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## Chapter 91: Moltke-class battlecruiser

"Everyone, according to the information we have received, the British Navy has accelerated the preparations for the construction of the 'St. If the first-class warships are in service, we will be at an absolute disadvantage in terms of numbers." Qin Tian introduced to everyone.

"His Royal Highness, even if the British start building these two classes of warships, the threat to us is quite limited. Don't we have five 'Helgoland class' battleships? The British's two classes of warships are no more than There are only six ships. Calculated, the number is one more than ours. And the performance of our battleships is far stronger than that of the British. What's more, the 'Helgoland-class' battleships are still equipped with 343mm main guns. So, what His Royal Highness the Crown Prince said just now is a bit too alarmist!" Little Maoqi jumped out.

Although, the navy's warship construction plan has nothing to do with him. But he just couldn't see Qin Tian's growing influence.

"That's right, after our 'Helgoland-class' battleships are built, although they are inferior to the British in terms of numbers, we can still dominate in terms of overall combat power. But don't forget that we don't just want to It's just better than the British. We plan to defeat the British in future wars. This makes us have to prepare early. What's more, the British's shipbuilding capabilities are not comparable to ours. In addition to the 'St. Vincent-class' battleship and the 'Indefatigable-class' battlecruiser, the British also have other shipbuilding plans. It is expected that these warships will start construction soon. If we sleep on the credit book Dajue, in the end, will only watch the British regain their superiority in the sea. At that time, we will be under tremendous pressure." Qin Tian retorted.

"Yes, His Royal Highness is right. Although our 'Helgoland-class' battleship is very strong, we have to prepare early. According to intelligence, the British have already started the development of the 343mm main gun. It's just that we have encountered some technical bottlenecks. However, with the British's scientific and technological strength, there will be almost no problems in making breakthroughs. Once the British make breakthroughs in large-caliber main guns, it is foreseeable. What's more, they will soon start building more new battleships. At that time, what will we use to catch up with the British?" Marshal Count Tirpitz glared directly at Moltke.

This is a matter for the navy. Xiao Maoqi is the chief of the army's general staff, and he is not yet qualified to manage the navy. Unless after the war broke out, the Supreme Command was formed, and Mao Qi was appointed as the chief of staff of the German Empire's armed forces. In that case, he is qualified to dictate to the navy.

Little Maoqi smiled and said nothing more. He raised such a question before just to disgust Qin Tian, and he never thought that he could stop the navy from obtaining more battleships. After eliciting Tirpitz's counterattack, he immediately shut up. He didn't want to have another big fight with Tirpitz.

"Okay, Oscar, what do you think of the capital ship of the next level?" William II asked.

"Father, although our 'Blücher-class' battlecruisers are about to enter service. However, the British 'Invincible-class' battlecruisers will also enter service at almost the same time. Although our 'Blücher-class' battlecruisers "The battleships are stronger, but once the British' Indefatigable-class" battlecruisers are also in service, with three ships against six, our "Blücher-class" battlecruisers may be very difficult. What's more , We also need to launch an attack on the British sea transportation line. This makes us not

inferior to the British in terms of battlecruisers. Therefore, we need to build another level of more powerful battlecruisers." Qin God said.

King William II nodded, although he still had some doubts about the combat power of the battlecruisers. However, since the British have spared no effort to build such warships. Then, the development of this kind of warship is undoubtedly very promising. And if Germany wants to attack the British by attacking the British sea transportation lines in future wars, it needs to have more battlecruisers.

"Tirpitz, what about the navy's opinion?" William II asked.

"Your Majesty, the three 'Blücher-class' battlecruisers are indeed not enough to achieve the Navy's strategic goals. We still need more battlecruisers." Marshal Count Tirpitz said immediately.

For him, battlecruisers and battleships belong to capital ships, no matter what level they are, he hopes to have as many as possible. Although, in principle, battlecruisers are best not to be used in capital ship duels. But the battlecruisers of the German Navy may be an exception. The battlecruisers of the German Navy are certainly inferior to the battleships of the German Navy in terms of armor defense. However, it is no worse than the battleships of the British Navy. Therefore, if necessary, it is not impossible for the battlecruisers of the German Navy to join the battle line and confront the capital ships of the British Navy. Under such circumstances, Marshal Count Tirpitz naturally hoped to have more battlecruisers.

King William II nodded: "Oscar, please introduce your design to everyone!"

"Yes, Your Majesty!" Qin Tian nodded.

"Everyone, this is the next-level battlecruiser I designed. It is 185 meters long, 28 meters wide, with a draft of 9.1 meters and a full load displacement of

29,000 tons. It is armed with three triple-mounted 343 mm 50-caliber main guns, 10 150mm single-mounted secondary guns, 12 120mm rapid-fire guns and 4 88mm rapid-fire guns. Powered by 24 improved Sulzer oil-fired boilers and four steam turbines, four-shaft propulsion, with a maximum power of 64,000 Horsepower, maximum speed 27 knots. In terms of armor defense, the defense of the main armor belt is 330mm, the deck armor is 55mm, the frontal armor of the turret is 330mm, and the armor of the conning tower is 330mm. Compared with the 'Blücher class' As far as battlecruisers are concerned, this class of battlecruisers has more powerful firepower, thicker armor and faster speed. Personally, I suggest that this class of battlecruisers be named 'Moltke-class' battleships Cruiser, to commemorate the immortal feats made by Marshal Moltke during the unification of the German Empire." Qin Tian introduced to everyone.

Everyone was stunned, they didn't expect Qin Tian to make such a suggestion. Especially Xiao Maoqi, who was even more stunned. You know, the relationship between him and Qin Tian is very bad now. And Qin Tian actually suggested naming the first-class battlecruiser after his uncle, which is undoubtedly an extremely lofty honor.

#### **Chapter 92: Kaiser class battleship**

"Very good, very good battleship, very good name." William II nodded in approval.

The performance of this battlecruiser designed by Qin Tian is indeed very good, which made William II very satisfied. What made William II even more satisfied was that Qin Tian actually knew how to find a way to ease the conflict with Xiao Maoqi, instead of blindly confronting each other. In this case, it is undoubtedly more suitable to become the future heir of the empire. After all, being an emperor requires a broad mind.

William II had to admit that in these respects, Qin Tian was much stronger than Crown Prince William. So much so that he couldn't help thinking that it was a wrong decision to let Qin Tian be the current crown prince and leave the position of crown prince for Crown Prince William?

"The battlecruiser designed by His Royal Highness is indeed very powerful. If it can be put into service, it will further strengthen the strength of the German Navy." Marshal Tirpitz commented on the 'Moltke-class' battlecruiser performance, very satisfied.

King William II nodded and looked at the Naval Technical Committee. In principle, each new type of warship needs to be approved by the Naval Technical Committee if it wants to start construction. Of course, because of the previous 'Nassau-class' battleships, the Naval Technical Committee no longer dared to embarrass Qin Tian's design. They also didn't want to be slapped in the face by Qin Tian again.

"Ahem!" Count von Warren coughed twice and had to stand up.

"Your Majesty, the Moltke-class battleship designed by His Majesty the Crown Prince is very good in all aspects. The Naval Technical Committee believes that this is a very good battleship. However, our only concern is that this The cost of the battleship will probably be very high!" said Count von Warren. In order to avoid offending Qin Tian, who had become the crown prince, Count von Warren had already carefully considered the choice of words and sentences.

Qin Tian nodded: "Indeed, according to our estimates, the cost of the 'Moltke-class' battlecruisers will be very high. It is estimated that each ship will reach about 60 million marks."

"Sixty million marks per ship?" Everyone couldn't help but gasped. Such a price is undoubtedly very high. Even William II couldn't help twitching the

corners of his mouth. If it weren't for Qin Tian and the royal family to provide the navy with a loan of 100 million marks each year, the navy would not have so much money to build these expensive warships.

"Everyone, the navy is very expensive. Especially when we can't compete with the British in the number of battleships, we can only try to improve the combat effectiveness of each class of warships. Only in this way can we achieve Only by winning more with less can we defeat the British in future naval battles. The price to be paid for this is nothing more than a high price. After all, the excellent performance of warships requires advanced technology and equipment to pile up These are very costly." Qin Tian said.

Everyone nodded repeatedly, agreeing with Qin Tian's statement. After all, strengthening the performance of each class of warships as much as possible is undoubtedly the only way for the German Navy to catch up with the British Navy at this stage. If it competes with the British navy in quantity, the German navy has no chance of winning. The British could even build capital ships with double or even triple the number of German navy. In that case, the German navy has no chance of winning at all.

"Do you have any objections to this? If not, then the construction of the 'Moltke-class' battlecruiser is approved." William II said.

No one raised any objections, even Xiao Maoqi, who had always been against Qin Tian, remained silent. It is estimated that he also hopes that this class of battlecruisers named after his uncle can be built smoothly!

William II nodded, and then approved the construction of the "Moltke-class" battlecruiser.

"Father, please also name the other two 'Moltke-class' battlecruisers." Qin Tian requested. The "Moltke-class" battlecruiser is still planned to build three ships.

King William II thought for a while, and then said: "The other two ships are called 'Goeben' and 'Sedlitz' respectively!"

"Yes, father!" Qin Tian had no objection to this.

"In addition to the battlecruiser, we also need to start building a new type of battleship as soon as possible, as the follow-up battleship of the 'Helgoland-class' battleship." Qin Tian continued.

Afterwards, he instructed someone to hang a large design drawing on the wall. On the blueprint, there is a huge battleship. Its shape is very similar to that of the "Helgoland-class" battleship, and it can be said to be an improved version of the "Helgoland-class" battleship.

"Everyone, this battleship is 185 meters long, 28.5 meters wide, and has a draft of 9.1 meters. Its standard displacement is 28,500 tons, and its full load displacement is 32,500 tons. Its armament is three triple-mounted 343 mm 50 times Caliber main guns, 14 150 mm 45 caliber secondary guns, 16 88 mm 45 caliber anti-torpedo boat guns. The power is 24 improved Sulzer oil-fired boilers, four Curtis steam turbines, and the maximum power of the main engine is 60,000 Four horsepower, four-axis propulsion, and a maximum speed of 23 knots. In terms of armor defense, the main armor belt defense is 350mm, the frontal armor of the turret and the armor of the conning tower are both 350mm. The deck armor is 65mm. It can be said that this class of battleship is' An enlarged version of the Helgoland-class battleship. It's just that we have optimized the relevant design, especially strengthened the defense." Qin Tian introduced.

Regarding this, everyone has no objection. It is a common practice to improve on the basis of a certain level of battleship, strengthen certain aspects of performance, and then build another level. It is obviously unrealistic if every class of battleship has to be redesigned.

Qin Tian wants to install a 380mm main gun on the capital ship of the next level. But he knew that this was simply not realistic. Although the Krupp company has already opened up its horsepower, it has just developed a 305 mm 50 times the caliber and delivered it to the shipyard. The 343mm main gun is still in full public relations. It is expected to be able to catch up with the launch and outfitting of the "Helgoland-class" battleship. If Krupp is to develop another 380mm main gun, it will probably kill them. Of course, Qin Tian would not let them relax. The 380mm main gun must be developed and equipped with warships before the outbreak of World War I. Only in this way can the German Navy have a higher chance of winning in the future.

King William II asked everyone if he had any objections to this class of battleship as usual. Everyone still shook their heads, expressing no objection. As a result, the construction plan for this class of battleship was also approved. This level of battleship was named the "Caesar-class" battleship by William II.

### Chapter 93: Divide the cake (ask for collection)

"Your Majesty, the Navy plans to build a total of five 'Caesar-class' battleships. Your Majesty, please name the other four." Marshal Earl Tirpitz looked at William II expectantly.

A total of five of the previous "Helgoland-class" battleships were built. Therefore, Marshal Earl Tirpitz took it for granted that five "Caesar-class" battleships should also be built.

Others have no objection to this. Although the cost of each battleship is very high, if five ships are built at one time, the total cost may exceed 300 million marks. But since the navy is capable of building so many, of course other people will not stop them and become villains.

William II nodded: "The first ship of the 'Caesar-class' battleship 'Caesar', the second ship is named 'Frederick the Great', the third ship is named



'Catherine', and the fourth ship is named 'King Albert', name the fifth ship 'Louis Polder Regent'!"

King William II hesitated for a while, and directly named several warships to be built. This makes people wonder whether William II had already prepared these names. As soon as the shipbuilding plan is approved, these names will be revealed immediately.

"Your Majesty is wise, these names are very good!" Marshal Earl Tirpitz immediately flattered him.

Others, including Qin Tian, are also flattering. This made William II very satisfied, with a smile on his face.

"Your Majesty, Your Royal Highness, the Crown Prince. This time, the navy plans to build two classes of eight warships. Which shipyards will build them?" asked Earl von Warren, chairman of the Naval Technical Committee.

The German shipyards accounted for the majority of the three-tier warships built before. Although there is still a sip of soup left for other shipyards, there are always shipyards that don't even have a sip of soup. Although, those small and medium-sized ones in the Navy are assigned a lot to them. But in comparison, everyone still hopes to get orders for large warships. After all, orders for large warships are not only profitable, but also a proof of the strength of the shipyard. Shipyards that can build large warships are also more confident when fighting for private orders.

William II did not speak, but looked at Qin Tian. After all, these two warships were designed by Qin Tian. Deutsche Shipyard has a large number of large slipways. Many of these slipways have been vacated. Even if all the eight warships of these two classes are eaten, there is no problem, but it will be a little bit overwhelmed.

Qin Tian smiled, he knew that Count von Warren represented the interests of many shipyards. Now, the German shipyard has made other shipyards very jealous because it has received a large number of orders for large military warships. If the orders for the 'Moltke-class' battlecruisers and the 'Caesar-class' battleships are all taken up in one go this time, it will inevitably make other shipyards very dissatisfied, and even make the German shipyard the public enemy of the entire industry. . Although, Qin Tian is not afraid of this. But he had no reason to do that. As a crown prince, if he still competes with others for profit, it will cause dissatisfaction among many people.

"Regarding the construction of the 'Moltke-class' battlecruisers and the 'Kaiser-class' battleships, I personally think that the first ships 'Moltke' and 'Kaiser' should be built in Deutsche Shipyard. The other ships have The navy can decide for itself!" Qin Tian said.

Being able to obtain two of the eight warships already accounts for a quarter. The other six ships, handed over to other shipyards for construction, can also share the benefits, allowing them to enjoy the cake brought about by the expansion of naval power. This is also necessary to win the support of this group of people. Germany, after all, is a capitalist country. The owners of those shipyards undoubtedly have great influence. Qin Tian didn't want to push these guys to his opposite.

Besides, the German Navy cannot be supported by just one shipyard like Deutsche Shipyard, it requires the concerted efforts of many shipyards.

In addition, Qin Tian also intends to build a large oil tanker in the German shipyard to accumulate experience for the future construction of aircraft carriers.

"Well, let's do it according to the Crown Prince's opinion!" William II nodded in satisfaction. Qin Tian was able to share all these benefits instead of

eating alone, which made William II very satisfied. In William II's view, Qin Tian is growing rapidly, becoming more and more like a crown prince, and even more like a monarch.

Count von Warren also breathed a sigh of relief. Qin Tian did not eat alone, but gave up most of the benefits, and finally allowed other shipyards to get some orders this time. The order of six large warships can satisfy at least six large shipyards.

"Is this kid really not even twenty years old? Why is he acting so sophisticated?" Little Mo Qi muttered to himself. He felt more and more that Qin Tian's behavior was not at all like a person under twenty years old, but like an old fox. This also made him wonder whether it was the right thing to choose to fight against Qin Tian.

Marshal Count Tirpitz looked at Qin Tian with even more approval. Originally, he was planning to remind Qin Tian that this time he could no longer eat alone. But he didn't expect Qin Tian himself to realize this.

"It is a blessing for the entire empire to have such a crown prince in the German Empire!" Marshal Count Tirpitz couldn't help but feel emotional.

Actually, Qin Tian simply didn't care about these profits. With the completion of the business expansion of the Deutsche Welfare Lottery Company in the entire European and American world, it can bring Qin Tian huge profits every month. In contrast, the profits of the German shipyards in building warships are not worth mentioning at all.

The reason why Qin Tian cares about Deutschland Shipyard is entirely because of the huge influence brought by a large shipyard. After all, battleships of this era can be regarded as the crystallization of science and technology, and the shipyards that can build large battleships are undoubtedly

the top-notch in terms of technical strength. Such a shipyard can be regarded as a key enterprise no matter which country it is in.

In addition, Qin Tian also hopes that Deutsche Shipyard can act as a catfish in the German shipbuilding field and encourage other shipyards to develop rapidly. This will undoubtedly be of great help to further enhance the strength of the German Navy.

It can be seen that in order to develop the strength of the German navy and ensure that Germany can win in future wars, Qin Tian has taken great pains.

Under Qin Tian's deliberate actions, the commissioning ceremony of the battleship 'Nassau' this time was a joy for both the host and the guests.

#### **Chapter 94: deutsche ammunition ag**

"Congratulations, Your Royal Highness. This time your design is a great success." On the train back to Berlin, Marshal Count Tirpitz came to Qin Tian's special compartment.

"Your Excellency, Marshal, thank you. This is all for everyone's support. It is my honor to be able to design a powerful warship for the navy!" Qin Tian is not proud of his achievements, but is still very humble. He has always believed that humility is an essential quality of success. If you can't even do this, then success is far away.

"His Royal Highness, the 'Moltke-class' battlecruisers and the 'Kaiser-class' battleships are both excellent warships. Once the German Navy has these warships, our strength will surpass that of the British Navy. It will be even more important to defeat them in the future." I'm sure." Marshal Earl Tirpitz said confidently.

At least, from the current point of view, the British have not yet started building warships with 343mm main guns. The German Navy already has two

tiers of ten battleships equipped with 343mm main guns under construction or about to start construction. There are also three battlecruisers armed with 343mm main guns. These are important capitals for the German Navy to defeat the British Navy in the future!

"No, Your Excellency the Marshal is too optimistic. Although, we seem to have surpassed the British Navy now. However, we must not take it lightly. As far as I know, the British have completed or are about to complete a large-scale naval vessel equipped with a 343mm naval gun. The battleship has been designed. It's just that there is a bottleneck in the development of their naval guns. Once the naval guns are successfully developed, they can immediately start building large battleships. They even start construction at a speed faster than ours. After all, the British have a lot of experience in shipbuilding, but no one can match." Qin Tian had a serious expression on his face.

The smile on the face of Marshal Earl Tirpitz also subsided. He knew that he had become a little carried away because a large number of battleships were about to start construction. The British have been the world hegemon for hundreds of years, and they have not encountered challenges during this period. However, in the end the British survived and became the final victors. From this, we can see the background and determination of the British in maintaining sea power.

Qin Tian also sighed, although with his support, the German Navy began to develop rapidly. However, it is not so difficult to overthrow the British Empire! It's just that, now he is already on the verge of riding a tiger. As the crown prince of the German Empire, he has no other choice but to go all the way to the dark.

As a person who was reborn, Qin Tian naturally knew how powerful the violent soldiers were when the British felt the crisis.

In another time and space that Qin Tian is familiar with, the British began to build ships frantically in 1909. In 1909, four "Orion-class" battleships equipped with five double-mounted 343mm main guns were started. In 1911, four ships were equipped with five. The 'King George V-class' battleship with twin 343 mm main guns, started construction in 1912 to build four 'Iron Duke class' battleships equipped with five twin 343 mm main guns. Even in 1912 and 1913, four "Queen Elizabeth-class" battleships and "Revenge-class" battleships with twin 381mm main guns were started successively. There are five ships in each of these two classes of warships. It can be seen how terrifying it would be once the British shipbuilding capabilities exploded.

"His Royal Highness, we really cannot underestimate the British. There is only one chance to challenge the British's maritime supremacy. If you miss it, it will be impossible to challenge the British again!" Marshal Earl Tirpitz said. Said with a serious face. He knows very well what it means to Germany if it fails this time. It is estimated that the whole of Germany will cease to exist because of this!

Qin Tian nodded: "Indeed, this is our only chance. We must seize this opportunity. Otherwise, we will regret it too late."

"By the way, Your Excellency the Marshal. As far as I know, the British have already started the development of a larger caliber 381mm main gun. And we have not yet started the main gun of this caliber. Therefore, We also have to speed up our pace. Once the British capital ships are equipped with 381mm main guns, it will be even more difficult for us to deal with them." Qin Tian said.

"Well, we need to provide more support to Krupp. However, it's hard to imagine that the caliber of the battleship's main guns will increase so much in such a short period of time. This was almost unimaginable before. matter," said Marshal Count Tirpitz.

Qin Tian smiled and didn't say much. Will he tell Marshal Earl Tirpitz that the crazy little Japan will equip battleships with 460mm main guns in the future?

"His Royal Highness, now your German Industrial Group has covered many fields. I am personally curious, what field will you set foot in next?" Marshal Count Tirpitz asked with a smile.

In the business field of Germany and even the whole world, Qin Tian is undoubtedly a miracle. The company he founded has been integrated into the Deutsche Industries Group, with a young man named Carl von Jonareit as the president of the group. The Deutsche Welfare Lottery Company under the Deutsche Industries Group is known as the most profitable company. There are also Deutsche Shipyard, Deutsche Energy Company, Deutsche Engine Manufacturing Company, and Deutsche Motor Vehicle Manufacturing Company.

"I have asked Karl to register the German Arms Company. And, we have started building factories, recruiting workers and related engineers." Qin Tian said with a smile.

"Deutsche Arms Company? Is His Royal Highness the Crown Prince planning to design the field of arms?" asked Marshal Count Tirpitz.

Qin Tian nodded: "It's not a complete design, it's mainly for the manufacture of individual weapons. I noticed that the German Army's individual weapons and squad firepower are relatively weak. I hope to make up for this defect for the Imperial Army."

"Your Highness, your original intention may be good. However, I am afraid that this will touch the cake of some people. The equipment of the Imperial Army has always been in charge of Mauser, Rheinmetall and Krupp. Your

Highness hastily set foot in this The domain is undoubtedly going to share their cake!" Marshal Earl Tirpitz sighed.

"Who made it impossible for them to make the German Army's combat effectiveness stronger? In order to win future wars, I must do so." Qin Tian shook his head, with a flash of determination in his eyes.

"Your Highness, you may be able to seek some advice from Your Majesty." Marshal Earl Tirpitz suggested.

Qin Tian nodded and understood what he meant.

#### **Chapter 95: united krupp**

"Your Majesty, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince seeks an audience." In the luxury compartment of the special train, William II was reading the document. Essen von Jonareit told him.

"Let him in!" William II put down the pen in his hand and rubbed his aching eyes.

"Father, good evening." Qin Tian said hello as soon as he came in.

"Sit down, Oscar. I haven't rested so late, what's the matter?" William II asked pleasantly.

William II became more and more satisfied with this son. He even thought about whether to remove the pronoun of Qin Tian's Acting Crown Prince. However, thinking of Crown Prince William who is still in a vegetative state, he could not make up his mind, so he could only go on like this for the time being.

"Father, there is one thing that I am not sure about, so I want to hear your suggestion." Qin Tian said.

"Oh? Oscar, is there anything else that bothers you? I'm very curious about it." William II asked with interest. You know, in his eyes, Qin Tian has always been very decisive.



Thus, Qin Tian confessed to Wilhelm II that he planned to establish a German arms company and enter the field of light weapons.

After hearing this, William II couldn't help frowning.

"Oscar, your idea is good. However, the Imperial Army's light weapons have always been provided by Mauser and Rheinmetall. Over the years, they have formed a huge chain of interests. Once you touch them Their interests will inevitably lead to their counterattack. Even if you are the crown prince, I am afraid you will pay a considerable price for it." William II looked serious. You know, even if he is the emperor of the empire, he doesn't want to over-stimulate those industrial capitalists.

"Father, is there no other way? Although, the combat effectiveness of the German Army is the best in the world. But I think they still have a lot of room for improvement. I hope that the weapons and equipment produced by the German Arms Company can make Germany The army's combat effectiveness has been raised to a higher level. In this way, our chances of winning will be even greater in future wars. I hope that more young people can survive the war." Qin Tian looked sincere.

Perhaps moved by Qin Tian's innocence, William II also began to actively use his brain to find a solution to the problem. After a while, he really thought of a way.

"Oscar, it is not impossible for your plan to succeed. The key is whether you are willing to give up part of the profits." William II said.

"Father, you mean to unite with other people?" Qin Tian asked. Being smart, he figured out William II's approach immediately.

"Yes, only in this way can you resist their pressure." William II said.

"Then, Royal Father, who should I seek alliance with?" Qin Tian asked. He doesn't care about sharing part of the profits. What he wanted was for his

plan to succeed. As for whether he can make money, or how much money he can make, he doesn't care much.

"Krupp. I heard that you have a good relationship with them. If you can unite with Krupp, it should be very good." William II said.

"Deutsche Shipyard and Krupp have indeed cooperated very happily. Krupp's large-caliber naval gun was developed at our request. Now, they are doing their best to publicize the 343mm naval gun. It is precisely because of the Our request." Qin Tian said.

"There is another reason, because Krupp has always been the largest and most influential among the many arms companies in the empire. If it can be united with Krupp, then the other arms companies The pressure can be ignored. For a long time, Krupp has always wanted to enter the field of light weapons, but it has not been able to succeed due to the boycott of other arms companies. If you can take this opportunity to get involved in the field of light weapons, I don't think they will refuse," said William II.

"Yes, Father, I understand, thank you for your guidance." Qin Tian said.

Krupp is undoubtedly a giant in the German arms industry, and its position in the field of artillery is unmatched by anyone. In addition, Krupp has also been involved in many fields, such as steel and shipbuilding. However, in the field of light weapons, Krupp has made little achievements. If Qin Tian can unite with Krupp, it will undoubtedly be a strong alliance. It can be of great help to break Germany's current monopoly in the field of light weapons. In addition, as William II said, if you unite with Krupp, you don't have to worry about resistance from other arms companies. After all, Krupp is a real giant in this regard.

"Do it well, Oscar, I really want to see what kind of achievements you will make." William II's expectations for Qin Tian are getting bigger and bigger.

"Father, I will definitely not let you down." Qin Tian promised.

After returning to Berlin, Qin Tian immediately asked Karl to contact the Krupp Company. He was going to visit the head of the Krupp Company, the Krupp couple.

The last time Qin Tian went to Krupp, Miss Beta Krupp was still in power. They reached an agreement, which made Krupp accelerate the research of large-caliber naval guns. This allowed the "Nassau-class" battleship and the "Blücher-class" battlecruiser to be completed on time. Otherwise, just like in another time and space, use the 280mm main gun instead. As a result, the capital ships of the German Imperial Navy had solid armor, but no sharp spears to strike the enemy.

Of course, the two-tier warships have a total of 24 triple-mounted 305mm 50-caliber main guns, which also made Krupp a lot of profits. This enabled Krupp to carry out research on the 343mm main gun with high morale. After all, the Navy has a greater need for a 343mm main gun than a 305mm main gun.

After Gustav Krupp joined the Krupp family, he and Miss Beta Krupp began to take charge of the largest arms empire in the German Empire. However, when he learned that Qin Tian was coming to visit, he still showed great importance. After all, compared to the last time, Qin Tian's identity has also undergone earth-shaking changes.

The previous Qin Tian, although he was called a business genius, was just an ordinary prince after all. But now it is different, Qin Tian is the crown prince. Although there is a generation character, it is also the crown prince!

**Chapter 96: Request again (ask for collection)**

"His Royal Highness, you are welcome to come to Krupp Company!" Gustav Krupp and Beta Krupp had been waiting at the entrance of Krupp Company

for a long time, and they greeted Qin immediately after getting off the car. Going up, the face is full of smiles.

"Hello Mr. Krupp!" Qin Tian stretched out his hand and shook hands with Gustav Krupp. For this man who joined the Krupp family and then took control of the largest military empire in Germany, Qin Tian did not dare to underestimate him at all. It can be said that it was in the hands of this man that the Krupp company developed more rapidly and became stronger, becoming an arms giant in Germany and the world.

"Miss Krupp, hello, we meet again!" Qin Tian said with a smile on his face.

and Beta Krupp are relatively familiar. It was precisely because of his request and the courage of Ms. Beta Krupp that the Krupp company invested heavily in the research of new large-caliber naval guns, so that these capital ships of the German Navy would not die due to the lack of main guns. delay in service. To this end, Krupp has made great efforts. Of course, the steady stream of orders has also allowed Krupp to make a lot of profits.

You know, the main guns of battleships can be sold with one hammer. The main guns of battleships are very large in caliber and heavy in weight, which makes the cost of main guns of battleships high. Moreover, this kind of main gun has to change the barrel after firing a certain amount of shells. Otherwise, if the rifling is severely worn, it will seriously affect the accuracy of the shelling.

For Krupp, as long as they sell one cannon, the follow-up services will also allow them to earn more profits.

"Hello, Your Royal Highness." Miss Beta Krupp also smiled. Although she married Gustav Krupp, the main affairs of the company have been handed over to Gustav Krupp. However, she holds the majority of Krupp

shares. Therefore, as long as she wants, she can take back the company at any time.

After exchanging pleasantries, Qin Tian was directly invited to Gustav Krupp's office. In the entire office, apart from Qin Tian, there were only the Krupps and his wife. They obviously knew that Qin Tian would not come to the door without incident.

"Mr. Krupp, the navy is very satisfied with the new naval gun developed by Krupp. The 305mm naval gun with 50 times the caliber has extremely powerful armor-piercing capability. I believe that this has far surpassed that of the British Navy. caliber naval guns. Even the British Navy's larger caliber naval guns are incomparable in power." Qin Tian expressed his appreciation.

"His Royal Highness, it is our duty to produce a main gun with qualified performance for the Imperial Navy. Of course, this is also inseparable from the support of His Royal Highness. If His Royal Highness hadn't insisted on us to develop it, perhaps now There is no such main gun at all." Gustav Krupp replied.

Qin Tian nodded, no matter what, Krupp's support for the navy and him is undoubtedly very great.

"I come to Krupp this time, and I mainly have a few things to discuss with you and your wife." Qin Tian said.

The expressions on the faces of the Krupps also became serious. They knew that the drama was coming.

"The first thing is that the navy has increased the construction of a first-class battleship and a first-class battlecruiser, and it is expected to start construction soon. There are a total of eight ships, and 24 triple-mounted 343mm main guns are required. In addition to the previous 15 seats Three 343mm main guns. The Navy hopes that Krupp can speed up the development and

production of 50 times the caliber 343mm main guns, and produce them before the 'Helgoland-class' battleships are launched. Otherwise, this will delay our The service time of the capital ship." Qin Tian said.

"His Royal Highness, there is no problem. We have made a breakthrough in the development of the 50-caliber 343mm main gun, and have completed most of the development work. It is expected to be completed before the end of 1908. It should be No problem." Gustav Krupp assured.

Qin Tian was satisfied with this. Anyway, the "Helgoland class" battleship will also be launched at the end of 1908. At that time, Krupp's main gun will just be able to catch up. As for the follow-up "Caesar-class" battleships and "Moltke-class" battlecruisers, they are even further behind.

"In addition, the Navy hopes that Krupp will start researching the main guns of larger-caliber battleships from now on." Qin Tian continued.

"Larger caliber main gun?" Gustav Krupp and Beta Krupp both gasped. You know, because of Qin Tian's request, Krupp's research and development department has been operating at full capacity for these years. Even so, it could barely meet Qin Tian's request. Now, they were finally about to complete the development of the 343mm main gun, but before they had time to rest, Qin Tian actually put forward new requirements.

You know, the research on the main guns of battleships is not as simple as eating and drinking. Especially the larger the caliber, the difficulty will increase exponentially. Qin Tian's request is undoubtedly a huge problem for Krupp.

"Mr. Krupp, there is no problem. Our next-level capital ship will no longer use 343mm main guns, but will use 380mm main guns. This is not because I want to make things difficult for you, but The current situation is tense, and we must catch up. Our old rivals, the British, have already started the development of

the 381mm main gun. In this respect, we must not lag behind them. Otherwise, In future naval battles, our navy can't use small-caliber main guns to deal with the British's large-caliber main guns, right? In that case, it would be irresponsible for the imperial navy." Qin Tian said with a serious face Said.

Although, judging from the current situation, the German Navy has already caught up with the British Navy in terms of new capital ships, and even has formed a certain degree of overtaking in terms of combat power. However, Qin Tian knew that he must not take it lightly. The development speed of the British navy is undoubtedly very terrifying. Once the German navy stops its development, it may soon be caught up by the British navy, or even surpassed. Qin Tian didn't want the British 'Queen Elizabeth-class' battleships to ravage the capital ships of the German Navy with their 381mm main guns in future naval battles.

Of course, the 50 times the caliber 343 mm main gun equipped by the German Navy is not necessarily weaker than the 45 times the 381 mm main gun of the British Navy. However, if it can have a larger caliber main gun, the possibility of the German Navy winning will naturally be higher.

#### **Chapter 97: strong alliance**

After hearing Qin Tian's words, the Krupp couple couldn't help thinking. There is no doubt that Qin Tian now requires them to develop the 380mm main gun, which has overwhelmed the R&D department of Krupp. Even, the large amount of money invested will make Krupp feel tremendous pressure.

However, in the face of Qin Tian's request and the needs of the Imperial Navy, it is difficult for them to say no, and there is no reason to refuse.

After all, as Germany's largest arms company, the fate of Krupp and the German Empire have long been tied together. Germany is prosperous and strong, and Krupp can also become stronger. Even, in order to obtain more

profits, Krupp is eager for Germany to launch a war abroad. Only in this way, the requirements for arms will be greater.

But if Germany loses in future wars, it will undoubtedly be a heavy blow to Krupp. Even Krupp may cease to exist. Therefore, Krupp must also try its best to help Germany win the war. This is also very, very important to them.

"His Royal Highness, although your request is very difficult for us to fulfill. However, for the sake of the empire, we will try our best to complete it. I will immediately organize manpower and start the development of the 380mm main gun. However, this The successful development of a large-caliber main gun will definitely not happen overnight, and the time required may be very long." Gustav Krupp said.

They only need to hesitate for a moment before they know what to do. Faced with Qin Tian's request, the needs of the German navy, and more importantly, the need to win future wars, they had no way to refuse, and there was no reason to refuse.

Although, the development of the 380mm main gun now will make Krupp invest a lot of money and even affect their profits. But in order to be able to win the war, they also have no choice. What's more, once the 380mm main gun is successfully developed, the shipyard's order will also allow them to make a lot of profits.

"Mr. Krupp, it would be great if Krupp can do this. As for the research and development time, I know this very well. The war will not be fought for a while. So, I think we still have enough Time." Qin Tian said with a smile.

In Qin Tian's plan, before the outbreak of future wars, as long as the German Navy can have battleships equipped with 380mm naval guns, that will be enough. In this case, the strength of the German navy can be further ahead of the British navy. With the cutting-edge battleships and battlecruisers



of the German Navy, it is enough to make the Royal Navy of the British Empire suffer. If it is combined with submarines and aircraft carriers to attack the Royal Navy, there should be no problem at all. As long as the German navy can defeat the British navy, the rest of the war will undoubtedly be much easier.

When the mainland is threatened, it is conceivable how many expeditionary troops the British can send to France to fight. As for the Americans, will they still dare to join the war? Anyway, Qin Tian believed that with the American principle of doing everything for their own interests, they would never dare to confront the mighty Germany at that time. As for Russia, if there is a revolution in the country, they will be too busy to take care of themselves. Therefore, there is only one enemy that Germany will really face at that time, and that is the old enemy France.

Without the support of other countries, can France still withstand the German attack? Anyway, Qin Tian didn't think that France had such strength. In particular, the German Army will also receive Qin Tian's support in the future, and will be equipped with a large number of advanced weapons. This will make the German Army more powerful. Beating France will be a piece of cake for them.

"Mr. Krupp, there is one last thing. Deutsche Industries Group has established a German arms manufacturing company, preparing to get involved in the manufacture of light weapons. I hope that I can get the support of Krupp." Qin Tian continued.

"Is His Royal Highness the Crown Prince going to enter the field of arms?" Gustav Krupp frowned tightly. Beta Krupp also had a bad face. After all, although the profits in the arms field are very high, the entire market is only so big. Once Qin Tian intervenes in this field, it will inevitably greatly reduce the profits of other arms companies.

Especially in Qin Tian's capacity, he will definitely win the favor of the military. This is really unfair to other arms companies.

Of course, the German Arms Company is involved in light weapons, which poses no threat to Krupp for the time being. Krupp's main business is various types of artillery. Especially the navy's large-caliber naval gun, which is undoubtedly a flagship product of Krupp, and other companies do not have this strength even if they want to compete with it.

Gustav Krupp and Beta Krupp also knew that since Qin Tian had already said so, even if they objected, it would be useless. In the whole of Germany, apart from Kaiser Wilhelm II, it is estimated that no one can make Qin Tian bow his head.

Since it cannot be stopped, it is better to choose to support it. In this case, the relationship between the two parties can be further strengthened.

Thinking of this, Gustav Krupp immediately made a decision in his mind. "Yes, Mr. Krupp. I intend to enter the field of arms. Of course, I only enter this field to a limited extent. Although the combat effectiveness of the German Army is the best in the world, we still have a lot of potential to tap. Especially in terms of light weapons, we have not formed an overwhelming advantage over other countries. Therefore, I hope that we can achieve results in this field, so that the combat effectiveness of the German Army can be further improved. This is crucial for Germany to win in the future War is very necessary. After all, our navy has become stronger, which can certainly give us a great chance of winning. But in the end, we must rely on the army to defeat the enemy and complete the occupation of the enemy's country." Qin God said.

Gustav Krupp nodded.

"His Royal Highness, how do you need Krupp's support?" Gustav Krupp asked.

"Mr. Krupp, for the Deutsche Arms Company, I hope that Krupp can take a stake in it. That is to say, the two of us jointly hold the shares of the Deutsche Arms Company to achieve a strong alliance. I think this is for both of us It's very beneficial." After Qin Tian finished speaking, he looked at Gustav Krupp, waiting for his answer. He believed that Gustav Krupp would not refuse.

#### **Chapter 98: reached an agreement**

Gustav Krupp was completely shocked. In his opinion, after the establishment of the German Arms Company, it must be able to make money. Especially if a breakthrough can be achieved in light weapons, then with Qin Tian's influence, the German Army will inevitably purchase the weapons they produce in large quantities. This undoubtedly means huge profits. But now, Qin Tian is willing to share this part of the profit with them, which is completely beyond their expectations.

"His Royal Highness, do you mean that Krupp can take a stake in Deutsche Arms?" Gustav Krupp asked with some uncertainty.

"Yes, Mr. Krupp. I am willing to jointly hold shares in Deutsche Arms with Krupp." Qin Tian smiled.

Gustav Krupp took a deep breath, suppressed the excitement in his heart, and then said: "Your Royal Highness, this is our honor!"

Qin Tian was not surprised that Gustav Krupp would agree. That was the way it was. As long as Gustav Krupp's head wasn't caught by the door, he wouldn't refuse to partner with him. This is a sure-fire deal!

"His Royal Highness, how can we cooperate?" Gustav Krupp asked. In his opinion, even if Krupp loses a little later, this is acceptable.

"Mr. Krupp, Deutsche Industries AG shares in cash and Krupp in technology. Although light weapons are not what Krupp is good at. But I believe that you also have a certain accumulation of technology in this regard It should be fully capable of developing the several weapons I designed." Qin Tian said.

Gustav Krupp was not surprised that Qin Tian was able to design weapons for the army. Perhaps in his eyes, Qin Tian has long been synonymous with genius. Not only a business genius, but also a genius in shipbuilding. Isn't the army's weapons also a piece of cake for Qin Tian?

Gustav Krupp nodded. It is completely acceptable for Krupp to invest in technology.

"His Royal Highness, how many shares can Krupp hold in the German arms company?" Gustav Krupp asked. In business talk business, since the two parties are going to cooperate, Gustav Krupp naturally hopes to obtain more profits.

"Mr. Krupp, Deutsche Arms Company and Deutsche Industrie Group invested 100 million marks, holding 70% of the shares. Krupp invested in technology and held 30% of the shares. What do you think?" Qin God asked.

"His Royal Highness, 30% of the shares is too little. How about this, Krupp will invest another 50 million marks in addition to technology to increase the shares to 50%." Gustav husband Krupp said. As Germany's largest arms giant, Krupp's profits are also very impressive. This makes them also very abundant in terms of funds.

Qin Tian shook his head. Although he agreed to partner with Krupp, it didn't mean that he was about to give up his holding of the German Arms Company. Qin Tian hoped that this munitions company would be completely in his hands, and he did not want any problems to arise in the future.

"Mr. Krupp, 50% of the shares is impossible. I hope to be able to control this arms company. I believe that you don't want someone to seize control of Krupp, do you?" Qin Tian said with a smile. If everyone can't agree on this issue, Qin Tian would even rather give up the cooperation with Krupp.

Gustav Krupp nodded. In fact, his request for 50% of the shares was just a test for Qin Tian. Now it seems that Qin Tian's attitude is undoubtedly relatively tough on the issue of the company's holdings. Then, on this issue, there is naturally no need to say anything more.

"Okay, Your Royal Highness. Krupp is willing to use technology and 30 million marks to occupy 40% of the shares of the German Arms Company." Gustav Krupp chose to give in.

Qin Tian nodded and gave up 40% of the shares. He still has 60% of the shares in his hand. This is already complete control of the company. Although, a lot of profit will be lost as a result. However, he doesn't care about that.

"Mr. Krupp, may we have a happy cooperation!" Qin Tian raised the wine glass on the table. The \*\*\*\* red liquor was reverberating in the wine glass.

"Happy cooperation!" Gustav Krupp had a smile on his face.

"Ding!" The two wine glasses slammed together, making a crisp sound. This also means that Qin Tian has further cooperation with the Krupp company and the Krupp family. Even if it is for their own future interests, the Krupp family will fully support Qin Tian.

"Mr. Krupp, the Deutsche Arms Company wants to share the profits of small arms, which will inevitably cause a full backlash from Mauser and Rheinmetall. After all, they regard the army's small arms as their taboo. On this issue Now, I'm afraid the Krupp family needs to coordinate." Qin Tian said.

Gustav Krupp nodded. Mauser and Rheinmetall are undoubtedly the largest suppliers of light weapons to the German Army. Although these two arms companies are not comparable to Krupp, they are also very important in Germany. The weapons they produce are also sold overseas. They also have huge influence in Germany and the military. If they strongly oppose the German Arms Company, the development of the German Arms Company will inevitably struggle.

"His Royal Highness, with His Highness' influence and the capabilities of Krupp, they can completely resist their counterattack. I don't think this should be a problem." Gustav Krupp said.

He had already guessed that after becoming a shareholder of the Deutsche Arms Company, he would definitely need to contribute. Otherwise, Qin Tian would not have offered to cooperate with Krupp. After all, Qin Tian can do it alone. Qin Tian has enough funds in his hands, and as for technicians, he can also find them easily. No matter how bad it is, you can poach the corners of other companies. It now appears that the reason why Qin Tian sought cooperation with Krupp was to deal with the pressure from Mauser and Rheinmetall.

Regarding this, Gustav Krupp certainly would not refuse. Krupp has always been a competitor with Mauser and Rheinmetall. Krupp has long coveted the profits of light weapons and wanted to enter this field. However, due to the resistance of Mauser and Rheinmetall, it has not been able to succeed. Now, they finally have this opportunity to enter this field.

#### **Chapter 99: Squad firepower (for collection)**

"His Royal Highness, now we are partners. I really want to know, how do you compete with Mauser and Rheinmetall in terms of small arms? You know, Mauser's Mauser 1898 rifle, this is the German Army standard rifle." Gustav Krupp looked curious.

You must know that Mauser and Rheinmetall have a very large share of the German Army's small arms. For a long time, I don't know how many companies want to challenge them. However, none of them succeeded in the end. Even Krupp cannot compare with them in light weapons.

"Of course, Mr. Krupp. For partners, I have never kept secrets." Qin Tian said with a smile. Of course he knew that Gustav Krupp was skeptical about whether Deutsche Arms could \*\*\*\* the army's share of weapons and equipment from Mauser and Rheinmetall. After all, their opponents are really too strong in this field.

Qin Tian resigned from the briefcase he carried with him, and took out a stack of design drawings. These blueprints are all weapons and equipment designed by Qin Tian, and the main parameters are marked on them.

Gustav Krupp took a look, and then got stuck in these weapons and equipment.

"I think the firepower of our current army's platoons is still too weak. Although the army is equipped with MG08 heavy machine guns, that thing weighs 69 kilograms and requires several people to lift it. It simply cannot accompany the infantry on the front line. Attack together. Therefore, our army needs lighter and stronger squad firepower. This weapon in your hand, I call it a light machine gun, also known as a squad machine gun, which means a machine gun that can be equipped to an infantry squad." Qin Tian explained.

The squad machine gun designed by Qin Tian is, to be precise, a plagiarized Czech machine gun. The performance of the Czech machine gun is certainly not the best among many light machine guns. However, the simple structure and good reliability make such a machine gun widely equipped with the Chinese army in another time and space, and it played a great role in the battlefield of the Anti-Japanese War. Based on Germany's existing technology, it is not difficult to produce Czech machine guns.

"Is every infantry squad equipped with a machine gun? If so, the army's firepower is too abnormal!" Gustav Krupp couldn't help but gasped.

"Each infantry squad is equipped with a light machine gun. In my opinion, this is very necessary. Whether it is offensive or defensive, the firepower is powerful, and it can always kill the most enemies at the lowest cost." Qin God said.

He clearly remembered that in another time and space, the First World War turned into a trench warfare. In such a war, the power of machine guns is undoubtedly very terrifying. Especially for the defensive side, the machine gun is completely a sharp weapon for slaughtering enemy personnel!

Gustav turned this page and looked at the second page. On the design drawing on the second page, it was still a machine gun. It's just that the shape is bigger and more murderous.

"This machine gun, I have become a general-purpose machine gun. Compared with the MG08 machine gun we are equipped with now, it is lighter in weight, and with the gun frame, it is only less than one-third. However, the firepower is more powerful than the MG08 heavy machine gun. Although it is still relatively heavy for infantry. However, a machine gun group can also be carried. In this way, when the infantry attacks, it can exert great firepower." Qin Tian continued.

The general-purpose machine gun on the design drawings is the later German MG34 general-purpose machine gun that he plagiarized. Although the performance is slightly worse than that of MG42. But relatively speaking, the conditions for development are also simpler.

Gustav Krupp nodded. If Deutsche Arms can develop this general-purpose machine gun, among other things, it will completely replace all MG08



heavy machine guns. There will be no problem. This weapon alone means a huge order!

If squad machine guns can also be adopted by the army, and each infantry squad is equipped with one, then the order will be even greater.

Although Gustav Krupp hasn't looked at the back design yet. But he has concluded that with Qin Tian's two machine guns, Deutsche Arms Company doesn't have to worry about losing money. If you want to make money, that's for sure.

The design behind is two rifles, a semi-automatic rifle and a sniper rifle. Although the performance of the Mauser 1898 rifle is very good, the rate of fire is too slow. In future wars, the density of firepower will become more important. If infantry can be equipped with semi-automatic rifles, it will make the troops more powerful. Even directly gaining an overwhelming advantage in the war. The importance of sniper rifles is naturally self-evident. On the battlefield, a sniper equipped with a sniper rifle is simply synonymous with death. The enemy's low-level officers, machine gunners, etc., will all become their targets. The importance of snipers on the battlefield will become even more abnormal.

Next, there are designs for grenades and mortars. Although mortar is not a new term anymore, since it appeared after the Russo-Japanese War, all countries have begun to pay attention to it, but its development is still very slow. Mortars are undoubtedly an extremely important infantry support weapon, and they will pose a deadly threat to enemy troops who are long in the trenches. However, the current development is still very slow. Qin Tian designed three types of mortars, namely 60mm light mortar, 81mm medium mortar and 120mm heavy mortar. Of course, these mortars are all plagiarized designs of later generations.

The projectile is a smaller mortar, and the design principle is very similar to that of the mortar. However, it is lighter in weight and of course less powerful. One soldier can carry it, and it can also carry multiple grenades at the same time. Qin Tian believes that it is possible to equip each infantry squad with a grenade launcher. In this case, the firepower of the German infantry squad will become more powerful.

Come to think of it, every infantry squad is equipped with light machine guns, grenadiers, sniper rifles and semi-automatic rifles. How powerful this will make the infantry firepower of the German Army become! In future wars, no matter which country's army it is in, it is likely that it will be severely suppressed by the German army in terms of firepower. It is naturally much easier for the German Army to win.

After reading these designs, Gustav Krupp looked at Qin Tian with a hint of admiration. In his opinion, Qin Tian is clearly a genius! At the same time, I have more confidence in the German arms company.

#### **Chapter 100: Miss 75**

"His Royal Highness, I will organize engineers to conduct research and development as soon as possible, and strive to turn these weapons from blueprints into reality in the shortest possible time. By then, we will definitely win the favor of the army in terms of light weapons. At that time, we will also get orders. It will be easy!" Gustav Krupp looked excited.

Gustav Krupp seems to have seen that Mauser and Rheinmetall will be devastated by the German arms company. Most of their market share will be seized by German arms companies.

"Well, with Krupp's research and development capabilities, it shouldn't be a problem to turn these design drawings into reality within a year?" Qin Tian asked. Although Krupp has no achievements in light weapons. However, their research and development capabilities are still very strong.

"One year is enough. Your Royal Highness, we will definitely be able to develop these weapons and equipment within one year." Gustav Krupp promised.

"Mr. Krupp, it would be great if the development can be completed within one year. However, in terms of performance, we cannot compromise. In terms of reliability, we must also strive to be the best. Otherwise, I want to convince the Army It's not that easy for those guys." Qin Tian said.

"Yes, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince." Gustav Krupp nodded.

German weapons have always been striving for perfection, which makes the design of weapons very complicated. The most obvious example is undoubtedly the Tiger tank of the German army in World War II. Although the staggered arrangement of road wheels meets the needs of the heavy Tiger tank, it also makes the repair and maintenance of the Tiger tank a disaster. Of course, this was mainly due to the lack of rubber in Germany at that time, and the performance of industrial rubber could not beat, so it had to adopt such a design. In addition, the cost of German weapons is also very high, so that the German army will not equip too many new weapons. This severely restricted the German army's combat power.

In this time and space, Qin Tian naturally wants to avoid such a situation from happening again as much as possible. Therefore, for the weapons and equipment he designed, he selected weapons with excellent performance as much as possible, and at the same time designed relatively simple weapons. Next, if the technology can be developed enough, he also hopes to develop the AK47. In this case, the combat effectiveness of the German Army will be even more abnormal.

Gustav Krupp is very satisfied with this cooperation with Qin Tian. Especially those excellent designs that Qin Tian came up with meant huge profits.

"Mr. Krupp, I hope that the development of these light weapons will not affect the development of the navy's naval guns. The navy's naval guns come first." Qin Tian said solemnly.

Qin Tian knows well that the navy is Germany's shortcoming, and it is also the main reason why Germany will lose the war in another time and space. Therefore, he has always attached great importance to the navy. Only when the navy defeats the British navy, Germany's overseas trade will not be cut off, and Germany will be able to continue the war without being dragged to death by Britain, France, the United States and other countries. As for the army, it is naturally good to be able to strengthen the combat effectiveness of the army. Even if this cannot be achieved, it doesn't matter. Anyway, the combat effectiveness of the German Army is the best in the world, and at most it is just that more people die in the war.

Of course, the population of Germany is not much. So the life of every German soldier is very precious. If the casualties of the troops can be reduced as much as possible, why not do it?

"Yes, Your Royal Highness. We will definitely put the navy's naval guns first. We will deploy additional people to study light weapons. It will not affect the development of the navy's naval guns." Gustav Ke Rupp nodded solemnly. He knew very well how much Qin Tian valued the navy. If it affects the construction of the navy, I'm afraid Qin Tian will be very dissatisfied. In this case, the cooperation between the two parties will be affected.

"By the way, Mr. Krupp. Do you know the M1897 75mm rapid-fire gun of the French Army?" Qin Tian asked.

"M1897 75mm rapid-fire gun?" Gustav Krupp frowned. Of course he knew about this standard field gun of the French Army. However, no attention has been paid to it. In his opinion, German artillery is the most important. Of

course, the performance of these artillery produced by Krupp is the most advanced.

"Mr. Krupp, I promise, it is a very terrifying artillery. If we don't pay attention to it, it will make our army suffer a lot in future wars." Qin Tian said with a serious face.

M1897 French 75mm field gun, also known as Miss 75, was the main artillery of the French army in World War I. Although this kind of artillery weighs only one and a half tons, it has a range of 8,500 meters. What is even more terrifying is the rate of fire of this kind of artillery. The maximum rate of fire can reach 15 rounds per minute. Such a rate of fire undoubtedly exceeds that of the same type of artillery in all other countries. Of course, this also includes German field guns of the same caliber.

In another World War I in time and space, the German army was often hit by intensive firepower from the French artillery when attacking, causing huge casualties.

Although, the German army's main 105mm artillery can suppress the French artillery. But in terms of rate of fire, there is still no comparison. If Germany can have artillery with the same performance, this will further improve the artillery strength of the German Army.

"Is it that powerful?" Gustav Krupp expressed doubts. After all, he firmly believes that the artillery produced by Krupp is the most advanced.

"The maximum rate of fire of this French 75mm field gun has reached 15 rounds per minute." Qin Tian said.

"What? It's impossible!" Gustav Krupp immediately jumped up with an expression of disbelief.

But when he saw Qin Tian's serious expression, he couldn't help but believe that what Qin Tian said was true.

"God! How did the French do it? How could they let a field gun fire at a rate of 15 rounds per minute? This is too terrifying!" Gustav Krupp was shocked.

"The French have completely solved the problem of recoil on this field gun. The gun body can slide on the cradle through the guide wheel. When the piston compresses the hydraulic oil, a part of the hydraulic oil enters the air chamber through a narrow oil valve to compress the air. When the gun sits to the end, it returns to its original position under the reaction of the compressed air. This makes their artillery fire Speed, very fast. Of course, in order to confuse us, they deliberately reduced the rate of fire when they advertised."