281 C-GRADE!

While Lu Shu was strolling in the forest, he suddenly received a large sum of distress values...

He did not care what the rest thought but in the future, he would just say that he got lost while chasing the cheetah which fulfils his portrayed image since he joined them: crazy, well-abled, experienced and extremely daring.

To be honest, Lu Shu found acting alone more enjoyable as when he followed the team, he could only passively wait for animals to approach them but since he left, it was different. He could attack them!

Whenever he saw an animal, he would immediately pull out his spear, subdue it then pull out a tooth. This was his set of standard actions.

The amount of distress values Lu Shu had with him were not just enough to light up seven stars. After another few more days of activities, he could definitely make the first star of the third level of Nebula. What a great feeling.

282 A SLEEK OLD MAN

"Tree Demon, I have no intention of invading. It is just that this forest is too big, I have no idea which areas belong to you, Tree Demon. Spare me, Tree Demon!", Li Dian initially still thought he was too lucky as when they were trapped in the tent, Liang Che managed to kill two fighters sent by the Heavenly Networks while they were unprepared. He and Liang Che then escaped and unknowingly entered the relics.

After entering the forest, Li Dian had been wandering around aimlessly, slowly exploring it. When he saw an animal, he escaped. At night, he surprisingly realised that this devilish forest stopped attacking him when he put on the tattered linen cloth.

Initially, he treated the cloth just as an armour but after putting it on, he was as good as invisible!

However, the happiness did not last long as he had just bumped into a tree spirit!

283 SEIZING THE COMPASS

In the era when magical energy just started recovering, it was rare to see anyone with the ability to control swords. To wandering people with ambiguous identities like Li Dian, they had only heard of such abilities in legends.

Therefore, when Lu Shu used The Corpse of the Dog to pick his identification card, Li Dian saw how a sword flew past in a blink of an eye and thought in shock: it had not been easy for him to survive in the relics and why did he have to meet an expert of C-grade or higher?

Then again, were all C-grade experts of the Heavenly Networks so free that they could act as a Tree Demon in the middle of the night?

Regardless, Li Dian had already lost all hope. Initially, he even suspected if that person had some special abilities to avoid all the weird tree and perhaps was not too strong. After all, the expert was definitely now an amateur.

Li Dian no longer thought so. A C-grade expert who could control a sword could kill him anytime.

284 THE SUDDEN BATTLE

Before Lu Shu finished viewing Lu Xiaoyu's distress values, a whole bunch of other records flooded the screen.

"From Chen Zuan's distress, +101..."

"From Chen Zuan's distress, +199..."

"From Chen Zuan's distress, +210..."

Lu Shu was dumb-struck, and started to mourn for Chen Zuan...

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"Hey Xiaoyu, if there aren't any toilets in this huge forest, where else can I pee besides on the tree?", Chen Zuan felt like weeping as he sat on the ground.

Lu Xiaoyu shouted angrily, "If not for you, I would have found Lu Shu a long time ago! It's all your fault!"

Lu Xiaoyu spent the entire day looking for Lu Shu. When she found Chen Zuan, she was enraged but that was not a time to blame him. She quickly lead her troupe of animals to return to the original route in hope of finding Lu Shu's scent.

285 CHEN BAILI IS INJURED!

A battle between B-grade fighters was unfolding beneath Lu Shu's eyes but he was too far away and hence, could not see what was happening clearly. If not because these forests were as bright as neon lights, he would not even have noticed the entire collapsed forest.

This was the difference, Lu Shu sighed. While other Heavenly Network's fighters and Daoyuan Class' students had to hide in the empty grounds, the B-grade experts were able to easily wipe out entire batches of the weird trees.

Lu Shu began to run in that direction as he did not want to miss this first opportunity to watch B-grade experts battle.

This was the first time Lu Shu used all his strength to sprint since he reached C-grade. The fallen leaves on the ground were thrown into the hair behind Lu Shu. Lu Shu did not even had to push the branches in his way as he used the celestial cloak to cover himself. The few branches that he ran into however, were not capable of injuring him.

286 MAKE A COMEBACK

Chen Bai Li stared at Lu Shu for an extended period of time, trying to recall what he was about to say. He really could not understand how this Daoyuan Class student could run to catch a poisonous snake and pluck out two of its teeth during their conversation and came back to continue afterwards.

His eyes were glowing as if he has just seen the Matrix Eye just now.

Lu Shu coughed a bit as he felt awkward due to the constant staring. "Please continue."

Chen Baili finally recalled what he was about to say, "Guard me, I need to recondition my meridians and recover from my injuries before my opponent recovers. Don't worry too much, looking at the severity of his injury, his power is going to decrease dramatically, he will not risk coming back so soon, just keep me away from the animals."

"No problem," I'm good at dealing with little animals, Lu Shu thought to himself.

287 DUEL WITH A CLASS B!

Lu Shu gave chase in the direction of the forest. The old priest, who had been sitting cross-legged with his eyes closed and resting, opened his eyes again and said to Lu Shu's back, "No need to chase him, you are not even at Class C. Impossible to beat him."

"Without a fight, how would we know?" Lu Shu sped up and rushed headlong into the forest, to be instantly engulfed by the bizarre splendour of the shimmering forest. Chen Baili suddenly felt that something seemed to be amiss, why are the weird trees not attacking Lu Shu? Still, Lu Shu was too fast, like the wind between branches, and it seemed as if the trees were making futile attempts at seizing him.

Chen Baili carried on with his resting in the lotus position. However, the image of the youth saying how would they know without a fight kept swirling in his mind.

288 THE SOUL OF ANGER, CONCEALED ARROW!

With great effort, Lu Shu guided the Corpsedog dagger in its slow flight back to him, while continuing his chase of the white man. Between them, the monster trees fell with thunderous roars every now and then.

The white master was astonished. The client who wanted to exchange with him the earth system weapon for Chen Baili's head had provided him with information. However, the information provided had made no mention of such a powerful Class C expert beside Chen Baili in the remains!

What a miscalculation!

In fact, he was now thinking if the client had deliberately held back this information so as to see both himself and Chen Baili wear each other out?!

The sand in the white man's hands were not used up yet. Seeing that Lu Shu was still gaining on him, he blasted the fine sand towards the pursuer as if they were transformed into artillery shells.

289 DEALER OF MILITARY MERITS

Standing at the rim of the bloodied deep crater, Chen Zuan could not place his feelings. Even though Lu Xiaoyu had displayed the explosive force of her Class D Intermediate power system awakened power, and also her ultra-decisive and composed façade, it would be more apt to say its cold-bloodedness rather than composure.

To simply kill the person underground with a punch without knowing the identity, what if the person is a comrade in the Heavenly Network? Won't that be fratricide?

Chen Zuan felt that he should be fearful of Lu Xiaoyu, but he simply could not be scared of her. As much as she had just killed a person, she did not have a trace of any vibe which could justify his aversion for her. It was as if she was merely doing something she should.

"Xiao Yu... aren't you scared of killing someone wrongly?" Chen Zuan asked curiously.

"Impossible," Lu Xiaoyu answered with certainty. However, she did not elaborate why.

290 MISER

"Xiaoyu, are we now...still going to look for Lu Shu? At such unearthly hour..."

Chen Zuan asked curiously. Now that the military merit he long dreamed of was his, all he wished was simply to wait it out in the remains with no mishap. Moreover, the task of locating the Matrix Eye had got nothing much to do with him.

Chen Zuan hailed from the capital. The youths there were highly competitive, to the point that even the girls started to look at military ranks and capabilities. Hence, Chen Zuan had forced himself to approach his family to fight for the chance to come here.

The old man at home even praised him at that time. Sadly, his application for a master to accompany him was rejected by his father...