

Black Iron 461

Chapter 461: A Trade

Seeing Zhang Tie leaving the camp, Nurdo, the cousin of O’Laura finally found a chance to talk with O’Laura in a quiet place.

O’Laura walked about 2 m ahead of Nurdo.

O’Laura’s attitude towards Nurdo was always cold. Even now, she was still taking precautions against Nurdo.

"Right here. What do you want to say?" with her arms crossed, O’Laura looked around and said icily.

It was not far from the camp; additionally, O’Laura was very confident about her fighting strength as a LV 10 strong fighter. Therefore, she didn’t fear that if Nurdo, a LV 9 fighter, played any tricks.

"Do you like Peter?" knowing her personalities, Nurdo put it straightforward.

"Mind your own business!" O’Laura sneered, "If you are here to talk about such a boring topic with me, I will go back right now!"

"Juventus is on my side. He has already told me everything about Peter in the tribe!" Nurdo said it with a calm look like saying something trivial.

Although Nurdo could not identify O’Laura’s look under the mask in such a dark environment, he found that O’Laura’s body quivered. Therefore, Nurdo revealed a wisp of smile at his mouth corners. Nurdo knew that he had to make her restless so as to reach his target.

"So what?" after a short while, O’Laura replied icily, "I don’t care on which side is Juventus. As long as he’s not on my side, his will in the grey eagle tribe has nothing to do with me. However, if he dares to betray the grey eagle tribe, the tribe won’t mind chopping off a senior’s head even at the risk of being split."

"I can make him support you so that you can take over the power of the grey eagle tribe as soon as possible. With his support, you can completely suppress Ollier and take over the power of the grey eagle tribe!"

O’Laura thought about Nurdo’s words for a while. She knew that Nurdo’s words were true. Based on the current situation in the grey eagle tribe, if she and senior Merkel could cooperate with Juventus, they would be able to suppress Ollier completely. The biggest trouble facing the grey eagle tribe was that the party of O’Laura and senior Merkel and the party of Ollier and Juventus were on even. Therefore, she did not dare to act rashly and blindly in the tribe. Additionally, her party was always restricted by the other party. If the alliance of Ollier and Juventus completely collapsed, the problem facing the grey eagle tribe would be solved. This was the perfect solution for the problem facing the grey eagle tribe...

After thinking for a short while, she finally agreed. She glanced at Nurdo. Although Nurdo was smiling, his slightly narrowed eyes were gleaming icily, making her heart race at once.

O’Laura knew that a grand didn’t come for free.

"What’s your condition?"

"It’s very simple, marry me!" Nurdo revealed a wisp of smile at his mouth corners.

"No way!" O’Laura refused him immediately.

"Listen!" Nurdo looked confident, "I know you like that guy. But he cannot help you at all. He’s just a high-level fighter. We also have fighters like him in our tribe. Additionally, the conflicts in the grey eagle tribe could not only be solved by fighting strength. I think you understand that!"

Seeing O’Laura becoming silent, Nurdo continued.

"Even if he accepted you, you have to understand that you are only one of his beloved women. Given the hot relationship between him and Sabrina at the present, how much more advantageous do you think you are than Sabrina. Additionally, don’t forget who revoked the wanted circular this time. It’s said that the enchanting fox in Ewentra Archipelago is also an amorous woman!"

"That’s why you bring Elizabeth here!" O’Laura replied with a strong irony in her tone.

However, Nurdo maintained his face unchanged, "I admit that I intended to seduce him with Elizabeth. It would be enough if a woman could let a powerhouse like Peter give me a favor at a critical moment in the future!"

O’Laura instantly recalled something as her eyes turned solemn at once, "Your father has determined to let your elder brother Mirba succeed to the throne of the wind wolf tribe last year..."

"Even if a woman like you wants to rule a tribe, how could I succumb to Mirba, the idiot. Besides having an old bitch mom, who’s better than mine, Mirba can never match me!" Nurdo raised his head while his eyes were filled with flames, "My father didn’t make the final decision yet. He could at least rule the wind wolf tribe for 10 years. I still have a chance in the decade. I will gain the support of the two seniors of the wind wolf tribe and I could lead the wind wolf tribe to become a leopard tribe..."

O’Laura understood Nurdo instantly. As long as Nurdo married her, he would annex the grey eagle tribe sooner or later. Plus the population and power of the grey eagle tribe, the wind wolf tribe would gradually develop to be a leopard tribe.

The tribes were divided by Slavs into mouse tribe, eagle tribe, wolf tribe, leopard tribe, fox tribe and bear tribe according to their forces.

It could be said that each Slav tribe’s ruler had the mission and honor to develop the population and force of their tribe to the scale of bear tribes. In order to reach this target, the rulers of all the Slav tribe would strive endlessly generation after generation. However, besides the natural growth in population and force of tribes, some powerful tribes also chose to expand their tribes by inter-marriage or wars.

The population base of the wind wolf tribe had already reached 350,000. If the population base of the grey eagle tribe was included, the whole population of the wind wolf might surpass 400,000, which just reached the minimum standard of leopard tribe.

"As long as you help me take the throne of the wind wolf tribe, I will let you rule the entire grey eagle tribe. It's a win-win situation!" Nurdo said full of ambition.

"Can a wolf spit out the flesh from his stomach?" O'Laura didn't believe in Nurdo's words at all.

"I don't want to restrict your freedom. I don't even care about whom you love and want to stay with. I only need a nominal marriage and the obedience of the grey eagle tribe. After taking the throne of the wind wolf tribe, I will not interfere with the affairs of the grey eagle tribe. You will still be the ruler of the grey eagle tribe. I feel this method is beneficial to both of us! What you need to pay is just some time and a nominal marriage!"

"Why are you telling me this? If you've long made this plan, I don't believe that you could wait until now!" O'Laura was still rational even Nurdo's words were alluring.

"I admit that this plan was a bit different than that I made before. In my earlier plan, I wanted to force you to marry me, by forcing instead of cooperating with you. Right because of this, you should believe in my sincerity!"

"Because of Peter?"

"A guy who could kill a LV 10 strong fighter with a javelin in a blink of eye is only a powerful guarantee for the grey eagle tribe, nothing else!" Nurdo revealed a wisp of smile—sneer, "Do you know what is the most powerful in this world? It's money. If you accepted the 500,000 gold coins from Bluesea Castle Business Group, we would not stand here. If you did that, you would have taken control of the grey eagle tribe. You're too arrogant, O'Laura, you're beaten by your own arrogance!"

O'Laura replied with a cold harrumph as she raised her face.

"What's especially hilarious is that Peter also refused the assistance from Bluesea Castle Business Group. Although he knew that you needed money, he still refused the enchanting fox's money. Aren't you clear about your position in his heart? Perhaps he felt that you didn't worth him to do that. No matter what, it's 500,000 gold coins. Don't tell me that he could afford that amount of money himself. I know that his purse had been taken away by you and Setton when he was caught. He's now a poor guy..." Nurdo showed discord.

"If he gave her money to me, would't he be taken as a toy boy? At least, Peter came down together with me. I believe that we will have a big harvest!" O'Laura urged.

"Don't comfort yourself anymore. Even if all the population of your tribe came down, how much could you gain in this action, 50,000 or 100,000 gold coins? Actually, you cannot completely depress Juventus and Ollier without at least 350,000 gold coins. Additionally, it's the wild bear tribe which hosts this action, how much do you think you could take away from here? That guy just accompanies Sabrina down here for exploration and travel; perhaps, he even wants to make some money. However, you only have one chance."

"Isn't the attraction of relics featured by the uncertainty of benefits. Why are you so sure that Peter and I cannot find enough wealth down there?"

"Do you really think that powerful ones are doomed to have good luck and become millionaires. Don't be naive. O'Laura, you've already passed the age of being naive. You'd better consider about my

suggestion. Finally, I want to tell you, no matter which way do you choose, it won't influence this cooperation. The former appointment between us still works."

"No need to consider anymore. No way! No matter what, I have to take over the grey eagle tribe. Nobody could take it away from me!" O'Laura replied firmly.

"Good luck to you! I hope that the talk between you and me is not exposed to anyone else!"

"Humph..."

Knowing that he could not persuade O'Laura temporarily, Nurdo didn't continue as he knew that something would sprout sooner or later as long as it was sowed in her mind.

"A woman who gives up 500,000 gold coins for the illusory love and self-esteem of a toy boy wants to take over a tribe. Does she think it's a playing house?" Nurdo sneered inside. After glancing at O'Laura, he turned around and left.

This talk ended in discord.

Seeing Nurdo disappearing in the distance, O'Laura tightened her fist...

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When O'Laura was separated from Nurdo, Zhang Tie, Sam and Gerri just came out of the entrance of the ruins.

At this moment, at least hundreds of people were surrounding the entrance. Those greedy pioneers who were curious about the items inside the entrance didn't leave; instead, they were just staying outside the entrance with glittering eyes. But nobody dared to go inside.

Based on the freak's strength, the first guy entering the hole would probably lose his life, not to mention finding something. Therefore, nobody would like to be that idiot.

When Zhang Tie, Sam and Gerri exited, they were stripped to the waists. They only wore pants. All the rest clothes had been tightly packed and carried on their back. Nobody could see what was inside.

Sam and Gerri both looked pale. Careful pioneers found that their legs were shaky while their hands on the package were trembling. Only the freak man looked unchanged.

"Is that okay?" Sam asked nervously.

"No problem, you two don't say a thing. Relax yourselves. I will deal with the rest!" Zhang Tie replied.

Hearing Zhang Tie's words, Sam forcefully swallowed his saliva as he nodded with a solemn look.

When they came out of the hole, those pioneers outside the hole moved one step forward. After being glanced by Zhang Tie's lightning-bolt eyes, everybody else stopped.

"What's inside?" Someone asked.

Zhang Tie only replied with a cold harrumph. After that, he took up that flange beam and walked aside. Under the gazes of everybody else, he immediately moved some 7-10 tons of blocks to the original places and blocked the hole.

At the sight of this, all the other pioneers started to swear inside. However, many people's eyes also brightened up. According to the rules of pioneers, as long as the discoverer left, the items inside the hole would have nothing to do with the discoverer anymore, irrespective of what it was. However, Zhang Tie's action remarkably reminded many people that something valuable was still buried inside.

Seeing Zhang Tie's movement, those who kept gazing at their package also moved their gleaming eyes on the architectural wastes which were used to block the hole. Even if someone among them wanted to rob their package, after measuring Zhang Tie's strength and those architectural wastes, they changed their decisions.

The moment the three people left, many pioneers instantly swarmed up. Someone instantly found the flange beam and started to move that block on road with other people.

The spot became chaotic at once.

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Seeing that they were not followed up, Sam and Gerri both let out a sigh, so did Zhang Tie.

"Peter, why did you block the hole once again?"

"Nothing. I just didn't want to kill anyone over there!" Zhang Tie said casually, "It's better to bring them hope than to kill them!"

Sam and Gerri exchanged glances with each other as if they didn't know Zhang Tie before.

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As they had to move steadily, their speed was slower compared to when they came here. Even though, they still returned to their camp after about an hour.

What a coincidence, the moment they came back, they saw O'Laura walking towards here from afar.

Seeing their weird looks, O'Laura became stunned, "Where have you been?"

"We went for wealth!" Zhang Tie replied with a relaxed look while Sam and Gerri both looked very nervous at this moment. If not Zhang Tie who found these items, Sam and Gerri would never dare to return here anymore.

O'Laura glanced at Zhang Tie with a gloomy look. She ignored his joke.

"Go to the tent, and when you come back to camp. I have something to tell you."

"What a coincidence, I've also got something to tell you!"

"What?"

"Let's talk about it later, it's just a few steps back!"

O'Laura nodded.

When they came back to the tent, they saw Sabrina and Nurdo who were still staying with some guests.

Those guests were dispatched by Golden Roc Bank and some heads of the wild bear tribe. As they came down here consecutively with a time interval of a few hours, it's normal for them to encounter each other here if they intended to.

Hearing Zhang Tie's arrival, they instantly turned around and became curious about Zhang Tie's weird look.

"Ha...ha..." Nurdo burst out into laughter first, "What? Have you already gone to discover relics after coming down here for a few hours? Look at you! You must have a big harvest!"

Although Nurdo's tone was not ironical but it was jeering. Indeed, nobody believed that Zhang Tie and his friends could find anything valuable in only a few hours.

However, at the sight of the staff from Golden Roc Bank, Zhang Tie let out a sigh as he knew that he didn't need to worry about these items anymore...

Zhang Tie fumbled in his trousers pockets and took out a thumb-sized item. He then flipped it towards a staff from Golden Roc Bank. That staff instantly grabbed it.

"Send your men down, we want to preserve a batch of relics!"

"Mr. Peter, our lowest limit of amount for entrustment service is..." before he finished his words, he seemed being choked by something while he looked around that item carefully with widely opened eyes at once.

"We have 1674 pieces in total!" Zhang Tie told him a figure. Nobody else understood what did Zhang Tie mean. However, at the sight of Zhang Tie and his friends three packages, the staff of Golden Roc Bank instantly took out a metal cylinder and triggered it towards the sky...

With a shrill roar, a huge symbol of Golden Roc Bank appeared in the sky which could be seen clearly by people within dozens of miles.

In a split second, various battle Qi's shined in the distance while many light spots started to fly towards here...

Nobody knew what was happening!

Chapter 462: Qiyun

Before they realized what happened, with a long roar from afar, a shadow had already arrived here like a lightning bolt.

He moved so fast. With a glittering battle Qi, he had already appeared in Zhang Tie's camp from miles away after a short while along with an air-breaking sound.

"What's up? Who sent the cloud-penetrating bolt?"

Closely after the boom was heard beside where they stood, a person fell down the ground like a shell, raising a lot of dust.

Zhang Tie admired him inside. Although he knew that there were powerhouses in the team of Golden Roc Bank for sure but he had not seen them before. Now, Zhang Tie found that the powerhouse was much sharper than that he imagined. At least this person's moving speed had already surpassed 100 m/s, which was much greater than that of Zhang Tie's. Even if he added himself with a rapid moving skill, Zhang Tie could not move so fast.

It was a 40-odd Chinese bald man who looked strong. When he asked the question, he fixed his eyes onto that person who sent the cloud-penetrating bolt, causing a great stress to that person.

"I received a entrustment service here..."

Hearing this, the bald man changed his face as he wanted to lose his temper...

"Someone found over 1000 pieces of emeralds!"

The moment the bald man heard the next words, he instantly relieved his fury; instead, he revealed a weird look as he asked repetitively, "Over 1000 pieces?"

"Yes, over 1000 pieces!" As he had not seen the items, he was afraid that Zhang Tie's number 1674 was not precise, therefore, he said a conservative number.

This number was indeed conservative!

Along the eyes of the speaker, the Chinese bald man moved his eyes on Zhang Tie, Sam and Gerri.

At this moment, Zhang Tie looked around and found that the looks of the others remained confused, except for Sabrina. What happened just now left them no time to think at all. Soon after Zhang Tie arrived here and threw that item to the staff of Golden Roc Bank did that person send a cloud-penetrating bolt. Closely after that, the bald man arrived.

As Zhang Tie could speak Hebrew, his words were understandable. However, the two men from Golden Roc Bank spoke Chinese. Therefore, all the others became flurried. They only knew that Zhang Tie discovered 1674 pieces of something from outside. As to what Zhang Tie had discovered, everybody else was confused.

Nurdo's eye corners were cramping. With his eyes on Zhang Tie's luggage, he didn't know how come they had such a big harvest only in a few hours. It seemed that all these items were valuable; otherwise, those people in Golden Roc Bank would not pay special attention to this.

"F*ck, has he discovered so many high-level crystals only after such a short period? What a lucky bastard!"

At this moment, many people in the camp had gathered here. They all gazed at Zhang Tie's luggage. Zhang Tie revealed a smile as he turned around and told Sam and Gerri, "Put down our achievements; show them to the public; by the way, we will count them here."

Gerri and Sam hesitated a little. As there were so many people here, they were a bit worried about the safety of these jewelries. However, seeing Zhang Tie putting down his luggage, Sam and Gerri did that too. They paved their clothes on the ground and opened the objects one package after another.

As they also found some relatively well-preserved black flannels in the counters, they wrapped all the objects with that soft material in case of losses in transportation. As to smaller items such as finger rings and ear rings, they packed over 100 pieces of them together. As to bigger items such as bracelets and jade chips, they packed them separately.

They also brought the three special metal vases. As to many jewelries and small objects, they wrapped them and directly put them in the vases.

Watching those objects being opened one package after another, all the onlookers stretched out their necks and became stunned. Compared with so many objects, the three vases became dwarfed. Everybody fixed their eyes on those green stones, large or small.

"Ah, so many jewelries!" exclamations sounded one after another.

"Peter became rich. Did they find them in the relics?"

"Sure, they went inside empty-handed. Of course, they found them in the relics!"

"What are they, emeralds or green crystals? They look valuable..."

"They look more like turquoise..."

"Turquoise are not that bright!"

"Those must be olivines!"

The onlookers started to discuss. Most of them had not seen these emeralds at all. Therefore, they could easily mix these objects with those they had ever known or heard about.

Only Nurdo and a few people slowly changed their faces at the sight of those objects.

With air-breaking sounds, powerhouses from Golden Roc Bank arrived here constantly with more and more onlookers. What Zhang Tie had not imagined was that Roslav and Waajid also led the fighters of the huge bear tribe towards here.

Not knowing whether it was an illusion or not, Zhang Tie felt that Roslav and Waajid seemingly let out a sigh at the sight of him. After realizing that they were gazed by Zhang Tie, the two guys walked to the side of Sabrina like nothing had happened.

It was not strange to meet people from the huge bear tribe at all. But the huge bear tribe seemed to be too active. Therefore, Zhang Tie paid more attention to them.

Keeping silent, Zhang Tie just stood aside, watching those staff from Golden Roc Bank authenticating the values of those emeralds.

After checking over those objects on the ground carefully, a 30-odd man from Golden Roc Bank stood up as he nodded towards a 50-odd man while trying his best to relieve his excitement.

The 50-odd man was the head of this team of Golden Roc Bank. The bald man was his subordinate.

"Mr. Peter. I'm Zhu Zhen, the head of the expedition of Golden Roc Bank. I want to reconfirm it, are you sure that you want to entrust Golden Roc Bank to keep these immortal stones for you?"

Because he was talking with Zhang Tie, the 50-odd man didn't use Chinese anymore; instead, he spoke Hebrew. Hearing this question, all the onlookers who were discussing about these stones shut up at once. Everybody felt their necks being grabbed by hands. The spot became so quiet that even a needle falling down the ground could be heard.

Zhang Tie nodded with a smile, "Yup, I truly want to entrust these objects to Golden Roc Bank. I know your bank could provide such a service. But I don't know whether you can accept them here or I have to bring these objects to Eschyle City!"

"If it's a common business, you truly need to entrust a person to manage it in our branch in Eschyle City; but it's special now, we can directly assign our ground crew here to receive this batch of immortal stones!"

"Fine, no problem!" Zhang Tie nodded.

Hearing Zhang Tie's promise, Zhu Zhen directly nodded towards a Chinese youth who was carrying a medium-sized box. The Chinese youth took out a clock-sized crystal remote sensing communication device from the box and started to communicate with their ground crew in the public.

Zhang Tie watched how did the Chinese youth manipulate the crystal remote sensing communication with an interested look, "When will your crew arrive here?"

"Our airship is still outside there. As long as they receive our message, the powerhouses of Golden Roc Bank will arrive here in 5 hours!" Zhu Zhen replied firmly.

Zhang Tie believed in his words. Zhang Tie knew that real powerhouses' moving speeds were very terrifying. Although it took them several days to be here, it only took real powerhouses a few hours. If not go down here with 200-300 people, Zhang Tie was also confident that he could arrive here from above ground in a few hours.

"Fine, you can keep them now!" after saying this, Zhang Tie threw a glance at Sam and Gerri. Then, the went in their own tents to put on clothes.

The moment the three people left did Zhu Zhen make a gesture. Seeing this, the other members of the expedition of Golden Roc Bank headed by the bald man walked towards him. After that, the 6 people surrounded the piles of jewelries.

Not until then did those onlookers become boisterous like a bowl of water being sprayed in the boiling water in a pot.

"Immortal stones? Are these objects immortal stones?"

"Peter found immortal stones?"

The entire camp boiled up.

Nurdo drew a cold breath. Even if he was always calm, at the sight of the solemn looks of the team of Golden Roc Bank, he was also driven crazy! His heart raced while his eyes turned red. However, in front of those people from Golden Roc Bank, Nurdo would never dare to rob those jewelries away.

After forcefully swallowing his saliva, Nurdo asked Zhu Zhen and the others, "May I...know the value of these immortal stones?"

Although many people had heard about immortal stones, few of them knew its price.

"Although these immortal stones have different qualities, they were not bad generally. If Mr. Peter entrusts our bank to preserve these for him, I think our bank would pay him more than 1.4 million gold coins!" Zhu Zhen answered seriously before letting out a sigh, "I've not imagined that Mr. Peter is so lucky. I was told that he had just been here for a few hours!"

Hearing this, some clever guys hurriedly ran towards the tent of Zhang Tie; the rest ones exchanged glances with each other as they could see amazement and admiration from the opponents' eyes, "Damn it. How come that guy be so lucky?"

Zhang Tie's good luck really made others jealous.

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The moment he came out of his tent, Zhang Tie had seen a subordinate of O'Laura who was cringing outside his tent with a chrysanthemum-like smile.

"Mr. Peter, Can...can you..." face blushed, the man asked with a shameful look while rubbing his hands.

Only after glancing at this guy, Zhang Tie had already known what he wanted. Therefore, Zhang Tie briefly told him about the location where he found those jewelries. The moment the man received Zhang Tie's reply, he had turned around and ran away without even thanking Zhang Tie. After running a few steps forward, he realized his rudeness; the moment he turned around and wanted to say something to Zhang Tie, he found Zhang Tie was smiling at him while waving his hand.

"It's okay. Hurry up, it depends on your luck!"

Zhang Tie didn't put on shelves in front of them. As the short building was collapsed, Zhang Tie didn't clean up there. Therefore, it was uncertain whether they could find some other valuables over there or not.

In a wink, over 200 members of Zhang Tie's camp ran over there with green eyes, except for the female army led by O'Laura, Nurdo and Sabrina.

The power of a good model was unrivaled.

Only after a few minutes, when Zhang Tie came back, he found O'Laura, Nurdo and Sabrina were already chatting with those staff of Golden Roc Bank. At the sight of Zhang Tie, they all fixed their eyes on Zhang Tie.

Perhaps someone among them also wanted to take a look in the place where Zhang Tie discovered these emeralds; however, given their status, they felt shameful to follow Zhang Tie's action.

"What are you talking about?" seeing their weird looks, Zhang Tie asked casually.

"We're talking about your amazing good luck!" Zhu Zhen smiled with a curious look, "We've participated in the excavation of many relics; however it's our first time to see someone like Mr. Peter to reap so much only after arriving here for a few hours!"

Zhang Tie shrugged and kept silent.

"Actually when someone's luck reaches the upper limit, we Chinese will not call it luck anymore!"

"What do you call it?" Nurdo asked.

"Qiyun!" Zhu Zhen called it in Chinese pinyin. There's no corresponding word with this in Hebrew. The moment they heard about this strange new term, everybody else looked different, "Mr. Peter really has a great qiyun!"

"What is qiyun? Can you explain it?" out of everybody's imagination, Roslav, a representative of the huge bear tribe asked while biting his tongue.

"In your words, qiyun means that a person is favored by God and could do great things!"

Hearing Zhu Zhen's words, the two powerhouses from the huge bear tribe exchanged glances with each other and kept silent.

Even Zhang Tie realized that his luck was pretty good these days. Although he had also suffered some dangers and setbacks, he could finally survive them. Remarkably, no matter what problems he encountered these days, he could always easily manage them, such as wanted circular and the bone-exploding needles...this formed a sharp contrast with Zhang Tie's experience in the previous 16 years. Therefore, Zhang Tie felt this sharp difference especially.

Especially the wanted circular, before he managed it, someone else had already revoked it for him. Even if he was captured at the risk of being chopped off his head, he could also survive that easily. Additionally, he was just trying to excavate the short building several hours ago; it was really out of his imagination that he could find so many immortal stones. "I've never been so lucky before, did something special happen to me?"

Zhang Tie instantly remembered the small tree. Besides providing him with fruits, the small tree also changed his mode of thinking. It told Zhang Tie that nothing in this world came without a reason. An object definitely existed or appeared due to some reason or logic.

Zhang Tie asked Heller in his mind at once.

"Heller, are you there? I also feel that my luck is pretty good these days. It's quite different from before. Do you know the reason? Is it related to the small tree..."

Only after a couple of seconds, Heller's voice had already reappeared in Zhang Tie's mind.

"Precisely, it's only related to yourself. The Manjusaka Karma Fruit Tree is breeding a new fruit recently. In the course of its generation, your luck is pretty good. As long as you see that fruit, you will know why."

Zhang Tie became stunned, "What? A new fruit? But I've done nothing special these days..."

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Chapter 463: The Most Valuable Thing

Undoubtedly, life itself was one of the most valuable things. That was why immortal stones were so expensive.

After being processed by an alchemist, the value of immortal stones would increase by 2 times. Although Zhang Tie's emeralds had not been processed by alchemists, they were still valuable. According to the authentication of the powerhouses from Golden Roc Bank, those emeralds were worth 1.64 million gold coins.

Although Golden Roc Bank sincerely expected to purchase these immortal stones, Zhang Tie didn't want to sell them.

For others, immortal stones were just gold coins; however, for Zhang Tie, those immortal stones had another meaning.

After the other powerhouses of Golden Roc Bank arrived here from above ground, Zhang Tie talked with one of them.

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"Of course, immortal stones could not help people become immortal. However, they could increase one's life span. Actually, people strive for cultivation by lighting their own surging points was also to increase their life span. The average life span of commoners was about 90 years; however, if one could reach LV 9, he could increase his life span to 120 years as his physical potential was released. The higher one's level was, the longer would he or she live!"

"What about the life span of a knight?"

"Generally, a knight could live longer than 400 years!"

"400 years?" Zhang Tie was full of amazement.

"Of course, besides knights who could live even longer, the whole set of top-class immortal stones processed by alchemist masters in the Eastern Continent could also extend their life span to 200 more years. A knight with a whole set of top-class immortal stones could live longer. As your immortal stones had been cut into smaller pieces in different levels, their values were sharply discounted; otherwise, they were worth a higher price!"

"Is the whole set of top-class immortal stones effective to commoners?"

"Of course, that's why the immortal stones are so expensive!"

"How much is one set of that thing?"

"Top-class immortal stones are rarely seen even in the Eastern Continent. They could barely be seen in the market. After collecting raw materials, big clans would entrust alchemist masters to process them. You cannot buy them even if you're rich!"

"Can people be really immortal?"

"In the Chinese legends, in the ancient times, humans could easily live longer than 10,000 years old. Dying at the age of 800 or 900 years would always be taken as an abnormal death at a young age. Human body is the most precious jewelry in this world!"

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After signing a series of documents on entrustment service with Golden Roc Bank and promising to them that Golden Roc Bank had the priority to purchase these jewelries on equal conditions if he wanted to sell them, Zhang Tie saw them off with those immortal stones.

At this moment, Zhang Tie's heart raced because of that talk.

Not until then did Zhang Tie know that one could increase his or her life span after reaching a high level. Additionally, with a whole set of top-class immortal stones from an alchemist master, one's life span could increase by 200 years. Zhang Tie was really shocked by the two pieces of information. Previously, he knew that one could grow healthier and live longer through cultivation while immortal stones could extend one's life span. However, he didn't know the details. Now he knew.

Zhang Tie knew that cannon fodder-class small figures who were educated to beat screws in the city like himself were born with limited knowledge structure and recognition in the world. Even though he had stayed in Hidden Dragon Island for a year, his limited vision was slightly made up; instead of being essentially changed. After the talk with that powerhouse from Golden Roc Bank, he reconfirmed about this point.

For some people, they could not touch such secret knowledge until they had reached a certain age, when they would extremely broaden their vision and mode of thinking. For Zhang Tie himself, unless he had the chance to touch them, he was isolated from a lot of information in this world.

Zhang Tie didn't sell those immortal stones immediately because he recalled his master Zhao Yuan. After the talk, Zhang Tie imagined about his parents' increasingly wrinkled faces. In a split second, a whim boiled up in Zhang Tie's mind. "No matter what, I have to let my dad and mom enjoy the benefits of immortal stones. I will help them to live longer. Because of various reasons, my dad and mom didn't have much knowledge on cultivation; therefore, they could not live long. This was also my biggest regret. If I could mend up this regret, I wouldn't care about the amount of money and immortal stones."

Zhang Tie experienced the power of alchemist once again. Therefore, he grew more ambitious about becoming an alchemist.

"Of course, if I want to help my dad and mom live longer, I have to achieve my first dream—to grow stronger." Zhang Tie finally understood why so many people were striving for higher levels at any cost. Because in addition to greater power, they could also gain longer longevity. They might live 5-6 times longer than commoners.

Zhang Tie had never imagined that he could live for hundreds of years. At this moment, a whim flashed across his mind.

"Perhaps, I could also live 400-500 years old." Zhang Tie told himself as his heart started to pound. He could feel that a gate was pushed open in his mind which presented a splendid world which he had

never imagined. Now Zhang Tie started to realize the significance of the hard course on cultivation and polishing surging points.

"Cultivation, cultivation, cultivation!"

Zhang Tie immediately acted like a machine being installed with a motor. He grew more desirable for cultivation.

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Being stimulated by those immortal stones, in the next two days, the 200-odd guys in Zhang Tie's team kept cleaning up that short building where Zhang Tie discovered the immortal stones.

As was imagined, those pioneers who expected to discover some valuables here were chased away ruthlessly. At the beginning, many pioneers were inimical; however, after knowing that these people were in the same team with Peter, they all left and did not dare to bother.

After two days, the short building was cleaned up. Those guys really discovered a lot of valuables over there, dozens of pieces which were well-preserved and a few broken immortal stones and jewelries. They were worth 70,000-80,000 gold coins in total.

As a result, the morale of the team became spirited. This was a worthy travel for them. They could hardly make so much money above the ground.

In the two days, Zhang Tie also wandered with Sam and Gerri on this relics and in the neighborhood. Apparently, they were seeking for another chance to discover wealth; actually, they were just familiar with the surrounding environment and terrain so as to seek for the real super relics.

Zhang Tie's good luck seemed being used up. Although he also tried to excavate something, he didn't find anything valuable at all, except for some scrap metal.

Sam and Gerri found the place where they picked up the weird ham package before the Catastrophe. In these two days, they just passed by this place for one time. It was a deep and serene cave which extended to the distance. They didn't know where did it lead to. In case of arousing others' attention, they didn't go deep in it.

In the same period, Zhang Tie found many strange forces and unidentified individuals. They had long entered the underground world before the allied forces blocked the relics valley. Additionally, their fighting strength were above common pioneers and most of the fighters of the allied forces for sure.

Zhang Tie knew that not everybody in this world knew themselves well and could curb their greed about the pieces of star of god, except for powerhouses like star and moon sword sage. Somebody would always have a try with a fluky mind. Perhaps, the news of super relics had been spread through special channels. Therefore, besides the allied forces and Golden Roc Bank, the others had also known about this message.

In the two days, Zhang Tie had seen many corpses of pioneers and unidentified individuals who looked very miserable. Remarkably, their personal belongings had been taken away. At the sight of them, many people who came down here for a try would feel icy.

The situation in the underground world was much more sophisticated than that Zhang Tie had imagined. Even the vanguards of Zhang Tie's team had not imagined that. Facing the potential dangers, the separate vanguards of the allied forces gradually gathered together in these days. The cake of wealth being exposed in front of them was much larger than that they had imagined.

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On the same evening when Zhang Tie discovered those immortal stones, Zhang Tie stood on the top of a 30-storey building which only had half of its steel and cement framework left. Looking down at those fluorite lamplights, Zhang Tie looked calm. Nobody knew what he was thinking about.

In the underground world, they judged time in consistent with the time above ground. Besides the weak light of a few fluorite materials and heat sources in the darkness, daytime and night could not be distinguished here. Therefore, one's biological clock could be easily disturbed.

"Thankfully, these dogskin plasters stopped following us!" Standing on Zhang Tie's side, Sam said furiously.

"No matter what, these guys are not silly. As this building has been searched by so many pioneers; nothing valuable could be discovered in it at all. If they continued to follow us up, they would find nothing else except for blush!" compared to Sam, Gerri looked a bit calm, "Have you found that the number of these dogskin plasters has decreased a lot after achieving nothing in two days?"

"It's true. Much fewer compared to yesterday!" Sam nodded.

Hearing their talk, Zhang Tie revealed with a smile. "Being similar to those gamblers who like to follow up those lucky gamblers, ever since the news that I made a fortune after discovering those immortal stones spread among the vanguards of the allied forces, Sam, Gerri and I had been followed up by a lot of people."

"In this couple of days, as long as I paid special attention to a certain place or moved my hands or stayed a bit longer somewhere, I would instantly be surrounded by some guys who started to excavate near me."

After achieving nothing for consecutive three days, Zhang Tie knew that those guys' endurance might have ran up. Zhang Tie was that lucky gambler. However, after achieving nothing for three days, he had been not attractive to those guys who followed him. Therefore, this was a good symbol for Zhang Tie.

As those who followed him were just average warriors of the allied forces who expected to make a fortune, Zhang Tie was not disgusted about them. However, after being gazed by them constantly, Zhang Tie didn't even have a chance to eat fruits in Castle of Black Iron. Therefore, he grew pretty depressed about that.

Therefore, Zhang Tie could only let so many fruits hang over the small tree in Castle of Black Iron.

"For some reason, I feel that the process of seeking for the super relics would be very risky!" after considering it carefully, Zhang Tie told Gerri and Sam, "As you've already seen it these days, the situation in the underground world is very dangerous, besides the pioneers and allied forces, there are many unidentified forces and individuals. Some of them have died for some reasons. I hope you two think twice before deciding whether to seek for the super relics or not..."

Hearing Zhang Tie's suggestion, Sam and Gerri hesitated...

Chapter 464: A Hidden Force

After thinking for a while, Sam and Gerri did not feel enthusiastic about exploring the super relics the last few days.

Poor guys were always the most struggling. However, Sam and Gerri were not poor anymore. Because Zhang Tie had promised to gift two biggest and best jade chips to them. Although they felt shameful about that, they finally accepted Zhang Tie's "reward" under his passionate request.

According to the authentication of Golden Roc Bank, the two pieces of immortal stones were worth more than 40,000 gold coins. Therefore, they sold them to Golden Roc Bank at once. At this moment, with gold checks which were worth over 40,000 gold coins, which was out of their imagination, Sam and Gerri started to hesitate.

These two days, when they wandered with Zhang Tie, they also saw those dead pioneers. Being stimulated by that, they woke up as they realized the potential dangers hidden in this relics.

Sam and Gerri knew their real fighting strength. As they were lower than LV 6, if not had come down together with Zhang Tie, even if they discovered the immortal stones, they would not be able to take the immortal stones out. If they were found having a huge amount of money, any douchebag among the pioneers could eat them up, not to mention any powerhouses. Such things were too common among pioneers.

However, they had already gained more than their expectancy. Therefore, they hesitated.

Even if they discovered the super relics and found the well-preserved vaults in the super relics, were they able to carry one ton of golds out of the cave? Of course not. However, at this moment, they were already carrying gold checks which were worth more than 40,000 gold coins, which would be heavier than one ton of golds, if being placed in front of them.

Actually, they already made a fortune. As long as they didn't want to live too luxuriously, they could live a dignified life in any place of Blackson Human Corridor. Wasn't it what many pioneers strive for their whole lives?

However, if Sam and Gerri insisted on exploring the super relics, they might have encountered potential dangers and had their lives threatened. If so, they might not get any chance to spend the 40,000 gold coins. The most anguished thing was not being able to spend all the money that one had made.

If they returned now, they would miss the chance to excavate the super relics. For pioneers, this was like how a lady killer missed a big beauty and how a fierce, hunter beast missed a grand dinner.

Sam and Gerri struggled between possible anguishes and regret. They didn't want to give it up; however, when pinching the hard gold checks which were sewed in corners of garments, they hesitated once again.

Only after glancing at their looks, Zhang Tie had already known what they were thinking about as he heavily patted on their shoulders.

"We are friends. Therefore, I respect your decisions. If you stick to your former decision, I will try my best to protect you!" Zhang Tie didn't promise to keep them safe. He knew his real fighting strength. Even if he could easily kill a LV 10 powerhouse, he still did not dare to be arrogant. After witnessing his master's power and how star and moon sword sage killed that huge deep-sea monster, Zhang Tie knew that he was just a trivial figure for sure. How dared he ensure others' safety in a spot where even knights and sword sages would attend.

Hearing Zhang Tie's reply, Sam and Gerri made their decision at once. After working with each other for such a long time, they had already known the other's decision only after a glance.

"The achievement has already been out of our imaginations. We were also negotiating about this a couple of days ago, yet we didn't make any decision by then. Now, after hearing your words, we make our final decision!"

"Oh? You've made your decision?"

"Actually, we've got another idea!" Gerri replied with a shameful look.

"Go ahead!" Zhang Tie asked with an interested look.

"If you plan to explore the super relics alone, Sam and I will give up going there in case of bringing you troubles and setting ourselves in dangers. However, if the allied forces followed you there, Sam and I will also go there along with them. As to the information about the super relics, its yours now, you can dispose it at your will!"

"He...he...you two guys are really..." Zhang Tie waved his head with a smile. He had not imagined that Sam and Gerri had such a plan, "he...he...they are really cunning. They directly handed over the disposal right of that information to me. If I lead the allied forces over there, they would stay with so many people. As a result, they would be safe. However, if I prepare to act alone, they would leave right away."

"Peter, what's your plan?" seeing Zhang Tie being not angry, Sam asked.

Zhang Tie touched his chin as O'Laura's and Sabrina's faces flashed across his mind, "I want to take a look over there first, if there's indeed a super relics over there, I will consider the next plan!"

Actually, Zhang Tie didn't feel that he had the obligation to the entire allied forces. Even if there was truly a super relics, Zhang Tie only intended to benefit O'Laura who always wanted to take over the Grey Eagle Tribe and Sabrina who always wanted to dominate her fate. He didn't think that he had to benefit others. Additionally, Zhang Tie was very anxious to enter Castle of Black Iron at this moment. What Heller told him three days ago had almost driven him crazy. If not check inside, he could not even sleep well.

After exchanging glances with each other, Sam and Gerri nodded.

"Let's go back to the camp then!"

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When Zhang Tie, Sam and Gerri returned to the camp, they saw that most people were already back.

The camp had been enlarged after three days. Almost all the vanguards of the allied forces were gathering inside.

The moment Zhang Tie returned to the camp, he found something abnormal as a great number of people were gathering in a narrow area. It seemed that they were looking at something.

Those people were standing at the roadside; therefore, Zhang Tie took a look over there by the way.

Seeing Zhang Tie walking over there, many people gave a way to him.

It was 20 corpses in the middle of the onlookers. They were laid in a row tidily. Under the green lamp light, those pale faces looked more gloomy.

These days, after sensing the hidden force in the relics, the camp had already delivered an order—all those who went for exploring the relics had to set off in terms of teams. A team was composed of 20 people. Therefore, the corpses lying on the ground implied that nobody of this team survived.

Those onlookers looked extremely furious.

"It must be the pioneers!"

"Summon our men, we will kill all the disgusting mice!"

"Yes, revenge, we want a revenge..."

Although some started to roar but some special figures among the vanguards were not idiots.

"Shut up!" hearing a roar from a head of the wild bear tribe, all the onlookers became silent as they fixed their eyes on Zhang Tie.

"This is really an unfair world. How could someone go out and bring back a huge amount of wealth while someone else lost their lives?" At this moment, the same thought flashed across many people's minds.

With a solemn look, Zhang Tie checked those corpses one after another carefully. Sometimes he squatted as his look grew gloomier.

All the wounds were on their necks. They were as tidy and smooth as red lines drawn by a red pen. The weapon might be a very sharp and fast sword.

"Where did you find these corpses?"

"In a mountain cave in the east of the relics. This team was dispatched over there to check the terrain. However, they didn't come back in time. Therefore we sent men to look for them but found their corpses in the cave!" A familiar head answered.

"You can contact with your higher authority with your remote sensing crystal, right?"

After being silent for a while, that person nodded.

"You can not manage this thing. If you want to revenge, you'd better contact with your higher authority. They will assign powerhouses down here!" Zhang Tie said in a low voice.

Hearing Zhang Tie's words, all the onlookers slightly changed their looks, "Mr. Peter, do...do you also think so?"

"The killer is a sword master. He killed them all with only one movement. Look, they've not even drawn their weapons out of their sabers even by one inch until death. You can not manage such a powerful enemy!" Zhang Tie waved his head.

"Even you..."

Zhang Tie glanced at him who swallowed his words back at once...

If the team of 20 people walked in a pitch-dark mountain cave, the length of the team would surpass 10 m. Zhang Tie knew that he could not manage so many people in such a short period.

Not knowing why, Zhang Tie suddenly recalled Sabrina.

"Did Sabrina come back?"

"No, we've dispatched people to find her!"

Hearing this, Zhang Tie instantly changed his look as a bad premonition flashed across his mind.

Chapter 465: A Business

Zhang Tie had searched for Sabrina's cavalry for several hours; yet, he didn't find them. However, as Zhang Tie didn't see any miserable scene which he concerned most, he gradually recovered his composure.

As the old Chinese saying went, "the more concerned you were, the more chaotic it would be." After calming down, Zhang Tie returned to his camp.

There was still a repressive atmosphere in the camp. By then, almost everybody else had returned. They all knew what happened. Nobody had imagined that a vanguard of 20 people could be killed in this way. Therefore, many people felt uncomfortable while roars could be heard everywhere in the camp.

Zhang Tie didn't think that he should shoulder any responsibility towards the allied forces. Therefore, he was not infuriated and much painful for what happened today. In Zhang Tie's eyes, the downfallen vanguard was nothing different than those dead pioneers. All this just reminded him of the hidden force in the underground world.

"Did Sabrina's cavalry come back yet?" Zhang Tie asked a person.

"Yes, they did!"

The moment he heard this news, Zhang Tie instantly paced up towards the tents area of Sabrina and her female cavalries.

At the sight of Sabrina in her purple leather armor, Zhang Tie finally took a sigh of relief. Although Sabrina was fine, over 10 cavalries were injured. Thankfully, they were not heavily injured. Sabrina was binding up wounds for her cavalries.

"What's up?"

"We met some barbarous pioneers. They bullied us. Therefore, we fought them!" Sabrina stood up and walked towards Zhang Tie.

"What about those pioneers?"

"We killed them!" gazing at Zhang Tie's face, Sabrina suddenly burst out laughing and became very enchanting. She moved closer and drew circles on Zhang Tie's chest slightly, "I was told that you hurriedly went to search for me after you saw the dead vanguards."

Sabrina was wearing a verdant bracelet made of immortal stone, which was gifted by Zhang Tie.

When Zhang Tie found her just now, he didn't feel anything special; however, after being mentioned by Sabrina, facing her smile, Zhang Tie felt slightly embarrassed at once like being caught by the teacher when he was dating a girl in the campus, "Erm...I was indeed a bit worried about you. Thank god, you're safe!"

"You're not entirely shameless!" Sabrina was very satisfied with Zhang Tie's answer as she glanced at Zhang Tie with an enchanting look.

Zhang Tie knew that no matter how the love affairs between him and this woman started or how many jokes and flirtation were aroused, even taking advantage of each other, he truly started to fall in love with this "lousy girl". At least, he indeed could not treat her as same as the other members of the allied forces when he knew that she might be in danger. He could not just wait there for the possible worse news with a calm mentality.

By then, the two people who were the most intimate to Zhang Tie in Ice and Snow Wilderness were two women. Realizing this, Zhang Tie asked himself inside, "Am I really that lascivious?"

"Young lady, our vulnerary is not enough. Can we borrow some from the camp of the wild bear tribe?" Zora, one of Sabrina's trusted subordinate walked towards her in a low voice.

As the head of the female cavalries, Sabrina who always showed herself as a dissolute image in front of others, had not imagined that they could encounter such a great danger, either. Therefore, it was possible that they would lack vulnerary. Before coming down, few people of the allied forces could predict that an entire vanguard of the allied forces would be killed. Because women were always scrupulous, Sabrina and her cavalries took some vulnerary and bandages; however, Zhang Tie knew that some female teams took nothing else except for some dried rations and necessary weapons.

"How much do we need?"

"Not too much! About two persons' demand!"

"No need, try this!" after saying this, Zhang Tie took out two vials of all-purpose medicament from his medicament container and gave it to Zora.

The moment he took them out, the green and golden solution and the brilliant individual symbol of manjusaka on the vials instantly attracted the attention of all the female cavalries.

In Ice and Snow Wilderness, variety of medicament were the rarest. As a barren land, Ice and Snow Wilderness lagged behind in all aspects. Its information and traffic were relatively isolated. Few pharmacists would like to develop here. The pharmacists of various tribes in Ice and Snow Wilderness were remarkably dwarfed by those in continents from both population and ability. As a result, even the most common medicament could only be used by the high-ranking government officials of each tribe. As for most commoners and average warriors, they might not be able to use medicament even once in their whole lives. Therefore, at the sight of the two vials of medicament, all the female cavalries looked amazed.

But Sabrina was the most amazed one.

"All-purpose medicament?" Sabrina recognized it right away at the sight of the unique symbol on the vials.

Zhang Tie glanced at her with an amazing look, "You know that?"

"Manager Xu Tao of Golden Roc Bank officially introduced such medicament to us several days ago. You were also there that day. But you left ahead of us. Therefore, you didn't attend the promotion after..." Sabrina explained as she also took out an all-purpose medicament from his medicament container. After putting it together with Zhang Tie's two vials of medicament, she found they were completely the same, "Manager Xu Tao said this medicament was very popular in the outside. The price of each vial was around 30 gold coins. Compared to other kinds of medicament, although it was not very expensive, it could not be bought in the market at all. Even Golden Roc Bank could only obtain a small batch of such kind of medicament. They gifted me one. But how do you have them too?"

Staring at Sabrina's gleaming eyes, Zhang Tie remembered that he truly heard manager Xu Tao boosting some "marvelous medicament" when he left the fury wind-level airship of Golden Roc Bank. However, as he wanted to see O'Laura at that moment, he just left first. He had not imagined that Golden Roc Bank was boosting his all-purpose medicament.

Of course, Zhang Tie could not tell her that he was the producer of all-purpose medicament as it was nothing different than finding himself troubles. After thinking for a short while, Zhang Tie had got the answer. Even Zhang Tie didn't feel like lying to her but he had to be a bit flexible at this moment.

"Do you know Armes, the mercenary empire? I have some influential friends in the Thor Mercenary Regiment. They got a batch of all-purpose medicament when they went to Jinyun City a few days ago. I got some from them!"

"Wuh!" Sabrina didn't doubt Zhang Tie.

Hearing the medicament being so precious, even Sabrina only had one, Zora instantly hesitated as she looked at the two vials of medicament in her hand.

"Young lady, this..."

"It's fine. Take them along with mine. I owe him. I was told that by using this kind of medicament, one would not have scars!" Sabrina generously gave her all-purpose medicament to Zora too.

All the female cavalries were watching Zhang Tie and Sabrina with grateful looks. Through this thing, Zhang Tie felt the intelligence of Sabrina. Although two vials of all-purpose medicament were nothing to Zhang Tie, hearing Sabrina's words, the female cavalries became more grateful and loyal to Sabrina.

"You don't mind it?" Sabrina whispered.

Zhang Tie smiled as he patted Sabrina's butts, "It's a bit chaotic in the underground recently. Many people and other forces were involved. They might not care about your status in the wild bear tribe. Therefore, you'd better not run around. If you're free, go back to the ground. It would be safer over there!"

"Not everybody could discover a pile of immortal stones for free like you. Even if you were wanted, you could still be bailed out by Bluesea Castle Business Group. Who else could be as lucky as you? Even I have to observe others' eyes before making any decision in the wild bear tribe. All the expenditure of my female cavalries was earned by myself. If not the belongings left by my mom, I could never be so free!"

"Actually, it is very easy to make money. You don't have to risk your life here!" Zhang Tie told her.

"What's your plan?"

"Your words reminded me just now. If the all-purpose medicament is so precious in Ice and Snow Wilderness, you can sell all-purpose medicament here!" Zhang Tie straighten out his mind, "I have some relationship with my friends in Thor Mercenary Regiment. I can help you inquire about it. If only I can bring you a batch of all-purpose medicament each year!"

Hearing Zhang Tie's words, Sabrina's eyes brightened up immediately, "Are you sure?"

"Of course!"

"But I was told that it was hard to get all-purpose medicament. I'm afraid that even Thor Mercenary Regiment could not get too many of them!"

"If Thor Mercenary Regiment could get them, it means that the channel of distribution is not completely closed. As long as we can find the sellers and the manufacturers, we will get the all-purpose medicament!"

"Where's O'Laura? You petite lover seems to be needing money very much!" Sabrina rolled her beautiful eyes before asking him.

"How large do you think the market of all-purpose medicament in Ice and Snow Wilderness is?"

"If all-purpose medicament is really as good as described by manager Xu Tao, its demand will exceed with its supply for sure. No matter how many there are, as long as its price is not too high, they will be bought away!" Sabrina replied after considering it for a short while.

"That's it. If so, you and O'Laura will be responsible for this business. I'm sure each one of you can earn 100,000 to 200,000 gold coins a year!" Zhang Tie said confidently.

"If I can make 30,000 to 50,000 gold coins, I would have been satisfied, not to mention 100,000 to 200,000 gold coins. But I'm afraid that your petite lover won't agree!" Sabrina smiled.

"Don't worry about that. I will persuade her! If you've made the decision, you'd better go back in a couple of days!"

"What about you?"

"I might stay for a few more days here!"

"Well, after today's event, my cavalries and I indeed need to take a rest for a couple of days here!"

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Zhang Tie then left Sabrina and walked towards the tents area of the grey eagle tribe. On the way, he felt that his opinion was very marvelous. Sabrina was tricky but was good at making friends while O'Laura was powerful and ambitious. They complemented with each other on personalities and abilities. It was pretty suitable for them to work together as the agent of all-purpose medicament in Ice and Snow Wilderness.

As O'Laura had a strong self-respect and decisiveness, if he directly gave her gold coins, she might not accept it; however, if he introduced her with a business, Zhang Tie believed that she probably would not refuse it.

At the sight of Zhang Tie, being different than Sabrina's enthusiasm, O'Laura only gave him a cold harrumph before turning around and leaving.

Seeing O'Laura walking towards outside, Zhang Tie hurriedly caught up with her. When they came to a quiet corner outside the camp, Zhang Tie directly grabbed O'Laura's hand.

O'Laura forcefully shook her hand; yet she failed to shake off Zhang Tie's hand; plus Zhang Tie's grinning look, O'Laura could not lose her temper anymore.

"Let go off my hand, you rascal..."

"Are you angry? Tell me who stirred up with you. I will give him a lesson for you!" Zhang Tie pretended to be furious as he rolled up his sleeves.

"Don't pretend anymore. Didn't you head for that bitch just now? Why did you come for me?"

Zhang Tie became stunned for a short while. He had not imagined that O'Laura was jealous about Sabrina. Revealing a smile, Zhang Tie tightly hugged O'Laura. As they had touched each other very closely, O'Laura was not that counteractive to Zhang Tie; instead, she just pushed him twice symbolically.

Zhang Tie then stretched out his hand to pick off O'Laura's mask. O'Laura just resisted him by inclining her head slightly. Zhang Tie finally picked off her mask.

That was a perfect and icy face. Each time Zhang Tie saw her face, he would appreciate it for quite a while. The tender skin, the rising nose, the watery pupils and the stubborn mouth were all like delicate artworks.

Under the shining eyes of Zhang Tie, plus Zhang Tie's weird hands which gradually slid onto her butts, O'Laura's face slightly blushed. She looked pretty like a petite girl, which made Zhang Tie feel dizzy.

No matter how great was O’Laura’s fighting strength was, at least, Zhang Tie knew that she was nothing different than those petite girls who fell in love with someone for the first time. Each girl of Rose Association might know men much better than her.

In the past two decades, O’Laura actually locked her in a narrow circle. She didn’t have any chance to move freely. Being different from Sabrina, who always wanted to escape from the iron cage of the wild bear tribe, O’Laura always wanted to drill into the iron cage of the grey bear tribe.

Seeing O’Laura’s slightly shy look, Zhang Tie started to sympathize her. As his heart changed, his aggressive, shining eyes also turned mild. Under Zhang Tie’s warm gazes, O’Laura’s stiff body softened at once.

"Are you jealous?"

O’Laura tilted her head, ignoring him.

Zhang Tie smiled, "Have you seen the wounds of the 20 people?"

Hearing Zhang Tie’s question, O’Laura turned around, "Yes, it’s a powerhouse, a sword powerhouse. At least a 5-star strong fighter or a fighting master above 1 star!"

"Do you have a chance to beat him?"

"No chance. But I can barely escape!" O’Laura put it straightforward, "What about you?"

"No chance in close fight. But I might beat him with javelin; otherwise, I can escape!"

O’Laura thought for a short while before looking at Zhang Tie, "You’d better go back, this is not the right place for you to stay!"

Zhang Tie thought for a second before hugging O’Laura tightly, "This is what I want to tell you!"

"This is a chance!" O’Laura waved her head stubbornly.

"Do you mean the super relics?"

O’Laura was shocked, "You know that?"

"Yes, I know. Those dead vanguards might be dispatched to search for the super relics by the allied forces. I’d be really stupid if I didn’t know about the plan of the allied forces until now!" Zhang Tie smiled.

"That’s why I have to seize the chance!" O’Laura glanced at Zhang Tie, "I know what you want to say. But, I would not take your money!"

Hearing O’Laura’s words, Zhang Tie were forced to swallow his words back. He could only change his expression, "There are many ways to make money. I know you need money very much at the present. But you can make money faster by doing business than seeking for chance here!"

"Business, what business?" hearing that Zhang Tie was going to introduce a business to her, O’Laura became interested in it at once.

"A business of the all-purpose medicament!"

Zhang Tie repeated what he had told Sabrina to O’Laura.

"You want me to go back now?" knowing Zhang Tie’s intention, O’Laura’s voice also became tender.

"Yes, the faster, the better!"

"What about you?"

"I want to stay here for a few more days. But it won’t take me too long!"

"What about that slut? Have you made the same promise to her?" O’Laura gazed at Zhang Tie without a wink.

Zhang Tie had not imagined that O’Laura could respond so fast.

"Yes, I made the same promise to her!" Zhang Tie answered after thinking for a short while. As this thing could never be buried, he put it straightforward, "Actually, she’s not like how you imagine!"

O’Laura became silent. This made Zhang Tie worry about that she was going to lose her temper once again by refusing his good willingness.

After a few seconds, O’Laura finally let out a long sigh, "Fine, I agree!"

Hearing her reply, Zhang Tie was even happier than finding a pile of emeralds, "Do you agree?"

"Of course. Why would I give my share to that slut? Humph...humph...that woman cannot wait for me to disagree. I will not satisfy her! If she can do that, I can do it too." O’Laura looked like a disobedient kid at this moment.

With a smile, Zhang Tie found O’Laura’s angry look was especially charming; therefore, soon after O’Laura finished her words had Zhang Tie kissed her lips...

After ten minutes, Zhang Tie almost exploded as his face blushed like pomegranate. Panting heavily, O’Laura instantly pushed Zhang Tie away while forcing apart Zhang Tie’s weird hands from her plumpy breasts.

"Which one do you prefer, me or that slut?"

At the critical moment, Zhang Tie became puzzled once again. After struggling for two seconds, Zhang Tie spoke frankly.

"I like both!"

Hearing this answer, O’Laura pushed Zhang Tie away once again. After putting on her mask, she directly walked towards the camp..

Seeing O’Laura’s back and remembering the ecstasy, Zhang Tie lowered his head with a bitter smile. After that, he put his right hand into the trousers pocket and returned to the camp too.

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The atmosphere in the camp was very weird today. Nobody was interested in why O’Laura and Zhang Tie came back to the camp one after another.

The moment O’Laura came back to the camp, she had been noticed to attend a meeting. As Zhang Tie was an outsider, he was certainly not qualified to attend the official meetings in the allied forces. He didn’t care about that either. Therefore, he just drilled into his own tent and started to cultivate quietly.

No matter what, as long as O’Laura and Sabrina returned to the ground, he would not worry about what could happen in the underground.

Now that it was not as relaxed as journey and was full of unpredictable dangers in the underground, it’d better be managed by men.

Whereas, Zhang Tie didn’t know that many things were out of his control!

Chapter 466: An Unexpected Thing

Only after one night, when Zhang Tie woke up early the next morning and walked out of his tent, he was amazed with what he saw.

Standing beside his tent, Zhang Tie looked at the distance. Under his dark vision, he immediately found too many people on the relics over there. After shifting his dark vision into normal vision, Zhang Tie found that those fluorite lamps over the waists of those pioneers were like flooding fireflies in the summer wild.

After been here for a few days, Zhang Tie had an estimation about the overall population of the pioneers and the other people in the relics. There were about 10,000 people in total in this area, over 3000 of which were vanguards dispatched by the allied forces. However, there were over 20,000 densely moving light spots in front of him.

"How come all of a sudden there are so many people?" a question flashed across Zhang Tie’s mind.

However, Zhang Tie’s mentality could never be matched by those common youths anymore. Although he felt strange but after glancing at those light spots in the distance, Zhang Tie slightly sighed and left the camp. He started to cleanse up himself at a water source being not far from the camp.

In the underground, of course, water became especially important. Although one could take a month’s dried rations down here but one could hardly bring a month’s water down here.

The water was dropping from the top of a relics rock cave which was hundreds of meters in height like it was raining. They finally formed a small pond on the ground which covered about 3-5 square meters.

After checking the water quality of this pond and found it was nontoxic, the vanguards of the allied forces occupied this water source first, which could barely afford the daily use of about 3000 people of the vanguards of the allied forces.

When cleansing himself, Zhang Tie suddenly came up with a problem, "If so many people suddenly appear in this relics area, water shortage would be a big problem. Although there are some other similar water sources in the surroundings, they are remarkably not sufficient for so many people. The rest people could only seek for other water sources in farther places..."

Zhang Tie remembered that there was a subterranean stream with abundant water on the way here. However, it was over 40 km away. "It seems that many people need to go to the distance to drink water."

After considering it for a second, Zhang Tie realized that it was not a problem. For these pioneers who dreamed for wealth, it was just a 4-5 hour travel. If not want to die out of thirst, they could spend a couple of days in seeking for the water.

After cleansing up himself, Zhang Tie returned to the camp and found Sam and Gerri were very flurried.

"What's up?"

"A great number of pioneers arrived here last night!" Sam said.

"I know, I've seen them this morning!"

"Do you know why they are here?"

"Why?"

"Gerri and I have inquired about it just now. They are all here for GSC!" Gerri said with an unimaginable look.

"Super relics?" Zhang Tie was stunned. "Shouldn't it only be known to a few people? How come it suddenly became such a popular information? Even common pioneers have known about it. Additionally, so many people swarmed in over night."

"How did they know that?"

"It's said that a team of pioneers carried a great amount of jewelries and valuables out of the entrance on the 3rd day since we came down here, which aroused a huge shock instantly. They declared that they had discovered the GSC in the underground. Hearing that, all the pioneers boiled up and swarmed in. It was said that some teams of pioneers even obtained the accurate map of the super relics from here."

"Just because of this?"

"Sure. At the sight of those wholly new jewelries, many people's eyes turned red. Because only the GSC being covered with the energy of the fragments of the star of god could prevent all the lifeless substances from being deteriorated. Except for this reason, any objects being excavated from this relics would not remain unchanged after 800-900 years!" Gerri confirmed.

Zhang Tie's heart raced as he didn't know what to say. Although one person could maintain his sense but over 10,000 people could barely be sensible at the same time. For those pioneers, as long as they saw someone taking jewelries out of the underground super relics, they would be driven mad for sure. As long as one of them couldn't stand to come down, all the others would followed in at once. This was determined by the feature of this group of people.

Even those pioneers couldn't stand to pour in, wouldn't the greater part of the allied forces above the ground know about the reason? As the allied forces could at least obtain half of the jewelries from the pioneers, they would know it for sure.

Not knowing why, the moment he thought about how they poured in the underground for the super relics, Zhang Tie felt bored.

Gerri and Sam became both disappointed and excited. They were disappointed because their secret about super relics was exposed to the public. They were excited because they would feel much safer if they could follow so many pioneers over there.

Zhang Tie didn't discourage them; instead, after talking with them for a short while, he left.

Zhang Tie wanted to inquire O'Laura about the situation of the allied forces first. Unexpectedly, O'Laura had already left with her female cavalries and Nurdo in the early morning. Therefore, Zhang Tie went for Sabrina.

Only after one night, Sabrina's injured female guardians had been much better. At the sight of Zhang Tie, Sabrina and her female guardians became much more enthusiastic than before.

"It's good to see you. I was going to find you!" Sabrina revealed a smile before Zhang Tie opened his mouth, "I've never imagined that the all-purpose medicament was so effective. Only after one night, Zora's subordinates had almost been cured, leaving no scars at all!"

After witnessing the unusual effect of all-purpose medicament, Sabrina became more excited about the suggestion that Zhang Tie posed yesterday. However, she was not going to talk about that with Zhang Tie right now.

"I'm told that Gangula, my younger brother is going to be here..."

"GSC!" Zhang Tie revealed a smile.

"You also know that?" Sabrina became a bit surprised.

"I learned about it just now. I came to you here for this thing!" Zhang Tie said solemnly, "I want you leave out of here as soon as possible!"

"Why?"

"I don't know why. But I feel very bad about this thing. I will leave out of here as soon as possible. If you want to leave, I can escort you away!"

For Zhang Tie, the value of super relics would decline along with its widening exposure. No matter what were inside the super relics, if over ten thousands of people poured in at the same time, even if there were 10,000 tons of golds in the super relics, each one could share at most 1 ton, which was equal to 40,000 gold coins.

This emergency completely disrupted Zhang Tie's plan. As the value of the super relics declined, Zhang Tie became increasingly more uncomfortable. Therefore, Zhang Tie decided to let Sabrina go back first so as to get rid of this swirl.

Sabrina's smile disappeared as she stared at Zhang Tie seriously. As a smart woman, she understood about Zhang Tie's meaning.

"You mean there might be a problem with this super relics?"

"There's no evidence about the existence of that super relics until now!" Zhang Tie lowered his voice as he stared at Sabrina with his gleaming eyes. It was already very strange for so many people to know about this piece of news since the first batch of vanguards of the allied forces came down!"

"However, it's said that they have obtained a great batch of wholly new jewelries from the underground. Where else could they obtain so many new objects besides the super relics?"

"What if those wholly new jewelries were brought down silently by someone else?" Zhang Tie asked when he recalled the "evidence" of the ham package which was presented to him by Gerri and Sam silently. He was just shocked at that moment but he had not thought more about it. Now, Zhang Tie realized that someone might set a trap over here by fabricating an "evidence". As super relics was not a new term, as long as they were able to carry some objects or fragments of the former super relics over there, nobody could identify them.

Hearing Zhang Tie's words, Sabrina finally changed his face, "You mean it's a plot?"

"I don't know. I only feel that this thing has been out of my expectation and has become valueless!"

"Gangula is coming. I will tell him about this and ask him to take care of himself. Then, we will leave tomorrow, how about that?"

"Fine!" Zhang Tie nodded.

"Do you know that you're fascinating now?" Sabrina said with a tender voice.

"Fascinating?" Zhang Tie scratched his head.

"Yes, a real man, a real leader, who doesn't follow the mass at the critical moment and has his own decision. Such a man is very fascinating!"

Zhang Tie blushed.

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Only after a day, the atmosphere across the camp had been utterly different than that of yesterday. Even many soldiers in the camp had already known the "existence" of the super relics. Additionally, the arrival of the greater part of the allied forces increased the morale of many soldiers in the camp.

To revenge for the loss of that vanguard or to make a fortune in the super relics, each of the two motives could make most of the commoners spirited and hopeful towards future.

According to those exaggerating words, that super relics became an open treasury to the public. In the treasury, all the valuable objects were displayed in the stores on both sides of the streets, where everyone could make a fortune.

Based on such an exaggerating description, that super relics became as charming as a naked beauty who was lying on bed and waiting for a lot of men to sleep with her.

Only after walking around the camp had Zhang Tie gotten some versions of maps from those pioneers.

Compared to others' ecstasy, Zhang Tie grew gloomier. For some reason, watching at the constant light spots at the entrance of the relics in the distance, Zhang Tie only thought about those mice being induced into the cage by the aroma of cheese and fleshes.

The only thing that made Zhang Tie comfortable today was that nobody followed him up.

After having no achievements for consecutive three days, Zhang Tie's halos had gradually faded away. Additionally, the news of the existence of the super relics was exposed. Therefore, all the guys who dreamed to make a fortune behind him finally lost their interests.

Even though his status as a wanted circular had been revoked before he entered this relics, Zhang Tie felt free just now.

After circling around the camp, Zhang Tie was sure that nobody was following him. Therefore, he ran away in the distance...

After half an hour, Zhang Tie had been over 40 km away from the camp and arrived in a wild underground cave at the border of the relics. Zhang Tie put down the cover of his fluorite lamp to die out the lamp. He then made some twists and finally arrived at a secret place. After taking a deep breath, he entered the Castle of Black Iron.

"Welcome back, Castle Lord..."

Heller's familiar voice sounded once again. Having not heard his voice for so long time, Zhang Tie felt warm at once.

After staying too long in the underground. When he entered Castle of Black Iron, Zhang Tie narrowed his eyes. After being adapted to the brightness in Castle of Black Iron for a few seconds, he nodded towards Heller before striding towards the small tree...

Chapter 467: Fruits

Since meeting O'Laura, Zhang Tie had not entered Castle of Black Iron for over 20 days. The moment he entered, Zhang Tie caught sight of the fruits over the small tree. Immediately, Zhang Tie felt happy inside.

Three iron-body fruits.

Nine huge wolf seven-strength fruits

Four leakless fruits, three of which had been ripe.

Zhang Tie knew that his real fighting strength would increase sharply for sure after eating the 16 fruits. Gazing at those fruits, Zhang Tie started to drool.

Besides, there were a lot of trouble-reappearance fruits over the small tree, most of which were obtained by hunting huge wolves and some other living beings. After eating these trouble-reappearance fruits, Zhang Tie could have more trouble-reappearance situations and living beings to choose, which indicated a higher soft power.

Beside the altar under the small tree, Heller watched Zhang Tie circling around the small tree with pounding heart.

"Fruit of Redemption—appreciation from sandscale fish" was still hanging over there. As the redemptive effect of a single living being could be accumulated, which, after reaching a certain degree, would show up. Zhang Tie checked it and found that his cold-resistance and water flow-sensitiveness could be further increased by 107% with this redemption fruit. After eating it, undoubtedly, Zhang Tie's ability and response in water could increase remarkably.

There was indeed a new fruit.

The new fruit was familiar. It reminded Zhang Tie of the redemption fruit—appreciation from earthworms. But this fruit looked like two earthworms twisted with each other. It was like a golden fried dough twist.

With his eyes on it, Zhang Tie stretched out his hand and touched it.

Fruit of advancement—medium recovery body! As it's not ripe yet. You can not eat it.

—The energy of this fruit comes from the appreciation of the released earthworms. It's the extension of the fruit of redemption.

—In the early stage of its growth, this fruit could bring a good luck to Castle Lord. (grey[1])

—You have to release 160000000 earthworms so as to update your preliminary recovery body to medium recovery body.

—The progress of the medium recovery body is :2158069/160000000.

This instantly reminded Zhang Tie of Hanna. He knew that Hanna's family had started to fulfill their promise by setting free earthworms in the nearby villages. There was a time when Zhang Tie thought that Hanna's family had already forgotten about this or didn't care about this thing at all. It was really out of his imagination that they still remembered it. Therefore, Zhang Tie felt pretty good.

Although it required them to set free 160 million earthworms so as to update preliminary recovery body to medium recovery body but Hanna's family had only released over 2 million earthworms by now, which was still far away from the ultimate target. However, Zhang Tie had been very satisfied with this. As it was a long-term plan, as long as Hanna's family stuck to that appointment, they would make the fruit ripe sooner or later.

What made Zhang Tie truly amazed was that this fruit could bring him good luck in the early stage of its growth. It was really out of Zhang Tie's imagination that even his luck could be improved by this fruit.

The color of that line of words turned grey, which indicated that it had already passed its early stage of growth.

After realizing that the pile of immortal stones that he excavated several days ago might be influenced by this fruit, Zhang Tie's face turned strange.

"Is...this real, Heller?"

Seeing Heller standing aside, Zhang Tie didn't even know how to ask.

"It's real. One of the side effects of this fruit in its early stage of growth is to bring good luck to you. Actually, this is a benefit from releasing living beings!"

"By setting free living beings I can be lucky?" Zhang Tie goggled.

"Castle Lord, you should know that in the far ancient times, setting free living beings was actually the full contents and core of the secret knowledge cultivation of some powerful and mysterious sects. Its function even became deified in some people's eyes!"

Zhang Tie was shocked by Heller's words, "It's treated as the full contents and core of the secret knowledge cultivation of the entire sect. That's too powerful!"

"You mean even commoners could become lucky by setting free a lot of animals?"

"Of course!"

"Why?"

"Because all the animals have their spirits. Materially, the energy of appreciation formed by setting free animals is a powerful bliss, which could increase the frequency and energy level of one's soul and awareness and cause resonance and attraction between human and beautiful things. Benefited by this, you could make many correct and positive decisions. Actually, this had been clarified in the mysterious and profound eastern Chinese cultures, such as the old Chinese saying, "Luck brings wisdom!"

After thinking for a short while, Zhang Tie found that it was real. When he excavated the small building, he became pretty clear-minded. Even in the urban ruins, he could faintly identify that the location of the short building was the "waistband fengshui". Being driven by this whim, he attempted and truly made a fortune.

After the secret was exposed, Zhang Tie deepened his understanding about the effect of setting free animals. Zhang Tie asked Heller another question, "Whether would I become lucky for a period after the appearance of each new fruit of advancement?"

"Yes. Your good luck would have different duration due to the different levels and functions of fruits of advancement. This fruit of advancement brought you about 17 days of good luck. You would have 25 days of good luck when the fruit of advancement could finally help you advance to senior recovery body from medium recovery body. As to other fruits of advancement, you would have different duration of good luck, which ranged from 3-5 days to even a month!" Heller stared at Zhang Tie with a solemn look, "As long as Castle Lord sticks to set free an increasing number of animals, I believe that Castle Lord would be in such a special situation for a few days in each year."

Touching his nose, Zhang Tie felt a bit strange. "Women would be in that unrivaled situation for a few days in each month. Will I enter such a special situation for a few days in each year? Damn it! That's weird!"

Zhang Tie then watched the small tree swaying its body, causing rustles. Meanwhile, he rubbed his hands in an excited way. The problem facing him was so many fruits to eat.

It would take him at least 1 week to completely digest the nine huge wolf seven-strength fruits. However, given the situation here, he did not have enough time to eat up all the fruits. He had to leave out of here together with O’Laura and Sabrina as soon as possible. If he stayed here for a longer time, it would more troublesome.

Therefore, Zhang Tie fixed his eyes on the three ripe leakless fruits. After thinking for a short while, he picked off one of them. After that, he sat under the small tree with crossed legs and put that leakless fruit in his mouth.

Having not eaten leakless fruit for a long time, the moment he broke it, the familiar sweet taste instantly slid into his esophagus. The effect of leakless fruit spread in Zhang Tie’s chest at once...

After several hours, the 18th surging point on Zhang Tie’s spine turned deep blue.

Zhang Tie stood up and moved his limbs for a while. He then picked off another leakless fruit.

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The fire dragon formed by the energy of leakless fruit boomed the purple surging point into pieces. After numerous purple light spots disappeared, a bright sparkle gradually appeared in the darkness and finally became a raging flame...

After lighting the 18th surging point, Zhang Tie felt relaxed all over while some burdens were relieved. At the same time, the energy in his muscles and bones, Qi and blood also increased. His fighting strength grew higher like the mercury being heated in thermometer.

This feeling was very great.

The remained energy of the 2nd leakless fruit charged towards the 19th surging point on Zhang Tie’s spine. Before the exhaustion of this energy, the 19th surging point on Zhang Tie’s spine had already turned orange.

Zhang Tie then picked himself up and moved his limbs once again. Meanwhile, he revealed a big smile. After that, he picked off the 3rd leakless fruit...

After eating the 3rd leakless fruit, the 19th surging point on his spine finally became blue.

Closely after the three leakless fruits, Zhang Tie ate a fruit of redemption which could improve his cold-resistance and water flow-sensitiveness. After the fruit of redemption, Zhang Tie ate an iron-body fruit.

Now, it took Zhang Tie more efforts to obtain a new iron-body fruit. It was a surprise for him to gain three iron-body fruits because of the bone-exploding needles.

After eating the latest iron-body fruit, Zhang Tie seemingly heard the sound of crashing metals and stones from his bones all over.

After eating five fruits, Zhang Tie’s fighting strength increased sharply. He then exited Castle of Black Iron at once.

When Zhang Tie reappeared in the remote place of that dark cave, only after walking a few steps, he felt that the ground was shaking sharply while a boom drifted from the underground world...

Chapter 468: The Cage Was Closed

Along with the earthquake, dust and stones started to fall down from the top of the gloomy cave. Zhang Tie instantly turned to the fluorite lamp by opening its shade and ran out of the cave.

It was a huge underground space outside the cave which included the entire relics. The earthquake waves also reached outside there, making many people flurried.

"Is that an earthquake?" Zhang Tie became confused. Meanwhile, he had a bad premonition about the earthquake and the boom.

Zhang Tie immediately ran towards the camp of the allied forces.

Only after running for less than 20 km, another earthquake and boom happened. This time, Zhang Tie was sure that it was not a real earthquake, because its direction was different from the former one. The former one seemingly came from the underground; whereas, this time, it was definitely closer. It seemed to be coming from a place in the underground tunnel leading to the relics.

This was a faintly familiar sound to Zhang Tie.

After reflection in the relatively closed underground space, the boom could be heard across the entire relics.

When the 2nd boom arrived, Zhang Tie's face changed as he slightly changed his running direction. He didn't run towards the camp anymore; instead, he rushed towards the tunnel where it originated.

"Ah, what's up?"

"I heard two booms!"

"One was over there!"

On the way, Zhang Tie encountered some pioneers who were flurried and vacant. Some smart guys also ran towards the origin of the second boom.

At this moment, without using his rapid moving skill, Zhang Tie's running speed had surpassed 80 km/h, which was much faster than that of a wild wolf. As a result, the fluorite lamp over his waist became a flying green ray in the darkness.

With a wind, those pioneers had seen Zhang Tie rushing ahead of them, leaving behind a gradually disappearing green light ray.

At such a speed, Zhang Tie soon rushed out of the relics and entered an underground tunnel.

After entering the tunnel for a few kilometers, Zhang Tie caught sight of the pile of scattered stones and conical stalactites which fell down from the top of the tunnel. After going deeper for a few more kilometers, Zhang Tie saw injured people in the tunnel.

A poor pioneer's leg was pressed by a huge stone. Lying on the roadside, he was wailing. Zhang Tie stopped and forcefully pushed the 1-ton stone aside.

The poor pioneer was at his 30s or 40s. His injured leg had been badly mutilated, which might have been crippled. When the huge stone was pushed away, he screeched loudly once again.

"What happened..." Zhang Tie put a hand on his shoulder and asked him loudly.

"Thanks...I don't know what happened. After...after a loud sound, I panicked. Then, the stone rolled down here and hit me..."

Only after saying only few words, the pioneer felt exhausted. Having not figured out the reason, Zhang Tie further rushed ahead.

The deeper he entered, the more scattered stones and wounded people Zhang Tie saw. At least dozens of people were killed by those huge stones.

Zhang Tie stopped at a place which was only dozens of meters in width. According to his memory, this place was like the waist of a gourd.

The tunnel ahead disappeared, precisely, completely collapsed. What was in front of Zhang Tie was a 50-60 m high slope which was composed of huge stones, which were as large as house or millstone.

Zhang Tie felt icy in heart.

In a split second, Zhang Tie figured out what happened and why he felt the second boom was familiar, "the tunnel accessing to the relics has been destroyed by bomb."

"It's an alchemist's bomb, a powerful alchemist's bomb!"

After the mice entered the cage, someone closed the cage using an alchemist's bomb.

"But what about the first louder sound from a farther distance?"

Gazing at the collapsed underground tunnel, something chaotic flashed across his mind.

At this moment, Zhang Tie heard a sound from behind. He turned around and saw Roslav and Waajid rushing towards him at a speed which was faster than that of his.

At the sight of the scene in front of them, Roslav and Waajid changed their faces completely while standing on Zhang Tie's side.

"What's up?" Roslav, who was as strong as a huge bear opened his mouth first.

Although he didn't say Zhang Tie, remarkably, he was asking Zhang Tie who was the only one standing here.

"I don't know. I came here soon after the boom. It seems that it was destroyed by a powerful alchemist's bomb!"

Roslav and Waajid exchanged glances with each other with great amazement. Although they came from the most powerful tribe in Ice and Snow Wilderness, they had not seen an alchemist's bomb. They heard about it before; however, they had never imagined that they could encounter one. An alchemist's bomb was rarely seen in other places, not to mention in Ice and Snow Wilderness.

"Peter, how do you know it's caused by an alchemist's bomb?" Waajid, who was slightly well-balanced in figure, asked.

"Because I've seen the power of an alchemist's bomb before. Given that boom and its destructive power, I really cannot think of a second possibility!" Zhang Tie answered in a low voice.

Watching the collapsed tunnel, Roslav and Waajid also became silent. They were analyzing how worse the current situation was.

"Ah? How can that be...f*ck!"

A flurried sound drifted from behind. It was from Gangula.

Gangula, who looked blue, hurriedly led a lot of people here who was familiar to Zhang Tie. At the sight of this, all their faces froze, including that of Gangula.

"Now that Gangula was here, the greater part of the allied forces might have been attracted here by the illusory super relics." Zhang Tie sighed inside.

"Childe Gangula!" Zhang Tie turned around and greeted him.

"Ah, Peter, you're also here. What happened?"

Realizing that Gangula was still confused, Zhang Tie repeated what he told Roslav and Waajid. After that, watching the newcomers, Zhang Tie stood aside silently.

The moment they heard the "alchemist's bomb", those guys behind Gangula drew cold breath. Staring at the collapsed tunnel, they became despaired.

"Is this a plot? How come this tunnel was exploded the moment we arrived here?"

"Ah, sh*t, Can we go back?"

Some smart guys behind Gangula had guessed something. Hearing this question, many more people's faces turned pale.

Zhang Tie gazed at Gangula silently. Zhang Tie wanted to see how Gangula would manage it, as the leader of the allied forces.

Gangula didn't say anything. Panting heavily, he glared at the collapsed tunnel ahead. His face turned blue first, then slowly turned snowwhite, finally blushed. It seemed that he was gradually recovering his composure although his eyes looked more furious.

"Sh*t up!" after Gangula's roar, all the others following him here became quiet.

"Filking, take you men and occupy all the drinkable water sources near the ruins. If the pioneers dare to stop you, kill them all! Attention! Prevent them from destroying and polluting the water sources." an icy order was delivered.

Receiving this order, a subordinate behind Gangula moved one step forward as he punched onto his own chest armor. Soon after that, he turned around and left.

"Luca, take a team of elites and figure out the first boom!"

Another person left rapidly.

"Jyoba, find the prospecting team of Golden Roc Bank."

Another person left.

After delivering three orders consecutively, Gangula gazed at those heads of each tribe as he uttered a colder voice, "From now on, besides keeping three day's supplies for the soldiers, all the tribes should submit the rest rations. The allied forces will be responsible for distributing rations!"

Hearing Gangula's last order, those other heads of tribes started to discuss.

"Who doesn't agree?" Gangula glared at them all with his bloody eyes. Hearing this, Gangula's subordinates put their hands on the sword handles.

The turmoil quieted down at once. Nobody dared to disagree with him.

Hearing Gangula's crazy orders in such a short period, Zhang Tie finally understood why this guy's nickname was "mad dog"...

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Chapter 469: A Hopeless Situation

The moment the troop of the allied forces started to occupy the water sources nearby the relics, the chaos in the underground space started to spread like the ripples in pond. Whether those tens of thousands of pioneers who swarmed in like hornets or a few powerful individuals, nobody could resist the power of the allied forces which was like a bulldozer.

There were also powerhouses in the allied forces.

Given the types of organizations of most countries and armies in this age, the fighting strength of first-class military officers were generally in consistent with their positions. After two holy wars between humans and demons, for the sake of the guidance and co-ordinance in joint operations, most human countries' military establishments appeared to be similar on type of organization and hierarchy.

In the average troop establishment of most countries in the continent, there was a similar red line, which, although being not absolute, was referential.

A LV 6 fighter could be the leader of a platoon of about 30 soldiers and be awarded with the rank of second lieutenant.

A LV 7 fighter could be the commander of a company of about 100 soldiers or 3 platoons and be awarded with the rank of first lieutenant.

A LV 8 fighter could be the commander of a battalion of about 300-500 soldiers and be awarded with the rank of captain. For example, when Zhang Tie was in the Iron-Blood Camp of the 39th Division of Iron-Horn Army of Norman Empire, although Reinhardt, the commander of Iron-Blood Camp was a LV 8 fighter, because of the special establishment of Iron-Blood Camp and the great power of iron-blood fist,

he had already been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel which was rarely seen across the Blackson Humans Corridor.

A LV 9 fighter could be the colonel of 1000-2000 soldiers and be awarded with the rank of major. Concretely, although the difference of establishments between the armies of different countries and regions, any LV 9 fighter was qualified to be the middle-ranking military officer of any army in any place in this age.

A LV 10 strong fighter could be the commander of a brigade of 5000-10000 soldiers and be awarded with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

A LV 11 fighting master could be the commander of a regiment of at least 20000 soldiers and be awarded with the rank of colonel.

A LV 12 great fighting master could be the head of an army of 80,000 to 100,000 soldiers and be awarded with the rank of a brigadier general or a major general. Those at this level entered the high-ranking general officers officially.

Above the army was an army group which was composed of hundreds of thousands of soldiers. As the real terrifying organ of violence and the pillar of humans against demons, the army group was able to destroy cities and countries. Additionally, according to the regulation of the "Great Brilliance Charter" of humans, although a LV 12 great fighting master could be the head of an army, the core of an army group had to be a knight, instead of the pure accumulation of low-level soldiers in quantity.

Only knights were qualified to establish fighting units like army groups and be the leader of army groups. Although fighting spirit, fighting demon and fighting general below knight were not qualified to establish an army group but they could take important positions in the army group.

Certainly, even the army groups centered by knights were divided into different types. In different countries, the army groups were classified by different levels and ranks. However, the division standards of army groups in most countries were divided into four levels according to the division standards of Chinese army groups; common army group, class B army group, class A army group and forbidden army group. The names of the four levels might be different in other countries. In some countries, it was divided into; class C army group, class B army group, class A army group and class S army group. Some countries divided it into; black iron army group, bronze army group, silver army group and gold army group. Although being different in names, they were basically same in division standards.

A common LV 6 fighter could be a platoon leader in a common army group; however, if he was in a class B army group, he could only be a monitor. Almost all the platoon leaders in class B army group were monitored by LV 7 fighters. It would be stricter in class A army group.

It was said that in the forbidden army group, the lowest limit to be platoon leader was LV 9 fighter. Even common soldiers in forbidden army group were LV 7 fighters. Given its fighting strength, a forbidden army group could easily crack down more than three class A army groups.

Such a forbidden army group was absolutely a legendary existence. There was not even one forbidden army group in Blackson Humans Corridor at all. It was said that such army groups only existed in Eastern Continent. In Blackson Humans Corridor, a country with class B army group was already a powerful one. As to the alleged class A army groups in a couple of countries, they were just some class B army groups

being mixed with some regiments at most according to the standards of class A army groups. Such troops had been brand troops across Blackson Humans Corridor and the pride of a few countries.

Zhang Tie could never touch such knowledge when he was in Blackhot City. He learned some when he was in Hidden Dragon Palace. The Iron-Horn Army Group of Norman Empire which was the most powerful force in Andaman Alliance was a black iron army group. The brilliance feathers of Sun Dynasty was also a black iron army group. Iron-Blood Camp was a special force under a division of an army group, which was actually a mixed unit.

In this age, the reason that Chinese were powerful, respectable and were called gold race was that only Chinese were able to establish the gold army groups. In the former two holy wars between humans and demons, Chinese gold army groups had made meritorious deeds to humans and became well known around the planet.

As tens of thousands of people were dispatched by the wild bear tribe, which already reached the scale of division, there must be many powerhouses like fighting masters and great fighting masters. Plus the bear-killing fighters who had unique ability to increase their fighting strength sharply, only after a few hours, the water sources nearby the relics had been taken over by the allied forces.

At the beginning, many pioneers were confused why the allied forces started to occupy the water sources nearby the relics. However, after ten more hours, they finally understood their current situation. Therefore, everybody became flurried. The turmoil broke out naturally.

After 50,000-60,000 people poured in, the water sources nearby the relics could not afford so many people at all. When the underground tunnel was smooth, this contradiction was not obvious. As long as they spent some time and walked dozens of miles, they would be able to get enough water. However, after the tunnel collapsed, the road back to the ground was blocked. What was more, the largest water source supply was cut off.

Even if they took enough dried rations but did not get enough drinking water, they could not stand too long underground, either.

In over ten hours, the allied forces intensified their camp under the order of Gangula. They built a defense line around the camp. As a result, some water sources being occupied by the allied forces became the military forbidden zones. Any outsider being less than 100 m away from the water sources without consent would be killed!

Therefore, those pioneers who dreamed to make a fortune in the super relics instantly felt a great danger.

Zhang Tie caught sight of the prospecting team of Golden Roc Bank, half of which had lost. Most of the remaining team members were injured and looked bad.

O'Laura and Nurdo also came back with only 2/3 of their guards. O'Laura also saw Zhang Tie. However, before talking to him, O'Laura had been pulled away by Gangula's subordinate.

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Sitting on the top of a ruined 5-storey building in the relics beside the camp, Zhang Tie was looking at the distance quietly.

At a place near a water source within Zhang Tie's vision, over 2000 soldiers of the allied forces were intensifying the defense over there. Meanwhile, those pioneers wandering in the neighborhood were glaring at those soldiers.

At this moment, the pioneers were a bit rational. None of them would like to drink water at the risk of their own lives. However, this was just the first day since their water sources had been taken over by the allied forces. Three days later, when most of the pioneers would run out of their own drinking water, Zhang Tie didn't know whether they would just look aside like today.

Hearing the footsteps from behind, Zhang Tie knew it was O'Laura without even turning around. Seeing Zhang Tie sitting on the ground while swinging his legs in the air, O'Laura became hesitated for a couple of seconds before sitting on Zhang Tie's side. Like Zhang Tie, she also suspended her feet in the air.

"It looks worse than my imagination!" Zhang Tie turned around and looked at O'Laura. O'Laura picked off her mask, allowing Zhang Tie to glance at her icy and delicate side face with unscrupulous eyes.

"You've not attended the conference, but how do you know that?" O'Laura asked calmly.

"Hehe, it's evident. If not going to tell me your last words, how could you just sit on the ground casually? When you walked towards here, you became a bit hesitated before sitting down. I guess that you might be thinking about your last words at that moment. Don't cover it anymore, am I right?"

"You b*stard!" O'Laura swore in a low voice before letting out a long sigh.

"Go ahead, what's going on there?"

"There's no star of god, no super relics. It's just a trap!"

"I'm afraid many people have realized it!"

"The first boom was also caused by an alchemist's bomb. Its explosive equivalent was especially large. We've confirmed that all the knights who wanted to grab the pieces of the star of god have been killed. According to our earlier investigation, there were four knights being involved with this trap, one from Ice and Snow Wilderness, the other three from outside, including Samaranth, the star and moon sword sage!"

Although birds died in pursuit of food, after hearing so many god-like powerhouses were gone at the same time, Zhang Tie was also shocked. Any knight was influential enough to threaten the safety of a region. Zhang Tie had not imagined that four of them were killed at the same time. Such a great loss was barely seen in one place in one day even at the most fierce period of the former two holy wars between humans and demons.

Recalling how Samaranth, the star and moon sword sage killed the huge deep-sea monster, Zhang Tie felt very pitiful inside. Previously, Donder told Zhang Tie that no matter how high your fighting skills were, you would still be afraid of kitchen knives. At the beginning, Zhang Tie treated it as a joke; however, at this moment, he realized that it was not a joke at all. Alchemist's bomb was like a kitchen knife. After a pile of alchemist' bombs were detonated, even knights would be killed.

Zhang Tie thought that the first alchemist's bomb was at least 100 times more powerful than that he met in Blapei. Facing such a terrifying power, even steel and iron would be melted down.

"Do you know who did this?"

"Gangula doubted that it was done by Three Eyes Association!"

"Three Eyes Association? Three Eyes Association again?" Zhang Tie also realized that no other organizations could do this, except for Three Eyes Association. This trap seemingly targeted at the knights in humans since the beginning. The pioneers and the allied forces being trapped here were just a "plus". No matter what, for those b*stards of the Three Eyes Association, they could do whatever they could to weaken human's fighting strength and make human world more chaotic before the 3rd holy war.

What a shrewd trap! Nobody could imagine that there was such a trap behind the new relics. Although knights were confident that they could solve all the problems and plots; however, they had not imagined that what waited for them were not the pieces of star of god, but a death trap caused by alchemist's bombs.

Zhang Tie remembered the animal tide above the ground, which was full of plots and artificial traces. After considering it for a while, Zhang Tie instantly realized that the function of the animal tide was to attract the attention of the public. When those tribes across the Ice and Snow Wilderness and those who were alert about the plots of Three Eyes Association transferred their eyes to the outside, few of them could imagine that the trump card of Three Eyes Association was down here.

Noticing that Zhang Tie became silent, O'Laura thought that Zhang Tie was digesting her words. Therefore, she didn't disturb him; instead, she just looked at the fluorite lamplight in the distance as she muttered.

"In the conference, we've already strictly deduced the current situation. The water supply from the water sources occupied by the allied forces could only afford about 30,000 people's daily use at most. However, our allied forces include 37000 people in total, which meant that 7000 of the the allied forces could not get enough water after 3 days, not to mention the pioneers."

"There are over 20,000 pioneers nearby the relics. Three days later, if so many pioneers don't want to be thirsty to death, they have to fight the allied forces for the limited water sources. However, the terrain of this relics is not convenient for the allied forces to spread. Therefore, the allied forces had to fight to death so as to clean all the pioneers. Even if we're the winner, the allied forces would also have to suffer a great loss. We will lose at least 10,000 soldiers!"

"The fierce battle will last over one week. After that, the dead bodies will cover each corner of this relics. As it's in the underground being surrounded with stones. The environment is relatively closed. Therefore the corpses could be hardly dealt with. The allied forces could deal with a batch of corpses by burying them beneath the relics or throwing them into the caves being far away from here. However, a lot of corpses could not be cleaned. As a result, they would decay very soon and probably cause diseases and plagues over here. The survivors would also be polluted."

"Now that there is no plague or disease, the dried rations could only afford us one month at the most. Even though there are sufficient water sources, everybody would be starved to death in the end!"

"Through the confirmation of the prospecting team of Golden Roc Bank, there's only one tunnel leading to the outside. However, it would require 40,000 people to work at least 2 months to break it through.

Even though we could contact with the outside and ask for their relief, it would require 40,000 people to work in here for at least 45 days. In the current situation, this is impossible. Nobody could organize a project of 40,000 here. Even if the allied forces join hands with pioneers, we could not stand 45 days, either..." O'Laura then stopped for a second, before reaching the conclusion calmly and gloomily, "Therefore, we probably die here in 45 days!"

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At this moment, Zhang Tie held O'Laura's hand tightly as he stared at her with a solemn look, "I won't let you die here!"

O'Laura just revealed a smile as she purely took Zhang Tie's words as a comfort, "I know that but if not because of me, you might not be here. It's my fault!"

"Don't be silly. I chose to come down here. It's nothing to do with anybody else!"

"Although you're a bit bad, you're cute sometimes!" O'Laura looked at the distance, "Can I lean on your shoulder?"

Zhang Tie nodded. O'Laura then leaned her head on Zhang Tie's shoulder in a tender way.

They looked at the distance silently.

"Do you know what I was thinking about when I knew that I was going to die here in one month?"

O'Laura whispered in Zhang Tie's ear like how lovers usually did. However, the contents was very cruel.

"What are you thinking about?"

"I started to feel afraid of death. I realized the value of life for the first time. After that, I realized that I was very stupid. Actually, the problem in the grey eagle tribe was very simple, but I made it complicated. You're right. If only I can suppress Ollier, Juventus and their supporters and let them pledge allegiance to me by chopping off the heads of those who don't agree with me."

It was really out of Zhang Tie's imagination that O'Laura's mentality could change so much at this moment. But it was not bad, at least for the grey eagle tribe. Zhang Tie was sure that as long as senior Merkel agreed to chop off one or two heads, the rest would succumb to her for sure. As O'Laura was not brave enough to be that cruel previously, those people didn't follow her orders.

Now, O'Laura became really mature.

Distress made people mature.

Remembering about Gangula's crazy eyes and his sharp decisions, Zhang Tie's heart raced suddenly. He then asked O'Laura, "Gangula is not going to just wait for death. What's his plan?"

Hearing this question, O’Laura’s face turned pale instantly. She waved her head firmly and said decisively, "I bet you don’t want to know that crazy dog’s plan. I prefer to die than living like how he arranged!"

Zhang Tie closed his eyes. A few seconds later, he opened his eyes, "Did he plan to kill people? He planned to kill all the pioneers and collect all their dried rations in 3 days. Meanwhile, he planned to consume some soldiers of the allied forces through fighting pioneers. As a result, the remained supplies would be available to the survivors for a longer time. At least, the allied forces would not lack water supply in a short period."

O’Laura nodded in a solemn way. Although Zhang Tie had not attended the conference of the management of the allied forces, he could speculate the contents. Therefore, O’Laura became more admirable about Zhang Tie.

"That’s it! Gangula even planned to carry out hierarchical allotment system and isolation system for sick and wounded people. Once soldiers of the allied forces were injured or affected with diseases, they would soon die because of insufficient supply and treatment!"

O’Laura’s voice sounded very sorrowful, "Gangula thought that nobody else knew about his next plan. But actually, everybody knew that after exterminating those pioneers and eliminating those sick and wounded people of the allied forces, Gangula would definitely abandon or sweep all the other small and medium-sized tribes except for the wild bear tribe so as to gain enough supplies and allow the rest people to live longer. Right because of this reason, the conference finally ended with a turmoil. All the other tribes could only join hands with each other so as to negotiate with Gangula!"

Through O’Laura, Zhang Tie knew what happened in the conference. At this critical moment, the small and medium-sized tribes of the allied forces didn’t yield much; instead, they proposed to dispatch their own soldiers to fight according to the overall proportion of each tribe in the allied forces, to share supplies fairly and take over two water sources from the wild bear tribe. However, all these proposals were vetoed by Gangula.

If it was in the outside, those small and medium-sized tribes would never dare to propose such requests to Gangula at all. However, at this critical moment, they had to oppose. Although the wild bear tribe was powerful in fighting strength, as long as the wild bear tribe fought the other small and medium-sized tribes, they would force them to stand on side of the pioneers. If so, even the wild bear tribe and Gangula could not stand it.

Zhang Tie realized that the allied forces had started to split from inside. In order to survive, each person was making their full efforts.

"Setton is coming. I’m afraid he’s here for me. I have to go now!"

Setton walked towards this building as he raised his face towards them. He had just converged with O’Laura with the soldiers of the grey eagle tribe. It was really out of his imagination that they were in dilemma right away. Zhang Tie found Setton was a bit solemn and sad.

O’Laura slightly kissed Zhang Tie’s cheek. After that, she put on her mask before flying away from the roof of the building and leaving with Setton.

Seeing O’Laura off, Zhang Tie remained still. At this moment, Zhang Tie became very vacant, which might be involved with the life or death of himself or tens of thousands of people here.

After 17 years of life experience, Zhang Tie had never been so perplexed before.

Whether he would just wait until the last moment with only a few people whom he was concerned about or stand out bravely and lead these people out of this trap facing a great risk...

Zhang Tie didn’t know what to do!

He then asked Heller.

"Castle Lord, Castle of Black Iron could provide water for tens of thousands of people. The fashes inside could also be available to them for over 3 months. Such an important decision could only be made by Castle Lord out of sincerity. I will support you no matter what decision you make!"

Heller’s answer made Zhang Tie more confused. Zhang Tie didn’t know what was deep in his mind.

"Why don’t I know what is deep in my mind?"

"How come?"

Zhang Tie just considered about that question while sitting on the top of the ruined building. He gradually forgot himself...

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In this state, Zhang Tie completely forgot about the existence of time. Not knowing how long had passed, one day or two days, Zhang Tie felt many people walking under the building and heard noises drifting from afar. O’Laura came to his side once again. After staring at him for a short while, she told him a message in a sad and ironical tone.

"Gangula has already reached a secret agreement with all the other heads of small and medium-sized tribes. As long as the heads of the other tribes support him, he could ensure that some major figures in each tribe would survive to the end. According to Gangula’s plan, about 200-300 people of the allied forces could survive for more than 3 months until the tunnel is broken through from outside!"

Hearing this news, Zhang Tie felt his back, which was lashed in Heavens Cold City, burning.

There was one sentence that could be used to describe Gangula’s plan——Smaller figures had to die first so as to survive big figures. Therefore, all the big figures agreed.

"Tomorrow, the allied forces would start the massacre until the last pioneer is killed! In order to safeguard the soldiers of the grey eagle tribe, I will attend the battle with my soldiers at the risk of our lives!"

After saying this, O’Laura left.

Zhang Tie felt a heartache.

"Is that my heart?"

Zhang Tie became confused...

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O’Laura left. After a while, Sabrina and two of her guardians arrived in front of this building.

"Young lady. What’s wrong with Peter? I was told that since he had known that everybody would be trapped here, Peter had been scared too much and kept hiding here like an idiot!"

"Sh*t up!"

Zhang Tie heard the footsteps of Sabrina and her guardians. Although they were still below the building, their whisper had drifted to Zhang Tie’s ears.

Not knowing why, Zhang Tie realized that his auditory sense became much sharper than before.

After coming to the front of Zhang Tie, Sabrina squatted and slightly touched the sluggish face of Zhang Tie who was staring at the distance without moving his eyes. She then let out a sigh and said in a tender voice, "My little man. You don’t have to worry about that. We can still keep touch with outside. The relief of the wild bear tribe and the other tribes would arrive in a few days. We only need to wait for 3 months here. I’m sure they will get us out of here. As long as I can get out of here, I will take you out for sure!"

After saying this, Sabrina slightly kissed Zhang Tie’s lips. She then left while her guardians left some water and food to him.

Smelling the food on his side, Zhang Tie realized that he was a bit hungry. Without reaching out his hand to take those food, he just sent an order in his mind; instantly, the sweat solution of all-purpose medicament appeared in Zhang Tie’s mouth. Zhang Tie swallowed it right away.

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Not knowing how long had passed, Sam and Gerri appeared in front of Zhang Tie.

"Peter, Sam and I are here to say goodbye to you. After a discussion, we’ve made the final decision. At this moment, we should go back to the team of pioneers. No matter what, nobody could leave out of here or stick to the day until the tunnel was broken through. If we have to die, Sam and I prefer to die as pioneers, which would be more respectful!" Gerri said.

"We are told that the pioneers have been gathered by some individual powerhouses. Yesterday, the action of the allied forces have not gained any effects; instead, two water sources of ours were grabbed away by the allied forces. Each party suffered a loss. O’Laura had promised to send us to the safe place. No matter what, you’re our friend forever!" Sam said.

Sam and Gerri then left when Zhang Tie was moved once again.

They reminded Zhang Tie of his former friends in the wild wolf valley. Like those small figures in wild valley, Sam and Gerri were both born in average or poor families, who had no reliance at all. Each step he moved forward, he had to ooze sweat, bleed or drop tears. They were young, sincere and happy. Of course, they also had courage.

A series of pictures reappeared in Zhang Tie’s mind.

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In the deep and twisting underground tunnel, he was forging ahead quietly with a group of people while holding torches. That was a plot about Great Bless Skill. It was nothing but a joke. However, each one behind him were determined to create a new world.

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Zhang Tie drew out of his dagger and cut open his own hand, followed by all the others. They sprayed the fresh blood into the stone pit.

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"This is the blood of brothers. Before the completion of the sacred Great Bless Skill, how can you dry up?"

"Ah, no..."

"Use mine, use my blood..."

"What the hell..."

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Those who walk in the dark. Your faces are covered with dust; you totter while your hands are tainted with filth. You walk in the dark, dirty land; however the brilliance and flame in your heart could never die out, which instead would finally become torches in the dark and brighten the road for your brothers so that they can clearly see the difficulties and obstacles on the road. Those who take the torches, your torches are the best bless to this world. It is a bless of light which will brighten the road towards the ultimate sacred door. Hearing this, all the teenagers ahead of the team dropped off their tears.

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Silly Potter, who had been the torch-holder, looked sacred, "I'd like to sacrifice for all of you!"

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Hallan Wood jumped out of the team, "I'd like to sacrifice myself!"

Jack Jones jumped out, "I'd like to sacrifice myself!"

Dili Gandhi also jumped out, "I'd like to sacrifice myself!"

Francis Franca, the son of an average gardener jumped out, "I'd like to sacrifice myself!"

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Zhang Tie almost forgot the frivolous things and jokes that he had made. Until this moment, Zhang Tie realized that all the details that he had experienced with his brothers were deeply imprinted in his bones and soul, including mixing fresh blood with each other, their voices and expressions, which could never be erased or forgotten at all.

Zhang Tie dropped off his tears naturally.

"My brothers, who'd like to cut open their palms by daggers, walk in the dark with torches and topple over this world with me, are you all ready?"

"I'm sorry, I almost have made you disappointed."

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After a long time, the enshrouding bloody brilliance of iron-blood battle Qi gradually appeared on Zhang Tie, which shot up to the sky like bloody waves and banners flying against the wind.

Standing on the top of the building, Zhang Tie looked in the distance, "Those brave guys, you sacrifice yourself to your brothers. How virtuous you are! This is the purest love...your names will be carved on the sacred arch door forever. If you can treat your brothers as yourself, you have already reached the supreme level. Although time will end, oceans will dry, high mountains will fall but your names will never fade away. Sacrifice is eternal. Finally, all of us will gather in the sacred eternal territory. Each of fulfillment that you have made for your brothers will come back for you. Your brothers will not abandon you and let you wander alone. You know that brilliance is right in your body. All the opportunities that you've created will be together with you like how you stay with the almighty god."

Soon after the voice in his mind, the rising huge centipede battle-Qi totem was torn into pieces in the fierce, rolling battle-Qi banner by his powerful spirit and superb willingness. Another thing started to swim in Zhang Tie's chest, which included trust, fearlessness, decisiveness, piety, grief, small figures' unyielding yells, teenagers' surging fresh blood and the lofty self sublimation for the brothers to sacrifice themselves.

Because of the sublimation, everything became lofty.

Being unable to sustain Zhang Tie's superb willingness, the huge centipede battle-Qi totem was finally shattered...

Among the pieces of the battle-Qi totem, a light spot started to brighten up in Zhang Tie's chest like a torch in the dark...

A wholly new, rare totem slowly rose from Zhang Tie's back and shot into the sky. Fresh blood drops sprayed all over the sky endlessly like a curtain in the sky. It was more like a doomsday flame which was descended by gods so as to judge everything like that in myths and legends. With a glance, everybody's heart pounded...

A sacred totem—Bloody and Fiery Curtain appeared in front of public for the first time.

In the distance, the soldiers of the allied forces were fighting pioneers along with ground-breaking roars...

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