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"Your Excellency, the German navy is too powerful. Yatsushiro-kun claimed that the German navy can easily destroy us! They don't even need to send the main force, they only need to send any fleet to defeat us!" Okuma Shigenobu said.

"The time for the rise of the empire is too short, and compared with the old European powers, the gap is too big!" Shanxian Youpeng sighed.

"Since the Germans are so powerful, it seems that we can't fight them head-on. In that case, we will be the ones who suffer!" Masayoshi Matsukata sighed.

These veterans have all come all the way since the Meiji Restoration. They have witnessed the island country from being weak to strong, and they also hope that the island country will become stronger and stronger.

"What about the army's opinion?" Shanxian Youpeng asked.

"The army's attitude is very firm. They don't want to give up those territories. Your Excellency the Minister of War believes that the empire is too far away from Germany. Even if the Germans want to send troops to attack us, they can only send the navy at most. The army can hold its ground, and the navy's warships Although powerful, it cannot threaten us," Okuma Shigenobu said.

"That's true! It is impossible for the Germans to send too many troops to attack us. What's more, the strength of the Imperial Army cannot be underestimated. If the Germans only send a small army to attack us, we will definitely be able to defeat them and win the victory Yes. In that case, the Germans will be in a difficult situation. Therefore, the Germans will at most send the navy to attack us!" Da Shanyan smiled.

Obviously, these veterans of the army are not willing to spit out the fat that has been eaten in their mouths.

"So, is the cabinet going to insist on occupying those colonies of the Germans?" Okuma Shigenobu asked.

"Since the Germans have nothing to do with us, we can completely occupy those colonies!" Shanxian Youpeng said.

"Everyone, I think we can avoid falling out with the Germans, and even get more benefits!" Said Xiyuan Temple Gongwang, who had not spoken.

"Mr. Xiyuan Temple, what's your opinion?" Shanxian Youpeng asked.

"I think we should return the German colonies to them, and apologize to them, so as to obtain Germany's understanding!" Xiyuan Temple Gongwang said.

"What?" Everyone's eyes widened, as if they couldn't believe that Xiyuan Temple Gongwang would say such a thing. In this case, it would be a disgrace to the country! The islanders are extremely inferior. After they became stronger, this inferiority complex turned into arrogance, which made them arrogant. In their view, it is absolutely impossible to apologize to others and admit mistakes!

"Xiyuansi-jun, what do you mean?" Youpeng Shanxian asked. He believes that Xiyuan Temple Gongwang is not a fool and would never come up with such an idea.

"Mr. Shanxian, we offended Germany, and even risked an undecided war with Germany, and only got some barren islands. Isn't it worthwhile?" Xiyuan Temple Gongwang smiled Said.

Youpeng from Shan County and others frowned. Although the German colonies are islands, they are not barren! It's just not developed yet. If it is possible to immigrate to those islands and then develop them. Then, it will soon be possible to obtain rich output from those islands. This will be very beneficial to the island nation.

"Then, Mr. Xiyuan Temple, how can I get a good deal?" Shanxian Youpeng asked patiently.

"It's very simple, restore the relationship with the Germans, and then join the Allies and declare war on the Allies! In this way, the British colonies will open their doors to us! The British colonies of Malaya, Burma, and Australia Even the Indian colonies, which one is not much better than those colonies of the Germans in the Pacific Ocean? The British are now in decline, and even under the attack of the Germans, they are in danger of extinction. Their colonies in various colonies The troops are very scarce, and it is impossible to resist the attack of the imperial warriors. At that time, we will easily obtain more rich colonies." Xiyuansi Gongwang said.

Suddenly, all the elders, including Prime Minister Shigenobu Okuma, were dumbfounded. They didn't expect that Gongwang of Xiyuan Temple had such an idea. However, they had to admit that Gongwang Xiyuansi's suggestion was very tempting. If the German colonies can make them not hesitate to fight the Germans, then the British colonies are enough for them to bet on the entire island country again. If it wins, the vast British colony will become the foundation for the further growth of the island country and become a world-class power!

"British colonies, can we really seize British colonies?" Shanxian Youpeng said tremblingly. He wanted to take a sip of tea to calm down his excitement, but he found that he couldn't hold the teacup anyway.

The other veterans, including Shigenobu Okuma, are also like this. They know very well how important the British colonies are to the island country. It can be said that if the island country obtains those colonies, then they will really take off.

"Of course! The British are no longer the world's hegemon. They are no longer qualified to control so many colonies. We can replace them and seize those colonies!" Said Xiyuansi Gongwang firmly.

"But, will the Germans agree? They are about to defeat the British, and these colonies will be theirs by then!" Masayoshi Matsukata asked.

"Not to mention that Britain has not been defeated yet, even if it is defeated, the British will not surrender to the Germans easily. At that time, they will definitely continue to resist. The Germans want to occupy the British colonies, You have to send troops to occupy them step by step. If you want to occupy them all, it will be very difficult. Especially those colonies in Southeast Asia, which are too far away from the German mainland. It is very difficult for them to occupy. Big deal, the richest We don't move in India and leave it to the Germans. What's more, if we can restore relations with Germany and join the Allies, this will also help the Germans to further attack the British. I believe that as long as the

Germans are not fools, they will not reject the goodwill of the empire!" Xiyuan Temple Gongwang said confidently, as if everything was under his control.

"Yo Xi! Mr. Xiyuan Temple is indeed the pillar of the country! Such a strategy is really great!" Shanxian Youpeng praised with a flushed face.