

## **Black Iron 571**

### Chapter 571: Free Flight

Zhang Tie had not imagined that he could do this before. When he arrived at this base yesterday, he saw the glider being dragged by the car before flying off. Therefore, he hit this possible way—the glider should weigh less than 1000 kg; additionally, he could catch up with the running speed of the car. As long as the terrain was proper, he could have his glider fly off.

He could lift about 1000 kg for sure, which was just as heavy as a battle hammer. He could also catch up with the running speed of the car. Therefore, he wanted to have the glider modified so that it could better adapt to his ability and play a greater role on the battlefield.

If it was successfully modified, he could fly off at any time once there was a hillside. As a result, his driving ability would be further improved.

The engineers soon understood Zhang Tie's thought, which made them thrilled. Therefore, they soon started to work it out.

As Zhang Tie expressed that he wanted to use this glider as soon as possible, the engineers didn't build a new one; instead, they started to modify a very well-matched excellent glider.

A WindTalker II was drawn out of the warehouse by those engineers. After moving away its cover, they started to split it one part after another in a warehouse and modify it.

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When those engineers were modifying the glider, Colonel Ohlson took Zhang Tie into a office. The moment Zhang Tie entered it was he startled. He even wondered why Colonel Ohlson took him in a utility room.

Almost half of the room was covered with hats, notebooks, mini glider models and certificates of merit.

Colonel Ohlson revealed a bashful smile, "Since you came here yesterday, those b\*tches outside asked for your signature; therefore, I have their items collected here, look..."

Zhang Tie smiled, "No problem. After all, I have some time; I will meet their wishes!"

"That's awesome!" Colonel Ohlson became thrilled as he instantly called in two soldiers to let them assist Zhang Tie to accomplish this.

There were more than 1,000 items in the room. Watching those pens which had been prepared for him, Zhang Tie rubbed his face as he fetched a chair and sat down. After drawing in a deep breath, he started his job.

As Zhang Tie always treated himself as a commoner, he knew what did those common soldiers think. Therefore, Zhang Tie did it seriously.

Zhang Tie didn't just sign his name; he also left a sentence.

"Salute to those brave humans who fought together with me in Selnes Theater of Operations——Zhang Tie!"

After living in Blackhot City for many years, although Zhang Tie's scores were not excellent, under the strict requirements of his dad and mom, he had a nice handwriting. His words combined agility and strength.

In the entire morning, Zhang Tie signed his name seriously without even having lunch. Colonel Ohlson came here to see Zhang Tie for many times. After watching Zhang Tie's serious look while signing his name on each item, especially under the translation of some advisers who knew Chinese, Colonel Ohlson's eyes turned wet.

At about 2 pm, Zhang Tie finally finished his job while that one-seat WindTalker II had also been modified and was put on the track. Its caesious color had a good concealment effect in the sky.

Given its look, this modified one-seat WindTalker II was nothing different from the original one. Their differences existed in the cockpit.

At this moment, an arc opening which was about 80 cm in length and 50 cm in width below the cockpit and two more concave metal handles appeared on both sides of the seat.

The chief engineer who was responsible for modification introduced it to Zhang Tie.

"On the premise of not increasing its weight, we have strengthened the stress structure of its frame. You can lift this glider by the two concave metal handles. Thankfully, the location of the cabin is the geometric center of gravity of the entire glider, you only need to carry its weight. You don't need to carry the burden caused by leverage factor."

"Additionally, we have opened a hole here at the bottom of the cockpit, where you could stretch your feet out for the sake of running. We made this opening movable. There's a hand-pull switch in the cockpit. When you fly off, you can withdraw your feet, at the same time you pull the switch by hand to cover the metal sliding closure. This would neither influence your flight rest nor the speed of this glider!"

"To reach such an effect, we needed to adjust some interlocks. Previously, the hard seat was not available; we have changed it into a folding chair. Besides feeling more comfortable, you will find no change in its flight performance and driving pattern. Your free mobility in the cockpit won't change either."

"Thanks, you're great!" Zhang Tie nodded after watching it for a while, "Can I have a try now?"

All the engineers nodded. Zhang Tie then jumped into the cockpit. Holding the two concave metal handles, he lifted the glider, which weighed about 800 kg.

Zhang Tie stepped on the ground as he steadily lifted the glider. This looked like a pair of huge plane-shaped metal short pants.

Zhang Tie ran a couple of steps and found that his mobility was not restricted besides his arm.

After a slight adjustment, Zhang Tie started to run by lifting the glider. After over 10 seconds, his speed had reached above 60 km/h.

Zhang Tie felt an elevating force on the wings due to the different upper and lower airflow as the weight in his hand gradually decreased.

After running hundreds of meters, being blown by the airflow under the hillside, the glider attempted to leave the ground. Zhang Tie felt no weight in his hands as the glider completely took him off the ground and flew into the sky. Zhang Tie rapidly withdrew his feet and put his feet on the pedals. Closely after that, he closed the metal sliding cover by pulling the switch. He then sat back into the seat and started to drive.

All the engineers yelled and applauded.

After half an hour, Zhang Tie returned to the track by the glider. All the engineers swarmed up and finished the final modification for the glider—increased two weapon racks outside both sides of the cockpit. Each weapon rack could contain six 1.1-m long metal spears as Zhang Tie's weapons towards LV 10 wing demons.

After accomplishing all these, the whole base became boiled; as all the soldiers had received Zhang Tie's signature and encouragement. As a result, the morale in the base surged to its peak at once.

These engineers were all reserved in the base. Those items where Zhang Tie signed his name on didn't include that of these engineers. After knowing that Zhang Tie left a very meaningful souvenir to the others, all the engineers revealed an admiring look.

Zhang Tie noticed their special looks. When some engineers took out the notebook with an expecting look and asked for Zhang Tie's signature, Zhang Tie posed the last request towards those engineers who participated in the modification of the glider, "I really appreciate what you've done for me today. This glider is my battle partner in Selnes Theater of Operations from then on. If you can sign your names on it and let them stay with this glider forever, it would be my great honor. I will take it as a souvenir gifted by you. If so, I will always miss you when I fight in the air. I promise you I will kill a wing demon for each one of you who leave their name on the glider!"

After hearing Zhang Tie's words, all the engineers felt their blood boiling in their hearts as they had an unprecedented sense of pride and honor. As a result, many of them burst out into tears.

Leaving their own name on the glider of the Selnes Eagle was the supreme honor and reward for an engineer.

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Finally, after taking a photo with the commission officers and engineers in front of the glider, Zhang Tie left by the Idiots with the glider which was covered with 27 engineers' names.

Zhang Tie didn't return to the Crystal Battle Fortress; instead, he directly headed for north.

After 24 hours, the Idiots returned to the Crystal Battle Fortress with over 60 grim and terrifying heads of wing demons.

"Prepare a vehicle and hang all these heads over it!" Zhang Tie ordered with an aggressive killing intent...

Chapter 572: Beat the Dog's Owner

When crew members of the Idiots started to hang those wing demons' heads over the military vehicle, all the people in the Crystal Battle Fortress who had received the news came here to watch it silently.

Those wing demons' grim heads were well preserved. Many of the heads still had their dying looks .

At the sight of that vehicle, all the onlookers were stunned. They didn't know how to describe the military SUV which was covered with wing demons' heads.

It was both terrifying and shocking. After watching it, everyone felt being fully energetic, heroic and dauntless.

The powerful wing demons' heads were just this vehicle's goods and ornaments.

Those wing demons who made the sky full of terror became the trivial ornaments of this military vehicle.

Those demons who once ate and massacred humans could also be killed and violated by humans.

What a power!

How sharp! How sharp!

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"Come on. Where's the photographer? Take a photo for me in front of this vehicle!" Soon after those wing demons' heads were well placed did a ground service commission officer shout.

The onlookers instantly became boiled as many of them strove for taking a photo in front of this vehicle.

With such a photo, even though one had not killed a demon, he could still bluff in front of his grandsons when he was old—Your grandpa had made contributions to the humans in the 3rd holy war; additionally, your grandpa once worked together with a human hero called Selnes Eagle in a battle fortress...

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When so many people were surrounding the vehicle, Ou Hongyu and his demon hunting squad who had left the base for about 10 days finally finished their task and returned to the Crystal Battle Fortress.

When Ou Hongyu's demon hunting squad left the Crystal Battle Fortress, Zhang Tie was fighting ferociously in Flatte City. When Zhang Tie came back, Ou Hongyu was still in the outside where he could not touch Crystal Battle Fortress. Therefore, Ou Hongyu didn't know what happened these days. Neither did he know that Zhang Tie had become the hero across Selnes Theater of Operations only after two weeks.

Demon hunting squad was like human elite squad which especially targeted at dealing with demon corps in the wild. This time, Ou Hongyu had a good performance. The entire squad suffered no casualty at all. Besides, they swept two demon squads and killed some wing demons. Therefore, when they caught sight of the Crystal Battle Fortress, they all felt pleasant due to a big triumph.

"Senior brother apprentice Ou, you can definitely enter top 30 with this achievement. As long as you keep this achievement, senior brother apprentice Ou could definitely make a further improvement in Chuixue Palace in the future!" An apprentice of Chuixue Palace flattered him when he found Ou Hongyu was happy.

"The achievement belongs to all of us. Without your cooperation, I can not make such an achievement. Especially Qingqing, with her fiery wheel, she has also made a great achievement. She even killed three wing demons. We all have achievements this time. Later on, we need to work harder. After having a good experience in Selnes Theater of Operations, when we reach the Eastern Continent, we will have the chance to exhibit ourselves!" Ou Hongyu said modestly. However, his words revealed some important information.

After hearing Ou Hongyu's words, someone among the demon hunting squad immediately realized something, "Senior brother apprentice Ou, you mean..."

"Just keep it as a secret. Don't pass it on. It won't sound good..." Ou Hongyu warned them before lowering his voice, "I was told by a senior brother apprentice in Chuixue Palace, the bottom line for the six major clans of Jinyun Country to stay here was that demons would not pass by the Kalay Mountain Range. In case, the demon corps passed by the Kalay Mountain Range, all the Chinese across Waii Sub-Continent would leave for the Eastern Continent!"

"Ah? Is that real?" some innocent guys were shocked by Ou Hongyu's words.

"Some Chinese countries in the south of Waii Sub-Continent had prepared for leaving there in an all-round manner before the holy war. All the six major clans have their own ways in Eastern Continent. They have not cut their connections with their base in Eastern Continent yet. All the elders and heads of the major clans are top elites. After all, Waii Sub-Continent is a remote place. When there is no holy war, they could do business here; however, when the holy war breaks out, how can those clan elders let this place determine the fates of their clans? We only need to cultivate ourselves well here. When we arrive at the Eastern Continent, we might have a chance to appear in the Heavenly Fortune Rankings and be rewarded with the rank of nobility..." Ou Hongyu said as he gradually became heroic.

"Senior brother apprentice Ou, I was told that Heavenly Fortune Rankings was a marvelous item in Taixia Dynasty. As long as one dropped his or her blood on it, the Heavenly Fortune Rankings would know all the information about this person. Is that real?"

"I've not seen Heavenly Fortune Rankings yet. It's a mysterious product in the far-ancient civilization. In the former two holy wars, Heavenly Fortune Rankings served as the stage for the heroes to exhibit their own strength. It didn't make any mistake after so many generations and so many experiences. As Chinese, only when we become knights could we leave our names on it by dropping our blood on it. Thus, we could be rewarded with the corresponding rank of nobility according to the meritorious deeds that were exhibited on the Heavenly Fortune Rankings while our wives could also be rewarded with rank of nobility and our sons would inherit our positions and privileges. That's how the ancestors of the six major clan of Jinyun Country originated from!"

"Ah? Senior brother apprentice Ou, don't many countries in Waii Sub-Continent also have emperors and nobles?" a younger guy asked with a puzzled look.

"If you just stay at home, as long as you shut your door and buy some slaves to serve you, you can also treat yourself a emperor. However, can you enjoy the same treatment in the outside?" Ou Hongyu sneered, "Although only demon-killers could be rewarded with the rank of nobility according to the 'Humans Brilliance Charter', besides us Chinese, who should be rewarded with the rank of nobility according to the meritorious deeds exhibited on the Heavenly Fortune Rankings, other clans' nobles and imperial kingsmen don't have strict rules. As long as they kill some demons and are able to rule a mountain could they call themselves nobles and imperial kingsmen. Nobody cared about them. However, when they came to the Eastern Continent, they were nothing but a fart. They are just country moneybags at most. When they arrive at Taixia Dynasty, they have to be docile. None of them dare call themselves nobles at all..."

"Ah? But why?"

"Because, in Taixia Dynasty, only nobles on the Heavenly Fortune Rankings are recognized. All those who have not been recognized by the Heavenly Fortune Rankings dared to call themselves nobles would be split into 5 parts by horses according to Taixia's laws!"

"According to you, the Fighting Strength Rankings in the Crystal Battle Fortress is really meaningful!" a member of the demon hunting squad became enlightened at once.

"You just realized that?" Ou Hongyu smiled intently.

"Aww, I wonder whether Zhang Tie has killed any demons these days." a guy suddenly remembered Zhang Tie.

"Forget about him. A LV 9 guy is nothing in the sky. If he could join our demon hunting squad, he might kill one or two demons. However, if he stays in the airship, it depends on his fortune!" a guy sneered.

Dantai Qingqing just listened to their discussions. Until when she caught sight of so many people around a place in the base was her attention aroused.

"Yi? What's happening over there?"

"Let's take a look there!" Ou Hongyu smiled.

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When the demon hunting squad pushed in the crowd and watched the bloody and terrifying military SUV did they stupefy.

"What...what happened? Who killed so many wing demons?" Ou Hongyu changed his face at once. After forcefully swallowing his saliva did he remove his vision from that vehicle.

"Who? Of course the Selnes Eagle!" a ground service soldier who was waiting to take a photo replied pleasantly.

"Selnes Eagle?" after hearing this name, all the members of the demon hunting squad exchanged glances with each other.

"Don't you know that?"

"As we were on duty in the outside these days, we've just come back. Can you tell me what happened" Dantai Qingqing revealed a smile towards a soldier. That young soldier felt being struck by electricity while he blushed at once...

However, before that soldier spoke, a voice in unison had sounded in the surroundings, "Ah? Here comes the Selnes Eagle. This time, the first rank would refresh his marks..."

The demon hunting squad members turned around and found Zhang Tie walking in the crowd in a weird uniform, at the sight of whom, all the surrounding crowd gave a way to him.

Ou Hongyu's face turned pale at once...

Zhang Tie also caught sight of Ou Hongyu and the other members of the demon hunting squad. He smiled towards them silently. After that, he told those around the vehicle, "I'm sorry, please give me a way, I have to go out for a travel now!"

After hearing Zhang Tie's request, all of them gave a way to him hurriedly, leaving those who had not taken a photo with the vehicle pitiful.

Zhang Tie got on the vehicle and drove away that shocking vehicle from the base in the Crystal Battle Fortress and headed for Mocco City.

Those b\*stards of Three-Eye Association wanted to kill him. Therefore, he wanted to show them the outcome to stir up him. "Aren't those b\*stards thinking they are hiding in a secret place? I will find their owner some trouble then."

"Before beating a dog, the others would see who's its owner. However, if a dog stirs up me, I will directly beat its owner..."

## Chapter 573: A Lonely Parade

After the explosion in Mocco City three days ago, the circumstances across the city became intense at once. Various news were spread in Mocco City. The explosion was targeted at the Selnes Eagle while the missing two alchemist's bombs in the strategic arsenal of Symbian Republic were still lost.

The explosion on that day killed hundreds of people. Additionally, the two missing alchemist's bombs in the strategic arsenal of Symbian Republic had many people sent to the prison. This event involved over 600 people in total. Therefore, although three days had passed, the atmosphere in Mocco City was still intense.

The noon had just passed by. At the northern city gate of Mocco City, a city defense soldier was checking the accessing vehicles and personnel strictly. After they were told that the missing two alchemist's bombs might still be in Mocco City, all the soldiers on duty treated this very seriously. They paid special attention to the places on vehicles which could hold alchemist's bombs.

However, after three days, they neither found the alchemist's bombs nor the lackeys of Three-Eye Association. They only caught some deserters and corrupted guys from the logistics department of some countries in the Selnes frontline who were related to the illegal market in Mocco City.

It was just a bit over 12 pm. It was lunchtime. At this moment, a car darted towards Mocco City after passing by some defense lines outside the Mocco City and causing some noises, dust floating through the air.

A major wearing the armband of the human alliance who was on duty outside the city gate had already noticed the abnormal situation in the far. Before that vehicle arrived at the city gate, the major had already told the soldiers to be spirited.

At the major's order, two armored vehicles parking outside the city gate had already targeted the steam catapults on the armored vehicles towards the oncoming vehicle.

When the incoming vehicle drew closer, the major noticed the symbol of Jinyun Country hanging on it, "Who dared to drive a military SUV into Mocco City only after that event three days ago." the major slightly frowned, "What the hell!"

The vehicle was stopped at the checkpoint outside the city gate. Before the major opened his mouth had he seen a pile of wing demons' heads behind the vehicle. The major immediately drew in a cold breath.

After hearing their exclamations, a lot of soldiers swarmed up. They all watched those demons' heads with a shocking look.

"Ah? They're real, not waxworks. They're all wing demons' heads..." a soldier couldn't stand to check those heads out of curiosity before shouting out loudly.

The major deeply drew in a breath before asking that driver, "Sergeant first class, what are those things?"

"Wing demons' heads, is there any problem?" Zhang Tie answered.

"Those heads are real, but why did you put them in your vehicle?"

"They are my military exploits!"

"Military exploits? From where?"

"I killed them!"

"You killed them?" that major immediately recalled something when he saw Zhang Tie's young face and the rank sergeant first class on Zhang Tie's shoulder, "Can you show me your ID certificate?"

Zhang Tie showed his ID certificate as the only air cavalry across Selnes Theater of Operations to the major through the window.

After taking a look at it, the major instantly snapped to attention, causing a sound 'Pa' before passing the certificate back to Zhang Tie respectfully. At the same time, he took a deep breath, "Your Excellency, Zhang Tie, out of my duty, I have to warn you that someone might pose a threat to your life in Mocco City. May I know your purpose here? If necessary, I will notice the human alliance and let them protect you..."



"No need. I've heard what happened in Mocco City. I'm just here to take a round in Mocco City. I want to chop off the head of the owner of those demon lackeys and show them my energetic look. I want those b\*stards to know that even though they have alchemist's bombs, they are still just a group of b\*stards who deserve to hide in the sewer!"

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Under everyone's admiring gaze, Zhang Tie drove into Mocco City.

At this moment, Mocco City was full of soldiers.

Zhang Tie slowed down and started to wander in the streets.

All those who caught sight of this vehicle would stop on the streets as they widely opened their mouths and stared at those wing demons' heads in the carriage of the vehicle.

Since the beginning of the 3rd holy war, demons' super corps had been resting on each human's head like a mountain. A LV 9 human fighter could at least serve as a field officer in many countries across Blackson Humans Corridor, which was definitely the backbone of each human corps. However, in demon's super corps, such a LV 9 fighter was just a common soldier. Therefore, everyone would feel chilly and think that demons were unrivaled.

However, in Selnes Theater of Operations, those demon squads who broke through human defense line and penetrated to the back of the theater of operations brought a huge and terrifying destruction to humans, which frightened everyone. A battalion of human fighters, if encountered a demon squad of over 10 demons, would be killed in a couple of minutes. Such powerful demons made over 99% of human fighters below LV 9 breathless.

If an allied human squad of about 100 people could kill one common LV 9 demon soldier, all the members of this squad would be rewarded. This reward was equal to killing one major commission officer of the enemy. From this, we knew how difficult it was to kill a demon.

However, at this moment, those human fighters who might have not seen demons, suddenly saw a military vehicle being loaded with wing demons' heads in the streets. Of course, they were shocked.

Those heads were not of the most commonly seen iron-armored demons but of the rarest wing demons. Therefore, the shock was amplified by many times at once.

Wing demons' heads, a military SUV from the Crystal Battle Fortress of Jinyun Country and a young sergeant first class in a special uniform—after combining the three aspects, some onlookers guessed Zhang Tie's status right now. In a split second, the driver's status was spread across the city.

After experiencing the assassination of an alchemist bomb, the Selnes Eagle returned to Mocco City, with a carriage of wing demons' heads. He was driving his vehicle on the streets of Mocco City brightly.

Because of that explosion three days ago, the circumstances in Mocco City became a bit depressive as people were worried about their lives. However, at the sight of so many wing demons' heads and knowing that the driver was Zhang Tie, everyone felt energetic like having a strong power out of nothing. They didn't fear about demons anymore while their depression faded away at once.

Gradually, more and more soldiers followed Zhang Tie's vehicle voluntarily. Being driven by the unrivaled morale, some even shouted the slogan for the first time as more and more people joined in. The slogan then became as overwhelming as mountains and tsunami and sounded around Zhang Tie's vehicle.

"Kill the demons. Humans are doomed to win..."

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In the beginning, Zhang Tie didn't mean to make such a chaos. However, Zhang Tie gradually found that he could not control that. Hundreds and thousands of people started to follow him. Only after wandering in the streets for over 10 minutes, he had been followed by over tens of thousands of people.

Through the rear-view mirror, Zhang Tie saw his vehicle was followed by a lot of people, who filled the whole street. As he moved ahead, more and more people joined in the contingent. Some more were coming on the way here.

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"Kill the demons. Humans are doomed to win..."

Gradually, this slogan thundered across the Mocco City.

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General Howard was holding a meeting with the other generals of other countries in a conference room. At this moment, the loud slogan drifted in the conference room. Given the loudness, they knew it was caused by at least hundreds of thousands of people.

General Howard and the other generals in the conference room became a bit chaotic.

"What's wrong? Which country's corps is holding a parade in Selnes City?" General Howard slightly frowned as he glanced at those generals at present.

Although Howard, as the supreme officer in the alliance command, just played a coordinating role on the battlefield. None of the corps from other countries would follow his order. All the military actions had to be coordinated. However, it was too excessive if any corps would like to hold a parade in Mocco City and didn't notice him in advance. Therefore, General Howard became a bit dissatisfied.

At this moment, there were only three major corps, coming from three countries. One from the Symbian Republic; one from Norman Empire; the last one from Francia Federal.

At this moment, all the other members in the conference room were silently glancing at the representatives from the three countries. Many of them were admiring them inside. Given the slogan, they knew the corps had a high morale. It was very difficult to keep such a morale at this critical moment.

The three countries' representatives then exchanged glances with each other.

"Symbian Republic didn't hold a parade today. If there was, as the owner of Mocco City, I would be invited to watch it for sure!" the general on behalf of Symbian Republic shook his head.

"Norman Empire didn't hold a parade either. In Norman Empire, only when the king arrives do we hold a corps-level parade!" that general of Norman Empire also shook his head.

"The parliament of Francia Federal has never approved any budget for holding a corps-level parade in Selnes Theater of Operations. This requires a lot of money. In order to support the Selnes Theater of Operations, we've already tightened our waistband. The parliament of Francia Federal has already cut off half of its expenditure. This summer, our noble parliamentarians will not enjoy those ice cubes in the ice cave. If we hold such a parade at this moment. Those noble parliamentarians would feel cold in winter. They might rebel before the arrival of the demons!"

After hearing the Francia Federal general's joke, all the others in the conference room burst out into laughter.

Only after a short while, the slogan outside had become even louder. Additionally, they realized that it came from all directions. It seemed that the entire Mocco City was boiling.

When they were puzzling about that, General Howard's adjutant hurriedly walked into the conference room and whispered in Howard's ears for half a minute. After hearing that, General Howard's eyebrows raised at once as he looked thrilled.

The adjutant then left.

Watching those generals in the conference room, General Howard took a deep breath, "Our Selnes Eagle has just driven in Mocco City while the carriage was loaded with 60-70 wing demons' heads. This is his current achievement, also a dauntless declaration. That's a heroic and charming deed. The slogan was made by the soldiers in Mocco City. As the general of the alliance command in Selnes Theater of Operations, I'm proud to have such a hero in Selnes Theater of Operations!"

After hearing his words, all the general applauded fervently after a short second.

The Selnes Eagle allowed the low-morale across the Mocco City to rise again. He made the entire city so energetic and inspiring. Given this point, he deserved that medal.

"I want to see our hero and the wing demons' heads. Those who are not afraid of alchemist's bombs can go there together with me!" General Howard then walked out of the conference room. The other generals exchanged glances with each other before following General Howard one after another...

#### Chapter 574: The Public Enemy of Mothers

When Zhang Tie drove to the urban square of Mocco City, those soldiers who came here to see the Selnes Eagle and the whole carriage of wing demons' heads had blocked all the roads of the vehicle in every direction.

When Zhang Tie's vehicle couldn't move, he directly parked it and got off the vehicle.

At this moment, Zhang Tie felt that he had reached his target. However, the great effect was really out of his imagination.

However, before Zhang Tie got off the vehicle, he had found those soldiers outside the vehicle gave a way to him like ebbing tide. At the same time, a group of generals with stars on their shoulders walked towards him.

This time, Zhang Tie realized that he really could not leave.

He hurriedly jumped off the vehicle and gave a solemn salute to those generals.

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General Howard then climbed onto the top of Zhang Tie's vehicle in the Urban Square of Mocco City and delivered a fervent keynote speech. Even Zhang Tie felt bashful about that; meanwhile, the atmosphere in Mocco City was pushed to the climax.

Even when the battle ended, Mocco City was not as boisterous as today. After Zhang Tie took a round in the city today, the city's morale became lit. The whole city became boisterous like winning a war.

Zhang Tie's vehicle parked in the Urban Square of Mocco City just for others to visit and take photos with. Zhang Tie then entered the alliance command together with General Howard. After talking with those generals for a while, Zhang Tie was invited into General Howard's office.

In General Howard's office, Zhang Tie could still faintly hear the cheers from the Urban Square of Mocco City.

After the adjutant of General Howard made a cup of tea for Zhang Tie, General Howard pushed open the door of his office and walked in. His adjutant then closed the door and left.

"General!" at the sight of Howard, Zhang Tie put down the tea cup and stood up politely from the sofa.

"Take a seat, young man, take a seat!" General Howard walked towards Zhang Tie and put his hand on Zhang Tie's shoulder with a genial smile. He pressed Zhang Tie onto the sofa.

Zhang Tie respected this old man who was several times elder than him and was still insisting on staying in Selnes Theater of Operations. However, Zhang Tie did not look too humble or too recalcitrant. To date, actually, he didn't need to perform in front of anybody. Even in front of the elders of Huaiyuan Palace, Zhang Tie could still stick to be himself, not to mention now.

"Have you heard the voice outside?" General Howard went to the window sill of his office and watched the scenery before turning around to ask Zhang Tie.

"Yes!"

"What did you hear?" General Howard asked with a profound look.

Zhang Tie shrugged straightforwardly, "Humans hope to survive the holy war and the hateful sound of demons and the lackeys of Three-Eye Association!"

After hearing Zhang Tie's answer, Howard nodded before throwing a glance at Zhang Tie profoundly.

"Do you know that you will face danger here?"

"I know. But I also believe that those b\*stards might not have predicted that I could do this. Even if they knew that I was going to be here, they would not make such a fast response in Mocco City. This city is still under the rule of humans. Therefore, it may seem to be a dangerous travel, but is actually not."

Zhang Tie replied frankly.

"You surprised me. To be honest, your performance today completely changed my recognition on you from what I had three days ago!"

Speaking of the event three days ago, Zhang Tie scratched his head bashfully as he just smirked...

"Thankfully, you didn't come here three days ago. If you really came, those demons' lackeys plan would have succeeded. This time, your arrival was much more meaningful than that three days ago. Since you entered Mocco City with those wing demons' heads, you've already won a battle in Mocco City in front of about one million of soldiers in Mocco City and weakened the morale of those lackeys of demons! We human army require heroes like you." General Howard made a high comment on Zhang Tie's deed today.

"I was just doing what I should do and like to do!"

General Howard looked a bit thrilled, "No, young man. You don't know. You're not only doing what you should do and like to do, you're also doing what the others want to do yet cannot do. Do you know how proud some of our common soldiers were when they mentioned you? If you've seen them, you would change your saying!"

"Aww!" Zhang Tie raised his eyebrows.

"Those soldiers told me that they had not imagined that our human army could have an arm of service which could suppress demons' LV 9 soldiers. We LV 9 human fighters could also make wing demons scared. You will bring them hope and encouragement."

After hearing Howard's words, Zhang Tie instantly understood why Lan elder persisted to let him be the first air cavalry in Selnes Theater of Operations in the status of sergeant first class. Actually, based on his performance on the battlefield, he could be promoted to major or lieutenant colonel at least. Perhaps, Lan elder had already considered that a sergeant first class who killed a lot of demons would pose a greater influence on the mentality of common soldiers compared to a major or a lieutenant colonel.

When humans were at a disadvantage, the former choice would bring pride and dignity to common soldiers and trigger everyone's courage; while the latter choice made people admirable at most.

"Aged ginger was more pungent." Zhang Tie sighed inside, "None of the knights are silly. Lan elder has maximized my personal value silently. What a smart man!"

Knowing that Zhang Tie had understood it, General Howard made a request to Zhang Tie, "Many generals are moved by today's event. Some general suggested that heroes like you should not limit your value on the battlefield. You could bring more inspirations to the front line soldiers."

"What does that mean?"

"The alliance command wants to set an exclusive task group for you and open a special column for you in 'Holy War News', which will be responsible for propagating and shaping your positive image and inspiring the front line soldiers."

Zhang Tie was startled by this suggestion as he hurriedly shook his head. He heard about such a treatment before. However, he had not dreamed about this for himself. He could never perform such a great and positive image. Actually, he didn't feel his affairs were worth to report. If the report was true, it would violate his personal privacy; if it was fake, he would be disgusted to death by himself. He didn't want to be observed by others. How tired it was! If his secret was exposed, he would have no place to cry for that.

Seeing Zhang Tie's firm attitude, Colonel Howard replied with a bitter smile; however, he didn't give up, "This is actually a part of the war. Through propagating and shaping heroes, we could bring great spiritual energy to many people. You have already felt such a strength today. Additionally, I've been told what you've done in the Hoorn Republic Glider Base. You encouraged them by signing your name for the commission officers and soldiers in the base. Now, all the soldiers in the Hoorn Glider Base were fully energetic. It was similar to that!"

"I'm sorry, general. Perhaps in your mind, this is right. But I really don't want to be such a role. I've never defined myself as a hero and honestly, I don't want to be a hero. Actually, I have a lot of shortcomings. Neither do I like to be a performer under a magnifying glass. As I've said, I only want to do what I should do and like to do." Zhang Tie lowered his eyelids, "If possible, what I want most is to embrace my beloved woman and just eat and play until death, instead of fighting demons here!"

"Is it real?" General Howard became a bit amazed.

"Yes, it's my real thought!"

"By doing this, you can encourage a lot of people!"

"Many people would be killed too!"

"But many people would appreciate you!"

"No!" Zhang Tie shook his head, "Many mothers would hate me..."

Zhang Tie watched General Howard seriously, "If it was 4 years ago, if my mom knew that I admired a hero and was finally killed on the battlefield, she was doomed to hate that 'hero'. Because I have a good mother, I don't want to be the public enemy of all the mothers across Blackson Humans Corridor. Each hero is the public enemy of mothers who send their sons onto the battlefield. I had understood this since I was young. Therefore, if you ask me what requirement do I have, I only want to not be the public enemy of mothers."

"Each hero is the public enemy of mothers who send their sons onto the battlefield?" General Howard had not heard about this before. Opening his mouth, he watched Zhang Tie's serious and stubborn face for a few seconds.

"You have a great mother!"

"Yes, my mother is very great!" Zhang Tie nodded frankly.

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Zhang Tie stayed in the alliance command for about 2 hours. When he walked out of the gate of the alliance command, he saw a masculine man leaning against a vehicle outside the alliance command, exposing his wide chest. He was smoking a cigar.

"Brat, long time no see..." Reinhardt raised his jaw towards Zhang Tie like when he saw Zhang Tie for the first time. At the same time, he threw a cigar towards Zhang Tie.

After catching the cigar, Zhang Tie put it close to his nose and took a deep sniff before jumping into Reinhardt's vehicle...

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## Chapter 575: Demon Hunters Bar

Some people telepathy with each other. So did Zhang Tie and his brothers in Iron-Blood Camp of No. 39 Division. They killed enemies and bathed blood, they blocked blades and bolts for each other at the risk of their own lives.

Zhang Tie felt Freo, the bald-headed tough man's fresh blood was running through his body. While those brothers in Iron-Blood Camp were running Zhang Tie's fresh blood through their body.

After Zhang Tie got on the vehicle, Reinhardt also jumped onto it. Without saying anything, he just held the cigar and accelerated his vehicle at once.

As it was outside the gate of the alliance command, Zhang Tie was not afraid of being followed by others. If the alliance command in Mocco City could not even guarantee such a simple thing, they didn't need to fight in Selnes Theater of Operations any longer. They only needed to return home and wait for demons.

"Did you kill Master Abyan?" Reinhardt asked casually.

"Yup. He killed some of my women. Therefore, I have to kill him. However, I almost lost my life that time!" Zhang Tie took up a lighter and started to light that cigar which Reinhardt had thrown to him. After having a mouth of it, the fragrance of the cigar was filled in his mouth.

He learned to smoke the cigar from Reinhardt. Previously, as a poor teenager, Zhang Tie thought it was like smoking a cigarette; however, when in Iron-Blood Camp, he knew that the smoke of cigar didn't have to enter lungs; instead, it just stayed in the mouth for a while before going out.

"What happened? That old d\*\*chebag couldn't be that sharp!" Reinhardt turned around and glanced at Zhang Tie.

"That old d\*\*chebag was a shadow demon. His level was higher than mine. Therefore, I was almost killed!" Zhang Tie blew out the smoke.

"Shadow demon?" Reinhardt finally revealed a shocking look.

Zhang Tie nodded.

"What happened then? Abyan's fortress was swept off by someone. Even marshal Lin Changjiang and many big figures in the capital city were shocked by this!"

"He was my master. As I could not even have time to protect myself, I could not meet him at that time. Probably after thinking that I was killed, he especially came there and destroyed the fortress.

That strength was almost out of people's reach. Later on, Reinhardt went to take a look at the ruins of Abyan's fortress. Facing that deep and serene lake, he didn't know what to say besides being shocked. However, as a major commission officer of No. 39 Division, Reinhardt had his own channels to learn about the event which happened beside the encampment of No. 39 Division. According to the investigation group dispatched by the capital city, there was no such a powerhouse in Norman Empire, even across Blackson Humans Corridor. It was said that his strength had almost reached to that of the immortal level.

"You master is too powerful!" Reinhardt sighed with emotions as he felt happy for Zhang Tie.

"He is very powerful!" Zhang Tie replied with a bitter smile, "However, I don't know when I can see him again. His temperament is a bit odd. He's always alone. I wonder where he is now. I won't feel strange even if I didn't see him in the next decades.

Reinhardt glanced at Zhang Tie with an amazing look once again before shaking his head.

The scenery on both sides of the street flashed backward. Reinhardt drove very fast as he continuously glimpsed at the rear-view mirrors to ensure that nobody was following them.

"Where are we going?" Zhang Tie asked.

"Have a drink!"

"That's fine!" Zhang Tie nodded.

After being silent for over 10 seconds, Reinhardt opened his mouth, "We've received the 1000 vials of all-purpose medicament that you had Colonel Leibniz left to the brothers of Iron-Blood Camp. When the demonized puppets corps besieged the Blackhot City, those vials of all-purpose medicament saved a lot of brothers' lives!"

"That's good!"

Reinhardt became silent for another few seconds, "First Lieutenant Liu Xing died in the demon disaster!"

After hearing this news, Zhang Tie's hand holding the cigar quivered slightly when he felt being chocked by something...

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Reinhardt kept driving ahead. After taking Zhang Tie around the Mocco City for over half an hour, he finally parked in a remote street. They then got off the vehicle and passed by two lanes before arriving at a small bar.

Some bald-headed tough guys in black vests were standing outside the gate of the bar. At the sight Lieutenant Colonel Reinhardt, a tough guy turned around and knocked at the door. A person then



looked outside through a small window on the door. When all the guards nodded, he opened the thick iron gate from inside.

"I've not imagined that the guards here are so professional." Zhang Tie became interested in this place at once.

"Where are we?"

"This is demon hunters bar. Only powerhouses of demon hunting squads in Selnes Theater of Operations or those who had at least chopped off one demon's head could come here!" Reinhardt explained.

Zhang Tie nodded.

Zhang Tie and Reinhardt passed that thick iron gate and a narrow winding corridor which was hung over with sabers and swords before entering the bar. At this moment, although it was not dark, so many people had already gathered inside. After glancing at Zhang Tie and Reinhardt, those people turned around and kept drinking.

Like Reinhardt said, Zhang Tie saw various military uniforms and battle armors. They were at least captains.

After sitting at a table, before they opened mouth, a beauty waiter in the breast-exposing uniform had already served bottles of alcohol and some food on the table. Finding Zhang Tie was handsome, that waiter even leered at Zhang Tie before leaving with her twisting plump butts.

"You cannot order drinks here. We can provide you what we have!"

Zhang Tie nodded. At this moment, all the supplies in Selnes Theater of Operations were in short. The rationing system was executed here. Even if you were a commissioner, you should also appreciate for having some alcohol. Alcohol could serve as hard currency here. The boss of this bar was already an able man to supply such goods.

As they drank alcohol, Zhang Tie and Reinhardt chatted about their recent situation.

Two years ago, Reinhardt had already left No. 39 Division and the Iron-Horn Corps and was dispatched into the Iron-Plough Corps in the North Border Military Region of Norman Empire. He was now a colonel.

This time, facing the flooding demons, Norman Empire decided to dispatch three elite corps of about 1.4 million soldiers northward into Selnes Theater of Operations. The Iron-Plough Corps where Reinhardt was in, like the trump card of North Border Military Region, also arrived at Selnes Theater of Operations at the order.

Although the demon disaster in Sun Dynasty had not been fully cracked down, Norman Empire had to deal with the current situation with their full efforts.

As long as the demon army broke through the Selnes Plain, the entire Symbian Republic would be destroyed by demons sooner or later. Closely after that, Norman Empire, being next to the Symbian Republic would naturally become the next target of demons. Therefore, how long could Norman Empire

keep demons in Selnes Theater of Operations almost determined how long would Norman Empire survive.

Besides Iron-Plough Corps, the trump card troop in North Border Military Region, the most powerful imperial Iron-Blood Corps of Norman Empire which always safeguarded the capital of Norman Empire also arrived at Selnes Theater of Operations. The one who led the three corps northward and defended in Sladic City was rightly the crown prince of Norman Empire. Iron-Plough Corps was in Mocco City while Reinhardt served as the captain of demon hunting squadron of Iron-Plough Corps.

"I've just received the report from home. Marshal Lin Changjiang has already accomplished strategic besiege towards those demonized puppets in Sun Dynasty with 9 imperial corps of about 4 million soldiers. After half a year, the empire will sweep all the demonized puppets of Sun Dynasty and break through the strategic tunnel towards the south of the empire..."

"Even Norman Empire has prepared to retreat?" Zhang Tie asked out of amazement.

"As long as the demon army breaks through the Selnes defense line, the empire has to make a strategic retreat. Selnes defense line is a psychological pass for many people. Once this pass is broken, not only Norman Empire but many other countries would try their best to carry out large-scale strategic transfer!" as Reinhardt said this, he took up a bottle of alcohol and poured in half of it before putting it heavily on the table, "Actually, able people have long taken their family members to the south by airship. Only commoners could not leave. You should know the situation in Selnes Theater of Operations better than me that it would deteriorate sooner or later. We're just sparing some more time for commoners..."

Zhang Tie nodded. The demon army could not be held in the north of the Selnes Plain forever. This was determined by the sharp strength gap between the two parties. Everyone knew that. As long as this human defense line in Selnes Theater of Operations was broken through, everybody could only retreat in an avalanche type...

Gradually, it was dark. Zhang Tie found more and more people in the bar. Additionally, after drinking a bit, many of them would enter a room behind the bar and stay there for a long time. Some didn't drink at all. Holding few bulging items, they entered the same room. After a short while, hundreds of people disappeared in front of Zhang Tie's eyes.

"There's an enclosed underground warehouse behind the room. This is the largest illegal demon hunters market in Selnes Theater of Operations. Many demon hunters would come here to trade items everyday. They could usually see many nice items here, including rune equipment, secret knowledge and weapons, etc. ..." Reinhardt explained.

Being shocked by Reinhardt's introduction, Zhang Tie asked, "Ah? There is such an illegal market?"

"Actually, demons have many similarities with humans. They even have a stronger desire for wealth and good items. Some special demons could even cultivate using human cultivation methods. After demon corps swept those countries in the north, many demon soldiers would always carry spoils of war with them. Those spoils were traded in the demon hunters market at the beginning. But now, there are more items to be traded here..."

With Reinhardt's explanation, Zhang Tie finally understood the current situation of the illegal demon hunters market. Those being traded in this market at the beginning indeed came from the demon soldiers. However, as the war proceeded, many more powerhouses arrived here from Blackson Humans Corridor, increasing the variety of items being traded here.

Those items of the demon hunting squad being killed by demons probably finally returned to the hand of other demon hunting squad through dead demons. As those items were relatively argumentative, they could only be traded in the illegal market.

Now, there were over 10,000 LV 9 or higher population of demon hunting squads across the Selnes Theater of Operations, which included the elites of all countries. Some among those squads would disappear or sacrifice everyday. Similarly, each day, some of the demon hunting squads could gain something. After keeping what they needed, they traded unnecessary or argumentative items with other demon hunters in the illegal market.

Such an illegal market had become a half-exposed secret to the demon hunting squads. Many generals of the alliance command also knew that. However, nobody could stop it. All the members of demon hunting squads were working at the risk of their lives. They were bearing great stress from demon corps on the ground. If they were not even allowed to trade items privately, it would be too ruthless to them. Of course, as the situation in Selnes Theater of Operations was a bit complex, it was hard to determine whether some items of the 'allied forces' belonged to booties and whether they should be returned to the original owners...

"Perhaps, I could get a 'King Roc Sutra' here", a thought flashed across Zhang Tie's mind...

#### Chapter 576: Trade in the Illegal Market

Until then did Zhang Tie realize that the demon hunters squads made rich profits. Zhang Tie then pitied himself that he only knew how to deal with wing demons. However, besides a pair of leather short pants, those wing demons only had a weapon in hand in order to relieve their burden in flight. As to those iron-armored demons that he encountered for the first time were like members of dare-to-death corps. Now that they prepared to break through the back of the human defense line, of course, they didn't carry anything valuable with themselves.

"Can I take a look inside?" Zhang Tie was moved greatly.

"Of course, no problem. I'm also looking to find some useful items inside!" Reinhardt nodded.

The two people then walked towards that room. After entering that room, Zhang Tie found it was absolutely a huge dressing room. After paying a gold coin per person, those entering it would be requested to put on the black cloak and face mask. After putting on them, Zhang Tie and Reinhardt each got a number plate before being allowed to enter that underground illegal demon hunters market.

Wearing the mask, Zhang Tie felt his voice become hoarse. Wearing the black cloak, his moving ability was not restricted; however, his military uniform was well covered. Nobody could identify which troop did he come from.

In the illegal market, nobody knew the opposite's status, the buyer or the seller. They could only be identified by the temporary number plate.

Zhang Tie's number was 1361 while Reinhardt's number was 1362. After taking the number plate, they walked downwards along a winding stair for more than 20 m before entering a huge underground space.

That underground space was obviously an air-defense cave with ventilating pipes and rotating ventilators. It was prepared for the war. When they built it, they didn't imagine that it could be used as an underground illegal trading market for demon hunters.

"Let's take a look at what we need. We're not allowed to call the real names. If you want to call me, just call my number!" Reinhardt nodded towards Zhang Tie as he patted his number, "And if you really need to trade something, you'd better change your voice in case of trouble!"

"Fine!" Zhang Tie nodded. As a LV 9 fighter, Zhang Tie had a great ability to control his body. It was very easy for him to slightly change his voice.

After nodding towards each other, they then headed towards different directions.

This underground air-defense cave was as huge as an underground football field. It could hold tens of thousands of people. Fluorescent lamps were hanging on the roof and the walls of the air-defense cave. The fluorescent lamps had faint brightness. People could barely see the items beside them. This was especially designed by people. As a result, this illegal underground market looked a bit mysterious.

There were rows of counter-like booths in the illegal market. Some of them were vacant, some were covered with items, while some other booths only hung a plate, on which was written what the owner wanted to purchase or sell and a number below it.

The number of people in the illegal market was at least 700-800, which was more than Zhang Tie had imagined. It seemed that many people had already been here before Zhang Tie and Reinhardt.

Those who traded here were basically above LV 9. Those items being liked by people above LV 9 were naturally of high value.

Only after wandering for a short while had Zhang Tie found that the items like weapons, medicament or something else were all of high quality. Some of them were rune equipment and alchemist's equipment. However, they were at least two times more expensive than the same equipment that Zhang Tie saw in the auction house of Kalur several years ago. This was also a change brought by the holy war.

On a booth, Zhang Tie saw a secret knowledge of 'Iron-Blood Fist'. At the sight of the familiar silver cover, Zhang Tie became stunned for a second as he recalled the time when Captain Kerlin gave him this secret knowledge in the ward when he attended the survival training in the wild wolf valley.

This secret knowledge had a special meaning for Zhang Tie.

"How much is this secret knowledge?" Zhang Tie took up the 'Iron-Blood Fist'.

"50 gold coins. Don't bargain. Although this secret knowledge is a pirate, it has a great printing quality. Additionally, the raw material of this secret knowledge is good, which could be barely seen even in

Norman Empire!" the owner of the booth was as tall as Zhang Tie. He also wore a mask and a set of cloak.

Zhang Tie instantly took out a gold check of 100 gold coins from Castle of Black Iron and gave it to him.

After taking over that gold check, that man checked it carefully before nodding and putting it away, "Look, this gold check has the minimal par value here, as I have no changes, can you pick up some more items. I will give a discount!"

"This guy is really a good businessman." Zhang Tie nodded. Even if the price of this secret knowledge was 1,000 gold coins, he would also buy it right now. However, it only cost him 50 gold coins. Additionally, after paying 100 gold coins, he could have another item. Therefore, Zhang Tie started to look at the items patiently.

On this booth, besides the 'Iron-Blood Fist', Zhang Tie also found some good-quality sabers and swords, a waistband and a bird in a cage, which aroused Zhang Tie's curiosity.

This was Zhang Tie's first time to see live animals being sold in the illegal market. Therefore, he was very curious about that. The medium-sized bird looked ugly and dark gray all over. However, its eyes were very sharp. It looked a bit restless in the cage.

"What's this? Did the demon hunters squad catch birds to sell?"

"This is thunder hawk. Although it does not look big, it's a ferocious LV 1 living being. A thunder hawk could drive away a pack of common wild wolves. This bird could not only move fast in the sky, but also be very agile and ferocious. Generally, this bird could hardly be caught. Our demon hunters squad encountered this one by chance. It might have dropped on the ground during the process of striving for the spouse with other thunder hawks and got wounded. We found it and brought it back. Its wounds have recovered. I was almost injured by it twice."

"What could it be used for?"

"You can find a bird trainer to train it. This kind of bird could serve as the best scout and messenger. It is also a good helper for hunting in the wild!"

Zhang's heart pounded at once, "Well, I want this, is it worth 50 gold coins?"

"Its price is 60 gold coins. But if you want it, you can take it with 50 gold coins!" after selling this bird, that person let out a sigh evidently.

Zhang Tie took over that bird cage. That person even warned him kindly, "Remember, do not put your finger into the cage; otherwise, the bird will cut off your finger with its beak at once. Thunder hawk has a very great strength..."

"Alright, I will remember that!" Zhang Tie took over the cage and left at once. After passing by that booth, Zhang Tie put one finger into the cage. At the sight of the finger, the thunder hawk didn't give him a peck; conversely, it started to rub Zhang Tie's finger intimately with its beak like a spoiled child. Zhang Tie almost burst out into laughter. "This bird seems a bit intelligent. It's great! I am seeking for a chance to try the soul-based animal controlling skill of the 'Great Wilderness Sutra' these days. "

As there were all sorts of people and items in the illegal market, Zhang Tie did not look too eye-catching with a birdcage on the way. Zhang Tie even saw some iron-armored demons' heads being soaked in potion on a booth. When he passed by that booth, Zhang Tie even heard that owner whispering with another guy.

"1,000 gold coins per one. Just take it away. When you submit this as a military exploit, you could be promoted to a commission officer at once...After that, you can leave Selnes Theater of Operations with the excuse of being wounded. With military exploits, a commission officer could leave here easier than common soldiers. All those rich dandies do this..."

"It's too expensive. How about a bit cheaper? We've just received a business, we need at least 10..."

"950 gold coins for each. Additionally, you need to wait for two days for the rest ones..."

They then bargained in a low voice...

Wherever there were people, there were always trades. In the same theater of operations, those common soldiers were driven spirited by the carriage of wing demons' heads; however, at the same time, someone was racking his head to implement his escape plan using a demon's head...

Zhang Tie sighed inside—this is human, this is humanity...

"Ah, 'Fierce Tiger Know-how'..." a nearby, low exclamation attracted Zhang Tie's eyes...

#### Chapter 577: Different Responses

With 'Fierce Tiger Technique', one could reach LV 13 and light 233 surging points. It was also incomplete. If it was complete, it should be called 'Fierce Tiger Sutra'.

The complete 'Fierce Tiger Sutra' was a viscount-level cultivation method.

After hearing that voice, Zhang Tie walked closer to that booth. Hearing some customers' discussion at the booth, Zhang Tie understood something at once.

'Fierce Tiger Technique' was a secret knowledge in a northern country occupied by demons. Before the holy war, that country was prosperous. However, after only a few years, everything had become a history. To date, this secret knowledge had become a merchandise in the demon hunters illegal market in Mocco City.

This 'Fierce Tiger Technique' was also recorded on a piece of diamond crystal which was rimmed with metal. The one who sold this secret knowledge was a guy in a cloak who wore a mask.

The price of 'Fierce Tiger Technique' was 350,000 gold coins. It could also be exchanged with other items of the equivalent value.

After watching it for a while, those guys in front of that booth left due to its high price, so did Zhang Tie.

Zhang Tie became thrilled by finding a skill-level secret knowledge as he was looking to find 'Robust Ox Technique' here. Additionally, it might not be expensive. For most of the LV 9 demon hunters, they felt

pitiful by only promoting one level to three-star strong fighters at most. Even LV 9 soldiers were just commoners in demon corps, not to mention a LV 10 soldier.

However, after taking a round in the illegal market, Zhang Tie didn't find any 'Robust Ox Know-how'. Therefore, he recovered his composure. He believed that he would have a chance to find the secret knowledge here sooner or later.

Zhang Tie didn't know whether Reinhardt had bought his necessity as he was empty-handed when Zhang Tie met him. Reinhardt was amazed about that birdcage in Zhang Tie's hand.

"You bought it?"

"Yup, I bought an Iron-Blood Fist as a souvenir. The seller gifted this to me as changes!"

Reinhardt became speechless.

"Let's go!"

"Whether there are also demon hunters illegal market in Volv City and Sladic City?"

"Yes, there are. But the markets in the two cities are a bit smaller than here! However, there are also high-quality goods there..."

"Can you tell me the whereabouts of the two markets? I want to take a look there!"

Reinhardt then told Zhang Tie the addresses of the two demon hunters markets. The same with this one, the other two markets were also covered by a bar.

Zhang Tie silently remembered the addresses in mind. He planned to take a look there these couple of days. Perhaps, he could find what he needed in the other two markets.

After leaving the bar, Reinhardt directly threw the car key to Zhang Tie.

"You drive my vehicle back. The military SUV of Jinyun Country is too eye-catching in Mocco City. As there are too many military SUVs from Norman Empire here, you might be safer by driving it!"

"What about you?"

Reinhardt burst out into laughter, "Iron-Plough Corps's encampment is several kilometers away. I will just walk there!"

Zhang Tie nodded as he took the key. It was just a vehicle which was worth about 100 gold coins. Zhang Tie even didn't need to ask Reinhardt whether would he return it to him.

"Fine, see you then. You can find me in the Crystal Battle Fortress if you need help!"

"You too. You can find me in Iron-Plough Corps. But I'm not always in Mocco City. I only stay here for 3-5 days a month. As the holy war has just started, you'd better not show off your fighting strength on the battlefield. I really don't want to hear that you have a cool performance on the battlefield again. The demons have not exerted their full efforts yet. Remember, you cannot have a bright future if you're dead!" Reinhardt told Zhang Tie solemnly as he forcefully patted his hand on Zhang Tie's shoulder.

Zhang Tie nodded, "You need to take care of yourself too!"

Reinhardt nodded before leaving. In the dark, Zhang Tie saw Reinhardt's back disappearing in front of him before taking the key and getting on the vehicle.

The moment he got in the car did Zhang Tie open the bird cage and let the thunder hawk out of the cage. The seller thought that the thunder hawk had already recovered; actually, it did not. Zhang Tie found that when he let it jump onto his hand.

After cultivating the 'Great Wildness Sutra', with his rising cultivating level, Zhang Tie found that he had mastered the ability to communicate with these animals and magical beasts. That was really a great ability. No wonder the deceased one who left the 'Great Wildness Sutra' to him in the cave told him that he could easily have numerous wealth once he mastered the 'Great Wildness Sutra'. Based on his current ability, he could easily perform as a common animal controller.

The seller mistook another point about the thunder hawk. Although thunder hawks would fight for spouse and would suffer wounds in the process, even die, this thunder hawk's wounds were not caused by fighting for the spouse. Instead, they were stricken by lightning bolts when they caught up with them in the sky.

Like how a moth would charge at the fire, thunder hawk liked to pursue lightning bolts in the sky. Nobody knew the reason. That was where their name came from. Generally, very few thunder hawk could survive a lightning bolt, except for this one, who really survived on.

Zhang Tie soon drove out of Mocco City and came to the wild. Zhang Tie then put one hand on a wheeler while stretching another hand out. At the sight of this, the thunder hawk flattered its wings and jumped on Zhang Tie's one side.

"As you've not recovered yet. How about resting somewhere for a few days? I have good drinks and food for you." Zhang Tie asked the thunder hawk as he touched its head.

It seemed that the thunder hawk had already understood Zhang Tie's meaning. It rubbed its head on Zhang Tie's hand for a few times. Zhang Tie smiled as the thunder hawk instantly disappeared into the position of the copilot.

At this moment, Heller's voice sounded.

"Castle Lord, can you bring in some more animals? This place is a paradise for those animals. They would like it!"

"Okay!" Zhang Tie replied as he suddenly remembered something, "Heller, can I directly set free animals into Castle of Black Iron?"

"Of course!"

"That's great. I will have a try next time..."

At this moment, a scene appeared in Zhang Tie's mind. He wondered when Castle of Black Iron could be as large as the Blackson Humans Corridor, when could he enjoy the most splendid and exotic landscape everywhere. He could see various docile mutated plants and living beings there. Besides, it could hold billions of people...



By then, when humans were forced against the wall by demons, he could lead them in Castle of Black Iron. After all, they were two completely different spaces. However, Castle of Black Iron with 100 sq km was still a bit limited for long-term settlement. If it could be as large as millions of sq km, it would be available for enough people to live in. He could even found a country inside.

As he thought about that, Zhang Tie threw the metal birdcage into the Pool of Chaos in Castle of Black Iron which added trivial basic energy storage to Castle of Black Iron. After that, Zhang Tie drove back to the Crystal Battle Fortress. Fortunately, nothing happened on the way.

Those in Crystal Battle Fortress also knew about Zhang Tie's "heroic deed" in Mocco City today. When Zhang Tie parked his vehicle, he found the surrounding soldiers were watching him with admiring looks.

However, before he returned to the Idiots, a person outside Lan Yunxi's office told him that Lan Yunxi wanted to see him. Therefore, Zhang Tie entered Lan Yunxi's office.

In Lan Yunxi's office, Zhang Tie was ferociously sworn by her. Like Reinhardt, Lan Yunxi also disagreed with Zhang Tie's deed today. She was even very angry about that.

"Do you think you're great by just killing some LV 9 and LV 10 wing demons? Do you think you can step all the demons under your feet? Do you know that there are also battle-spirit-level wing demons? Do you think you can still survive back if you met any wing demon above LV 11? Do you think you could be the main character of the holy war between humans and demons?"

Lan Yunxi was driven mad that her face almost froze. She released a powerful and unrivaled qi, "I thought you were smart. However, I've not imagined that you are as silly as the other men!"

Zhang Tie couldn't even utter a word. However, Zhang Tie found that he grew happier as Lan Yunxi swore him.

Finally, before Zhang Tie uttered any word, Lan Yunxi had driven him out of the office. Standing outside the office, Zhang Tie touched his nose as he smiled and returned to the Idiots.

Zhang Tie had not imagined that another woman was waiting for him in the Idiots.

She was Dantai Qingqing...

Chapter 578: Who Pursued Whom?

At the sight of Zhang Tie, those crew members forcefully blinked their eyes towards Zhang Tie. The first mate then told Zhang Tie that a woman was waiting for him in the command module of the airship.

"That's a very beautiful woman!" the first mate commented.

After entering the command module, Zhang Tie caught sight of Dantai Qingqing.

Seeing their captain coming in, those horny male wolves who were showing off their muscles in front of Dantai Qingqing left the command module.

A bit treacherous red hair, a sexy figure and a beauty mark[1] near her lip—Zhang Tie didn't know what Dantai Qingqing was here for.

At this moment, she was wearing a brilliant, rosy languette and a pair of high-heeled shoes like she was going to attend a ball. Those horny male wolves who showed off their muscles in front of her might not know that she could kill them all in a second if she lost her temper.

"I heard that you are waiting for me? What's the matter?" Zhang Tie asked straightforwardly.

"Why not ask my name first? Don't you think it's rude?" Dantai Qingqing pouted her mouth, which looked cute.

Zhang Tie rubbed his face as he blushed, "Miss Dantai Qingqing, we met in the Military Exploits Registration Center. I heard someone calling your name. Therefore, I know who you are. You also know who I am. So, we don't need to ask names!"

"Ha, I've not imagined that you could pay attention to my name. It means I'm charming!" Dantai Qingqing smiled, which was too alluring that even Zhang Tie was shocked.

"Beautiful woman is always eye-catching, let alone it was in Crystal Battle Fortress!" Zhang Tie shrugged and said honestly.

After hearing this, Dantai Qingqing became happier. With a fascinating smile, she walked towards Zhang Tie. The moment she came closer to Zhang Tie had Zhang Tie sniffed her good smell. "I'm here to ask you some questions?" Dantai Qingqing said.

"Go ahead"

"Do you have a girlfriend?"

Zhang Tie became stunned as he glanced at Dantai Qingqing with a curious look, "Yes, I have, many!"

"You're honest. Do you mind having one more?" Dantai Qingqing put one hand on Zhang Tie's shoulder as she leered at Zhang Tie.

"Who?"

Dantai Qingqing showed off her arrogant figure by raising her head as she said, "How about this girl?"

"You?" Zhang Tie seriously looked at her from her head to toe. Standing closer to him, Dantai Qingqing really made Zhang Tie's blood boil.

When Zhang Tie glanced at her, he was fully dubious, "F\*ck, this woman must have eaten wrong medicine. What an open girl!"

"There are so many men in the Crystal Battle Fortress. I believe that a lot of them must be pursuing you. Why did you choose me?" Zhang Tie asked out of curiosity.

"This girl likes little fresh meat[2] like you. You're handsome and talented. How about that?" Dantai Qingqing put it straightforwardly.

Zhang Tie smiled, "Well, I agree. From now on, you're my girlfriend!"

"Really?" Dantai Qingqing had not imagined that Zhang Tie could agree with her so fast as he became excited at once, "You have a good insight!"

Zhang Tie then put his arm around Dantai Qingqing's slim waist as he smirked and glanced over her body once again.

Under the 'evil' gaze of Zhang Tie, Dantai Qingqing twisted her body restlessly as she seemed not being used to Zhang Tie's arm. As Zhang Tie embraced her waist, he started to tease her by rubbing the place under her waist, causing goosebumps all over Dantai Qingqing.

Zhang Tie laughed inside as he directly headed for the Captain's Room.

"Where are we going?"

"We're in the command module. It's where we work. Now that you're my girlfriend, we'd better talk about rest of the things in my room!"

Dantai Qingqing threw another glance at Zhang Tie before raising her head and followed Zhang Tie into the Captain's room in a proud way.

The moment they entered the room had Zhang Tie locked the door from inside.

After hearing the door was locked, Dantai Qingqing turned around. At this moment, Zhang Tie had already forcefully kissed her plump lips with his arm around her waist.

"Hmm..."

Having not prepared for that, Dantai Qingqing widely opened her eyes at once. She had not imagined that Zhang Tie could do this. After being vacant for a few seconds, she pushed away Zhang Tie at once. Meanwhile, she raised her eyebrows and watched Zhang Tie furiously as she blushed, "What're you doing?"

Zhang Tie watched her with an 'amazing' look, "Now that you're my girlfriend, it means that I can kiss you. Have you seen any boyfriend who could not kiss her girlfriend? Don't tell me this was your first kiss..."

"Who...who said this was my first kiss?" Dantai Qingqing's breasts undulated heavily as she glared at Zhang Tie. After half a minute, she recovered her composure. She revealed a smile once again as she said calmly, "It was too abrupt. You've not even told me about that. I'm not used to that!"

"You mean you want me to aware you in advance?" Zhang Tie asked with a voice that sounded as tender as water.

"Hmm, that would be better!"

"Okay. You can go to bed and take off your skirt..." Zhang Tie pointed at that bed.

Zhang Tie's words shocked Dantai Qingqing so much. Widely opening her eyes, Dantai Qingqing asked unbelievably, "What did you say?"

"I told you to take off your skirt and lie on the bed!" Zhang Tie explained very patiently.

"What...what do you want?"

"Of course, I want you to be my girlfriend!" Zhang Tie watched her with an 'innocent' look, "Since I came to Selnes Theater of Operations, I've not made love. Now that, you want to be my girlfriend, just let me enjoy it!"

Saying this, Zhang Tie had already put his hand on Qingqing's butts. Being scared, Dantai Qingqing jumped away like a deer being startled. Gritting her teeth forcefully, the woman glared at Zhang Tie, "B\*stard, who...who agrees to let you enjoy it!"

"Isn't it normal between a man and his girlfriend?" Zhang Tie watched Dantai Qingqing who was staring at him like finding an alien, "Is it strange for me to make love with my girlfriend? Hurry up. No crap! Lie on the bed. You can also lie on your stomach. The more gestures you could perform, the more I will like. Heh, heh, your butts look plump..."

"Who...who told you that a man and a woman have to do this?"

"Yes, a man and a woman don't necessarily have to do this. However, as you're my girlfriend, when you stay with me, we must do this." saying this, Zhang Tie had stripped to his waist. He started to undo his waistband and prepared to take off his pants.

"F\*rt, who told you that a man and his girlfriend must do this?" Dantai Qingqing became both furious and bashful as her face had completely turned red.

Zhang Tie stopped at once as he revealed a considerate look, "You're also right. Whether I'm too secular or not? Perhaps I'm shortsighted. How about this? If you can tell me a story, the main male character of which was a eunuch, it means you're right. Otherwise, just lie there obediently!"

Dantai Qingqing widely opened her mouth. Zhang Tie stopped his movement as he just watched her...

After half a minute...

"Have you got one?" Zhang Tie asked in a kind voice, "If not, just follow my order and lie on the bed. We can take it slow. Don't worry, I will not hurt you! I've really not imagined that a beauty like you could propose to be my girlfriend voluntarily in Selnes Theater of Operations. That's marvelous! I think I will not feel lonely at night later on."

Zhang Tie revealed an 'obscene' smile as he undid his waistband. Meanwhile, he gradually drew closer to Dantai Qingqing. Perhaps being frightened by Zhang Tie, Dantai Qingqing's face turned a bit pale, "This isn't little fresh meat! This is a lady killer." She started to move back one step after another as she stammered, "You...you...you stay away from me!"

"Do you want to play something violent? You are a good performer. Heh...heh...I like it..." Zhang Tie revealed an 'evil' smile as he gradually forced Dantai Qingqing against the wall. After undoing his waistband, he whipped it loudly, "Now that you like this atmosphere, I will show you something good on me!"

When Dantai Qingqing had nowhere to go, Zhang Tie rapidly took off his pants.

"Ah..." Dantai Qingqing uttered a shrill as she covered her eyes and directly sprung up from the ground and fell on the door side. She then opened the door at once and darted outside without looking back.

"Qingqing...don't run...I will be kind...Qingqing..." Zhang Tie pretended to chase after her for a few steps as he shouted with a 'sentimental', oily voice.

Hearing Zhang Tie's exclamation, Dantai Qingqing sped up. She even lost one high-heeled shoe. What a miserable escape!

After staying in the room quietly for half a minute and watching Dantai Qingqing rushing towards the Crystal Battle Fortress after leaving the airship barefoot, Zhang Tie burst out into laughter at once as he staggered forward and back.

If it was four years ago, he might have been frightened by Dantai Qingqing's performance tonight. However, Zhang Tie had already experienced too many love affairs. The moment he caught sight of Dantai Qingqing had he known that this hot beauty had not made love before. It was too easy for Zhang Tie to deal with such a little beauty who had a great fighting strength, yet was rebellious and inexperienced in some aspect.

Zhang Tie then lowered his head and looked at his loose sky-blue boxer shorts from different angles. Touching his jaw, he made some poses, "Hmm, doesn't this pair of boxer shorts look good? This is the uniform of air cavalry in Selnes Theater of Operations. What the hell are these women thinking about? That's too complex. Do they think that men don't wear underwear..."

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#### Chapter 579: War and Bloodline

What happened between Dantai Qingqing and Zhang Tie was just a small episode in Zhang Tie's life. He didn't care about that at all.

On the second day, the news that Zhang Tie drove a vehicle being loaded with wing demons' heads around Mocco City had been published in 'Holy War News' along with the two photos, which shocked the entire Selnes Theater of Operations.

Everyone knew that it was how Zhang Tie responded to the assassination which targeted at him two days ago.

The reputation of Selnes Eagle grew louder. Zhang Tie evidently became the representative of human heroes in the theater of operations.

However, Zhang Tie wasn't used to represent or be represented. After being warned by Reinhardt and Lan Yunxi; Zhang Tie, being in the peak of the storm, became low-key at once. He didn't do excessive or eye-catching things anymore; instead, he proposed to join the airship troop of Jinyun Country. Ignoring his social status and halos, Zhang Tie fought demons together with the airship troop. As an air cavalry, he was responsible for protecting the entire airship of Jinyun Country in the air. Additionally, he would carry out some reconnaissance missions with other glider drivers.

After making such a choice, although Zhang Tie did not become that remarkable as that a couple of days ago, his persona movement was limited. He had fewer chances to kill wing demons. However, he

became more honorable in the heart of those fighters in Crystal Battle Fortress and the airship troop of Jinyun Country.

Across the Selnes Theater of Operations, Jinyun Country's airship troop was the only airship troop that was escorted by the air cavalry. Because of Zhang Tie's existence, the casualty rate of the glider drivers of Jinyun Country's airship troop declined to the lowest in the Selnes Theater of Operations. The casualty of each mission declined by over 90% than before.

In the troop, those who could provide a strong guarantee to their comrade-in-arms and could save so many people, would gain others' respect wherever they were, such as Zhang Tie.

The life in the theater of operations was relatively boring and very intense everyday. Everyone was in a high alert. In the blink of an eye, Zhang Tie had stayed in Jinyun Country's airship troop for over a month.

During this period, although being in the same troop, Zhang Tie couldn't see Lan Yunxi very often. Sometimes, they could not see each other for 1 or 2 weeks. Additionally, they met in the public each time.

In the same period, Zhang Tie almost visited all the large-scale airships across Selnes Theater of Operations as he followed his airship troop out for battle or transfer. Zhang Tie also visited Volv and Slavic, another two cities in the human territory where his airship troop took a stop in turns. He visited the illegal demon hunters markets over there.

Although Zhang Tie had seen a lot of cultivation methods and secret knowledge in the two demon hunters markets during the past month, he still didn't see 'Robust Ox Know-how' or the incomplete 'King Roc Sutra'. Zhang Tie gradually became worried. He could not just remain stagnant on his fighting strength. This would be a huge loss for him, causing him to bear a great stress.

The situation on the battlefield changed every second. Like what Lan Yunxi said, in the fight between humans and demons, a LV 9 fighter could never be the main character. Because there were so many opponents who were more powerful than him.

Lan Yunxi talked with him again later on; however, Zhang Tie still didn't accept her 'Breaking Sun Sutra'. Because of this, Lan Yunxi didn't speak to him for about two weeks. However, after that, Zhang Tie had made a warning in mind——If he did not get the 'Robust Ox Skill' at the end of July, he would find another secret knowledge to cultivate.

Zhang Tie really could not keep going like this. If he was not afraid of exposing his secret and being caught for vivisection, he could fetch the 'Robust Ox Know-how' from Huaiyuan Palace in the broad daylight, he could also fetch one from Long Wind Business Group.

However, Zhang Tie dared not do that as each of his movement was eye-catching. If he cultivated the 'Robust Ox Know-how', once he passed LV 11, he would become the focus of the public. By then, he could barely clarify it. That would arise a big trouble to him. Therefore, he could only work out a way to get 'Robust Ox Know-how' stealthily. To be rich silently counted the most.

"What if I still could not fetch the 'Robust Ox Know-how' in the end of July?"

Zhang Tie didn't have a high requirement on himself, neither did he have a great ambition. He only needed an incomplete sutra above count. "Zhang Huaiyuan, the founder of Huaiyuan Palace have had such a great undertaking only by a count-level 'Breaking Sun Sutra', if I could also have such a great undertaking, I would be satisfied; it would be better if I could get an incomplete sutra above marquis or duke.

Over the past one month, Zhang Tie had contacted his elder brother for several times through remote-sensing crystal. He told his parents that he was safe and reported his recent situation to his family members. Although Zhang Tie was in Selnes, he always concerned about his family members.

Under the arrangement of his elder brother, Zhang Tie's family members had almost prepared well to leave Waii Sub-Continent. By the next month, Zhang Tie's family would set out for the eastern continent.

Although Zhang family would move to the eastern continent, Zhang family's business in Huaiyuan Prefecture didn't end at once, and had been properly arranged. After Zhang Tie's elder brother left, the business of Jinwu Corporation would shrink. Some of its business would be sold to Long Wind Corporation. Through remote sensing crystal, Zhang Tie's elder brother could also manage the business here from the eastern continent. Meanwhile, Zhang Yang entrusted the specialized agency of Huaiyuan Palace and Golden Roc Bank respectively to supervise the operations of the corporation.

What Zhang Tie worried most was actually Linda, Fiona and Beverly.

When he returned home last time, in the last evenings before he left Huaiyuan Prefecture, he injected his essence of new life into the body of the three women by the special ability gifted by the small tree after carnival.

The request was also proposed by the three women. Before they departed from him, they expected to breed new lives for him and would wait in the eastern continent for his return.

At the beginning, Zhang Tie didn't know they had such a thought. After making love with them for many times, he found they all maintained an odd gesture; at the same time, they prevented his fluid from flowing out of their body. Zhang Tie then realized that they all wanted to have babies.

"If I need to wait for you a few years, I'm afraid that I will miss you so much. However, if I had a baby, I could spend time with our baby. That would not make me insane!" Beverly told him.

"Since you left the airship on the way back to Huaiyuan Prefecture, I was thinking about having a baby for you. That was the first time I wanted to be a mom and have a man's baby. Even if you don't come back, even if you died, when the kid grows up, I would tell him, he had a great papa. He's my most admirable man!" Fiona told him.

"If I can give birth to a baby, I want to have a baby with you. I'm afraid of losing the quality to be a mom. When you'd see me in the eastern continent, I might have already lost that quality. That would be a great pity! Beverly and Fiona had already told you what I wanted to say..." Linda said.

When a woman determined to have a baby for you regardless of being fat, ugly, regardless of the huge pains, and the other potential dangers. When a woman would like to be a mother, to accomplish the greatest role conversion in her life, wish to sustain more life responsibilities or put all her efforts in

breeding a baby for a man...Zhang Tie didn't know what other men would feel when they heard this, but he was deeply moved by this unprecedentedly.

When the three women said the above words, they didn't say the three words 'I love you', but Zhang Tie thought all the words were solemn oath and promises...

Being moved by this, Zhang Tie made the most important decision for himself.

To tell the truth, even Zhang Tie himself didn't know when would he see them again. The hopeless wait was the most excruciating. Zhang Tie even didn't know whether could he return to the eastern continent in the future after this departure.

Zhang Tie felt that he was responsible and obligatory to sustain such a bloodline for himself, for Linda, Beverly and Fiona, for his dad and mom and for Zhang family.

In the beginning, Zhang Tie only told his elder brother about that. Before Zhang Tie came to Selnes, Zhang Yang had already asked his wives to pay attention to the health of Linda, Fiona and Beverly. By the end of May, Zhang Yang messaged Zhang Tie that all of them had no menstruation in May. After reporting it to their dad and mom, Zhang Tie's mom picked up them and arranged them to live in Zhang's household. According to the doctor, Linda, Beverly and Fiona were pregnant.

Zhang Yang said that although their dad swore Zhang Tie, he was very happy inside. So was their mom. The whole family was very boisterous now. Their mom was preparing for the babies' clothes, although she didn't know whether they were male or female.

Zhang Tie didn't tell his elder brother what he wanted to say through the remote sensing crystal—the babies that Linda, Beverly and Fiona had were all male with black hair and eyes. Additionally, they would awaken the two bloodlines the moment they came to this world, precise throwing skill and body transformation.

This was a powerful ability gifted by the small tree which could control and determine the sustainability of his bloodline .

It was soon mid-June, less than 2 months after the human alliance seized back the Flatte City. However, the tusk of the demon corps shocked everyone once again...

## Chapter 580: Attack and Defense

On June 11th, after Zhang Tie and Jinyun Country's airship troop carried out one-week patrol in the theater of operations, they moved to a large-scale airship center called C over 50 km behind Volv City.

This was Zhang Tie's 3rd time here in the past one month. Therefore, this place was not strange to him anymore.

The constant two days' storm symbolized the beginning of the rainy season in this summer on the Selnes Plain. The two days' storm did not influence the action of the airship troop and the gliders on the airships, except for Zhang Tie.



When the Idiots landed, the moment Zhang Tie stepped out of the hatch door in the military boots had he seen some ground service ambulance vehicles flashed by him, spraying water onto his trouser legs and shoes.

The shallow puddles on the ground carried a lot of coal ash. When it sprayed on Zhang Tie's trousers, it caused a lot of black spots. The sprayed water pleasantly stained Zhang Tie's wholly-new military uniform regardless of his status as Selnes Eagle.

Lowering his head, Zhang Tie watched his trousers and shoes which were covered with black spots, then the direction where the ground service vehicles headed for. He then slightly shook his head. Zhang Tie didn't care about that as he walked towards the flagship airship of Jinyun Country where Lan Yunxi was.

It was still raining; however, it was much lighter than before. Wearing a water-proof raincoat, Zhang Tie strolled on the road of the airship center C. At this moment, a concern flashed across his mind. This concern did not come from those mud spots on his trouser, but from the situation in the past one week. Zhang Tie found that all the wing demons had disappeared for three consecutive days. He realized it was not a good symbol.

Demons didn't shrink; wing demons didn't appear. It meant that demons must have already worked out a new tactic to deal with humans.

The atmosphere in Base C also seemed to be a bit intense. This time, Zhang Tie found too many security guards were placed here. One more battle fortress was founded 7 km away in the north of the base. Additionally, the barbed wires and patrolling troops outside the base increased.

At this moment, there were over 3000 airships in the airship base of Volv City. Like an airship exhibition attended by countries across Waii Sub-Continent, airships were taking off and landing within dozens of square kilometers. When Zhang Tie came here for the first time, he was amazed by what he saw. Now, he had been accustomed to that.

Artists and poets might find something in war which could arouse their inspiration and passion; however, for a person who indeed participated in the progress of the war, all of his illusions and romantic factors would be broken into pieces by the cruelty of war in an extremely short period. In this case, he only thought about how to survive himself and how to kill enemies.

People came and went in Base C. Almost nobody else would like to ramble in the rain. They all trotted or drove their vehicles fast on the road. Those airships landing in the base made the ground servicemen busy. They started to provide various supplies for airships. By contrast, those crew members in the landing airships would pour into the strip clubs and brothels around the base.

Although Zhang Tie was walking, his speed almost caught the others' trotting speed. Nobody could recognize him on the way. During the past one month, Zhang Tie's name didn't appear on the 'Holy War News' anymore. He didn't even update his military exploits on the Military Exploits Rankings in Crystal Battle Fortress. In this case, he gradually faded out of the public's vision.

When he arrived at Lan Yunxi's flagship airship, he found a greater part of chief commanders of fleets of Jinyun Country had arrived there. Among those whose lowest military rank was lieutenant colonel, Zhang Tie's military rank as sergeant first class became a bit eye-catching. However, Zhang Tie was an

exception as he wore the unique uniform of air cavalry. He was also qualified to attend the summit of the fleets.

All the attendants were young elites from the six big clans of Jinyun Country. These people paid more attention to the military exploits rankings than their military ranks. Therefore, nobody refused Zhang Tie to attend the conference.

Many of them were those who had lost the bet with Zhang Tie. After watching Zhang Tie's powerful performance in the sky, they all became silent. They were very polite to Zhang Tie now.

Those who had come here were discussing at the conference table in a low voice. Zhang Tie's seat was in the middle of the right side of the conference table. The moment he sat down had a guy with the military rank of lieutenant colonel drawn closer to him, "Have you found that something is not right in the theater of operations?"

Zhang Tie nodded with a solemn look.

The one who talked with Zhang Tie was Wang Cheng, an apprentice of Wang Clan, one of the six top clans in Jinyun Country and a chief commander of the No. 7 fleet of the airship troop. He was an easy-going guy. After meeting Zhang Tie for a few times here, he had become familiar with Zhang Tie.

When Zhang Tie came to Base C last time, this chief and some young commission officers drank over night in the commission officers club. That night, those guys wanted to make Zhang Tie drunk; however, they had not imagined that Zhang Tie could move all the alcohol from his mouth to the Pool of Chaos in Castle of Black Iron. As a result, over 10 people could not defeat Zhang Tie, even in turns.

After that, Zhang Tie was better known as alcoholic than Selnes Eagle among the airship troop of Jinyun Country. He was almost like a king at the table.

Wang Cheng's concern was verified soon. After a few minutes, when all the commission officers arrived, Lan Yunxi, in major's military uniform appeared with an overwhelming qi.

When she entered, all the commission officers on both sides of the conference table stood up, including Zhang Tie.

Lan Yunxi just glanced over their looks. When she caught sight of Zhang Tie, she watched him for 0.3 seconds longer, which satisfied Zhang Tie's vanity to a certain degree. She then nodded as everybody sat down.

"The latest news, the airship troop of Francia Federation has been annihilated by demons yesterday..."

Soon after that, the conference room froze at once.

After being quiet for about half a minute, someone asked in a hoarse voice, "Erm...is it real?"

"The alliance command has already dispatched some demon hunting squads to check the spot. Based on the analysis result, the airship troop of Francia Federation was annihilated by demons in less than 20 minutes!" Lan Yunxi replied calmly.

"That's impossible! Although the performance of the airships of Francia Federation's airship troop was a bit worse than that of fury-level airships, that's a fleet of over 500 large-scale battle airships. How could demons annihilate such a fleet in 20 minutes?" a commission officer shouted.

"That's real. The possibilities are just judged by our experiences!" Lan Yunxi watched that commission officer with a wise look, "Before we say impossible, we'd better ask ourselves our reference. Whether our reference is too powerful to be unshakable, or whether it's made according to our habit or willingness. In this conference, we're not talking about whether it's possible or impossible. Because it's unnecessary for us to do that. The priority is to clarify how did demons make it and how should we deal with them."

Zhang Tie was also considering about Lan Yunxi's words while lowering his head. Zhang Tie had to admit that Lan Yunxi, as a commander was more excellent than him in many aspects. This was also why she could have these people follow her orders. Zhang Tie learned many things from Lan Yunxi.

Zhang Tie was not good at analyzing and judging such an overall situation. After being silent for a few seconds, when the others were frowning and thinking about Lan Yunxi's words, Zhang Tie opened his mouth. Actually, among all these at present, Zhang Tie knew wing demons best.

According to Zhang Tie's judgment, it must be wing demons who annihilated human airship troop in such a short period.

"When you're thinking about how demons made it, I hope you know that in the last few days, I found that the number of wing demons had decreased by over 90%. That is very abnormal. After combining with the accident of Francia Federation's airship troop, I think demons might have changed their tactic. How did they make it? I think the main corps of demons might have changed the deployment of wing demons troops!"

Zhang Tie's words shocked everyone as they all focused on Zhang Tie.

"In the past, wing demons always attended the battle by a group of two or three, or 8-10 at most. They just strayed and sought for opportunities in the air like wild wolves. But now, I think they have started to throw in wing demons collectively. If they wanted to annihilate a fleet of over 500 battle airships in 20 minutes, they had to put in at least 1000 wing demons at once. With the help of weather, when the human airship troop didn't have the gliders to make early warning, those wing demons raided into the matrix of the airship troop while being covered by clouds or terrains before successfully annihilating the fleet in such a short period!"

After saying that, Zhang Tie found a bit admiration and encouragement in Lan Yunxi's eyes. At the sight of Lan Yunxi's eyes, he immediately knew that Lan Yunxi knew the truth of this event.

The moment Zhang Tie finished his words, many people started to discuss about that. After a hot discussion, they all agreed with Zhang Tie's opinion——demons indeed have changed the deployment of wing demons.

"This is serious for each people in Selnes Theater of Operations. If demons have started to put in wing demons collectively, it means that the main corps of demons have already found humans' shortcomings in the defense line of Selnes Theater of Operations."

"Air supremacy is humans' powerful umbrella in the Selnes defense line. Under the protection of this umbrella, the human ground troops could fight demon corps; however, if they lost this umbrella, the human ground troops would not stand too long in front of the overwhelming demon corps. "

"The air supremacy of the human defense line relies on its powerful airship troop. However, the human airship troop has a shortcoming in Selnes Theater of Operations, which doesn't expose itself until the opponent changed the tactic of their wing demons."

"Sometimes, wars are supported by a lot of strange math principles and relativity."

"It is the principle of probability which exposes the shortcoming of human airship troop."

"When wing demons appear in Selnes Theater of Operations sparsely, all the airship troops probably meet wing demons in the air. Comparatively, it will be less possible for large-scale airship troops to be annihilated by wing demons. Because the human airship troops will outnumber wing demons. Humans will firmly take the air supremacy of Selnes defense line."

"This is the confrontation between two nets in the air."

"If demons put in wing demons collectively, the above situation would change. The human airship troop might not easily meet wing demons in the air anymore. Because wing demons' moving space and time is limited; once they meet in the air, the strength comparison between humans and demons will reverse at once. As a result, the human airship troop probably will be annihilated."

"Wing demons could gain relative air supremacy at a certain time and place. Through this relative air supremacy, the advantage of human airship troop would be weakened step by step."

"Demons could put in wing demons collectively without any limit. Being restricted by the flight principles of airships, commanding and communication level as well as other objective conditions, the human airship troops could not make this. Even if they barely made it, they would not have any effect. "

"If tens of thousands of airships moved in the sky at the same time, suppose they were in the most dense array, they would occupy at least dozens of square km. Unless demons were blind, such an airship troop's move would not have any effect at all. Additionally, demons could attack humans by chance. Given the power of Three-eye Association in this theater of operations, I'm afraid that the moment such a move order was delivered to the airship troops would the demons know about that."

"After confronting with human allied forces in Selnes Theater of Operations for months, when the rainy season arrived this year, the demon corps finally found the shortcoming of human defense line through constant skirmishes with the allied human forces. They then started to tear open the air umbrella of humans in Selnes Theater of Operations."

"The demons' net became a saber and started to forcefully make a hole on the cover of the umbrella..."

With the explanation of Lan Yunxi and the others' discussion, Zhang Tie, who listened aside became hopeless.

"Don't demons have any shortcoming?"

"No, demons are sparing a chance for us to heavily destroy their ground troop. They have to suffer a loss by changing the tactic of their wing demon troop..." when the others felt gloomy, Lan Yunxi's firm voice drifted in Zhang Tie's ears...