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Chapter 151: Collapse

A short while after Lei Sheng left, the rest of men also dispersed.

After returning to Chen Yao's apartment, Chen Yao look upon Yue Zhong and smiled: "The problem has been resolved. The 3 Japanese has been arrested, and is awaiting criminal prosecution. It will not be long before they will be charged in a court of law."

Yue Zhong smiled, and looked around. "Yao Yao, are you there?"

A small figure emerged from among Yue Zhong's men and stood in front of Yue Zhong. This small figure is Yao Yao. She looked at Yue Zhong and nodded her head.

Yue Zhong looked at Chen Yao and Ji Qing Wu said: "Both of you come with me, I have something good for you (to see?)."

"The rest of you need not follow us. Just stand guard over here!" Yue Zhong stopped the rest of the men. Then he brought just Yao Yao, Chen Yao, Ji Qing Wu, and White Bone and stepped into the darkness.

It is deep into the night. Although the city has lampposts and lights, there is a limit to the electricity supply, and brightness of each lamppost is limited. There is a lot of places that the light did not shine upon.

Under the cover of the darkness, Yue Zhong and the rest made his way to the outside wall of a large villa.

White Bone held out has hand, and a bone emerged from his hand. The bone penetrated into the wall. At the same time, the bone that is struck to the wall begin to extend and grows, becoming a bone ladder.

Using the bone ladder, the four of them easily entered climbed over the wall and entered the villa grounds.

Outside of the courtyard, there are two tall and muscular bodyguards, dressed in a western suit. Yue Zhong sneaked out from the cover of the darkness, and quickly executed two hand chops on the bodyguards' neck.

The bodyguards fainted from the impact of the blow.

Yue Zhong and Yao Yao then boldly walked into the villa.

Chen Yao and Ji Qing Wu eyes flashed a hint of doubt, before following behind Yue Zhong.

Yao Yao brought Yue Zhong and the rest of them to a room in a second floor, and point her finger at a room.

There is a sound of men heavy breathing and women moaning emerging from that room. From outside the room, they could hear some sounds.

"Mayor Zhong, thank you for your help today! I will definitely reward you well for your help. Are you satisfied with the products today?"

"Not bad! I really like it! President Guī tián, Chen Yao is Chen Jian Feng's niece. You better not provoke her anymore."

"Hai, I understand! But Chen Yao, Ji Qing Wu these two women are really pretty. If I can teach them a lesson, they will definitely become a pair of excellent bitches. But it is a pity that they are Chen Jian Feng's men."

"Heng! Chen Jian Feng is a pedantic, incompetent man and it is unlikely that he can protect his position for long. Once he is finished, the two girls will be assigned to me. At that time, I will ask President Gui Tian to help me teach them."

"Hai!"

Listening the lewd talk from insides the room, Chen Yao and Ji Qing Wu were shaking with anger.

Yue Zhong immediately used his strength and kicked the door. With his enhanced strength, the secured door was knocked off its hinges and sent flying, and allow Yue Zhong's party to witness what is behind that door.

In the room, there are several pretty girls who were on all fours. These women were leashed like a dog with a collar around their neck, and they were being tortured with adult toys. Some of the women are still twitching and moaning.

San Jingxiong and Zhēntián had a whip in their hands. In front of them is two women who has badly bruised from flogging, and were barely conscious.

There were also four women who are on the big bed, serving Gui Tanshou and one more righteous looking man.

Looking at this scene, a feeling of anger rushed up Yue Zhong's head. This is China's territory, and to let these foreigners stand on Chinese soil, and let them recklessly abused Chinese women made him feel very enraged. But the thing that made him most enraged is that there are so many Chinese men who are helping foreigners to bully their own men. LongHai City even set up a special region to protect these foreigners, while letting uncountable Han Chinese struggled to make a living like ants. To Yue Zhong, he did not understand if this land is built by Chinese men or ghost.

With difficulties, Yue Zhong held back his anger, threw Chen Yao satirical look "Miss Chen Yao, I thought you said that Gui Tanshou has already been arrested by the law, and is awaiting trial in a court of law? Who are this three men, and who is the man on the bed?"

Chen Yao face turned pale, as if a part of her heart has collapsed, and in a hoarse voice, she asked, "Mayor Zhong Aiguo, how come you are here?"

Zhong Aiguo is man who had weathered storms and is not afraid. He frowned and used a blanket to cover his body, and in a voice full of anger, he shouted "Chen Yao, this is a private property. Did you know that you are guilty of the crime of trespassing? If you leave now, I will not hold you responsible. But if you do not leave, I will call the police!"

Chen Yao and Ji Qing Wu faces looked very terrible. They have not expected that Mayor Zhong Aiguo will so confidently shouted loudly against them.

"Shut up!" Yue Zhong coldly pulled out a 54 pistol and pointed it Zhong Aiguo.

Looking at the handgun in Yue Zhong's hand, Zhao Aiguo who was arrogantly acting in front of Chen Yao and Ji Qing Wu immediately shut up and beads of perspiration covered his back. For an important official like Zhong Aiguo, he is most afraid of thugs who cannot be reasoned with.

Gui Tanshou took a look at Yue Zhong, and immediately barked a command at the four girls who were kneeling on the ground. "Captain Yue Zhong, it is a pleasure to have you at my house today! Lì nú, Huì nú, Xīn nú, Lán nú, quickly go and serve Captain Yue Zhong!"

The four women standing near the door moved, and with lifeless eyes, they crawled towards Yue Zhong and like dogs, sticked out their tongues to lick Yue Zhong's shoes.

Seeing this, the women (such as Chen Yao and Ji Qing Wu) were sad and angry.

"Captain Yue Zhong, from now onwards, these women are your sex toys. They have undergo my training, and each of them are the most loyal sex slaves. No matter what fetish you have, they will obey your commands without question." Gui Tanshou smiled confidentially.

Yue Zhong did not even glanced at the four pretty women, but instead asked Gui Tanshou, "How did you get out from the jail? Did you staged a jailbreak?"

Gui Tanshou immediately explained, "Captain Yue Zhong, we are not escaped prisoners. We are law abiding and have paid our bail and is set freed."

Yue Zhong looked at Chen Yao, and sneered. "Did you hear that? These men are set free legally. After they were freed, they immediately come over to play with the women. Where is justice that you wish me to see? These women here are the results of your justice! Who is really protected by your brand of justice?"

Chapter 152: Assassin

Under the barrage of heavy questioning by Yue Zhong, Chen Yao face was physically and mentally exhausted [1]. Her face turned pale, and she was rooted to the spot and did not know what do to [2].

"President GuiTian, from now all, the women here are my citizen. Please go and die!" Yue Zhong look at Chen Yao, who was having a heavy heart and struggling inside, then smiled at Gui Tanshou and pulled the trigger.

"Bang!" The sound of the gunshot rang out, and Gui Tianshou's eyebrows had another hole with blood oozing out of it. He collapsed with a surprised expression. Before he died, he did not expect that the man who was just chatting and smiling with him will suddenly kill him.

Yue Zhong barked an order to White Bones, who was standing by his side. "White Bones, kill all the men!"

White Bones stepped forward like an arrow, and his axe seemed to have a life of its own. With one cleave, its axe cut through San Jingxiong and Zhēntián body. The upper and lower halves of the body

spilt apart, with blood spurting from the wounds, and the intestines and other body parts of these men spilling out from their body. They did not die immediately, but were frantically crawling on the ground and letting out cries of pain.

Zhong Aiguo looked at the two Japanese men who were just decapitated, and his face turned ash white. In fright, he quickly tried to inflate his sense of self-worth: "Do not kill me!! Don't kill me! I am the deputy mayor of Longhai base. If you do not kill me, I am willing to listen to whatever you say!"

Yue Zhong looked at Zhong Aiguo [3] and replied "Sorry, you are worse than a scum, and have no value being alive."

As soon as Yue Zhong's words have left his mouth, White Bones chopped down, and his axe cleaved open Zhong Aiguo's head. Warm blood spurted from the wounds and splashed on the female 'bitches'.

Looking at the carnage, the women who were trained to be 'bitches' could not help trembling in fright, and their eyes also showed traces of fear when they looked at Yue Zhong.

Ji Qing Wu walked up to Yue Zhong, and looked at him in the eyes. "What are you going to do with these women?"

In the Longhai city base, killing of special administrative region officials is a great crime. If news of Yue Zhong killing Zhong Aiguo is leaked out, even Chen Jianfeng must eradicate Yue Zhong. This is a manner of principle. The problem is compounded by the fact that people living in the Special Administrative Region has special rights (and is untouchable). If Yue Zhong is allowed to kill anyone in the Special Administrative Region, then wouldn't all the people in the Special Administrative Region be in danger?

Ji Qing Wu was worried that Yue Zhongwill kill these women to prevent any news from leaking out.

Yue Zhong looked at Ji Qing Wu and replied "Do not worry. If they listen to me, of course I will not kill them. But they also cannot stay in this place, and must be sent to my camp in the darkness of the night. Once they are sent to Stone Horse Village, they are my citizens, and I will protect them."

After the apocalypse, for mankind to survive, the population is very important. Women can give birth, and is hence a valuable resources. If these women do not go crazy and anger Yue Zhong, Yue Zhong aso will not kill them without reason.

Ji Qing Wu then relaxed.

Yue Zhong looked at Ji Qing Wu with eyes full of passion, "Miss Ji, you have seen what happened today with your own eyes. Do you still want to stay here and waste your time and efforts? Follow me back to Stone Horse Village, and I will give you a stage where you can realise your capabilities to the fullest."

The last time Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu met, Ji Qing Wu was very outstanding, and is darling. Her skills are above average, and her heart is still kind but is not rotten. To date, among all the women that Yue Zhong has met, she has the most combat spirit, heroic spirt and is the most attractive woman. If she is willing to work under Yue Zhong, Yue Zhong will be able to get another general who is capable of taking care of things by herself. [Translator: Hello author, are you creating a massive harem? Have some pity on men like myself who don't even have one girlfriend.????]

Ji Qing Wu considered for a while, and looked at Chen Yao besides her. She bit down on her lips and struggled internally to make a decision. Actually, she has long wanted to leave Long Hai Survival camp, but is not at ease leaving her good friend alone in this place.

Seeing this, Chen Yao bit her lips and blinked her big, charming eyes at Yue Zhong. "Is it ok with you if I follow you to Stone Horse Village?"

Yue Zhong could not help looking into at Chen Yao's beautiful eyes, and asked "Of course you are very welcomed. But Chen Yao, if in the future, your uncle and I get into conflicts, can you sit on the fence and not help either party?"

LongHai Survival Base is a stepping stone for Yue Zhong. If there is a chance for him to take command, he will definitely swallow up LongHai Survival Base and will not show any mercy. Yue Zhong has never requested that Chen Yao to stand on his side, but he also do not want her to stand on her uncle's side.

Chen Yao bit down on her teeth and nodded her head. "OK!"

Chen Yao has seen enough of the ugly side of Long Hai city survival base laws and justice, and it has shaken her faith in the city.

Yue Zhong looked at the corpses of the four men. "Yao Yao, please take them to leave this place. I will clean up the place."

Yaoyao in her military clothes, lead all the women (including the 'comfort women') out.

Once the women has left, Yue Zhong immediately use his fire skill, and burnt all the corpse into ashes.

Before he left, he also burned the corpses of the two bodyguards in the entrance of the villa.

Around the fence, Yue Zhong found a corner, and using the ladder made from White Bones, he sent all the 'comfort women' out of the special administrative region.

After he made all the arrangement to ensure the safety of these women, he then lead Chen Yao and the other 3 women back towards the special administrative region.

"Be careful!"

Suddenly, Yue Zhong had a creepy feeling, as if he was in danger. He immediately launched the Shadow Steps, and increased his speed to the limit, and stepped towards his right.

Just as he stepped out, a bullet that was aimed at his head missed, but there is another bullet that hit his right shoulder and was repelled back.

The force of the bullet is too small, and is insufficient to penetrate the water python scaled armour that Yue Zhong wore. Even though he is safe, Yue Zhong could not help but to be alarmed. The assassin has hidden himself and his killing aura well, and his skills is really scary. Only when the assassin has fired the gun did Yue Zhong felt a sense of danger. This level of skill is only made possible by peak level assassins.

The three ladies, Yao Yao, Ji Qing Wu, Chen Yao immediately took cover.

Yue Zhong traced the direction where the bullet appeared from. With his passive night vision ability being strengthened by the cover of darkness, Yue Zhong was able to see and assess the situation well

despite the fact that the area was enshroud in darkness. From a point where there is no light, he could dimly spied a man wearing dark clothes, a dark mask, and armed with a gun. It looked as he had merged into the darkness.

Yue Zhong took out his 54 handgun, and fire continuously. At the same time, he was closing in towards the men in black.

The masked man was also very fast, and was able to evade Yue Zhong's bullets. The mask man can even occasionally return fire.

As Yue Zhong burned through the clip of bullets, he did not even hit the man in black once. Instead, he was forced to retreat under the return fire and finds it hard to close in on the man in black.

Chapter 153: Cheng Yu

"What an excellent marksmanship!" thought Yue Zhong.

After Yue Zhong activated the shadow steps skill, his speed and movement became much faster [1]. Even though he was still occasionally forced to find cover under the masked assassin's exquisite marksmanship, his massive increase in speed still allowed him to close in on the assassin. As he closed in, he immediately lurched an attack with his knife, and the speed of his knife slash is fast as a meteorite.

If Yue Zhong just focused on marksmanship, Yue Zhong admitted that he is inferior to the masked assassin. Although he had trained diligently in his marksmanship skills whenever he had the opportunity to do so, the time he had spent training is too short.

The mysterious assassin is not weak, and at the moment Yue Zhong closed in on him, the assassin immediately abandoned his gun and pulled out a Chinese Jian (sword). His Jian drew a beautiful arc as it landed on Yue Zhong's weapon, and Yue Zhong's knife was harmlessly deflected to the side.

But Yue Zhong did not gave up. Using his superior speed, he launched a series of quick jabs with his knifes towards the assassin. Under his enhanced speed, the rapid knifes attacking the assassin seemed like a hurricane of blades.

Although the assassin's speed cannot be compared to Yue Zhong, his swordsmanship skills is superb. He executed a series of defensive sword movements that protected himself from almost any angle, and with great difficulty, he managed to block or parry the series of knife attacks that Yue Zhong had lurched at him.

Just when the two of them are engaged in fierce combat, from the darkness behind the assassin, a shard of sharpened bone spike suddenly exploded and headed towards the man in black like a missile.

The assassin's eyes flashed with a light, and his sword parried the bone shard and slightly altered the trajectory of the bone spike. At the same time, he twisted his body and managed to avoid the projectile that will pierce through him if it hits.

Taking advantage of the momentarily lapse in concentration as the assassin put all his efforts into avoiding the bone shard, Yue Zhong managed to land a heavy kick on the man's waist. The force of the kick sent the men flying for a few meters.

From the darkness of the night, a hail of sharpen bone shards were fired out, heading towards the mask assassin.

The man in black splat out a mouthful of blood from the impact of the kick. As he landed on the ground and became aware of the hail of bone shards heading towards him, his speed suddenly exponentially increased by a factor of 3. Like an arrow fired from a bow, he quickly escaped the area before the hail of bone shards can hit him, and in a few heartbeats, disappeared into the darkness of the night.

There was a shimmer of light in Yue Zhong's eyes, and Yue Zhong also disappeared into the darkness of the night.

Under the cover the night, the man in black endured his injuries and struggled to make his way through a maze of streets and alley-ways. Finally he enter an inconspicuous room within an very quiet alley.

"Cheng Yu Ge [2], what happened to you?"

"Cheng Yu Ge [2], are you injured?"

The room has only one lighted candle. Under the dim light of that candle, it is possible to see that the place of less than 30 square meters was crammed with 9 children. Each of these children have not even reached the age of 13.

Immediately after the man in black entered the room, the rest of the children surrounded him, and their face was full of worried expressions.

"I am all right!" Cheng Yu took off his mask, and revealed a handsome but pale face. He had a coughing fit, and coughed out another big mouthful of blood. The blood filled his hands.

Looking at the injured Cheng Yu, the nine children panicked, and rumbled through the room, overturning all the drawers in each cabinets in the house to find some medicine for Cheng Yu. After the apocalypse, medicine and food has become sarce supplies. After combing through the home, the children only found a few band aids and some painkillers.

At this time, a massive white bones axe landed on the door of the house, and cleaved it apart. Yue Zhong walked in confidentially.

"Kids?" Yue Zhong was momentarily surprised by the sight of the 9 kids in the room. His bloodlust for Cheng Yu, who was trying to assassinate him a moment ago, has somewhat dissipated.

After the apocalypse, with the passage of time, men slowly turned increasingly evil as morals completely broke down. For a piece of bread, a woman can sell her body. For a steamed bun, a man can kill another. Rape and murder in this post apocalypse world is common occurrence. In other to feed themselves and their families, some people will even turn into cannibals and eat other men.

In this world where order has collapsed, and there is moral degeneration, Cheng Yu is (to Yue Zhong's eyes) a man among man for protecting these children.

Looking at Yue Zhong, Cheng Yu seemed to plead, "Do not hurt the children! I will follow you!"

Before the apocalypse, Cheng Yu was a top ranked killer, and is proficient in a variety of killing skills. His swordsmanship skills is considered top notched in the city, and he had a wide variety of contracts to kill within Longhai City.

After the apocalypse, like the majority of the men, he retreated to Longhai survival base. Although Cheng Yu has extraordinary skills, his luck is not so good. At that time when the system [God] gifted him with a wooden bat, it happened that he is armed with gun and a sword. Of course, with these two weapons, he did not even glanced at the wooden bat, and threw it away without a thought. Compared to a wooden bat, he is more accustomed to fighting with a sword and gun. This action means that he did not get any experience for using his own weapons to kill zombies. (This world is set up so that only those who use the system gifts to kill zombies will get experience points and rewards.)

Once the secret of evolution is discovered, Cheng Yu has already retreated to the safety of the LongHai survival base camp, and all the items from the God and Devil worlds were strictly controlled. It is with great difficulty that he killed an evolver with a Tang Imitation Sword, and was able use his skills to kill some zombie and evolved to level 8. But at this time, it is very rare for the normal zombies drop skill books. Without any strong skills, he is unable to become a peak evolution expert.

During his peak condition when he was uninjured, he is not a match for Yue Zhong. Now that he is severely injured by Yue Zhong's kick, he poses even less of a threat to Yue Zhong.

Yue Zhong glanced at Cheng Yu, and directed his sights towards one of the kids in the room. With a cold voice, he asked "Who sent you to assassinate me?"

Cheng Yu struggled internally for a moment, but seeing the cold look on Yue Zhong's face and that he is looking at the children and not at him, he finally gave up and revealed "Ice King Zhang Yun!"

To Cheng Yu, the nine orphans in the room with him are far more important that the code of conduct for assassins. (Code of conduct of not revealing the one who hired them?)

"It's him again!" Yue Zhong's eyes flashed a hint of murderous intent. To date, Ice King had already attempted to kill him twice. In his heart, he had already made up his mind that he will definitely take revenge on Ice King Zhang Yun and kill him without showing a shred of mercy.

Yue Zhong then asked, "How much did he pay you for the job?"

Cheng Yu replied "One ton of food!" [translator notes: Kidding? So much? Did I make a mistake? In Chinese it reads 一吨粮食. If it is one kg or 5kg, I could believe it.]

Before the apocalypse, each time Cheng Yu kills, he charges about 100,000 USD. But after the apocalypse, one ton of food is enough for this former peak assassin to sell his life.

Yue Zhong looked at Cheng Yu, and said. "I am the leader of the Stone Horse Village. Cheng Yu, work for me! If you are willing to work for me, the children will have better lives. They can study in a bright and spacious classroom together with their classmates, and every day they will get to eat some food. If you are willing to work, even having bread and milk for them everyday is not a problem!"

Cheng Yu has top rated combat experience and skills. If not for the fact that Yue Zhong is a high level evolver, he will not be a match for this former top rated assassin. His biggest problem is that Cheng Yu

has bad luck. If Yue Zhong is willing to develop him further, in future Yue Zhong will be able to get a very capable general.

Cheng Yu replied "Captain Yue, if you are willing to take good care of them, I will sell my life to you!"

At this time, Cheng Yu was feeling that he was cruelly oppressed and had no choice in the matter. If he wants to let the children continue to live, he had to work with Yue Zhong. Everyone had things that they hold dear to their heart. To Cheng Yu, these orphans are what matters to him. They allow him to hang on to the shred of his humanity in a perverse world.

After the apocalypse, many people have killed themselves as they do not have any more faith in this cruel world. As well, many people had lost their faith, and their spiritual pillar collapsed. While these people are still alive, they are dead inside and are no different from a living zombie. Only if a man have faith and held on to his beliefs, will he struggle to survive in this cruel world.

Chapter 154: Assault on Ice King Group

Yue Zhong and Cheng Yu first ensured the safety of the 9 children that Cheng Yu is protecting by moving them to Yue Zhong's camp. Once the children are safe, Yue Zhong then asked Cheng Yu "What do you know regarding strength of the Ice King Group?"

At this time, Cheng Yu has already taken the medical grass medicine, and is feeling much better. Colour had returned to his face. He seemed to consider for a while, before carefully replying Yue Zhong: "Of the Ice King group, the strongest among them is Ice King Zhang Yun. Nobody knows how strong he had evolved, but all the men who had crossed swords with him in the past had already died. Other than Ice King Zhang Yun, there is one more man call Zhao Xiong who is also a powerful evolver. Zhao Xiong specialised in speed, and is Zhang Yun's most loyal follower. It is rumoured that after the apocalypse, Zhang Yun had once saved his life. In addition, Ice King also have about 100 more underlings."

Yue Zhong considered the information carefully, before asking, "Do you know where the Ice King group's headquarters is?"

"Yes, I know. It is in a massive villa at the end of Xing Hua road."

Yue Zhong then spoke to Chen Yao: "Chen Yao, please may I trouble you to pass a message to your uncle, Chen Jian Feng? Please inform him that the Ice King Group wants to kill me, and I retaliated in self-defence. Please ask him to let the military exercise restraint (and do not interfere in the fight). But only do this 5 mins after we have left the premises."

"En" (means yes in Chinese.)

"Bring me to the Ice King Group's headquarters. I want to destroy him!" Yue Zhong stood up, and his killing intent burst forth. Sitting down and waiting for others to attack him is not his style.

The area around Xing Hua road is the territory of Ice King Zhang Yun. Ice King Zhang Yun is one of the four strongest evolvers in Long Hai survival camp. Although Xing Hua road is not part of the special administrative region, the lights in a massive villa at the end Xing Hua road still shone bright, as if there is no difference before and after the apocalypse.

A team of about 12 people were patrolling outside the villa grounds.

Just when the team of bodyguards rounded the corner, 12 sharpen bone shards were fired from among the tall grasses. Each bone shard hits one member of the bodyguards in his head with unparalleled precision, and the impact of this sneak attack was shocking. All of the team of bodyguards were immediately killed by the bone shard, and not one remained standing!

"What an amazing skill!" Cheng Yu was hiding among the grasses when he saw the strength of White Bones and could not help feeling afraid. Even at his peak period, he could not kill a team of 12 bodyguards without making any sound and without alerting anyone. That White Bones is able to easily accomplish this task clearly illustrated the difference between an evolver and an ordinary man.

After killing this team of patrolling bodyguards, Cheng Yu quickly moved from cover to cover, and made his way to the entrance of the villa. At the entrance, there was two bodyguards that was protecting the area, but they posed no threat to someone of Cheng Yu's caliber, and was quickly eliminated with two gunshots. Cheng Yu's guns were equipped with a silencer to avoid alerting the rest of the guards.

Yue Zhong also brought his men and quickly slaughtered his way into the villa

Inside the villa, Cheng Yu skills did not put his reputation as a top killer in the pre-apocalypse age to shame– his marksmanship was outstanding, and any men who appeared within Cheng Yu's sights were immediately shot and killed before they even realised what is happening.

After entering the villa, Yue Zhong's men immediately dispersed and charged towards the door of each room within the villa. Upon reaching each of the room, they would break open the door, and then killed the men who were sound asleep.

A lot of Ice King Group's men were still asleep when they were killed. In addition, some of the women who were in the villa was also killed.

But Yue Zhong's men were a tad too noisy in caring out their massacre, and after killing a number of men, they were finally discovered, and the villa was shook awoke under a burst of extremely shrill cry: "Enemy attack! Enemy attack!"

Ice King Zhang Yun who was sound asleep with 4 beautiful women in his arm was jolted awake by this cry. He pushed aside the women who were soundly sleeping besides him, and immediately grabbed his level 2 protective vest armour and equipped it in an instant.

A massive white bone axe crashed on his door, and the force of the impact broke the door into pieces.

Yue Zhong stepped into the room, and using his type 79 submachine gun, he wildly opened fire and spread a hail of bullets into the room.

Against the hail of bullets, Zhang Yun sucked in his breath, and activate his evolver skill "Ice manipulation". A sheet of ice mirror seemed to appear in front of his body. The hail of bullets landed on the ice mirror, but only managed to nick a small white dot on the mirror, and immediately bounced off the mirror.

While Zhang Yun may be arrogant and despotic, his reputation is well deserved and his skills are indeed top-notched. He used the ice manipulation skill again, and an instant, 5 chucks of ice cones appeared from thin air, and shot towards Yue Zhong.

Yue Zhong dare not to receive this attack, and dodged to a side to find cover among the walls.

The 5 chucks of ice cones hit the place where Yue Zhong was originally standing in, and the force of the impact created 5 fists size holes on the wall.

"Very impressive!" Yue Zhong's heart turned cold. This Ice King Zhang Yun skills is indeed extraordinary for being able to manipulate ice to this extent. The strength of these ice-cones can be considered equal to a level one ice magic spell. But seeing that Zhang Yun can manipulate ice almost at will, it means that he has strong spiritual force, and should had applied more than one point of skill on his ice manipulation ability.

Yue Zhong took out a heavy grenade, pulled out the safety (pin), and threw the grenade into the room.

"Grenade!!" When Zhang Yun saw the heavy grenade, his face immediately turned paled, and used his ice manipulation ability again. Under his skillful usage of ice manipulation ability, the heavy grenade was enveloped and frozen in a chuck of ice, and harmlessly dropped towards the ground.

Once he did this, Zhang Yun immediately rushed out from the room. Each second of using his ice manipulation skills consumed some stamina and spiritual strength. If he could not finish the fight in a short period of time, he will exhausted his spiritual strength and stamina, leaving him unable to fight.

Just when he rushed out of the room, he immediately saw that Yue Zhong had already retreated at least 10m away from him. Even worse, Yue Zhong had readied a massive type 89 styled 12.7 mm heavy machine gun, and it was pointed towards him.

Once Zhang Yun appeared in Yue Zhong's sights, the massive 12.7 mm heavy machine gun that can easily tear an armoured jeep apart immediately let loose a long barrage of heavy fire. The numerous massive bullets seemed to turn into a hail of golden lines that streaked towards Zhang Yun.

Zhang Yun's face turned even paler, and again he used his skill of ice manipulation to create a thick wall made of ice to block these bullets. Countless number of bullets repeatingly slammed against the ice wall, and created a massive hole in the ice wall that was expanding each second as each bullet penetrated deep into the ice wall and tore some of the ice out.

"Damn it! Why is there a heavy machine gun over here!"

Immediately after creating the wall of ice, Zhang Yun immediately ran back towards his room. His ice manipulation skill may be very powerful, but it is not invincible. Creating an ice wall that can withstand a barrage of bullets from the 12.7 mm heavy machine gun had drained a massive portion of his spiritual force and stamina. If he is continuously assaulted by Yue Zhong's barrage of bullets, it is certain that he will die here today!

"White Bones, attack!" Yue Zhong commanded White Bones who was standing beside him.

White Bone immediately grabbed his massive bone axe and rushed towards Zhang Yun.

To ensure that he get the maximum benefits for his unique ice manipulation ability, Zhang Yun had continuously poured all his skills points into stamina and spiritual force each time he leveled up. The rest of his statistics are average and is only enhanced by equipment that he had gathered from the system. Therefore it is no surprise that his speed is inferior to White Bones. Just as he reached the window and is

about to make his escape, White Bones finally reached him and a massive axe chopped down towards him.

Zhang Yun waved his hand, and the ice jade ring on his finger immediately launched its special skill. An ice magic array appeared from thin air, and a cone of ice slammed against White Bones. The impact sent White Bone flying for several meters. In addition, White Bones'body also shown signs of being frozen, and is covered with a thin layer of ice. What is worse is that the bones in the chest area has been penetrated by the cone of ice, and countless cracks appears on the bones close to the chest area.

Chapter 155: Goodbye Zhang Yun

After Zhang Yun manage to force White Bones back, he immediately jumped down from the window. He is equipped with numerous items from the [System], and with the items' enhancement to his stats, he did not sustain any damage even after jumping down from the third storey.

[Translator Note: Weird? I recalled he was in bed with 4 beauties, and only had time to put on his protective vest before Yue Zhong charge into his room. This means he should be naked from his chest down and does not have much equipment on him. Where did these equipment come from?]

40 grenade launcher

I googled and there is really a R40 grenade launcher! The author knows his military weapons well!

Zhang Yun had just escaped from the window and had only ran a short distance, when Yue Zhong carried a massive type 40 grenade launcher and appeared from window next to his room. Yue Zhong took aim at Zhang Yun and launched a rocket grenade.

"DAMN IT!!" Zhang Yun look at the Yue Zhong lugging that type 40 grenade launcher and his face turn even paler. (Translator notes: Hello author, his face has already turn pale so many times and cannot be any paler already...) Zhang Yun had no idea how Yue Zhong manage to bring so many heavy weapons into LongHai survival camp. He does not have even have a type 40 grenade launcher! This type of weapon is only available to highly ranking officers in the military, and just one rocket fired from the grenade launcher can blow an armoured camp into pieces.

Zhang Yun desperately used all his stamina and spiritual force to create a wall of ice in a semi-circle around him.

With a massive "Boom!" sound, the rocket grenade connected with the wall of ice, and immediately exploded. A wave of fire and smoke rapidly spread out from the point of the impact and completely engulfed Zhang Yun in its blast radius.

After the smoke has dissipated, a charred black body collapsed to the ground. This body is the corpse of Zhang Yun, who had been roasted alive from the grenade.

While Zhang Yun's ice manipulation skill allowed him to create a barrier of ice-wall to protect himself against the barrage of bullets against 12.7 mm heavy machine gun, but that was the limit of his defensive skill. Against a powerful weapon of war such as a type 40 grenade launcher, even his ice wall could not withstand the impact.

It is true that Evolvers are very powerful, and have superhuman powers. But the weapons of war that was developed using the best and the brightest minds of mankind is in no way inferior to evolvers. It is because of this reason that in this survival camp, the strongest power is not the 4 strongest evolvers (of which Ice King Zhang Yun is a part of), but is the military that have experience in conducting wars.

Of course Zhang Yun's skills are very strong, but he did not even had a chance to fully utilize his powers before he is killed by Yue Zhong's clever use of military weapons.

Once Zhang Yun is dead, Yue Zhong jumped down from the window, and search Zhang Yun corpse to see if he can get any equipment from the [System]. But Yue Zhong's luck is not very good – the items on Zhang Yun's corpse had been blown into dust from the impact of the grenade launch. However, all is not lost, as somehow the ice jade ring manage to survive the carnage and is not broken.

Level 3 treasure: Ice Jade Ring. Grants 6 points of spiritual power when wore, and have a special property: Once a day it can create an ice cone.

Yue Zhong immediately equipped the ice Jade Ring. To him, Spirtual power is also important.

After Zhang Yun was killed, the Ice King's men were left without a leader. Under the attack of evolvers like Ji Qing Wi, Chen Shitou, Cheng Yu, Kong TianYu etc, if the Ice King's men refused to surrender, they were killed outright.

Once the 2nd strongest men in the Ice King group, Zhao Xiong, saw things were not going on well for the Ice King group, he immediately made his escape.

Not long after, the Ice King's men who chose to surrender were tied up and led out of the villa one after another. Other than the men, the villa contains a lot of food and at least 10 women.

Yue Zhong party escorted the captives and the women towards his camp.

On the way back to the camp, there are occasional policemen and soldiers who saw the procession. However, all of them had already been instructed by their superiors to pretend that they did not see anything. Even if there were no instructions from the top, they also had no desire to stop Yue Zhong's party or create any troubles for this group of fierce looking men.

The news of the Ice King being assassinated quickly spread through the grapevine in LongHai city. Ice King Group is actually an evil group that oppressed many people. Learning that the Ice King was killed, many oppressed citizens clapped and cheered in happiness.

But the rest of the factions in power residing in LongHai survival camp had a different attitude- they were apprehensive of Yue Zhong's power. After all, Ice King Group is relatively powerful within LongHai survival camp. The fact that Yue Zhong managed to destroy the group in the span of one night made them feel threatened.

"I need you to give me an explanation!" The next day, Chen Jian Feng summoned Yue Zhong, and looked at Yue Zhong without any expressions on his face.

Yue Zhong face did not change colour, and he calmly replied. "Ice King Group has twice sent people to kill me, and even framed me for things I did not do. With these provocation, surely I am permitted to fight back?"

Chen Jian Feng stared at Yue Zhong with a poker face. It is impossible to read Chen Jian Feng thoughts from his face as he spoke. "Even then, you should just report the issue to the relevant authorities, and inform us about this issue. We of course will not just sit still and will send someone to take action. But you selfishly acted and kill Ice King Zhang Yun, how are you going to resolve this problem?"

Yue Zhong looked at Chen Jian Feng and suddenly he smiled. "I looted 30 tonnes of food from Ice King Group. I will give you half!"

"20 tonnes!" Chen Jian Feng then relaxed his poker face. In reality, he does not care about the Ice King Group. Destroying this poisonous cancer group means nothing to him. But what he wants is the Ice King Group's accumulated food supply. 20 tonnes of food. If all the food are turned into porridge, it will be enough to let 2000 more survivors last for one or two more months. The reason why he summoned Yue Zhong today is to ask for some of the food supply that Yue Zhong's group had raided from the Ice King group. Yue Zhong agreed, "Ok, it is a deal!"

Chen Jian Feng stared at Yue Zhong with a serious voice. "Let's forget about the matter yesterday. But I do not want this type of thing happening again. If this happens again, I will not let you off this easily."

If Yue Zhong continues to act without regards for the law, Chen Jian Feng will not sit still, not even if the ones that Yue Zhong killed are all scums from LongHai survival camp.

Yue Zhong did not promise anything, but just replied, "If no one tries to kill me, of course, I will not willfully create trouble."

Chen Jian Feng raise his eyebrows, and asked "Regarding the raid on the granary, how are your preparations coming along?"

Dongfang military jeep

There is really a DongFeng military Jeep in real life! The author really know his shit!

"No problems."

After asking about preparation for the raid on the granary, Yue Zhong left the office of Chen Jian Feng.

In the following two days, Yue Zhong's men transported all the people to Stone Horse Village. This include the female 'bitches', Cheng Yu's 9 children, and workers who agreed to work in Stone Horse village.

On the day of the agreed joint exercise to raid the granary, Yue Zhong forces sent one infantry fighting vehicle, 5 Dongfeng military jeeps with guns mounted on them, 2 Dongfeng Military Trucks, 5 hummers and 2 fire trucks.

On the LongHai survival camp side, the military also sent one infantry fighting vehicle, 4 large trucks, 6 Dongfang military jeeps with guns mounted on them, 6 jeeps, and 3 ambulance.

Other than the military, other factions and powers from LongHai survivor camp united together under one group.

As this mission is viewed as very important by LongHai decision-makers, the various factions and powers were promised by the military that if they were willing to help the military attack the granary, they will be rewarded with a portion of the food.

After the apocalypse, food becomes of paramount importance. If there is food, then there will be people who are willing to work with them in exchange for food. With more people, it means more power. Therefore the various factions and powers are willing to help the military fight in return for a portion of the food supplies. Also, with the the military and Yue Zhong's men being positioned in front, there is less risk to them, and they are more willing to take risks.

Once the appointed hour arrive, all the vehicles set off for the granary in Shang Lin county.

Surprisingly, along the way, the party did not even see a single creature, not even zombies. This made Yue Zhong felt that something is not right.

The granary is located at the outskirts of Shang Lin county. Surrounding the granary are vast tracts of farmland. However some tracts of farm land that is supposed to be full of crops are now overgrown with a strange type of weed. The remaining farm land seemed to be barren and do not have any crops.

As the group of cars entered the area near the granary, suddenly a shrill cry resounded through the sky. Then hundreds, if not thousands of black rats seemed to crawl out from various rat holes. Each rat is as big as a cat, and the swarm of rats rushed towards the group of cars...

Chapter 156: Rat Tide

"Level 5 monster: Mutant Rat – Hunt in massive groups." Due to Yue Zhong's Eyes of perception passive skill, he immediately received the information as soon as he saw the mutant rats.

The mutant rat joined together and become a massive black tide, and surrounded the team.

"Open fire! Open fire!!" The leader of coalition of various factions and powers could not help panicking when he saw the endless stream of rats, and immediately shouted out orders.

Immediately the coalition of various factions members all madly fire whatever weapons they had at the mutant rats.

There were too many mutant rats in the rat tide. Even though the shooting skills of the coalition of various factions members were relatively poor, most of the bullets still hit the rats and killed many rats, and those rats that were shot or killed were rapidly crushed by the weight of the other rats behind it as the swarm tided forward.

The problem is the number of mutant rats is many, and despite the fact that a large number of rats have been killed, like a tidal wave, the rats tide does not seem to slow down at all as it rushed towards the team.

Seeing the massive swarm of rats continuously getting closer and closer, the coalition leader was unable to keep his cool under pressure, and tried to escape using the same route that they came in from.

As the jeep entered into the sea of mutant rats, the mutant rats within the rat tide seemed unafraid and attacked the jeep. Although hundreds of mutant rats were crushed and sent flying from the impact of the jeep crashing through them, there were many mutant rats that managed to latch on the jeep, and

the jeep seemed to be surround by mutant rats. Even worse, the window of the jeep is completed covered, and this made it impossible for the driver to see anything.

Without any visibility, the driver was unable to steer properly and the jeep crashed into a barren field. Countless mutant rats immediately surrounded and attacked the jeep in a frenzy.

There were burst of sharp shill sound as countless black mutant rats attacked the steel plating on the jeep, and managed to bore a large hole through the plating. Then the mutant rats swarmed into the deep, and bit down on the men inside the vehicle. From the jeep, there came a sound of screaming, and splatters of blood splashed on the windows of the car. The car shook for some time, and finally stopped moving.

[Translator notes: This is really scary to me due to my superb imagination! I am so glad I am not in that jeep]

What happened to this jeep seems to foreshadow what happened to the other vehicles that tried to run and rush out from the rat tide: These were all swallowed by the swamp of rats. Then there were screams of agony as the men inside each vehicle were eaten alive echoes throughout the granary area. [Translator notes: Urghh... More gore!]

If the teeth of the mutant rat is strong enough to rip about the steel plating on the jeep, of course there is no need to mention what would happen to the other normal vehicles that did not have steel plating.

Each faction leader immediately roared out. "Don't run away, Idiots! Open fire, quickly open fire, and kill these rats!"

Each of the surviving men immediately spread a sea of bullets into the rat tide. The IFV, the weapons mounted on each donghai military jeep, and Yue Zhong's heavy machine guns all concentrated fire on the rat horde. Under the stream of concentrated fire, the black coloured rat tide faltered and it seemed as there was an invisible knife cutting through the middle of the rat tide, parting the waters into two sides. Countless numbers of mutant rats were torn into shreds from the concentrated fire.

Although there was a temporary respite, the number of mutant rats were really uncountable, and despite the concentrated fire on the middle of the rat tide, there were some rats that managed to avoid the hail of bullets and successfully landed among the team members.

For the rats that managed to enter Yue Zhong's camp, Ji Qing Wu used her superior sword skills, Tang imitation blade and mysterious footwork skills to slice apart the rats. Many rats were sliced into two pieces, as their blood splattered all over the floor.

Chen Shitou, Kong Tianyu and the other evolvers from Yue Zhong's camp also used the Tang imitation blades on any stray mutant rats that managed to get close.

Individually or in a small number, these mutant rats were not scary at all. Even a normal human can easily kill one if they were unafraid of it. But if anyone is engulfed in the sea of rats, it is almost impossible to survive.

For the few isolated cases of mutant rats that successfully managed to enter the coalition team's rank, some of the more skilled warriors were also easily able to kill them, but there were some that panicked and it is with some difficulty that these rats were put down. These rats are only as big as a cat, and only

had a bite or scratch attack, and post little danger to them. Only six of the collation team members were scratched by the mutant rats, and there was no causality among the team.

The mutant rats seemed to be trapped between a rock and a hard place. (If they retreat they would be gunned down by concentrated fire, and if they rushed forward, those that managed to infiltrate each faction is easily put down. Although a massive number of rats were killed and the rat eyes turned bloodshot, still the rat tide remained unrelenting and continued to rush towards the team.

Under the barrage of heavy fire, in less than 10 minutes, there were over 2000 mutant rats that have been tore into shreds. However, there were also about 200 mutant rats that managed to enter the human camp and the number is constantly increasing.

In the coalition of factions/powers team, a man who was armed with a machete had just chopped a mutant rat to death. In the next moment, suddenly two mutant rat lunged at him. One of the rats bit his shoulder, and the teeth that can break apart a steel plate took out a big chuck of flesh. The other mutant rat bit him on his leg, and tore off a large stripe of meat and blood.

"Aarhhhh!!!!" The man could not resist letting out a miserable cry. His left hand grabbed the rat that was on his shoulder, and threw the rat to a side.

Immediately after the man threw the rat away, another 4 mutant rats rushed towards him, and latched onto his body as they chomped their sharp teeth into his flesh.

The man desperately struggled in pain while crying out for help, growing weaker with each successive bite. After a short while, his cries disappeared and he stopped moving. There was no one around to save him as more and more rats has successfully rushed through the bullet storm and entered the camp.

Other than the evolvers who were equipped with many protective items, or Yue Zhong's team members who were well equipped with snake skin armour, the rest of the teams began to show signs of people dying, and the death count of humans also began to rise.

Due to the non-stop firing of the heavy machine guns that was mounted on the vehicles, all the heavy machine guns began to heat up and turn red hot. The battle between the men and rats had only last 10 mins, but now the guns were now white hot, and could not continue to fire.

Seeing this unfavourable situation, Yue Zhong seldomly commanded his man, "Spray the oil!"

The tanks on the two fire engines on Yue Zhong's team did not contain water, but oil. The firemen has already readied themselves to hose the rat horde with oil, and was just waiting for Yue Zhong's command. Upon hearing the command, they immediately sprayed the oil in a semi-circle around the ground in front of Yue Zhong's team.

Cheng Yu then lighted a bottle of Molotov cocktail and hurled it towards the oil on the ground.

Upon contact with the Molotov cocktail, the ground that was sprayed with oil caught fire, and burned all the mutant rats within the area into ashes.

On the LongHai military camp side, they had also prepared two ambulances loaded with barrels of flammable oil. They also spilled the flammable oil on their territory, and set fire to it, forming a wall of fire.

The reason that man is superior to animals is because man has intelligence and is able to think of ways to deal with problems.

But the mutant rats were not the same. Even though there is a wall of fire blocking their path, the mutant rats still continue their strategy of rushing through the fire in swamps. But each mutant rat that passed through the sea of flame were burned to death. There was an unpleasant smell in the air hundreds of mutant rats were burned. Still the rat tide continues to swarm over the fire, as if they want to use the corpse of the fallen to create a gap in the fire

Chapter 157: Follow me!

The mutant rats' strategy was unfortunately for them, flawed. This was because the mutant rats' fur were combustible, and the use of flammable oil made it very hard to put out the fire. As a result, all the mutant rats that rushed into the flame were quickly incinerated by the inferno and perished. However, the zeal in which the mutant rat tide charged headlong into the blaze regardless of how many of them were killed had unsettled all the men.

Kong Tianyu had just dispatched the last of the mutant rats that managed to enter into their ranks. Looking at the mutant rats that continuously rushed into the flames, he remarked "It would be wonderful if they all rush through the fire and commit suicide."

If there was only one mutant rat, even an ordinary man could muster up the courage to attack and kill it. However, if there were more than 3 rats attacking an ordinary man, the one that would be killed would definitely be the man. If there are more than 20 rats, even an evolver like Kong Tianyu would be in serious danger if he is not protected by the snakeskin armour.

Initially, looking at the sea of mutant rats made the humans despair. It was estimated that there were at least 30,000 rats. Even if they had used up all their bullets, there were no guarantee that they would be able to kill all the rats. But if these rats were stupid enough to do a kamikaze charge by leaping into the flames, that would be an ideal scenario in the minds of the men.

From among the granary came another shrill cry, and surprisingly, the mutant rats that were thoughtlessly throwing themselves into the sea of flames suddenly stopped rushing into the fire. Instead, they surrounded the fire at a safe distance, and glared menacingly at the survivors entrapped within, waiting for an opportunity to strike.

Yue Zhong raised his eyebrows, and in his heart, he thought that the mutant rats must have a leader that was co-ordinating their attacks.

The uncountable sea of mutant rats that were not afraid of death was already very difficult to handle. Now that there was a leader leading and co-ordinating them, the difficulty of killing these rats had increased by at least a factor of ten.

There is a limit to the supply of oil that Yue Zhong and the rest of the humans had brought along, and it was not possible for them to continuously spray the oil. Under the combined firepower and fire, the humans had already killed over 4000 mutant rats. But as they looked over the sea of fire, they saw that there were still countless numbers of mutant rats surrounding them. This sight chilled the men to their bones and nobody desired to move out of the protection of the fire.

As for Yue Zhong's team, in the short span of 10 mins, they had already used up over 20,000 bullets. This reduced their bullet supplies by one-third. If this continues on, their bullet supplies cannot last for even half an hour more.

After observing this, Yue Zhong walked into the Longhai military group camp area, and requested to speak with the military commander, Xu Zhenggang.

"What the f**k do you want?" Looking at Yue Zhong, Xu Zhenggang raised his eyebrows and directly questioned Yue Zhong. Xu Zhenggang is feeling very depressed – the number of mutant rats had exceeded his wildest expectations. In addition, there was a leader commanding the rats. This made him felt that the battle is impossible to win, and he already had the desire to flee.

The flammable oil was made up of a combination of petrol and crude oil. After the apocalypse, petrol and crude oil were also very valuable resources. The two ambulances that were filled with barrels of petrol and crude oil accounted for 25% of the oil in Longhai survival base camp. Xu Zhenggang had no desire to waste the expensive oil on trying to take control of a granary that he felt was unconquerable.

Yue Zhong looked into Xu Zhenggang eyes and said. "These rats have a leader. I want to take some men to kill this mutant rat leader. 10 minutes. I hope you can lead your men and my men to protect this camp for just 10 minutes. If at the end of 10 mins, I have not returned, you may either choose to lead the men to retreat or continue to wait here."

Looking at the current situation, if Xu Zhenggang chose to flee the scene, the coalition of various factions and powers in Longhai survival camp will definitely retreat with the military. Once this happens, if Yue Zhong's men continued to remain in this area and defend the camp, it is certain that they will be annihilated by the mutant rat horde.

Xu Zhenggang might have belonged to a different faction from Yue Zhong, but he was an upright man and a man of his word. If he made a promise to protect the camp, he would die to protect the camp rather than to retreat. It was for this reason that Yue Zhong trusted this man.

Xu Zhenggang glanced at Yue Zhong and carefully considered for a moment. He was well aware of the situation in LongHai survival camp. Only with enough food would there be peace inside the camp. Only with enough food will it allow the survivors in the camp to continue to live. He gritted his teeth before agreeing to Yue Zhong's request. "All right, I promise you that I will defend this camp for 10 more minutes. But once 10 minutes are up, even if you have not returned, I will led all the men to retreat."

"Thank you!"

Yue Zhong returned to his camp, and had his men formed a circle, before explaining "I am going to kill the leader that is directing this mutant rat horde. This mission is likely to be a suicide mission, and death is likely. Those who are willing to go with me, step forward. For those who are not willing to risk your lives, I will not force you."

All his men stepped out without hesitation. This show of support made Yue Zhong very touched.

For this mission, all the men who had followed Yue Zhong had experienced numerous combats with zombies under Yue Zhong's leadership. Each of them was a hot-blooded man and a mighty evolver. Seeing that their leader Yue Zhong had chosen to put himself in the path of danger instead of being the

first to retreat has stirred their hot-blooded feelings. They would follow Yue Zhong to the ends of the world if required!

Yue Zhong was very touched as he addressed his men in a firm voice. "Each one of you are the pride of my team! Ji Qing Wu, please follow me to kill the leader of the rat horde. The rest of you must defend this place for 10 minutes. If after 10 minutes you do not see me returning here, then you are to leave this place. Kong Tianyu will be your temporary leader while I am gone. Remember, you must defend this place for 10 minutes and not leave this place before 10 minutes is up."

Among all the men who chose to follow Yue Zhong, Ji Qing Wu was the strongest evolver. To attempt to assassinate the leader of the rat horde, he would need the assistance of the strongest men under him. After Ji Qing Wu, Kong Tianyu was the second strongest man in Yue Zhong's team, and had served him loyally since he joined Yue Zhong's team in Always Bright village. Therefore he assign Kong Tianyu as his deputy commander in his absence.

Kong Tianyu had a solemn expression as he replied. "Yes! Captain Yue!"

Once he finished his announcement, he immediately chose to activate a special skill of wearing White Bones as an armour. Then he grabbed Ji Qing Wu in his left hand, and fired a piece of bone deep into the ground. Using the extension of bone as an extensible ladder, he vaulted towards the sea of mutant rats.

Once the bone ladder could no longer be extended any further, the two of them dropped into the sea of mutant rats.

The mutant rats immediately attacked these two humans that dared to enter into their mist with a frenzy.

As the two of them dropped into the sea of rats, Ji Qing Wu quickly executed a circular blade dance, and her blade dance decapitated all the mutant rats in a small circle around them. For just 1 or 2 seconds, there were no mutant rats around them. Then the tide of rats continued to pour in.

But the relief of a second or two is more than enough for Yue Zhong to penetrate another bone spike into the ground, and reused his bone ladder technique to launch himself and Ji Qing Wu forward.

Using this method of dropping and creating new extensible bone ladders, Yue Zhong speedily made his way towards the granary. [translator notes: Hoo... freaking unbelievable man! This killed it for me... L]

From afar, Yue Zhong could see that on top of the granary in Shang Lin County, there was 7 special mutant rats. 6 of these rats were as big as a human being, and their skin were of cyan colour. But what really set these rats apart was that they looked like humanoid rats (I will refer to these as ratmen from now on ok?) The ratmen stood upright on their hind legs like humans. The crawls on their ' hands'[1] are filled with sharp claws that are at least 20 cm long. (Translator notes: for a picture, please look at [2]).

In the middle of the 6 special rats is a gigantic silver white rat. This rat is as big as a bear, and there is a crown of white fur that extend from the top of its head like a crown. Each of its claws are at least 40 cm long, and its eyes flushed with intelligence.

Chapter 158: Mutant Rat King

Yue Zhong's Eyes of Perception ability allowed him to examine the ratmen from afar. "Level 26 mutant beast: Elite Rat King's Bodyguards. Rat King's chosen bodyguards, are willing to die in battle in defense of Rat King."

"Level 43 mutant beast: Mutant Rat King. Has the ability to control mutant rat swarms and elite rat king's bodyguards."

"That must be the leader!" Zhong Yue looked at the 7 massive rats with a gleam of light in his eyes. On this expedition, he was most afraid that he could not find the leader of the rat tide within the time limit of 10 mins. If he could not find the leader, he would have no choice but to abort this mission. After all, his team and both the teams from LongHai survival camp did not bring enough ammunition to destroy the sea of rats.

The mutant Rat King also saw that Yue Zhong was making a beeline towards it. It's tiny eyes flashed a hint of disdain, and it uttered a sharp whistling sound.

At that instant, from the granary, another massive swarm of mutant rats poured out in droves. In addition to the mutant rats tide, another 30 elite rat king's bodyguards also climbed up to the granary.

In addition to the forces above, 20 additional elite rat king's bodyguards rushed towards the direction of Yue Zhong.

These elite rat king's bodyguards were incredibly fast. At full gallop, they crossed the distance of over 100 m in the span of a few seconds, and shot towards Yue Zhong like an arrow. Their speed was only slightly inferior to the fastest creature that Yue Zhong has ever faced – a level 20 hunter.

At this time, Yue Zhong was still 200m away from the granary.

Yue Zhong moved his left hand, and a type 79 assault rifle [1] flew out. He pulled the trigger and the gun spewed out a stream of bullets that streaked towards the elite rat king's bodyguards. [3]

These elite rat king's bodyguards' bodies were comprised of extremely hard muscles. Although these bullets were able to penetrate through the hide of these rats, they were stopped by the rock hard muscles from penetrating any deeper into the organs. As a result, the wounds of these elite rat king's bodyguards were superficial.

After emptying a 20 round magazine clip, Yue Zhong had only managed to kill four normal mutant rats, and did not even manage to kill a single elite rat king's bodyguard.

These elite rat king's bodyguards finally reached the area in front of Yue Zhong, and used their sharp claws to chip away at the bone ladder.

The claws of these elite rat king's bodyguards were extremely sharp, and the white bone ladder could not withstand the continuous attacks of the elite rat king's bodyguards for long before breaking.

Once the white bone ladder was broken, Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu immediately plunged towards the ground.

The 20 elite rat king's bodyguards were hiding and distributed among the rat tide. They were intently watching the descent of Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu. Once these two humans fell into the swarm of rats,

they will be surrounded on all sides and be attacked by numerous rats. No matter how powerful Yue Zhong is, being attacked by countless numbers of rats at the same time would definitely finish him off.

Yue Zhong's eyes turned icy cold, and taking in a deep breathe, he quickly fired another bone spike that stabbed into the head of a normal mutant rat. The force at which the bone spike was fired from allowed it to penetrate through the skull of the mutant rat and continued to penetrate deep into the ground. It quickly extended to become another bone ladder. In this way, both of them were temporary out of danger.

But the elite rat king's bodyguards who saw this scene immediately rushed towards the new bone ladder and again, used their claws to break down the bone ladder.

This left Yue Zhong with no choice but to continuously shoot out bone spikes using both hands. Thus, he created multiple bone ladders that enabled him to continuously move forward. In the event that one of the bone spikes is broken, it is unlikely to hinder his progress in moving forward. [5]

But for every bone ladder that was shattered, the White Bone armour on Yue Zhong's body became thinner and thinner. While White Bones has the unique ability freely manipulate bones, these bone were refined from its body, and are not unlimited in number. If the bones were continuously broken, beyond a certain limit, White Bones could no longer creates new bone spikes.

Just before White Bone reached its limit, Yue Zhong finally broke through the rat tide and reached the granary.

The twenty elite rat king's bodyguards also followed Yue Zhong and was just lurking below the granary.

As mutant rat king saw Yue Zhong approaching it, it immediately jumped down from the granary. It landed on the ground, and the 20 elite rat king's bodyguards that was already there immediately surrounded it. This party of elite rats then fled.

Meanwhile, the rest of the elite rat king's bodyguards rushed towards Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu.

"It chose to escape?" Yue Zhong spied that the rat king had opted to escape and was greatly surprised. That is a level 43 mutant rat king, and its level was way higher than him! That it did not even attempt to fight and immediately opted to escape is outside of Yue Zhong's expectations

Although the rat king chose to escape, the 30 elite rat king's bodyguards and the remaining rat tide continued to surround and rush towards Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu from all sides.

Yue Zhong took one look at the endless tide of rats that was rapidly approaching him, and also chose to flee. He extended his right hand and fired a bone shard towards the roof of granary. Then using the extensible bone shard like a retractable rope, he launched himself and Ji Qing Wu to the rooftop of the granary.

The 30 elite rat king's bodyguards also quickly climbed towards the rooftop after the two intruders. [4]

Yue Zhong just took a glance at the persistent bastards, and tossed a grenade towards the rat swarm below. A loud "Boom!" sound rang out. With a massive explosion, a large number of shrapnel were flung in all directions. This killed at least 10 of the normal mutant rats and their limbs were sent flying in all directions. Yue Zhong then jumped down towards the empty space that was created by the explosion.

Having stepped foot on solid ground, Yue Zhong continuously tossed grenades at the rat swarm, creating havoc among them. From the havoc, he slowly created a path towards the direction in which the rat king has fled in.

The thirty elite rat king's bodyguards were quickly left behind by Yue Zhong's sudden movement.

The mutant king rat may be as big as a bear, but its speed was not as fast as the elite rat king's bodyguards. Hence, it was much slower than Yue Zhong. The distance between the pursuer and the pursued was continuously shortened.

Seeing the situation, the mutant king rat issued a soft growl, and four of its elite rat king's bodyguards rushed towards Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu. Surprisingly for a rat, it is as cowardly as some human leaders, and is not willing to send too many bodyguards to deal with Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu out for fear of compromising its own safety.

Looking at the four elite rat king's bodyguards that were rushing towards them, Ji Qing Wu eyes flashed with competitive spirit. "Let me go!" she exclaimed. Ji Qing Wu was a naturally competitive woman and is full of fighting spirit. If not, she would not had used a beginners' staff to fight zombies in the beginning of the apocalypse. It should be known that even among the men, there were very few men that had the courage to use the beginners staff to fight against the zombies. These men were not worried about whether they could not win against the zombie, but rather was afraid that they will be infected with the zombie virus.

Yue Zhong loosen his hold and let Ji Qing Wu down. [6]

Ji Qing Wu lightly landed on the ground, and used her active skill: "Cutting edge enhancement." Her Tang imitation sword was enveloped in a layer of blue light.

Ji Qing Wu eyes gleamed with determination as she followed beside Yue Zhong. With each swing of her blade, several mutant rats were sliced apart like tofu.

In the span of a few breathe, the four elite rat king's bodyguards reached the area in front of Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu.

Yue Zhong moved his hand, and a stinger gun appeared on his hand. He suddenly accelerated like a ghost and avoided the attacks of the elite rat king's bodyguard in front of him. Then he pointed the stinger gun at the head of the elite rat king's bodyguard and pulled the trigger.

"Bam" the elite rat king's bodyguard head was blown apart, and its brains and blood combined together to form a work of art on the floor.

Chapter 159: Chasing the Rat King

Another elite rat king's bodyguard lunged towards Yue Zhong. Yue Zhong twisted his body and barely managed to dodge the attack. But at the same time, he moved his stinger gun and blasted away the brains of the elite rat king's bodyguard.

Ji Qing Wu did not have as many weapons as Yue Zhong. Neither had she evolved as much as Yue Zhong. She did not even have the shadow steps skill that Yue Zhong had. But her swordsmanship skill was unparalleled, and her activated skill enhanced the deadliness of her blades. The Tang imitation sword in her hands wove a path of destruction, beheading an elite rat king's bodyguard in a single stroke even though she was lower in level than that creature. The head of the elite rat king's bodyguard flew through the air, and blood sprayed out in all directions from the wounds. A big experience point globe was immediately absorbed by her, allowing her to gain two levels with a single kill.

Despite killing an elite rat king's bodyguard, Ji Qing Wu legs had not ceased moving all this while. In the span of a heartbeat, she was standing next to the last elite rat king's bodyguard. The last elite rat king's bodyguard immediately swiped its claws at her. With her supple and flexible body, she is able to avoid the death blow aimed at her head by crouching down. Once the claws had swiped over her head, she sprung up and beheaded the last elite rat king's bodyguard with a single stroke.

Translator's rant. [needs to highlight to see it]

Where is the experience orb?

Although these elite rat king's bodyguard were level 26 mutant beasts, their combat powers were much weaker than the level 20 boss hunter. Their only advantage over the boss hunter was their unmatched sharp claws. Other than that, their strength and speed were way inferior to the boss hunter.

"Amazing! I had selected the right person to bring for this mission!" Yue Zhong saw the elegant way in which Ji Qing Wu had killed the two elite rat king's bodyguards, and was very glad that he had chosen to bring Ji Qing Wu with him. Indeed, her performance did not disappointed him.

The four elite rat king's bodyguards dropped a skill book and some [System] survival coins. Yue Zhong just kept all of them into his spatial ring, and continued to rush towards the Mutant King Rat like an arrow. The objective of this mission was to kill the Mutant King Rat. If the Mutant King Rat is not killed, the entire mission would be a failure, and there would be countless number of deaths among the humans even if the humans chose to retreat.

The Mutant King Rat saw that Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu had easily dispatched four of his bodyguards, and immediately quicken his pace. With a sharp howl, ten more elite rat king's bodyguards turned back and rushed towards Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu.

Yue Zhong just took a glance at the approaching elite rat king's bodyguards, and from his spatial ring, he rapidly received several hand grenades and threw them towards these beasts.

"Boom!" "Boomm!!" "Boommm...!!!"

A series of explosions resounded throughout the room. The 10 elite rat king's bodyguards had not even came close to Yue Zhong before they were caught in the explosion. For 6 of these creatures, all that remained of them are the stumps of their foot, while their bones and guts were spattered all over the area.

The remaining four of the elite rat king's bodyguards faced the exact opposite situation. Their legs had been tore apart by the force of the explosion, but their life was preserved.

From a short distance away, the rapidly approaching Yue Zhong fired 4 more bone spikes at the surviving elite rat king's bodyguards. Each bone spike were fired with incredible accuracy, and pierced a massive hole through each of the surviving elite rat king's bodyguards' brains. Four massive experience globes were absorbed by Yue Zhong.

Translator's rant 1. [needs to highlight to see it]

Yue Zhong would not gain experience for using [non-System] weapons such as military weapons, grenades etc to kill any [System] creatures. However, he would gain experience orbs if he used the bone spikes as bone spikes were provided by White Bones and hence was part of the [System].

"Congratulations for reaching level 28. You have gain 2 points of stats points that you may distribute among your stats."

"Increase stamina and agility!"

Yue Zhong quickly made his choice and continued to rush towards the Mutant King Rat.

The Mutant King Rat saw that Yue Zhong is very persistent in chasing after it, and continuously screamed a low pitched shrill cry.

From all directions surrounding the granary, more and more mutant rats continuously poured out from every nook and cranny, and each of them rushed towards Yue Zhong.

Yue Zhong continuously waved his hands and tossed multiple hand grenades into the swarm of rats. A series of explosions decorated the room with splashes of mutant rat bones, innards and bones.

Ji Qing Wu stood beside Yue Zhong, and guarded him. For each mutant rat that managed to come close to Yue Zhong, she sliced them apart with her blade skill.

The two of them wreaked a path of carnage and destruction towards the Mutant King Rats. Although they had to deal with numerous attacks from the mutant rats, their speed is still relatively quick. But the speed at which Yue Zhong used up his grenades is very rapid. Once he had used up all his grenades, both he and Ji Qing Wu would be caught in a hazardous situation.

In the span of 10 breathes, Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu are only 20+ meters away from the Mutant King Rat.

Yue Zhong activated the Ice Jade Ring's "Ice Cone" skill. Magical runes appears in the air instantly and launched an Ice Cone at the foot of the Mutant King Rat.

One of the elite rat king's bodyguards immediately stood in front of the Mutant King Rat and used its body to protect the Mutant King Rat. The Ice Cone ended up penetrating a large hole in the body of the elite rat king's bodyguard. At the same time, a powerful wave of force immediately freeze that elite rat king's bodyguard.

Yue Zhong took out his stinger gun, and continuously fired towards the Mutant King Rat.

One by one, the elite rat king's bodyguards took turns to use their body to protect the Mutant King Rat.

Feeling that it was in danger, the Mutant King Rats' cries became more and more desperate and urgent, and the 30 elite rat king's bodyguards' eyes turned blood shot as they raced towards Yue Zhong group in increasingly faster speed.

The mutant rats also seemed to be frenzied as they lurched themselves at Yue Zhong without concern for their own lives. But each and every one of the mutant rats could not scratch a hair on Yue Zhong's body as Ji Qing Wu easily sliced them apart.

Yue Zhong readied his devil flame skill, and mass of flames appeared in his hand. Suddenly he accelerated and like a flash of lightening, he disappeared from Ji Qing Wu's side and appear next to the Mutant King Rat. With his devil flames, he burnt the injured elite rat king's bodyguards protecting the Mutant King Rat. They were turned into ashes.

Translator's rant 2.

Ji Qing Wu was surprised by Yue Zhong sudden burst of speed, "Incredible! Had he evolved so much?"

Even if Yue Zhong had not used any active skills, his speed had already eclipsed Ji Qing Wu by a wide margin.

Seeing that it could not flee anymore, the Mutant King Rat swiped a paw that was as big as bear towards Yue Zhong.

With his shadow step skills, he seemed to disappeared from the Mutant King Rat's sights for a moment, only to reappear behind the Mutant King Rat.

The mighty paws of the Mutant King Rat landed on the ground, and with a massive "Bam!" sound, the surrounding area also seemed to shake from the impact. There was a big imprint of the paws on the ground. If this paw strike had landed on a human body, it would had undoubtably pounded a man into meat paste. If it hits Yue Zhong, even Yue Zhong would have been killed by the might of this blow.

But Yue Zhong had long escaped behind the Mutant King Rat, and had readied another fireball. He fired the ball of fire towards the back brain of the Mutant King Rat.

There was a massive "Bam" sound as the fireball hit the Mutant King Rat. After the smoke cleared, Yue Zhong was startled to see that the fireball has only created a black burnt mark on the hairs of the Mutant King Rat and that fireball was unable to penetrate the skull.

"An impressively hard skin and skull!" Yue Zhong cried out in alarm. This is the first time he had encountered a mutant beast that even his fireball was unable to harm.

Chapter 160: The Battle against Mutant King Rat

Although it is not injured, the Mutant King Rat was incensed by the attack. It shrieked out a cry of anger and turned around and attempted to smack Yue Zhong with its mighty paws.

But with the shadow step skill, Yue Zhong was able to stay one step ahead. He dodged to the right side of the Mutant King Rat, and used his stinger gun to fire 3 stinger bullets into the head of the Mutant King Rat.

The stinger gun is powerful, and a single shot was able to seriously injured or kill the elite rat king's bodyguards. However, the same weapon only managed to create 3 tiny wounds of about 2 cm diameter on the Mutant King Rat's head. Still, unlike the fireball, the stinger gun managed to make the Mutant King Rat bleed – blood began to slip out from the wounds on the Mutant King Rat's head. Although it is

injured, the 3 wounds are merely superficial wounds, and are far from enough to kill the Mutant King Rat.

The Mutant King Rat cried out in pain. It was enraged and furiously lunged at Yue Zhong with both its paws.

Yue Zhong was shocked: "Even the might of the stinger gun is insufficient to kill it?"

With the shadow step skill, Yue Zhong easily dodged the attack and moved towards the back of the Mutant King Rat. He then fired more 3 more times towards the Mutant King Rat's head.

Again, the 3 stinger bullets only managed to result in another 3 minor holes in the Mutant King Rat's head.

It turned its head and in one swift motion, lashed out with a paw containing all its strength. Each of the Mutant King Rat's paw strikes was as heavy as a mountain, and a single hit could even shatter a small jeep. With but a single strike, Yue Zhong would be spattered into meat paste.

But the Mutant King Rat was not as agile as Yue Zhong. Sure, it could have killed Yue Zhong with just a single paw strike, but that was only if it could land a hit on Yue Zhong. With Yue Zhong superior speed, and under the effects of the shadow step, Yue Zhong was practically dancing in circles around it.

Once the Mutant King Rat made its moved, Yue Zhong also moved at the same time. With his superior speed, Yue Zhong was again able to position himself behind the Mutant King Rat. This time, he fired 6 stinger bullets in a row into the hole created by a previous wound.

These six consecutive bullets were able to take advantage of the earlier wounds and managed to penetrated deep into the brains of the Mutant King Rat. Although the Mutant King Rat has very hard bones and skin, its brains is made up of soft matter. The brains exploded under the onslaught, and with a last twitch of its body, the Mutant King Rat collapsed on the floor.

"Congratulations for reaching level 29. You have gain 2 points of stats points that you may distribute among your stats."

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"Congratulations for reaching level 31. You have gain 2 points of stats points that you may distribute among your stats."

Once the Mutant King Rat had passed away, a massive orb of experience was absorbed into Yue Zhong's body, allowing him to grant 3 levels at once.

"Put 3 points into agility, and 3 points into stamina!"

In the battle with the Mutant King Rat, if not for the fact that Yue Zhong's speed was vastly superior to the Mutant King Rat, Yue Zhong would have died. It is a fact at he could not even withstand a single blow from that creature. Therefore he unhesitatingly invested 3 points of his hard earned skills into agility.

"Congratulations for reaching above level 30. You can learn two extra active skills outside of your job skills before reaching level 50."

"Congratulations for reaching level 30. You have received one point of skill enhancement point. Please choose a skill that you desire to enhance."

"Enhance summon skeleton skill!" Yue Zhong immediately made a choice. He wants to enhance this skill to the maximum level, and see how it will evolve.

A sudden gush of knowledge entered Yue Zhong's sea of knowledge, and in his summon skeleton skill, an additional rune was engraved in it.

A beam of black light emerged from the rune and empowered White Bones, evolving it further.

"Your summon skeleton skill has received 2 new skills.

New Skills 1: Return to Hell. When you use this powers, your skeleton will return to hell, and may selfevolve. However, in Hell, there are massive conflicts among the undead. Once your skeleton return to hell, there is a chance that your skeleton may continue to get stronger. However, there is also a chance that it may be killed by other undead, and becomes a pile of bones.

New Skills 2: Immediate summon. Using this skill, no matter where your skeleton is, it will immediately appear next to you. Cooldown: 1 day."

[See this page for the new White Bones Stats.]

"Your summon skeleton skill has already reached the maximum level. If you wish to continue to improve on this skill, you must first master the skill: Summon Dark Skeleton."

The Mutant King Rat also dropped two skill books and 200 [System] coins.

Yue Zhong immediately grabbed the 2 skill books. One of them is a skill book that enhanced stamina, while the other one is a skill book that enhance agility.

"Level 3 Passive Skill Enhancement: After learning this skill, your stamina will permanently improve by 10 points."

Yue Zhong did not hesitate and immediately learnt this skill. With a flash of light, he felt the skill immediately enhancing his stats.

Once the Mutant King Rat has died, the tide of mutant rats parted from Yue Zhong and Ji Qing Wu as if Moses commanded the sea to part [1]. They fled in all directions.

Translator notes.

The elite rat king's bodyguards also fled and were no longer as fearless as it was when it guarded the Mutant King Rat.

Rats are actually cowardly by nature. Given a choice to fight or flee, they will naturally prefer to flee. The mutant rats have evolved from ordinary rats, and hence inherit the cowardice of its predecessor. The only reason they attacked so aggressively was because the Mutant King Rat had a unique ability to control them, and they were powerless to resist its control. Once the Mutant King Rat had died, they were freed from its control and immediately reverted back to their cowardly nature.

Ji Qing Wu was actually saved in the nick of time by Yue Zhong. While Yue Zhong was fighting the Mutant King Rat, she was trying her best to fend off the numerous mutant rats that kept attacking her. But the packs of mutant rats were unrelenting in numbers – as soon as she killed one, two more took its place. As the rat horde kept closing in on her, she found herself without the space needed to execute her superior sword skills and could only use normal strikes to defend herself. Bit by bit she was forced back, until she finds herself in a precarious situation. If not for the timely death of the Mutant King Rat, she would be the one who died today.

Translator notes.

Without the tide of mutant rats pressurising her, Ji Qing Wu breath a sigh of relief and walked towards Yue Zhong. Seeing Ji Qing Wu, Yue Zhong passed the skill book that enhanced agility to her. He has never been selfish with empowering his men.

Seeing the skill book, Ji Qing Wu eyes shone with eagerness, and immediately learnt the skill.

After the she had learnt the skill, Yue Zhong immediately asked Ji Qing Wu for assistance, "Come and help! Help me cut away its skull."

The skull of the Mutant King Rat was very thick and Yue Zhong found the task to be very difficult. However, Ji Qing Wu have the skill "Cutting edge enhancement.", allowing any weapons in her hands to be sharper than normal. To Yue Zhong, using this skill to slice apart the skull is a very useful ability.

Translator notes.

Ji Qing Wu walked over and tried to use her enhanced Tang Imitation Sword to slice open the skull of the Mutant King Rat. Although the enhanced weapon was able to chip open a small hole in the skull, it could not sliced off the skull in one stroke as Ji Qing Wu had expected.

Ji Qing Wu's eyes flash a hint of surprise. After she had learnt the skill "Cutting edge enhancement", no matter what she tried to cut, it parted like tofu. This is the first time that she encountered something that can withdraw a blow from an enhanced blade.

Ji Qing Wu used her strength and continued to stab into the skull. After repeated attempts and expanding a lot of effort, she finally managed to stab the blade into the skull.

Leveraging the blade like a saw, she slowly but steadily cut a hole in the skull.

Yue Zhong immediately put his hands into the brains of the Mutant King Rat and try to find any monster beads.