

Lian Dai fully activated her Mermaid Bloodline.

Waves radiated from Lian Dai's center, spreading outwards, but Fang Mu, who was being blessed by Lian Dai, was unaffected by the sea waves.

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The bloodline energy released from Lian Dai's fingertips intertwined with Fang Mu's forehead.

Gradually, a huge mermaid phantom appeared behind Fang Mu, which bore at least an eight-point resemblance to Lian Dai.

Fang Mu's figure was completely enveloped in the protective embrace of the giant mermaid phantom.

The moment the energy within the mermaid phantom became activated, despite Fang Mu's ample mental preparation, he couldn't help but let out a muffled groan.

Fang Mu felt as if his head was trapped in a flesh-grinding mill, the mill spinning rapidly, grinding his head into shreds.

Soul and mind felt as if they were scorched and torn into fragments. This agony was at least a hundred times greater than the pain Fang Mu had experienced during his awakening of the Destiny Guidebook through low-frequency mental stimulation!

Fang Mu forcibly circulated his spiritual power and soul energy, enduring the pain brought by the Mermaid Blessing.

In his past life, Fang Mu often heard his teachers recite the saying, "Only through bitter hardship can one ascend to greatness," which became a credo for his life.

Now in the Beastmaster world, the saying was just as applicable.

After a pained groan, Fang Mu clenched his teeth and didn't make another sound, but his expression became extremely ferocious, with large beads of sweat rolling down his forehead.

This cold sweat, born of agonizing pain, mixed with the sea water and drifted around.

Lian Dai weakly leaned on the Coral Jade Table nearby. She had not expected that a single blessing would bring such a severe drain!

Like it was Fang Mu's first time receiving the Mermaid Blessing, it was also Lian Dai's first time bestowing her Mermaid Bloodline's blessing upon another being.

Lian Dai internally remarked that she would need nearly a week's rest to return to her peak condition. Fortunately, the representatives of the three major Sea Countries and the Sea Lord would not arrive until a week later.

Lian Dai could face all potential problems in her prime state.

Lian Dai took out some Spiritual Materials, chewing them to Recover Energy while keeping an eye on Fang Mu, fearing that he might suddenly be unable to continue.

The Mermaid Blessing had just begun; this ceremony was bound to last at least five days.

The duration of the blessing was related to Fang Mu's rate of energy absorption. Lian Dai had no expectation that Fang Mu, a human, could endure until the end of the blessing.

Regardless, Fang Mu had to persevere for at least one day.

Only if the duration surpassed one day would the blessing move from the physical to the spiritual power and soul, nourishing and enhancing them!

Whether for Fang Mu's sake or her own, Lian Dai wished that the single blessing she could give in her lifetime would exhibit its true value.

Lian Dai genuinely wanted to assist Fang Mu, but he, engulfed in the blessing ceremony, could only rely on himself to resist.

Until Fang Mu completed the blessing, Lian Dai would stay in his residence, fulfilling her responsibility as a Dao Protector!

Fang Mu continued to endure the torments the blessing brought to his body, mind, and soul.

Compared to the soul, mind and spirit were Fang Mu's weak points.

Fortunately, the torment didn't afflict the mind; otherwise, under such multi-faceted pressure, Fang Mu feared that even a slight lapse would lead to a complete breakdown, resulting in Lian Dai's blessing falling short!

Under extreme pain, Fang Mu had no notion of time passing; he only knew to endure as best as he could before his spirit and soul might collapse.

As time went on, the pain intensified, but Fang Mu gradually adapted to it and no longer frowned ferociously.

Instead, he began to earnestly absorb the energy from the blessing, allowing it to course through his body, mind, and soul.

Fang Mu could clearly feel his body and spirit becoming stronger; in fact, the enhancement of his spiritual power was improving both his spiritual power itself and its growth speed.

Fang Mu estimated that after receiving the Mermaid Blessing, he could at least halve the time required to advance from a Two-Ray Star Beast Controller to a Three Point Star Beast Master.

Fang Mu's soul was also absorbing the energy of the Mermaid Blessing, but his soul did not attain much of an upgrade.

Fang Mu did not feel discouraged, as obtaining an opportunity to enhance his Soul Energy was a rare gift.

Soul Energy was, after all, one of the most difficult aspects of a life form to enhance!

Although the Mermaid Blessing did not significantly boost Fang Mu, there was still an improvement.

Fang Mu knew that in order to satisfy his soul's enhancement, he only needed to endure as much as possible.

He found that the energy from the Mermaid Blessing no longer flowed toward his body and spiritual power, as his body and spiritual power had reached saturation in absorbing the blessed energy.

The energy from the blessing surged entirely into Fang Mu's soul, making his agony multiply three or four times in an instant.

Fang Mu clenched his teeth so hard that he could taste the blood in his mouth from the exertion.

This blessed energy roared as it assailed Fang Mu's soul, causing both the Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen and Yan Yubanruo within his soul to howl.

Whether Fang Mu could endure was one thing, but letting this blessed energy wash over his soul risked causing it harm!

Otherwise, Yan Yubanruo and the Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen would not have taken a defensive stance.

Fang Mu had always tried hard to hide his past life's soul deep within the Soul Sea, but now he decided to let the soul of his past life share the burden of the energy within the Mermaid Blessing with his current soul.

With an additional soul to share the load, the energy from the Mermaid Blessing no longer threatened to harm either of Fang Mu's souls!

By this time, three and a half days had passed since Fang Mu received the Mermaid Blessing, and his endurance greatly exceeded Lian Dai's expectations!

Lian Dai had thought that as a human, Fang Mu could at most endure for a little over one day.

Even though she had become Fang Mu's Dao Protector and her Soul Mark lingered in his soul, she did not expect him to last more than two days.

When two days passed, Lian Dai was extremely surprised; Fang Mu enduring for two days had already surpassed her expectations, and his spiritual power and soul had benefited from the blessing.

Lian Dai had thought the mermaid's illusion shrouding Fang Mu would dissipate at any time, but he stubbornly endured another one and a half days.

Lian Dai herself, having experienced the Mermaid Blessing, knew the pain Fang Mu was enduring—it took her exactly three and a half days.

Because she possessed the Mermaid Bloodline, she could face the Mermaid Blessing more calmly than Fang Mu was now.

No wonder Fang Mu, with such a resolute nature, was so highly regarded by the Saint Creator Qixing!

The more Lian Dai interacted with Fang Mu, the more she admired him; her appreciation for Fang Mu permeated from deep within her bones.

Lian Dai wanted to see just how long Fang Mu could last, wondering if he could endure until the blessing concluded and a mermaid's totem actually appeared on his body!?

Fang Mu was straining his entire being; the blessing's energy gashed at his soul, every assault inflicting torment akin to being quartered and pierced by thousands of arrows.

Just when Fang Mu thought he was on the verge of collapse, unable to bear the energy's onslaught any longer, he noticed that the impact of the blessed energy on his soul was weakening.

This indicated that the energy from the Mermaid Blessing was nearly spent, and with diminishing pain, Fang Mu gradually entered a peaceful state where he could comfortably and happily absorb the remaining energy from the blessing.

Forgetting the passage of time, Fang Mu focused solely on enhancing himself as much as possible.

Lian Dai also noticed the Mermaid Blessing's energy dropping from its peak value.

Five days had passed since the beginning of the Mermaid Blessing, and considering Fang Mu's current absorption rate, Lian Dai estimated that in about ten more hours, the Mermaid Blessing would be completely absorbed by Fang Mu.

Had she not witnessed it with her own eyes, Lian Dai would never have believed a human could endure a Mermaid Blessing that even mermaids could not withstand!

The mermaid totem was beginning to take shape on Fang Mu's body.

While it would not grant him the Mermaid Bloodline, it would endow Fang Mu with underwater abilities akin to those of a mermaid and an affinity with marine life.

Chapter 1283: Absorbing Purple Belt! The Sea of Domains was raging with fierce waves, as small ferries continuously cruised atop it.

Below the ferries were kayaks carved with special totems, each equipped with six Beast Masters.

These ferries all belonged to the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, and the people on board wore the Federation's standard uniform.

However, the people on the kayaks wore different clothes, clearly coming from various factions.

The members of various factions were using Spatial Equipment to collect Extraterrestrial Embryos in the Sea of Domains. Under normal circumstances, the best way to collect Extraterrestrial Embryos was to use Aquatic Sovereign Beasts for exploration.

As living radars, Aquatic Sovereign Beasts could quickly detect Extraterrestrial Embryos floating on the sea surface and even those that had sunk to the seafloor.

Different Extraterrestrial Embryos left behind by dead extraterrestrial creatures had different densities. For example, those formed by Touch Dog and Sting Antelope mostly floated on the surface.

Even if some did not float on the surface, they would not sink below two hundred meters.

Whereas the Embryos formed by Swallow after death were much heavier than those of Touch Dog and Sting Antelope, mostly settling on the ocean floor or drifting in the currents below five hundred meters.

This made collecting these Extraterrestrial Embryos extremely difficult!

Currently, the Sea of Domains was heavily polluted, and the Beast Masters in the sea could not last a day before their bodies mutated and rotted to death.

The once-rich and lush Sea of Domains had now completely transformed into a Dead Zone.

The aquatic creatures that had failed to escape had all become trapped spirits of the Sea of Domains.

To prevent the accumulation of Dead Qi from giving rise to marine undead in the Sea of Domains, the Ten-thousand Nations Federation had sent several Chanting Phoenix Seagulls to superintend the souls in the sea.

Harnessing their inner Phoenix bloodline to enhance their Light Attribute Skills, the purification abilities carried by the Chanting Phoenix Seagulls could indeed eliminate some of the pollution in the Sea of Domains.

However, this speed of pollution cleanup was almost negligible for the Sea of Domains itself.

The Sea of Domains bordered the Boundary Sea Federation, and it was essential to manage the pollution in the Sea of Domains.

Due to the special geographical location of the Sea of Domains, with continuous Ten-thousand-feet Ice Mountains to the northwest and a connection to other seas to the southeast due to inward-sweeping currents, the waters from other seas were backflowing into the Sea of Domains,

making the Sea of Domains resemble an inland sea isolated by glaciers.

The Contract Garden had not managed to clean up a large number of Extraterrestrial Embryos but had been constantly researching the management of pollution from extraterrestrial creatures.

In addressing the pollution problems of extraterrestrial creatures, there had been significant breakthroughs.

In this polluted sea area, where aquatic lives were wiped out, it was a nightmare for flesh-and-blood creatures.

Yet, the specially cultivated Absorbing Purple Belt could take root in this area, absorbing the pollution energy released by extraterrestrial creatures to encapsulate the energy within their bodies before massively multiplying in the sea.

The growth rate of the Absorbing Purple Belt was extremely fast; with proper arrangements in place, harvesting these in the Sea of Domains could clear out the pollution energy.

This would allow the water quality of the Sea of Domains to reach the living standards of the Sea Divine Beasts.

After the Absorbing Purple Belt solidified the pollution energy in their bodies, under the harsh sunlight, they would secrete a special biological enzyme that could slowly degrade the pollution energy, preventing it from continuously causing further pollution.

The tide had not yet reached its peak, but the Absorbing Purple Belts were already being extensively planted in the peripheral areas of the Sea of Domains.

The Contract Garden had always placed great importance on pollution management, a lesson learned after suffering many losses.

It had specially cultivated some organisms capable of treating land polluted by extraterrestrial creatures.

However, due to untimely treatment and worsening pollution, the Guardian Beasts that could have cleaned up the extraterrestrial pollution had lost their effectiveness.

Taking the current state of the Sea of Domains, if the pollution energy in the Sea of Domains were to double or more, the Absorbing Purple Belt could still consume the pollution energy as food.

But the Absorbing Purple Belt would also be corroded by the pollution energy, preventing them from secreting biological enzymes quickly enough to break down the pollution energy, causing the pollution energy to return to the water.

This pollution energy not only threatened the safety of the Sea Clan and humans but also could be absorbed by extraterrestrial creatures to heal injuries or speed up the hatching of Extraterrestrial Embryos.

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation was currently holding a meeting that had lasted over three hours.

It was rare for internal meetings of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation to exceed three hours.

Zhuang Herui joined the meeting temporarily and sat in the third seat on the left.

Zhuang Herui frowned and glanced at the second seat above him, quite dissatisfied with the position reserved for him.

Han Ming spoke to Zhuang Herui,

“Have all the extraterrestrial embryos been collected? Has Jianmu from Qixing responded to you?”

For the past four or five days, Zhuang Herui had been in contact with Fang Mu, inquiring about the status of the first batch of extraterrestrial embryo cleanup from Qixing.

This first batch was minor; the Ten-thousand Nations Federation had underestimated the number of Extraterrestrial Embryos in the Sea of Domains.

The second batch of collected Extraterrestrial Embryos was more than nine times the quantity of the first!

Plus, with what was collected today, it would likely reach ten times!

The quantity of the second batch of Extraterrestrial Embryos was staggering; loading them would require nearly two hundred Spirit Capturing Boxes.

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Zhuang Herui wanted to increase the orders for Spirit Capturing Boxes and had handed over the one he had brought back to Cao Xianbing, the chief Spirit-smithing Master of the Ten-Thousand Nations Federation.

Cao Xianbing first affirmed the value of the Spirit Capturing Box, then proceeded to disassemble it.

As expected, the restriction set by Jiang Weng was triggered, and the intact Spirit Capturing Box was directly destroyed from the inside.

Cao Xianbing had his assistant hand the destroyed Spirit Capturing Box to Zhuang Herui, telling him that it was covered with complex energy locks made up of energy circuits.

If even a single step in the disassembly was incorrect, the energy locks would immediately collapse!

This was not a matter of capability but of probability; unless the Ten-thousand Nations Federation traded tens of thousands of Spirit Capturing Boxes to trial and error, it was impossible to obtain the method of manufacturing Spirit Capturing Boxes.

Moreover, cracking the manufacturing method of the Spirit Capturing Boxes was very likely to offend Qixing, the Saint Creator.

Cao Xianbing was unwilling to engage in such a venture that seemed unprofitable no matter how he looked at it!

Before this, Zhuang Herui had always had smooth contact with Fang Mu, who sometimes even took the initiative to contact Zhuang Herui.

Now, unable to contact Fang Mu for four or five days, Zhuang Herui feared something had happened to Fang Mu in the Sea Clan territory!

“Lord Han Ming, the second batch of Extraterrestrial Embryos has been mostly collected. After this collection of Extraterrestrial Embryos, we can start treating the pollution in the sea areas that have been cleared of Extraterrestrial Embryos on a large scale!”

“Just that, I’ve lost contact with Qixing’s disciple, Jianmu. I wonder if Lord Han Ming has a direct way to contact Qixing?”

Upon hearing this, Han Ming’s brow furrowed sharply.

“Lost contact? How long has it been!?”

Han Ming actually had no direct means to communicate with Qixing; communication with Qixing could only be done through gatherings at Contract Garden.

Qixing had been forced to come out of isolation because of his own proposal and had taken on the two most difficult tasks upon re-emerging.

Under these circumstances, it was really inconvenient for Han Ming to contact Qixing personally. Compared to Qixing, Han Ming had not played a substantial role in this crisis.

Han Ming hated the feeling of being outperformed.

If Qixing's disciple had indeed encountered danger in the Sea Clan, cooperation between humans and the Sea Clan was likely to fall through.

The primary reason humans and the Sea Clan wanted to establish cooperation was due to Qixing's ability to cleanse Extraterrestrial Embryos, which Han Ming did not deny.

Zhuang Herui stated the truth.

"Lord Han Ming has been out of contact for over four days. If it's inconvenient to contact Qixing, perhaps I should reach out to the Han Yang Empire and get a response from them!"

"These Extraterrestrial Embryos have now all been collected, and even with our significant stock of Polar Ice Grass, it's insufficient for preserving these Extraterrestrial Embryos for too long."

"We must transfer these Extraterrestrial Embryos to Qixing as soon as possible!"

After hearing Zhuang Herui's report, Han Ming pondered for a moment and then instructed.

"Wait another two days, and during these days try to contact Jianmu a few more times."

“If there is still no sign from Jianmu’s side within these two days, you should go personally to the Han Yang Empire.”

Han Ming knew Lian Dai, who in his heart was a very reliable person.

Lian Dai would certainly understand the importance of Fang Mu’s safety to the Han Yang Empire.

With Lian Dai looking after Fang Mu, there should be no issues regarding his safety.

In fact, once it was confirmed that Qixing could handle those Extraterrestrial Embryos, humans may not necessarily need to cooperate with the Sea Clan.

Hopefully, Fang Mu’s safety would not become an issue; otherwise, a war between humans and the Sea Clan could be disastrous!

After giving his instructions to Zhuang Herui, Han Ming did not continue on this topic but instead shifted the conversation.

“We have been continuously discussing how to deal with those Extraterrestrial Beings used to produce Beast Taming Food.”

“Some people advocate for completely eliminating these Extraterrestrial Beings, while others propose preserving them to continue exploiting their resources.”

“What is your view on this matter?”

Zhuang Herui had followed Lord Han Ming since he was very young and knew him incredibly well.

Zhuang Herui was very aware that Lord Han Ming greatly valued the industrial chain created by extraterrestrial beings.

Under such circumstances where Lord Han Ming valued it, the industrial chain could not be easily abandoned—at least, Lord Han Ming certainly did not want to give it up.

Not to mention that Zhuang Herui was also optimistic about this project, even if he wasn't, he wouldn't go against his mentor.

"I support retaining these extraterrestrial beings and continuing to let them produce supplies."

"The reason these extraterrestrial beings have caused widespread destruction and pollution this time is because the tides are much stronger than in previous years."

"There is absolutely no correlation with the extraterrestrial beings industry we have been developing."

"Our management of these new extraterrestrial beings is extremely strict; there is no possibility of accidents occurring."

"Even if an accident did occur, our stationed powerhouses could immediately intervene and clean up the pollution."

"This industry needs not only to be retained but also to be expanded, as this can bring benefits to every Beast Master."

"Let those Beast Masters use the outputs of the extraterrestrial beings, using the least resources to provide high-quality training for the Guardian Beasts!"

"All of you present here have fed your Guardian Beasts with those products from the extraterrestrial beings, and you should know that these extraterrestrial products are of exceptional quality!"

Lord Han Ming, upon hearing Zhuang Herui's words, showed a smile on his face that suggested Zhuang Herui had touched his heart.

Lord Han Ming thought the same and held similar expectations.

Vigorously developing the extraterrestrial beings industry could benefit not only the Beast Masters but also allow the Ten-thousand Nations Federation to acquire a massive amount of resources.

The resources acquired by the Ten-thousand Nations Federation were not all going into Lord Han Ming's pockets; these resources were used for subsidies to weaker federations and the regulation of stronger federations.

Before the development of this industry, every year the Creators of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation had to pay out of their own pockets to cover the federation's expenses.

Among them, Lord Han Ming, a Saint Creator, contributed the most resources.

It had only been since the development of this extraterrestrial beings industry that the Ten-thousand Nations Federation finally had sufficient funds!

As soon as Zhuang Herui finished speaking, immediately some of the more conservative senior members of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation voiced their opposition.

"We are all witnesses to the harm caused by these extraterrestrial beings this time; with the development of the extraterrestrial beings industry, the number of extraterrestrial beings we now keep has already exceeded one million."

"Although most of them are Touch Dogs and Swallows with no strong evolution like the Sting Antelope, there will always be mutated individuals among these captive extraterrestrial beings that have extremely strong evolutionary potential, and accidents have occurred before!"

"With continued development, no amount of manpower can guarantee absolute safety!"

"If nearly a million extraterrestrial beings were to escape, given their adaptability to this world and movement capabilities in aquatic environments, it's highly likely they could spread to every corner of the world!"

“That’s why I disagree!”

Yin Hanrong frowned upon hearing this elder’s point of view and said,

“Extraterrestrial beings are difficult to reproduce, and even if they did scatter, they could not produce offspring in the absence of sufficient polluted energy.”

“Plus, we have put in place meticulous protective measures that would minimize impact, even in the case of an accident!”

“I have been overseeing the extraterrestrial contract plan, which has already achieved some success.”

“It’s proven that humans can indeed form contracts with Class S extraterrestrial embryos!”

“Now, our Ten-thousand Nations Federation already has two successful Contractors; admittedly, these Class S extraterrestrial beings are difficult to train.”

“But these Class S extraterrestrial beings, even if they are just hatched and only at the Copper Level, can still intimidate and manage those basic extraterrestrial beings such as Touch Dogs, Swallows, and Sting Antelopes.”

“Those mutated extraterrestrial beings, unless they reach A-class, will not develop any rebellious emotions.”

“These Class S extraterrestrial beings have a keen sense of mutation in ordinary extraterrestrial beings and can easily help us identify anomalous ordinary individuals!”

“The Beast Masters under our management are responsible for exterminating these mutated individuals!”

Chapter 1285: Outer Realm Creatures Development Plan! The extraterrestrial contracting program hosted by Yin Hanrong had actually achieved its current results over a year ago.

The reason it had not been announced was that Yin Hanrong had been seeking ways to enhance the power of the Class S Extraterrestrial Beings.

It was exceedingly difficult to boost the power of these Class S Extraterrestrial Beings, and over the past year, Yin Hanrong had made little progress.

Feeding the S-class Extraterrestrial Beings, which had been contracted by Beast Masters, with extraterrestrial embryos had proven very challenging as they severely rejected such food, fundamentally disliking the energy obtained from the extraterrestrial embryos.

Different extraterrestrial beings would engage in mutual predation, consuming mature extraterrestrial beings as food, yet they would not destroy the extraterrestrial embryos.

This was an instinct rooted in their genes, difficult to alter through acquired training.

Over the year, Yin Hanrong hadn't been able to enhance the strength of the two Class S Extraterrestrial Beings but discovered a common tissue in their bodies.

This tissue could absorb energy from the air to strengthen itself.

Extraterrestrial beings needed to ingest pure polluted energy to increase their power, and Yin Hanrong simply could not create such an environment to boost their strength.

Because the research had hit a snag, Yin Hanrong had not released the results.

Now, releasing this research result just might help maintain the extraterrestrial beings industry.

Han Ming was aware of Yin Hanrong's research and had provided significant support.

Otherwise, Yin Hanrong could not have accessed so many experimental resources.

When Yin Hanrong announced that he had bred two Class S Extraterrestrial Beings that could be contracted by Beast Masters, Han Ming knew those who opposed this research would be silenced.

Yin Hanrong's research was conducted in secrecy, and aside from Han Ming, only a few Grandmaster Creators who were devoted to Han Ming's cause were privy.

Feigning ignorance, Han Ming asked,

"Hanrong, your research is impressive, but do you think with these two Class S Extraterrestrial Beings, you can manage the extraterrestrial breeding ground we are building on the Zhongbang Continent?"

The moment Han Ming spoke, Yin Hanrong understood his intention.

"Lord Han Ming, relying solely on these two Class S Extraterrestrial Beings to fully manage the extraterrestrial breeding ground on the Zhongbang Continent might be a stretch."

"If we could increase the number to four, I can ensure that nothing unexpected will occur!"

"In my view, this tidal wave is an opportunity for the Ten-thousand Nations Federation to develop the industry of extraterrestrial beings."

"In the surging tide, Class S Extraterrestrial Beings will be washed into the Sea of Domains, and we can collect many extraterrestrial embryos from these Class S Extraterrestrial Beings after defeating them."

"I heard that since this tide began, our Ten-thousand Nations Federation has gathered a total of five Class S Alien Embryos."

"I hope that all five of these extraterrestrial embryos can be provided to me for research, and I will arrange for Beast Masters to help contract these Class S Alien Embryos!"

Class S Extraterrestrial Embryos are a highly sought-after resource for the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, and at least four Grandmaster Creators in the federation are engaged in related research.

Yin Hanrong wanted to use this opportunity to secure more advantages for himself!

After revealing his research results, those key members within the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, who initially opposed the development of the extraterrestrial beings industry, no longer insisted on expressing their opposition.

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation, an interest group formed by the Saint Creator Han Ming, ensured that the profits from the extraterrestrial beings industry ultimately benefited every member.

Those who held objections no longer opposed the development of the extraterrestrial beings industry, but the Grandmaster Creators engaged in this research were quite unsatisfied with Yin Hanrong's approach.

Everyone knew that during this tidal wave, the Ten-thousand Nations Federation had acquired five Class S Alien Embryos, and they all wanted to strive for these five Class S Alien Embryos.

By proposing to monopolize these five Class S Alien Embryos at this time, Lord Han Ming would surely not object.

And if others were to compete with Yin Hanrong for these five Alien Embryos now, it would appear as though they did not support the development of the extraterrestrial beings industry.

It is often said that the older one gets, the wiser one becomes, and Yin Hanrong, the old fellow, really knew how to pick his moment!

Just as Yin Hanrong seemed to know what Han Ming was thinking, Han Ming also knew what Yin Hanrong intended.

Now, with a large number of extraterrestrial beings flowing into the Sea of Domains because of the turbulent tide, it indeed was a great time to develop the extraterrestrial beings industry!

Prioritizing the search for suitable Beast Masters to contract these Class S Alien Embryos was the most fitting proposal for the current development.

Moreover, even if these alien embryos were really contracted by others, it would not hinder the subsequent research on Class S Extraterrestrial Beings.

Besides, Yin Hanrong had just helped him out, or he might still be arguing endlessly over whether to preserve the extraterrestrial beings industry!

“Hanrong, your proposal is good, and your research is also very valuable.”

“In that case, since you have made the request, the five Class S Alien Embryos will be given to you; I hope your subsequent research won’t disappoint me!”

“Now that everyone has said what they needed to, let’s conclude this meeting. Zhuang Herui, stay behind; everyone else may leave.”

Han Ming did not want to wait until after promising Zhuang Herui only to have other Grandmaster Creators come begging.

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S-Class Alien Embryos were limited to only five, nowhere near enough to distribute, if distribution were a possibility Han Ming himself would have desired to retain an S-Class Alien Embryo for experiments!

To Creators, experiments are the best standard to test the truth.

Han Ming kept Zhuang Herui around to inquire about the situation with Fang Mu.

During this period, Zhuang Herui had been busy collecting extraterrestrial embryos, and Han Ming wanted to know the details of the conversation between Zhuang Herui and Fang Mu.

After everyone else had dispersed, Zhuang Herui approached Han Ming and bowed, waiting for his mentor’s inquiry.

“Xiaorui, have you acquired any information about Qixing from the disciple Jianmu?”

Zhuang Herui shook his head upon hearing this.

“Teacher Jianmu is very cautious in his speech and has not revealed anything about Qixing.”

“The level of caution from Jianmu suggests it’s almost impossible to glean information about Qixing from him!”

When only Han Ming and Zhuang Herui were left, they would refer to each other as mentor and disciple. Zhuang Herui could tell that his teacher, Han Ming, was very concerned about Qixing, this Saint Creator who had suddenly emerged.

In the past, Han Ming had always been the absolute Dominator in the Ten-thousand Nations Federation. Even though the Eternal Mother Yongle became a Saint Creator, she was always at a disadvantage in her confrontations with Han Ming.

Yet, with the emergence of Qixing, after merely two gatherings at the Contract Garden, he had eclipsed his own teacher Han Ming.

To be fair, even as a disciple of Han Ming, Zhuang Herui held Qixing in high regard.

Qixing had paid a great price in light of the disaster brought by the tide, and compared to him, his own teacher Han Ming didn’t come off as dignified, still single-mindedly focused on the development of the Federation’s industries.

Han Ming frowned upon hearing this; not only was Qixing shrouded in mystery but even his disciple was exceptionally outstanding.

The fact that Zhuang Herui had not been able to gather even a bit of information was quite abnormal!

From his own perspective, Han Ming did not believe a Saint Creator would perpetually remain in a reclusive state.

At the last minute, summoned Contract Garden gathering, Han Ming experienced a significant setback for the first time, being utterly overshadowed by another Saint Creator.

What Han Ming found most intolerable was that Qixing's performance seemed to suggest that his abilities far surpassed Han Ming's own!

Just then, Zhuang Herui noticed someone was trying to contact him through the Legend Butterfly.

The Legend Butterfly was the Communication Beast given to him by Fang Mu, and the only one who could contact him through Legend Butterfly was Fang Mu himself.

Zhuang Herui did not immediately connect with Fang Mu's communication but said to Han Ming, "Teacher Jianmu is trying to contact me through the Communication Beast, should I take the call now?"

Han Ming pondered for a moment then spoke,

"Since Jianmu is the Han Yang Empire's representative of Qixing's mission, I think it's necessary for me to personally ask Jianmu about the progress of his cooperation with the Sea Clan."

"Xiaorui, let me talk to Jianmu!"

Upon hearing this, Zhuang Herui quickly passed the Legend Butterfly to Han Ming.

Fang Mu kept his eyes closed until the Mermaid Blessing had ended. Fang Mu could feel a significant improvement in his body, spirit, and soul, yet his condition was extremely poor!

The Mermaid Blessing left Fang Mu utterly exhausted, longing to slumber for a day and a night, without even the curiosity to inspect the mermaid totem that had appeared on his own body.

As soon as Fang Mu had received the Mermaid Blessing, Lian Dai left his room, knowing that what Fang Mu needed most was rest.

Seeing that Zhuang Herui had been trying to contact him repeatedly during the days he was receiving the Mermaid Blessing, Fang Mu still made an effort to reply to Zhuang Herui despite his fatigue.

Fang Mu feared that something significant might have happened in the Human World over the past few days and he was unaware.

However, once Zhuang Herui received the communication, the person who contacted him was not Zhuang Herui; the voice that came through the Legend Butterfly was one Fang Mu found both familiar and strange.

Forcing himself to focus and activating his thoughts, Fang Mu quickly realized it was Saint Creator Han Ming!

Zhuang Herui, as a Grandmaster Creator under Lord Han Ming, was naturally by Han Ming's side when he reached out to Zhuang Herui.

Fang Mu, even if tired, would not directly reveal that he recognized Han Ming's identity. Fang Mu wouldn't make such a low-level mistake.

The identity of Fangmu Jianmu had no overlap with Han Ming, and there was no way he could be clear on Han Ming's voice.

Upon hearing Fang Mu's hesitation, Han Ming immediately identified himself.

Fang Mu's response was very satisfying to Han Ming. It was both appropriate and polite, and Han Ming could sense the tiredness in Fang Mu's voice.

Han Ming was unaware that Fang Mu had received the Mermaid Blessing from Lian Dai. He thought Fang Mu was exhausted from constantly jockeying for advantages within the Han Yang Empire.

“Jianmu, you went to the Han Yang Empire in place of your Master Qixing. How are the talks going?”

“Your master is busy clearing out the Extraterrestrial Embryos. If you need resources or extra hands, you can tell me!”

Han Ming’s voice was cool and aloof, but he tried to sound as amiable as possible while communicating with Fang Mu.

Although Han Ming had failed to make connections with Qixing during both Contract Garden gatherings—with Qixing siding with the Eternal Mother Yongle on the first to demand the opening of the Sea of Domains, and becoming the center of attention at the second gathering—Han Ming still harbored a desire to form ties with Qixing.

It was better for humanity’s top Saint Creators to cooperate with each other rather than each ruling their own domain.

Had it not been for the fact that the Eternal Mother Yongle had killed one of Han Ming’s Grandmaster Creators before her promotion to Saint Creator, Han Ming would have been quite likely to reconcile with her.

Suppressing his tiredness, Fang Mu cleared his throat and responded clearly to Han Ming.

“The respected Lord Han Ming, the Han Yang Empire has already agreed to cooperate with us humans. The other three Sea Countries and the Sea Lord’s forces will head to the Han Yang Empire in three days.”

“At that time, representatives from the Contract Garden could be dispatched to negotiate with the representatives from the Four Sea Countries and the Sea Lord about this matter.”

“Master will convene a temporary Contract Garden gathering after the contingents from the Four Countries and the Sea Lord have assembled to explain this matter.”

“Rest assured, everything is going smoothly here. Once I return, we can begin the transfer of the second batch of Extraterrestrial Embryos!”

“If the number of the second batch of Extraterrestrial Embryos is too large, I’ll bring more Spirit Capturing Boxes.”

Han Ming had thought communicating with a junior like Fang Mu would be quite troublesome, as there were things that he, being a Saint Creator, found inconvenient to plainly say or directly inquire about from such a junior.

But as soon as he began, Fang Mu made everything clear he needed to say.

As the de facto manager of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, which has always controlled the Sea of Domains,

Even if the Sea of Domains were opened, the Ten-thousand Nations Federation would still have absolute control over it!

Han Ming was well aware of just how many Extraterrestrial Embryos had been collected in the Sea of Domains; the quantity of the second batch had reached ten times that of the first batch.

The sheer effort of gathering these Extraterrestrial Embryos was substantial. Han Ming could scarcely imagine how Qixing would manage to process them.

If he had taken on the task of clearing the Extraterrestrial Embryos himself, encountering such a situation would have left Han Ming truly distressed.

Now that Fang Mu had broached the subject, it had effectively saved Han Ming from losing face.

Han Ming’s primary interest in communicating with Fang Mu was to learn whether the humans’ cooperation with the Sea Clan was proceeding smoothly.

Since everything was going well, Han Ming prepared to return the Legend Butterfly to Zhuang Herui, letting Zhuang Herui continue further communication with Fang Mu.

“The transfer of Extraterrestrial Embryos has always been negotiated between you and ‘Little Rui’, so I’ll let him continue the transfer with you in a bit.”

“I’m glad to hear everything is going smoothly with the Sea Clan. If you have time in the future, you’re welcome to visit the Ten-thousand Nations Federation!”

After speaking, Han Ming got up and left the assembly hall. Zhuang Herui looked at the Legend Butterfly fluttering beside him and twitched the corners of his mouth.

Zhuang Herui knew what Han Ming was thinking, but he too feared offending Master Qixing because of the second transfer!

Moreover, in front of Fang Mu, a teenager, Han Ming calling him, a Grandmaster Creator who had lived for hundreds of years, “Little Rui” elicited in Zhuang Herui the subtle sense that he was a generation below Fang Mu.

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Fang Mu noticed Han Ming’s friendliness during their conversation, and this friendliness made Fang Mu realize that Han Ming was interested in forming a good relationship with Qixing.

If that were not the case, Han Ming should not have had such an attitude towards him.

When Fang Mu traded the Spirit Capturing Boxes with Zhuang Herui, he would pick supplies from the Treasury of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, naturally getting the chance to visit the Ten-thousand Nations Federation.

Next would be his communication with Zhuang Herui.

Fang Mu thought that once the people of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation had researched the Spirit Capturing Box after obtaining it, they would definitely notice its extraordinary qualities.

It seemed likely that Zhuang Herui would increase the order for the Spirit Capturing Boxes in their upcoming discussions.

Fang Mu had already arranged for Jiang Weng to produce as many Spirit Capturing Boxes as possible, and there was still enough inventory available.

Even if Zhuang Herui increased the order, there should be enough for the transaction!

First, Zhuang Herui greeted Fang Mu, then he went straight to the point,

“Jianmu, my young friend, I had previously signed an order with you for a batch of Spirit Capturing Boxes, the first batch being a hundred units.”

“Now I hope we can increase the quantity somewhat!”

Fang Mu responded with a smile,

“Senior, after signing that batch of orders with you, I already informed my master about the demand from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation for the Spirit Capturing Boxes.”

“Compared to ordinary Space Spirit Tools, these Spirit Capturing Boxes are indeed the best suited for transporting Extraterrestrial Embryos.”

“Even after this tidal surge passes, the Spirit Capturing Boxes can still be used to transport a large amount of supplies.”

“The stability of space inside the Spirit Capturing Boxes is comparable to that of a Sequential-ranked Space Spirit Tool, and my master agrees that I can take out more Spirit Capturing Boxes to trade with the Ten-thousand Nations Federation!”

Zhuang Herui felt quite pleased upon hearing Fang Mu’s words.

This meant the Ten-thousand Nations Federation could trade for a large number of Spirit Capturing Boxes from Fang Mu.

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation needed a large number of Spirit Capturing Boxes primarily because they recognized their value.

The Spirit Capturing Boxes could effectively cope with disasters brought on by the tidal surge.

Secondly, the Ten-thousand Nations Federation wanted to develop an industrial chain with extraterrestrial creatures, collecting their excretions to process into high-nutritional-value Beast-Rearing Feed.

With the Spirit Capturing Boxes for transport, the transport efficiency could be greatly improved.

Without such a need, it would be impossible for so many core members of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation to advocate increasing the order of Spirit Capturing Boxes.

Fang Mu willingly took the interests of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation into consideration, which greatly increased Zhuang Herui's favorable impression of Fang Mu.

"In that case, for the first batch of Spirit Capturing Boxes, I hope to increase the trading volume to four times the original, making it a trade of four hundred units. I wonder what you think about this?"

Fang Mu blinked upon hearing this. It seemed that the Ten-thousand Nations Federation was still not bold enough; a quantity of four hundred Spirit Capturing Boxes wasn't considered large.

Fang Mu had learned from the city lord Pan Tao, from Boundary Sea City, that the Ten-thousand Nations Federation was creating value by forming an industrial chain with extraterrestrial creatures.

Although this approach was risky, Fang Mu still highly regarded it.

As long as additional personnel were deployed to ensure safety, utilizing extraterrestrial creatures to create value was a good deed for the welfare of all humanity!

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation's revenues were largely invested in various Federations, with even the Dragon Rising Federation receiving a certain amount of financial aid from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation each year.

Fang Mu did not like Han Ming's domineering style, but the actions taken by the Ten-thousand Nations Federation over the years were commendable.

If not for the supervision, management, and support of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, many small Federations might disappear from the map of the Human World for various reasons.

Zhuang Herui only increased the first batch of Spirit Capturing Boxes to four hundred units, so Fang Mu could not possibly force more Spirit Capturing Boxes onto Zhuang Herui.

"Alright, four hundred Spirit Capturing Boxes are still within my range of allocation. If the Ten-thousand Nations Federation urgently needs these Spirit Capturing Boxes, they can send someone to the Dragon Rising Federation, and someone will be arranged to handle the transaction with you!"

"I am currently in the Han Yang Empire, and it will take me at least a few days to leave."

If Zhuang Herui initially felt pleased, his mood had now turned to surprise.

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation indeed urgently needed the Spirit Capturing Boxes, as having them could at least triple the current pace of retrieval of the Extraterrestrial Embryos!

Even a fivefold increase was not impossible!

"Jianmu, my young friend, thank you for your understanding. I will personally go to the Dragon Rising Federation for the handover, and at that time, just inform the person in charge of the transaction through Legend Butterfly to communicate with me!"

Zhuang Herui could sense Fang Mu's fatigue through their conversation, a kind of extreme exhaustion that could not be concealed!

As Zhuang Herui was about to end the communication and let Fang Mu rest, he heard Fang Mu continue to speak,

“I would also like to initiate a transaction between the Ten-thousand Nations Federation and myself.”

“The Ten-thousand Nations Federation has been operating in the Sea of Domains and should have collected some S-Class Alien Embryos.”

“I wonder if I could trade for a few S-Class Alien Embryos with the Ten-thousand Nations Federation?”

“My master is very interested in the S-Class Alien Embryos and plans to research them.”

Upon hearing Fang Mu mention the S-Class Alien Embryos, Zhuang Herui internally exclaimed that this was troublesome.

The S-Class Alien Embryos were currently one of the main strategic resources of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, and the Grandmaster Creators within the Federation were ceaselessly vying for these S-Class Alien Embryos.

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“Class S alien embryos are related to the Ten-thousand Nations Federation’s upcoming extraterrestrial biological industry, and there’s no way these Class S alien embryos could be traded to Fang Mu, even if Fang Mu brought up his Master Qixing!”

Zhuang Herui was well aware that during negotiations between two parties, if one party decides not to trade with the other, the last thing they should do is give the impression that a trade might still be possible.

An uncertain refusal might lead the other party to believe there was a possibility for trade, which could strain the relationship between them.

“Sorry, Little Wood, the Ten-thousand Nations Federation also urgently needs these Class S alien embryos. These Class S alien embryos are crucial supplies for the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, and we really can’t afford to trade them!”

“Apart from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, a few other powers also have these Class S alien embryos, and our Federation is actively communicating with these powers hoping to trade them over.”

“I hope you can understand, Little Wood!”

With these words, Zhuang Herui not only completely refused Fang Mu, but also clearly informed Fang Mu that the Ten-thousand Nations Federation was seeking to trade for Class S alien embryos from several other powers.

The underlying message was that he did not wish his own side to attempt seizing the alien embryos forcefully.

Fang Mu had already obtained a Class S alien embryo, and having one or two of these Class S alien embryos contracted through Covenant Blood Essence was enough for him.

The reason Fang Mu wanted to trade for more alien embryos was to explore the diversity of the beings.

Being able to trade would be good, but not being able to trade wouldn't have much impact on Fang Mu.

It was unknown whether the Ten-thousand Nations Federation had the capability to purify polluted energy.

If they didn't have this capability or if the purification process was too slow, he could later trade purified polluted energy with the Ten-thousand Nations Federation.

After understanding the industry of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, Fang Mu had guessed what they intended to use these Class S alien embryos for.

Having these Class S extraterrestrial beings could greatly reduce the dangers posed by ordinary extraterrestrial beings.

After ending the communication with Fang Mu, Zhuang Herui breathed a sigh of relief, fearing that Fang Mu, upon being refused a trade, might take actions that could affect their cooperation.

Class S alien embryos were indeed crucial for the Ten-thousand Nations Federation; otherwise, even to maintain a relationship with Fang Mu's side, Zhuang Herui would have requested Han Ming to trade a few Class S alien embryos with Qixing.

After ending the communication with Zhuang Herui, Fang Mu, despite feeling exhausted, contacted Fang Yuan.

Being away from home, Fang Mu would report his safety to Fang Yuan, Fang Qin, and Yan Wood every once in a while. This time, due to the Mermaid Blessing, he had been out of touch for five days, and Fang Yuan, Fang Qin, and Yan Wood must have been extremely worried!

Soon, Fang Mu's Legend Butterfly linked with Fang Yuan's Legend Butterfly, and he immediately heard Fang Yuan's anxious care.

"Little Wood, how are things on your end?"

Without asking why Fang Mu hadn't sent any messages for five days, Fang Yuan knew that Fang Mu was in the Han Yang Empire of the Sea Clan.

Fang Mu was currently involved in major negotiations about establishing human relations with the Sea Clan. Before Fang Mu became a Beast Master, Fang Yuan had hoped he would regain his confidence by becoming one.

Fang Yuan could clearly feel the deep-seated loss in Fang Mu's eyes after he realized he couldn't awaken his Destiny Guidebook.

Now not only had Fang Mu become a Beast Master, but he had also become a disciple of the Saint Creator Qixing, often traveling far away.

As an older brother, Fang Yuan worried about Fang Mu's safety.

Fang Yuan felt pained for Fang Mu but also knew he couldn't help him much, so he could only work on improving his own abilities while managing the Jianmu Commerce Association and visions of Jianmu.

"Second Brother, I'm fine. I'm sorry I couldn't contact you these days due to some circumstances."

Fang Yuan immediately detected the fatigue in Fang Mu's tone, which made him even more concerned about him.

However, his heart was no longer as anxious as it had been when he hadn't received any messages from Fang Mu!

"Little Wood, it's good as long as you are safe. If you're tired, you should rest early. I'll update your sister and Xiao Yan that you are safe!"

Fang Mu was really pushing his limits.

"Second Brother, thank you. There's something I'd like to discuss."

"One of the Grandmaster Creators from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation will travel to the Dragon Rising Federation to trade four hundred Spirit Capturing Boxes with us. Do you think you should personally handle the negotiation with this Grandmaster Creator, or should we have Elder Jiang arrange someone to handle it?"

Fang Mu had always feared that his actions might endanger his siblings, but now he possessed formidable strength in his hands.

Fang Yuan, Fang Qin, and Yan Wood would not only be protected within the Dragon Rising Federation, but Fang Mu had also arranged a trump card for them.

For Fang Yuan, making contact with a Grandmaster Creator from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation was a great opportunity, as he intended to expand the Jianmu Commerce Association beyond the Dragon Rising Federation.

With this intention, Fang Yuan was definitely going to step into the limelight!

If Fang Yuan wanted to continue staying behind the scenes, many things would be restricted.

Before, Fang Mu had always made decisions for Fang Yuan, but now, with the ability to ensure Fang Yuan's safety, Fang Mu had returned the power of decision to Fang Yuan.

Fang Mu wanted Fang Yuan to make decisions for himself.

Indeed, knowing Fang Yuan well, Fang Mu had already guessed what choice Fang Yuan would make.

As Fang Mu had anticipated, Fang Yuan didn't hesitate and chose to directly liaise with the Grandmaster Creator from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation who had come to trade the Spirit Capturing Box.

Fang Yuan was delighted that Fang Mu had given him such a choice, as he had long harbored the idea of stepping forward to alleviate the pressure on Fang Mu.

As the older brother with considerable strength, he couldn't always let his younger brother bear all the burdens!

After finishing the communication with Fang Yuan, Fang Mu collapsed onto his bed, abandoning any attempt at maintaining his image.

Exhausted, Fang Mu needed a deep sleep to recover to his fullest state.

While Fang Mu rested, a major event that shook the entire Ten-thousand Nations Federation occurred.

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation divided the Sea of Domains into several areas, and during the process of capturing extraterrestrial embryos, the fleet collecting alien embryos in the C Sea Area East lost all contact.

Not even a trace of the vessels could be seen on the ocean's surface!

This disappearance resembled the previous disappearance of a giant ferry; subsequently, five members of the Sacred Decree Knights from the Ten-thousand Nations Federation arrived at the scene in the C Sea Area East.

Among them was Vice Captain Bu Jue of the Sacred Decree Knights.

Bu Jue, who had joined the Ten-thousand Nations Federation in his youth and had been meticulously cultivated by Han Ming after passing through several selections, had steadily risen to the peak of order.

In the Sacred Decree Knights, Bu Jue didn't vie for position or compete against others, rigorously executing the directives given by the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, serving as a keenly honed sword protecting by the Federation's side.

If Bu Jue possessed a more competitive nature, his rank within the Sacred Decree Knights could have rivaled that of the Captain!

"Vice Group East C Area has undergone preliminary inspection, and nothing unusual has been found, it's unclear if this is the doing of extraterrestrial creatures."

"If an extraterrestrial creature is involved, its strength is feared to have already broken through the S-rank limit!"

"Even with strong tides, there shouldn't be any excessively huge extraterrestrial creatures brought here by the tides!"

Bu Jue frowned upon hearing this, glancing at the elder who was reporting to him.

"Wu Dong should avoid bringing too much personal speculation during the investigation; this sea area's contaminated energy is slightly denser than the other areas we've visited."

“The pollution energy, unique to extraterrestrial creatures, is about to dissipate, certainly originating from a powerful alien creature.”

Wu Dong touched his balding head.

“But Vice Captain, despite thorough investigation, nothing special has been discovered.”

“Could this creature have headed for another sea area? We can’t keep wasting our time here!”

Bu Jue stepped forward with his left foot.

“We can’t waste time here, there’s still much to do!

“Since this extraterrestrial creature doesn’t wish to show itself, we’ll have to draw it out!”

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“The locations where the ships disappeared twice are in the same sea area, and the two spots are not too far apart, days apart.”

“Even if this doesn’t prove that the extraterritorial creature has been active in this sea area all along, it at least shows that this sea area is the main territory of the extraterritorial creature!”

“After research, it was determined that even Class S extraterritorial beings can’t suppress their urge to feed; as long as extraterritorial creatures have this weakness, drawing them out won’t be difficult.”

Wu Dong, upon hearing this, was stunned and asked subconsciously,

“Draw it out? How is the team planning to do that?”

Bu Jue looked at Wu Dong.

“Of course, we need something that can attract these extraterritorial creatures to lure it out!”

“You go contact headquarters immediately and dispatch a fleet here, let this fleet fill the containers with extraterritorial embryos.”

“The extraterritorial embryos in the C Sea Area were only salvaged once due to a past accident; I suspect this extraterritorial creature’s attacks mainly target the extraterritorial embryos in the ships.”

“We’ll disguise our presence and stay within this fleet, and when this extraterritorial creature shows up, we’ll take action against it immediately!”

Wu Dong swallowed hard upon hearing this; this was indeed Bu Jue’s style of doing things.

Using a fleet as bait to confront such danger, only someone as bold and skilled as Bu Jue would dare to make such a proposition!

Due to continuous damages to fleets, the Ten-thousand Nations Federation has become more stringent in its management of fleets.

The large ferries of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation are built with special techniques, and once lost, they’re difficult to replace.

Even with a sufficient number of Spirit-smithing Masters and craftsmen, it’s hard to obtain the skeletons of Island Whales again.

Island Whales were nearly extinct at the beginning of The Seventh Era, with practically no sign of them left in the seas.

Obtaining Whale Bone required digging in the permafrost.

The Ten-thousand Nations Federation spent a great deal on these twenty-some Whale Bone skeletons, but it's likely that headquarters would agree with Bu Jue's proposal to use the fleet as bait.

First, because Bu Jue's strength was sufficient, and second, due to the abilities of Bu Jue's Guardian Beast.

One of Bu Jue's Guardian Beasts possesses Barrier Ability, capable of erecting a Barrier to protect the entire fleet within the attack range of the extraterritorial creature.

"Team Leader, I'll apply to headquarters right away. If we're preparing to draw out this extraterritorial creature, I think we should make some arrangements to prevent it from escaping!"

Bu Jue, hearing Wu Dong's suggestion, firmly rejected it,

"The preparations you suggest will inevitably leave traces in the sea area, and this extraterritorial creature has the ability to make fleets disappear without a trace; its strength must be formidable."

"If it evolved from the genes of a Sting Antelope, it's highly possible it has mastered the ability to detect energy traces. Making excessive preparations poses a risk to the plan."

"Once it appears, I will restrain it first, then the four of you will defend and prevent it from fleeing."

"And then we will attack it together!"

"If we can capture an extraterritorial being that surpasses Class S, it will be a fortunate event for the development of our Ten-thousand Nations Federation!"

Bu Jue was a person with resolute actions and strong execution, and at the same time, he was as cautious as one could be to the bone.

Even with strength at the Peak of Order, Bu Jue still strove for reliability in his actions.

Bu Jue was personally trained by Han Ming, and in terms of personality, was very similar to Han Ming.

Soon, an entire fleet filled with extraterritorial embryos arrived at the East C Sea Area, where accidents had occurred consecutively.

The captain, in command of this fleet, had a face ashen with anger and was very dissatisfied with Bu Jue's proposal.

Pang Haiwen would have no objections if his fleet was to undertake dangerous missions for the sake of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation.

However, Pang Haiwen simply couldn't accept using his own fleet, abandoning ongoing work, to serve as bait!

Due to the order coming from his immediate superior, Pang Haiwen had no choice but to cooperate with Bu Jue's actions.

Pang Haiwen thought to himself that Bu Jue better keep his word to ensure the safety of the fleet.

Otherwise, he would definitely make a formal complaint against this Vice Commander of the Sacred Decree Knights at the next collective meeting of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation!

Bu Jue and the other four members of the Sacred Decree Knights stood each atop a ferry.

On Bu Jue's shoulder was a very tiny Fairy with two pairs of wings, dancing gracefully with a dual-colored aura of black and white swirling around, distorting the space without releasing any aura.

The sea surface in Area C was calm, but due to the pollution from extraterritorial creatures, it had become a dead sea, filled with an eerie sense of desolation.

Suddenly, Bu Jue opened his eyes and looked into the distance across the sea, his gaze locking with a pair of huge blue-purple vertical pupils.

Then, a giant Whirlpool suddenly appeared in the calm sea, spinning rapidly.

The rotating force pulled the five ferries down toward the depths of the sea.

A dense fog gradually enveloped the sea, obstructing Bu Jue's vision and preventing him from clearly seeing those gigantic blue-purple vertical pupils.

With a stern expression, Bu Jue raised his hand to signal his Four-winged Fairy to take action. The Fairy's constrained aura was immediately released, protecting the five ferries in an instant.

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The four-winged fairy released a stance that wrestled with the tremendous pulling force within the whirlpool, preventing five ferries from sinking.

Through the feedback from his own Guardian Beast, Bu Jue roughly gauged the strength of this Outer Realm creature.

His judgment was not wrong. The strength of this Outer Realm creature indeed surpassed the limitations of S-rank, otherwise, the whirlpool it caused could not compete with the stance of the Expelling Fairy of the High Order.

Under Bu Jue's command, the Expelling Fairy exerted its full power. As soon as Bu Jue and his team took action, the other four members of the Sacred Decree Knights immediately sprang into action, each releasing their own Guardian Beast in an attempt to block off this area of the sea.

Bu Jue and others slightly underestimated the intelligence of this Outer Realm creature.

When this hidden underwater creature realized the strength of Bu Jue and his team, it chose not to resist directly, instead abandoning the whirlpool's endeavor to pull the five ferries.

It fled directly toward the distant sea.

Noticing this, Bu Jue inwardly cursed the situation as unfortunate; Wu Dong and others had not yet launched their offensive and couldn't confine this Outer Realm creature within this sea area.

This Outer Realm creature obviously possessed considerable intelligence. Once it escaped, it would be difficult to lure it out again.

Although Bu Jue could use the entire fleet as bait, he couldn't really have the fleet restrain the Outer Realm creature.

Deciding instantly, Bu Jue soared into the air, a seal burning with blazing Ghost Flame appeared in his hand.

Bu Jue pressed toward the direction of the Outer Realm creature. Splendid golden-red Ghost Flame patterns were stamped into the deep sea, heading straight for that gigantic vertical pupil.

A whale song echoed from the sea, and the corner of Bu Jue's mouth twitched into a faint smile.

Bu Jue was certain that his seal had indeed stamped onto this Outer Realm creature.

Once marked with a stamp from his Ghost Device, whether it be an Outer Realm creature or a Guardian Beast, the energy within would gradually diminish.

This stamp also enabled Bu Jue to pinpoint the location of this Outer Realm creature.

However, Bu Jue's smile quickly fell because he suddenly noticed that the huge blue-violet pupil had vanished in the sea.

Below that gigantic pupil was a creature only the size of a palm, with a body almost blending into the water flow.

This creature had jelly-like translucent tentacles, each tentacle adorned with a few adorable secondary tentacles.

This jellyfish-like creature had seven blue-violet vertical pupils on its umbrella, one of which dimmed and disappeared.

The seal left by Bu Jue's Ghost Device also lost its sensation.

This was a scenario Bu Jue had not anticipated. He had always thought the culprit making the fleet vanish was a tremendously large Outer Realm creature.

Yet, it turned out to be such a tiny thing!

But the energy fluctuation released by this creature had already reached the level of Peak Order. Bu Jue pursued victoriously, his Ghost Flame-burning crimson-gold seal dropping continuously.

Dozens of seals enveloped the Outer Realm creature, and at the same time, the attacks conducted by Wu Dong and other Beast Masters struck.

Wu Dong and his team reacted swiftly, launching a fierce attack on this Outer Realm creature without time to set up a blockade to prevent its escape.

Whether the attack was effective or not, this Outer Realm creature had to defend against them.

Taking advantage of this, it was possible to ensure that Bu Jue's Ghost Device left a mark on its body, because if even a mark could not be left, a diligent pursuit in the sea would surely lead to the creature escaping.

That would truly be a wasted effort!

Wu Dong and the four other members of the Sacred Decree Knights diverted the creature's attention, allowing the mark from Bu Jue's Ghost Device to successfully imprint on the body of the Outer Realm creature.

The moment this Outer Realm creature fled into the distance, Bu Jue shouted aloud.

“Wu Dong, guard the fleet and ensure its safe return to port, the rest follow me to chase this Outer Realm creature!”

Bu Jue, just as he issued his command, saw the thunder above his head tremble violently, and a giant bird that blocked out the sun appeared directly above him, releasing tens of thousands of thunderbolts into the sea.

Even though these thunderbolts could not hit the creature from the Outer Realm due to its agile dodging, the thunder could still harm the creature through the water.

Fortunately, since there were no longer any members of the Sea Clan alive in the Tidal Boundary Sea, his attack wouldn't cause the mass death of the Sea Clan, who would definitely have sought trouble with him otherwise!

After pursuing for nearly four hours, Bu Jue, a Peak Order Practitioner, who had been continuously commanding the Guardian Beast to attack, felt deeply exhausted.

Yet the creature from the Outer Realm, fleeing in panic, showed no signs of exhaustion.

Fortunately, his thunder had injured the creature from the Outer Realm, and the mark imprinted by his Ghost Device was causing the energy within the creature to continuously drain.

Bu Jue was unwilling to give up catching this creature from the Outer Realm; after a prolonged pursuit, this creature was bound to become his prize.

Among the other members of the Sacred Decree Knights following him, there was one Beast Master who specialized in Recover Energy and was a Support Type.

With a certain cost, the energy he had expended could be recovered.

However, the most pressing issue now was that the creature from the Outer Realm was about to cross the divide between humans and the Sea Clan and enter the territory of the Sea Clan.

Once it entered the territory of the Sea Clan, this creature from the Outer Realm would be seen as belonging to the Sea Area Sea Tribe.

If the people of the Sea Clan discovered this creature, snatching this creature away would mean that on their side, if they acted against the Sea Clan, it would be tantamount to voiding the treaty previously signed with the Sea Clan.

Now was a crucial moment for establishing friendship between humans and the Sea Clan. Bu Jue was well aware that a conflict with the Sea Clan at this time, if the Sea Clan refused to cooperate with humans, would not only sabotage the efforts of Saint Creator Qixing but also make him a sinner against all humanity, undoubtedly putting Bu Jue in a very passive position!

Bu Jue decided to make one last effort, and shouted loudly,

“Mysterious Thunderbird, release the Thunder Crown and pump plasma into this sea area!”

Bu Jue’s main Guardian Beast, the Mysterious Thunderbird, wasn’t adept at pursuing, and its skills were all burst-type and effective at short or medium range.

If the chase was on land, even if Bu Jue hadn’t yet captured the creature from the Outer Realm, by now he would likely have inflicted severe injuries on it!

The members of the Sacred Decree Knights accompanying Bu Jue felt a stinging sensation on their skin which was exceptionally intense.

After the plasma had poured into the sea, the whole sea area seemed to have turned into a lake of thunder.

The resistance of the creature from the Outer Realm was too high; even under continuous attacks, its movements were hardly restricted.

But even if the creature's resistance was strong, being in the sea right now definitely wasn't easy for it.

For one thing, due to the Mysterious Thunderbird's attacks, the Thunder Energy in the sea would continue to accumulate; moreover, compared to the previous hour, the creature's speed had indeed slowed considerably.

Before the members of the Sacred Decree Knights could heave a sigh of relief, two huge blue-purple vertical pupils appeared in the sea.

Immediately after, two enormous whirlpools appeared in the sea, and shockingly, during their rotation, they sucked in all the plasma.

After one whirlpool vanished, all the plasma in the sea was somehow pushed into the seabed ten thousand meters below.

The other whirlpool, violently spinning, wrapped the seawater into a column that shot up to the sky, turning into tentacles sweeping toward Bu Jue and the others.

Although the strength of the attack was barely that of a High Order Practitioner, it wasn't enough to harm Bu Jue; however, it greatly reduced the traveling speed of Bu Jue and his companions.

It could be said that Bu Jue and his companions had never expected this creature from the Outer Realm, while fleeing, to still have the strength to counterattack.

This sudden resistance from the creature affected the combat frequency of Bu Jue and his companions, allowing the creature from the Outer Realm to successfully escape into the territory of the Sea Clan during their persistent pursuit!