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The shelling of Tokyo by the German expeditionary fleet lasted for more than half a day. Every naval gun, except for a small amount of self-defense shells left behind, the rest of the shells were fired.

This also caused the entire Tokyo to be lost, and more than half of it was destroyed. This part of the city was completely reduced to ruins. By the time the German fleet withdrew, the raging fire hadn't been extinguished.

As for how many islanders died in the shelling of the German expeditionary fleet, we can only make preliminary statistics, and there is no way to get exact data. The only thing that can be determined is that there are probably a lot of people who died.

There may not be many islanders who died directly under the shelling of the German expeditionary fleet. However, many people died in the fire caused by the shelling. According to the official statistics of the island nation, when the German expeditionary fleet bombarded Tokyo alone, as many as 200,000 islanders died. If the death toll in other cities is added, it may exceed half a million people.

You must know that the total population of the island country is only over 50 million, and such deaths have already accounted for 1% of the total population of the island country. Such a ratio is undoubtedly very large.

After the expedition fleet destroyed Tokyo, they swaggered away. Although, the island country's coastal defense forces still want to block it in the Uraga waterway. However, after being hit by a fierce firepower from the expeditionary fleet, it finally died down, and could only watch the German expeditionary fleet withdraw and disappear into Sagami Bay.

"Baga! Why is this happening? Tokyo is the capital of the empire, but now even Tokyo has been bombarded by the Germans, and even the palace where I live has been destroyed by the Germans. The supreme emperor, I can only shrink in the This is a disgrace to the entire empire!" Emperor Taisho roared in the dilapidated palace.

In front of him, the elders and cabinet ministers of the island nation knelt on the ground.

Although, the Emperor has no actual power. But as people who have been deified, these senior officials who hold secular power are still respectful in front of him. At least, from the point of view, the emperor is the supreme ruler of the island country.

"Your Majesty, please forgive me!" All the ministers of the island countries replied.

It took a while for Emperor Taisho to vent his anger. And these ministers of the island country have just left the palace and started to discuss countermeasures.

"My lords, it is time for the empire to live and die. Let's all talk about what we should do?" Shanxian Youpeng glanced at everyone, and then asked. Although, Okuma Shigenobu is the prime minister, the nominal head of government. However, as the first person among the elders, Shanxian Youpeng is actually the most powerful person.

"Master Yamagata, the Germans are really daring. They dared to destroy our capital and even bombarded the imperial palace. This has already threatened the safety of His Majesty the Emperor. Therefore, between us and the Germans, there is already Immortal!" Oka Ichinosuke looked angry.

"Master Shanxian, the hatred between the Empire and Germany is indeed irreconcilable. However, we must accept the reality. That is, we have no way to do anything to the Germans now. Even if we want to seek revenge from the Germans, we have to wait until we get out of this crisis and we have recovered our strength." Shigenobu Okuma said.

Shanxian Youpeng nodded, not knowing whose point of view he was agreeing with.

"If we want to compromise, then we have to give up Southeast Asia. Southeast Asia is rich in resources. If the empire can occupy it, it will play a significant role in enhancing the empire's national power. It would be a pity to give up now!" Okashinosuke It seems that he still wants to fight for it.

"No matter how good Southeast Asia is, it's better than the destruction of the empire! The Germans dared to attack Tokyo this time, and even dared to bombard our palace, which undoubtedly showed their determination. If we don't accept their conditions, then, I am afraid that all coastal cities will be destroyed by the Germans. In that case, our homeland will be almost destroyed. Even if we get Southeast Asia and the homeland is destroyed, does the empire have a future? What's more, even if we continue to insist, we may not necessarily get Southeast Asia. The Germans will soon launch an attack on Britain. After they defeat Britain, if we continue to insist, then the Germans will definitely send the army launched an attack on Southeast Asia. Although we have sent a lot of troops to Southeast Asia, once the mainland is blocked, we will not be able to provide supplies and replenishment to the troops in Southeast Asia. Under the attack of the powerful German army, they can How long will you persist? In the end, the empire may still fail. And it will pay a higher price!" Masayoshi Matsukata said.

Oka Ichinosuke wanted to refute, but he couldn't find a reason to refute. I had no choice but to keep my mouth shut.

"What Matsukaze-kun said is very good. It is very difficult for us to keep Southeast Asia. Facts have proved that it is impossible to expand the territory when we are not strong enough! Forcibly doing so will only make the empire taste failure. The bitter fruit!" Inoue Kaoru also said.

"I am very responsible for this incident. If I hadn't proposed this plan, the empire would not have paid a heavy price for it." Xiyuan Temple Gongwang said.

"Well, I already know everyone's opinions. The Germans have caused heavy losses to the Empire this time. Then, they are the eternal enemies of the Empire. As long as the Empire can regain strength one day, we must not let them go! But this time, The empire is indeed no match for the Germans. For the benefit of the empire and the safety of the people of the empire, we have to compromise with the Germans." Shanxian Youtomo said.

"The current concession is to better attack the Germans in the future. Yamagata-kun, there is nothing shameful in this. The empire is worse than the Germans, and it is understandable to be defeated by them!" Kaoru Inoue said.

Shanxian Youpeng nodded: "Foreign Minister, contact the Germans, we accept their conditions!"

"Hi, Yamagata-sama!" Foreign Minister Takaaki Kato nodded.

Immediately, the foreign affairs department of the island country contacted Germany, representing the government of the island country, and fully accepted the conditions proposed by Germany. Germany, which has achieved its goals, has no extra problems. Because for Germany, the most important thing at the moment is still to defeat Britain.

But no matter what, the first confrontation between Germany and the island country was still a comprehensive victory for Germany.