

Magic Era 931

Chapter 931 Presentation

Andrew had a lifeless expression as he followed the Grey Beastman's finger and discovered a red-skinned Beastman carrying a huge warhammer swaggering on the street. People on both sides of the street would frequently greet that Beastman.

"Hey, do you want to trade or not? If you don't want to, I'll go look for someone else."

Andrew promptly apologized and traded according to the table, even if it was a bit on the low side, he traded cereals seeds, fruits and all kinds of natural resources from Noscent, most of which were edible things.

But with these things, he ended up getting ten Level 10 puppet warhorses, ten servant puppets, as well as a large quantity of spare parts.

These cereals and fruits were of little value in Noscent, and after a quick calculation, Andrew's heartbeat madly accelerated. These things would net him twenty to thirty times the profit once they were traded in Noscent, and that was after deducting the cost of the Planar Teleportation.

Andrew tightly clenched his Spatial Ring and with an extremely excited expression, he asked what were the most needed things here and left through the Teleportation Gate. This time, he didn't feel that the Teleportation Gate was expensive.

On the other side, Dale had a labor puppet carry the large haul of cereals and seeds and cheerfully returned to his home.

"Hey, lil' sis, look at what I brought back! 500kg of cereals as well as 50kg of wheat seeds, wheat! This is what those delicious biscuits of that newly opened biscuit shop are made from, with those seeds we can plant our own!

"It doesn't even matter if we can't farm, we just need to spend some money and hire two farming puppets, and once the wheat has finished growing, we would have enough to eat for a whole year!

"Look, there are also some Dragon Fruits! Last time, Lord Xiuban gave me half a Dragon Fruit and it was extremely tasty, moreover, we can plant the seeds ourselves! When the time comes, we would have more Dragon Fruit that we can eat!

"Expensive? Not at all! Ten Level 10 horse puppets and ten servant puppets, that person was really cheap and I felt so embarrassed that I gave him spare components.

"Yeah, it's been pretty good ever since Sir Merlin came, we can eat our fill and the fort's surroundings aren't that dangerous and since Sir Merlin has arranged many puppets to protect us, we can now plant cereals and fruits.

"Beastmen can't farm? Who said that? We just couldn't before, there was just so little prey in the Four Seasons Plain before, and it's not like we could trade with those brainless red-skinned fools, could we?

"Pah! I specifically asked Lord Xiuban, but Lord Xiuban is a Draconic Beastman. I also don't know what a Draconic Beastman is, in any case, he is different from those brainless red-skinned fools.

“Before, when I crafted one warhorse, it would at most exchange for one beast’s leg, and even if we saved up, it would only be enough to eat for three days. And I would have to take some risk and adventure outside the city to hunt some puppets, or go through the broken components at the garbage dump.

“It’s a lot better now, on this first deal, I didn’t have to risk my life and was able to secure food for half a year, as well as seeds. We can farm!

“Fool! I won’t let you try the Dragon Fruit if you say again that we can’t farm!

“Yes, right, after it has grown, I’ll deliver some to Lord Xiuban, and Sir Merlin as well. Then, I’ll let you eat biscuits every day! How about it?

“Rest assured, the old days won’t happen again, everyone can eat his fill now. I just saw Lily and she has gotten plump.

“Hurry up and eat, it is said that Sir Merli is recruiting people, I’ll go try my luck next time...”

The Four Seasons Plain’s development was unstoppable, especially the Grey Beastmen’s fort, it was developing the fastest. A large number of alchemists Grey Beastman were sharpening their minds, wanting to be hired by Lin Yun, being able to join Lin Yun’s alchemist team was an honor.

This kind of prosperity completely shocked every newcomer. This place wasn’t like a fort that had just experienced war, it was more similar to a prosperous city of Noscent.

Moreover, this place could compare to the prosperous Noscent to a certain degree. The order was strict, the alleys were clean, and even small snacks were being sold.

The entire fort’s energy sources and defenses were all in order.

No local bully could be found here. Even if there had been some, they could no longer be found. After a few were beaten to death by unreasonable puppets, everyone within the fort followed the rules.

The defenses of the eight forts of the Four Seasons Plain had been completely changed, and with the arrangements of the Grey Beastmen’s fort and the Radiant Fort, a completely new arrangement was completed, an open Teleportation Hall between the eight forts was set up, making it easier for people, except large caravans, to come and go between the eight forts.

Everything developed at a rapid pace and Lin Yun no longer paid attention to the development of the forts. Everything was carried out according to the rules he had established, and ever since that Archmage of the Cloud Tower had personally come to apologize, no one dared to challenge the established rules.

“Sir Merlin, there is some news from Sir Crowits, he said there he got a new breakthrough and he is asking for Sir Merlin’s inspection.” Someone announced from behind the door.

Lin Yun’s expression changed and he smiled before using Flight to fly out of the fort.

The Sky Sealing Array had been personally set up by Lin Yun and had no effect on him. He only gave Magic Tools counteracting the effects of the Sky Sealing Array to his trusted subordinates. Besides these people, no one could fly in the fort.

The people on the ground had respectful expressions as they saw someone flying through the sky, only important persons could fly in here.

Lin Yun flew to a place over three kilometers away from the Grey Beastmen' fort. There was only a barren hill completely made of mountain rock, there was no ore vein and it wasn't suitable for agriculture. It was now being used as a testing facility of the alchemy team.

There was a puppet factory there, as well as all kinds of refined instruments. Everything new would be tested here.

After all, those kinds of puppets were very dangerous when something went wrong, especially their mana reactor. They could explode with a single mistake, this kind of thing couldn't be tested within the fort.

An excited Crowits rushed over as Lin Yun landed.

"Sir Merlin, it's done, that full right angle mana reactor has been finalized! Moreover, the laser cannon you mentioned is ready for experimentation..."

Lin Yun was started, how long has it been since Crowits started working on that mana reactor? The first full right angle mana reactor, the Max Mana Reactor, should have appeared over a hundred years in the future.

Moreover, Lin Yun had only given some knowledge regarding right angle arrays as well as some principles regarding the Max Mana Reactor and Crowits personally crafted it in three days.

The Max Mana Reactor was bound not to appear, it would actually be known as the Full Right Angle Mana Reactor.

This was made using the machines within the factory, the kind of machine without battle ability and specially used to craft puppet components.

The procedures were compiled in advance so that the machinery in the factory would produce Full Right Angle Mana Reactors.

There was a huge gap, the previous prototype had been made by Crowits using special equipment and machinery he had crafted himself.

While the current mana reactor was a finished product that could be mass-produced. Its manufacturing costs and resources had been optimized and the discarded materials had been reduced to an acceptable level.

This meant that all the puppets of the puppet army could have their mana reactor changed to a Full Right Angle Mana Reactor!

This would greatly increase the bursting power of the puppets, they would also be able to last two to three times longer in battle and their energy cost would be cut down by half.

Moreover, many new weapon systems could be loaded on the newly crafted puppets' body, and the already crafted puppets could also have new weapon systems installed once their mana reactor was changed.

Crowits had been studying the remains of the Heaven Rank Puppets and managed to emulate a kind of new weapon that could be loaded on the puppets' bodies.

It was that terrifying laser ray with extreme piercing power that focused on explosive power, usable at both long range and short range.

But that kind of weapon system had a huge consumption, he strived to lessen the consumption, but only Level 30 and above casting puppets could use it. Moreover, because of its huge power consumption, Level 30 casting puppets could only have ordinary casting power.

Level 35 puppets would be able to display the power of a Level 36 or 37.

Moreover, the strongest laser cannon consumed even more energy, a Level 30 casting puppet would be able to display the power of a level 33 puppet's all-out attack, and it was because the spell was too formidable. They would need to wait at least ten seconds because they could fire another round. During that time, the mana reactor would be in an overload state and ordinary spells couldn't be cast.

The crux of the problem was that the burst power provided by the mana reactor wasn't powerful enough.

Lin Yun could make mana reactors even more powerful than the Full Right Angle Mana Reactor, but he just had too many subordinate puppets, and if he did them one by one, he might not be done within a few years. Making the base mass-produce them was the only way.

When Li Yun arrived, that temporary factory and laboratory base started working at full capacity, he made those machines and equipment start producing Full Right Angle Mana Reactors.

Mechanical arms polished and cut components into shape, then runes and patterns would be carved onto the components by more mechanical arms, before finally, mana crystals would be stuffed in. The entire process was automatic and very few steps required the assistance of an alchemist.

Chapter 932 Heaven Rank's

A Full Right-Angle Mana Reactor was crafted and, with the help of two puppets, it was loaded into the chest of a Level 30 casting puppet. Then, it was linked to the array before being activated.

Suddenly, the puppet's crystal eyes shone with light.

Under Crowits' command, the puppet walked out of the factory, its hands decomposing and reassembling into two pitch-black cannons. The cannon on the left arm glowed with an orange radiance as a ball of fire burst out of it. It instantly struck its target, a rock, over two hundred meters away.

The eight-meter-tall rock exploded into fragments, and scorch marks could be seen all over the ground within ten meters.

This was the new weapon for group battles, and it focused on explosive power.

As for the puppet's right arm, it shone with a burning white radiance as an arm-thick light instantly hit another rock placed a kilometer away.

As the light hit the rock, only a fist-sized hole was left in it.

That huge rock was at least eight meters thick!

This was a new weapon emulating the Heaven Rank Puppet's long-distance attack with extreme piercing power. It was best used to snipe priority targets.

After the test of the two new weapons was over, the puppet's legs started changing shape to transform into four thin legs that pierced into the ground. The arms also assembled into a huge cannon.

A brilliant red ray of light bursting with destructive power flew out of the cannon, causing waves of mana fluctuations all around the puppet.

It was just a Level 30 puppet, and all of its parts, including the mana reactor and the weapon systems, were produced by the base's assembly line. The aura it was now emitting was comparable to the all-out burst of a Level 33 puppet.

"Boom!"

A loud sound thundered out and the puppet's body faintly recoiled as a red laser as thick as Xiuban's thigh pierced through the air. It struck a small hilltop over a kilometer away and caused a fierce explosion.

And as expected, the laser pierced through the hilltop. It didn't even go through the center of the hill, yet the entire hill loudly exploded into tiny pieces.

Lin Yun made some calculations in a split second. This new weapon, dubbed the laser cannon, was comparable to a 7th Tier Spell, and its casting range far exceeded an ordinary Archmage's casting range.

The only problem was that the casting rate was a bit too low. After firing once, the puppets' mana fluctuations would rapidly decrease before slowly recovering. They would need at least five seconds before they could attack again.

Lin Yun grinned.

Five seconds was nothing. If he had a few hundred puppets loaded with that kind of weaponry and Full Right-Angle Mana Reactors, he could have them cast in sequence to keep shooting without interruption.

At this kind of range, they could easily dispatch Level 30 enemies, and the next time he faced a Beastman Army, the other side's numbers advantage would be greatly reduced.

Moreover, with this success, the puppet army could now have a certain effect when facing a powerhouse.

In the previous battles, the puppets' pressure towards powerhouses was too small. As long as a 9th Rank Sword Saint rushed into the sword puppets, they wouldn't be able to do much of anything to fight back.

A 9th Rank Archmage might be able to easily destroy over a hundred Level 30 casting puppets.

This was because the attack power of the puppets was too low to pierce the defenses of that kind of expert.

But it was different now. A hundred casting puppets of the same rank could make a 9th Rank powerhouse evaporate in a sneak attack...

That laser's specially strengthened piercing power was tailored to handle mages' shields.

The tests roused everyone's spirits. Crowits was even red from excitement.

"Test the power against Mana Shields and all kinds of heavy armor..."

Lin Yun casually released an Askrim Gate in the distance, and the puppets got in position to fire at it.

At that time, a thunderclap echoed in the sky as a river of lightning surged over, followed by deafening rumbles.

Lin Yun frowned, his expression instantly becoming cold.

That thunderclap contained Extraordinary Power that could be sensed several kilometers away.

As the lightning rapidly approached, the alchemists of the testing base immediately followed the proper procedures and activated the Teleportation Gate to return to the fort.

As they left the laboratory and factory, the blue lightning fell down from the sky, and a thick bolt akin to a kilometer-long blade pierced the base.

The lightning bolt crazily twisted around, and even finer bolts spread around like the roots of a tree made of lightning.

The lightning swept through everything. All the equipment, machinery, puppets, the entire factory, and the laboratory were turned to ruins in a few seconds.

The equipment producing the new weapons and the Full Right-Angle Mana Reactors had been utterly destroyed, along with all the new experiments contained within the laboratory, both incomplete and complete.

In a few seconds, the three-hundred-meter-wide temporary base had been thoroughly turned to scrap. Every precious instrument turned into a pile of scrap iron...

Lin Yun's complexion darkened, his gaze turning icy.

The other side's attack was too fast; it simply couldn't be resisted. Moreover, that had been a 9th Tier Spell. If Lin Yun hadn't protected those alchemists, the losses wouldn't have stopped at the laboratory and the base. The several dozen Great Alchemists, eight Master Alchemists, and even the Peak Artisan, Crowits, would have been in danger.

Crowits was fuming with blood rushing to his eyes.

He had brought a team of alchemists that included nearly all the best alchemists of the Grey Beastman race, and they had been constantly researching for the greater half of the past month. Yet all of this was cleanly destroyed.

Moreover, a large number of prototypes were still in the laboratory. Some were in the early stages, but some were complete and only needed to be optimized.

These things weren't things that could be created at will, as new successes were made through experiments and samples.

The things in the laboratory were proof of everyone's hard work during this time, and trying to restore them after their destruction would require months to regain their original tempo.

Even some special things might take several years until they managed to recreate the circumstances.

Lin Yun was expressionless as he made Crowits lead everyone to the Teleportation Gate.

Although this place was only a few kilometers away from the Grey Beastman Fort, Lin Yun knew that Dubois could arrive anytime. He couldn't afford to lose these alchemists.

The base and the laboratory could be rebuilt, but losing alchemists would be a truly huge loss.

Thus, after establishing this place, Lin Yun had spared no effort, even personally establishing a Teleportation Gate.

He even pulled a trick while building it. That Teleportation Gate could only be used by those under the Heaven Rank. As long as any Extraordinary Power passed through the Teleportation Gate, the coordinates would change, and that person would be exiled into a Hell Gate.

The aura used to open that Hell Gate was the Devil Overlord Lin Yun had used last time. He knew that the Devil Overlord would absolutely not let go of that opportunity.

Facing one-way teleportation and meeting a Devil Overlord halfway, a 1st Rank Heaven Mage like Dubois wouldn't have a pleasant time.

Even in the forts, the Teleportation Gates were restricting lifeforms with Extraordinary Power. As long as a Heaven Rank tried teleporting through those, they would collapse. And it was even less likely for enemies to teleport into the forts.

It looked as if there weren't too many forces defending the Teleportation Gates, but there was a restriction system. And if any enemies teleported in, they would be met with the full blow of over three hundred puppets, as well as Xiuban, who had already fallen in love with patrolling the fort like a Beastman-shaped ferocious beast.

No one under the Heaven Rank would be able to escape under such circumstances.

All the alchemists left through the Teleportation gate as Lin Yun looked up.

The lightning covering the entire sky dissipated, as did the branching threads of lightning, revealing Dubois in his black gown. He was calmly floating in the sky with lightning snakes flickering over his entire body.

"Mafa Merlin. Kneel!"

Dubois had a chilling expression, looking down at Lin Yun as if he was looking at an ant. Extraordinary Power was spreading from his body, and the formidable aura greatly pressured Lin Yun. He didn't give him the chance to speak, as he was fully intent on suppressing him.

Lin Yun seemed almost disinterested as he indifferently looked at Dubois.

That pressure created by Extraordinary Power stopped the air from flowing in the surroundings, making the air feel like a frozen brick. The magic elements were completely suppressed and couldn't circulate.

It was as if an invisible mountain was pressuring the several hundred meters around Lin Yun.

But this time, that terrifying aura was like a stream of water, gently parting and sliding around Lin Yun.

A huge wheel shadow suddenly appeared behind Lin Yun, and in its starry depths, four-colored lights spun and formed a circle, making all the aura pressuring down on him simply slip by.

Surprise flashed in Dubois' eyes.

'Last time that ant wanted to resist my pressure, he had to go all-out. How could he be able to resist without using any defensive ability this time?

'Oh? Did he already establish the foundation of his Law?'

Chapter 933 Confrontation

'Wait, no, how could he resist Extraordinary Power with the foundation of a Law?'

Doubt flashed in Dubois' eyes, but he quickly got over it.

"Mafa Merlin, you killed my disciple yet I temporarily let that matter slide. But can you explain Larieth's injuries? Could it be that you didn't accept my command?"

"Fool, I see that you have thoroughly forgotten that we are currently at war and forgot what we should do as citizens of the Andlusa Kingdom.

"I had you surrender control over the Four Seasons Plain, yet you dared to disobey the command and wantonly siphon the riches of that place, wantonly extracting the veins of ore and completely forgetting about the general attack.

"Since you forgot, I'm here to personally remind you and to take back everything you possess. I'll take control over everything.

"I'll now give you one last chance, f*ck off back to the front line, or pay a heavy price for your stupidity. You won't be as lucky this time, no one can save you."

"Kneel and repent!"

Dubois had a cold expression, and his icy gaze seemed to express that he was just taking pity on an ant.

'Foolish guy, how could my disciple's death be so easily forgotten. Damn kid, he actually dares to run the Four Seasons Plain that well, the wealth he is getting everyday is putting the Black Tower to shame.

'Even merchants are starting to flock over and the wealth is flowing like water everyday.

'How could someone like Mafa Merlin have the qualifications to possess this place. I can just kill him if he dares to resist, there is no one to stop me this time...'

Lin Yun sneered, "Haha..."

Dubois frowned, not understanding what that "haha" meant.

At that moment, the puppet that had been ordered to test its new weapon had gone far enough. Its laser activated and the cannon opened fire towards the Askrim Gate that had been placed on the testing field.

A loud explosion echoed as the huge wall of ice exploded into pieces, while the ice at the center had completely evaporated.

Dubois was about to say something, but his eyes suddenly shone.

He had noticed the puppet earlier, but he hadn't cared about it, a Level 30 puppet was of no interest at first glance.

But now, amazement could be seen in his eyes.

How could he not understand the power of that attack as a Heaven Rank powerhouse. That attack had far surpassed the power that a Level 30 puppet could cast.

The spell that burst out in that split second was definitely not something a Level 30 puppet could use.

There was only one possibility, it was due to its mana reactor!

After thinking of this, Dubois reached out with his hand and lightning bolts fell onto the puppet, dismantling it and displaying the Full Right Angles Mana Reactor and the new weaponry's components.

An unprecedented new mana reactor, as well as powerful new weaponry.

How could Dubois not understand what that never-before-seen mana reactor represented?

That was the lifeline of the puppet, with it, a large number of alchemists could be recruited. The design could even attract Artisans!

'Just how much profit could be made from that?'

'This would bring a lot more benefits than the Four Seasons Plain in the long term!'

'Just from looking at it, that completely new mana reactor and those new weapons could be used to create a powerful puppet army, this could double the speed of the attack!'

'Those alchemists just now had been Grey Beastmen... Did the Grey Beastmen's puppeteering techniques already reach this stage?'

These thoughts instantly flashed in Dubois' brain.

"Mafa Merlin, you actually had something that could greatly increase our chances of victory, yet you didn't take it out at such a crucial time? Do you want to see our Andlusa Kingdom be defeated that badly?"

"Hand over the technology behind that mana reactor, the weapon systems, as well as all the Grey Beastmen and I can spare your life."

"You cripple your own Mana Whirlpool and I'll let you safely return to Noscent. I won't pursue you for the mistakes you made before!"

Dubois shared his greedy thoughts, but his expression was even colder than before.

“Haha...” Lin Yun sneered once again, a trace of ridicule visible on his face.

Mana fluctuations slowly spread as the wheel shadow rapidly rotated behind him, containing several profound runes flickering like the stars of a starry sky.

That four-colored circle in the center of the wheel’s shadow slowly dissipated, replaced by a dark red glaring light.

It was as if Dubois’ pressure had been blown away by a breeze as a gentle yet explosive aura tore through Dubois’ aura.

In an instant, the frozen air and magic elements were able to flow again. Gales whistled around Lin Yun’s location, forming huge tornadoes.

Lin Yun’s robe was fluttering in the wind as the mana fluctuations coming from his body turned into ripples, spreading around him and keeping those tornadoes at bay.

Dubois couldn’t help laughing out as he saw that scene.

“Mafa Merlin, you actually refused my mercy, you are vainly challenging the might of a Heaven Rank powerhouse! Good, very good, I’ll teach you why a Heaven Rank powerhouse cannot be provoked, you’ll understand in death!

“Once you die, everything here will belong to me. No one can save you today!”

After sneering, the lightning bolts roaming around Dubois’ body were suddenly roused and a several-meter-thick lightning bolt fell towards Lin Yun.

The ground under Lin Yun’s feet slowly melted and the rocks turned into lava. A large amount of lava appeared to be flowing out of Lin Yun’s body and submerged him in an instant.

Lin Yun’s body instantly expanded and turned into a seven-meter-tall Lava Giant. Ripples flashed under his feet as lava had spread over two hundred meters and kept bubbling, forming a boiling lava pond.

As that thick lightning bolt fell, a large amount of lava converged above Lin Yun’s head and turned into a Lava Shield. The lightning bolt and the Lava Shield were locked in a clash, countless cracks were appearing on the Lava Shield, but the lava was continuously rising to reinforce the Lava Shield.

Lin Yun raised his head and saw a lightning tree suddenly appearing in the sky, with countless small lightning bolts taking the shapes of small branches.

These lightning bolts were falling downward, fusing into bigger branches, and as all the branches converged together, a huge trunk was formed. Dubois was standing at the base of that tree trunk and appeared to be submerged in lightning.

Extraordinary Power surged and changed the weather, boundless gales were blowing in the sky as the wind elements converged while the other elements started to be rejected by that area.

Cyan gales caused mournful whistle sounds as an unknown amount of Wind Blades filled the sky.

The sky became dusky as if light had also been rejected. Thick black clouds rapidly appeared and churned alongside the gales, before transforming into a huge vortex.

Lightning bolts could faintly be seen within the whirlpool, as if there was an Ancient Lightning Dragon leaping within that vortex.

More and more lightning bolts slowly appeared within the black clouds, it looked as if small streams of lightning were converging together into a river at the center of the vortex.

A glaring light suddenly appeared in the center of the black vortex and the terrifying pressure transformed into a downpour of lightning.

The lightning tree below was irrigated by that downpour of lightning and frantically grew, instantly transforming into a hundred-meter-tall tree purely made of lightning.

Dubois stood under the tree, holding a seemingly flickering lightning bolt as a staff in one hand, which he then waved. At that moment, boundless lightning bolts illuminated the sky.

The lightning bolts were like a rain falling, frantically sweeping the ground.

Lin Yun kept flickering within the lava pond, each falling lightning bolt forcibly extinguishing an area of the lava pond. It only took three seconds for the greater half of the lava pond to be extinguished by those lightning bolts.

The Purple Dragon Incarnation appeared out of the Draconic Staff in Lin Yun's hand and turned into a large and wise-looking shadow behind Lin Yun's back, instantly buffing him and greatly slowing the speed at which the lava pond was getting destroyed.

Then, the Book of Death flipped itself and the Element Chapter started blossoming with red and yellow lights, buffing Lin Yun once more.

In an instant, the boiling lava pond became even deeper and while the rain of lightning bolts kept extinguishing the surface lava, more lava would come surging from the depths.

The surging lava kept splashing ten-meter-tall waves of lava, while Lin Yun, who was using Lava Elemental Incarnation, kept roaming within the pond, fully merged with the lava pond.

Dubois' expression became extremely unsightly. He hadn't expected that he would have been unable to destroy Lin Yun when personally attacking, even after using Extraordinary Power.

'Damned, since when has that foolish ant become so troublesome? I haven't seen him for a bit yet he can already block my spell?!

'How could he resist Extraordinary Power as an Archmage?

'Although this Lightning Shower isn't a very powerful spell, it's still a 9th Tier Spell! It contains Extraordinary Power, no Archmage should be able to withstand that power...

'What is that Incarnation? Fire Elemental Incarnation? Earth Elemental Incarnation? Could it be Lava Elemental Incarnation?

'Isn't that an ability that only Heaven Rank powerhouse could master?

'And that troublesome lava pond... Damnit, did that annoying kid set up an array here to draw out the lava from the depths of the earth?

'F*ck...

'I'll see how you can resist once I destroy your lava pond...'

Chapter 934 Lightning Spiri

Lin Yun was still in good condition after more than ten seconds of the Lightning Shower, and even the two-hundred-meter-wide lava pond was still intact. The huge waves kept rising and falling, but with no effect.

Dubois coldly snorted in annoyance. He rapidly chanted, and numerous runes flickering with lightning flew out of his mouth.

Those runes attracted countless lightning bolts before transforming into a giant lightning spear that pierced down at Lin Yun. That several-dozen-meter-long lightning spear left a long trail behind it as it almost instantly struck the lava pond.

But suddenly, the lava pond's position rapidly changed, moving several hundred meters away.

The thick lightning spear pierced the ground and instantly erupted with blinding light. It was as if an explosion was happening underground. Rocks fragments flew up and kept shattering within that light before completely disappearing.

"Rumble..."

Thunder boomed.

The white aura turned into a shockwave, and the power of the lightning was like a monumental tidal wave that roared several hundred meters in every direction.

The shockwave rushed into the lava pond and created waves of lava reaching up to several dozen meters in height. Waves kept appearing, but the lava pond still persisted.

A trace of surprise flashed in Dubois' eyes.

'It wasn't an array! And he wasn't extracting fire from below... Damn, how could that Mafa Merlin have so much mana? How could he do this while only relying on his mana?

'He doesn't have Extraordinary Power or Law Power, how could it be? He is just an Archmage relying on his mana! Even the strongest Archmage wouldn't be able to persevere for so long.

'Could it be... a Demiplane!? ...Damn, that guy was actually lucky enough to inherit a Demiplane?'

As he thought of this, Dubois suddenly understood and sneered while looking at the lava pond.

"Mafa Merlin! It turns out you actually inherited a Demiplane! No wonder you have such formidable mana. But even so, there is no use. You are only an Archmage! You might have a Demiplane, but you are unable to properly exploit its power.

“Now let me show you why Heaven Rank powerhouses can’t be provoked, why Demiplanes can only display their power in a Heaven Rank’s hands!”

That black cloud vortex flowed backward, and the river-like bolt appeared to become slower.

Oppressive pressure emanated, and the lightning bolt appeared to become idle as the shadow of a huge world appeared behind Dubois.

That was a pure elemental world with endless wind elements whistling within, forming huge tornadoes. There was a boundless sky but no earth... Only innumerable wind elements. These wind elements kept congregating to form all kinds of wind spells.

Cyan lightning was converging in the upper part of the world, transforming into an ocean of lightning. At the core of the lightning ocean, a huge whirlpool was slowly revolving. Lightning bolts kept rushing into the vortex before disappearing.

It looked as if the lightning bolts would never stop pouring into it.

But eventually, lightning bolts gradually no longer poured into that vortex, and in the real world, there wasn’t any more thunder coming from the vortex.

In the illusory world, a huge and monstrous giant appeared.

It used lightning as limbs and a sphere of lightning as an eye, and the powerful wind elements converged to form a dark green cloud to form its body. The surrounding lightning bolts calmed down after that strange giant appeared.

That giant walked into the center of the illusory world and disappeared within the vortex.

Then, the illusory world disappeared, and the huge vortex in the sky became chaotic as it emitted an intense aura.

Lightning bolts and greenish-black clouds rushed out from within.

A black cloud giant that was over a hundred meters tall appeared. It was made of lightning and had fingers akin to the fork of the thunder tree.

In an instant, the entire world was filled with a fierce aura, and endless lightning bolts surged. As that ethereal giant leaned forward, a terrifying aura pressured down, as if a God had descended.

At that time, a Lava Giant slowly floated out of the lava pond, and with a huge wave of lava, Lin Yun was now standing several dozen meters high.

Seeing this illusory giant, Lin Yun’s expression became solemn.

He hadn’t thought that Dubois had already established his own Demiplane, let alone that living beings already populated that Demiplane.

That illusory world was Dubois’ Demiplane, and it was purely formed from wind elements. The upper half of those wind elements formed an ocean of lightning.

Thus, it could be inferred that Dubois had previously specialized in wind magic and comprehended the Wind Law before comprehending the Lightning Law.

That ethereal giant was the first living being born in Dubois' Demiplane.

An Elemental God!

After a world was established and the Laws stabilized, the first lifeform to be born would be the strongest existence in the world, that world's God.

The first lifeforms born on Noscent were Gods!

They were essentially the same thing, but the gap between the Ancient Gods and the Elemental Gods was incommensurable.

These Elemental Gods were just lifeforms born after a Heaven Mage established his Demiplane. The Demiplanes would still be in a growth phase, so although they were called Gods, they weren't powerful enough to compare to the Heaven Mage himself.

This Elemental God was the Lightning Spirit born of Dubois' Demiplane!

Its body was made of lightning and it was an innate master of that element. Although it wasn't as strong as Dubois, it had one particular characteristic: It was very tough to kill.

This was very different from Lin Yun's Natural Demiplane. The Natural Demiplane's development potential far exceeded a Heaven Mage's Demiplane. Because the Demiplanes of Heaven Mages Demiplane were created in the void, they were just like floating water lilies...

A Natural Demiplane was completely different. The first batch of Gods wasn't something that this Lightning Spirit could compare to.

"Mafa Merlin, this is my Demiplane's Elemental God Lightning Spirit. This is the correct way of using a Demiplane! Only using it for mana storage is a waste!

"Kill him, Lightning Spirit!"

Following Dubois' order, the Lightning Spirit extended its huge hand made of lightning and the forking fingers made a grabbing motion towards Lin Yun.

Suddenly those fingers sharply lengthened, falling down like thick lightning bolts. It looked as if sharp lightning blades were slashing down from the sky.

The ground was cut so deep by the lightning blades that it looked like a bottomless ravine. The earth collapsed, and the destruction covered more than a kilometer. The blades of lightning cut through the lava pond, and the persistent lightning power spread over the entire lava pond like cobwebs.

Lin Yun's Lava Giant Incarnation was given special care... The thick lightning blades intersected as they sliced over at him. The fierce lightning was as flexible as the Lightning Spirit's fingers as they frantically twisted and turned, to the point where they could almost catch up to Lin Yun within the lava pond.

A lightning blade brushed past Lin Yun's Lava Elemental Incarnation, and as light flashed, a meter-sized chunk of the Lava Giant was sliced off. That piece instantly turned back into lava the moment it was severed, and then was sliced up by the lightning permeating the air.

Lin Yun frowned. As the lightning bolts fell, the frequency and speed of the attacks increased. To a Lightning Spirit, controlling lightning was like moving a finger. They were superior to a Heaven Mage in that regard.

This was the path that Heaven Mages would typically take. After advancing to the Heaven Rank, they would open their own Demiplane in accordance with their Law, and once the Elemental God was born, they would possess a powerful, almost unkillable summon.

There was also a large amount of mana stored within the Demiplane, which could be used to replenish mana anytime in battle. That kind of pure Demiplane could add to the Heaven Mage's power.

Only a Heaven Mage that possessed a Demiplane and an Elemental God could be considered a true Heaven Mage.

Heaven Mages weren't just limited to Extraordinary Power...

In the sky, Dubois was sneering as he kept releasing spells to pressure Lin Yun, but he wasn't spending a lot of mana to cast Extraordinary Spells.

Although the Lightning Spirit was born recently, it was innately superior and wasn't something an Archmage could defend against.

Lin Yun was completely suppressed and couldn't emerge from the lava pond. He kept moving within an area of several kilometers along with the lava pond.

As the Lightning Spirit slowly fell towards the ground, more and more of the ground was burnt black. The earth had been washed over by lightning bolts countless times, and not a single moderately-sized rock could be seen. Even the temporary base had completely disappeared. Everything had been crushed during the fight, and not a single familiar shape could be seen.

Lin Yun looked as the Lightning Spirit slowly fell, the lava pond already exploding from the raging lightning. Unless he used large amounts of mana, he wouldn't be able to maintain the lava pond.

"Mafa Merlin, you are much stronger than I thought, much stronger than all Archmages, but I can see that you are reaching your limits. The mana within your Demiplane has already been consumed."

A smile could be seen on Dubois' face. A Demiplane could replenish one's mana, but that mana wasn't unlimited. Even if mana was constantly being stored in the Demiplane, the Demiplane itself had its limits.

An outstanding Demiplane could at most store two to three times the mana of a Heaven Mage. A Demiplane that could store three times a Heaven Mage's mana would be rated as first-rate and be considered very formidable.

After the mana was consumed, drawing power from the Demiplane would result in absorbing its Origin Power!

Origin Power was the most important part for the Demiplane's growth, so unless they were in a life or death situation, no mage would extract the Origin Power of a Demiplane.

The loss of Origin Power would inevitably reverse the Demiplane's growth, and a huge price would have to be paid for recovery. Moreover, the Demiplane's growth speed would be restricted after recovery.

If the loss of Origin Power was too severe, a Demiplane could even completely collapse. The consequences were just as bad as the Magic Conducting Rune or Mana Whirlpool of a mage under the Heaven Rank collapsing.

After the Demiplane's collapse, the Heaven Mage's strength would forever be halted, and if unlucky, they could even fall from the Heaven Rank.

Lin Yun sneered as he heard Dubois' psychological attack.

Dubois only noticed that Lin Yun had a Demiplane, but he didn't know that Lin Yun possessed a Natural Demiplane, and one with four stabilized Elemental Laws. Furthermore, it was maturing into a true world and had a large number of Mana Vines propagating, continuously absorbing mana from the void.

The Natural Demiplane was maturing at an extreme speed, and even then, the mana wasn't enough for the Demiplane's growth. But with that much mana for a single person, he would never have to worry about personal consumption.

Lin Yun hadn't reached the Heaven Rank, so he couldn't use the Demiplane to fight and couldn't make the Natural Demiplane continuously replenish his mana. Every time he needed to replenish his mana, he would need a slight instant to do so.

But this also had an advantage that a Heaven Mage's Demiplane didn't have: He only needed an instant to completely replenish his mana reserves!

Lin Yun didn't say a word and only attempted a token counterattack, not caring that the Lightning Spirit's body was slowly falling closer and closer...

Dubois and the Lightning Spirit attacking together prevented Lin Yun from leaving the lava pond, and his mana was consumed like a flowing river.

The calm Mana Pond in the Natural Demiplane was now continuously fluctuating, and from time to time, a finger-sized thread of water would fly out of the Mana Pond before disappearing in the void.

At the exact same time, Lin Yun's rapidly consumed mana would instantly be replenished. Every time the lava pond was about to be overrun by lightning, Lin Yun would replenish his mana and maintain the lava.

Dubois clearly sensed that Lin Yun had replenished his mana five times, yet his ice-cold smile didn't wane. The pressuring Lightning Spirit was already fifty meters above Lin Yun.

The surrounding lightning bolts had already transformed into an ocean that spread over the sky, about to drown Lin Yun.

Lin Yun's body had entered the depths of the roaring sea of lava. At the bottom of the ten-meter-deep lava pond, countless lava runes had appeared out of nowhere, but these fluctuations were covered by the fierce fluctuations of the lava.

Even Dubois couldn't sense the situation at the bottom of the lava pond through all the chaotic fluctuations.

The lava pond was getting deeper and deeper as the earth underneath kept glowing red before transforming into lava.

Chapter 935 Offense Is The Best Defense

The lava pond had been maintaining its position for ten seconds, but Dubois hardly cared. The Lightning Spirit was already just thirty meters above Lin Yun, and as it suppressed the lava pond, everything within a few hundred meters turned into a sea of lightning.

It was like a lightning domain destroying all other forces, or to be more precise, all forces that weren't controlled by the Lightning Spirit.

The lava pond had already become several hundred meters deep during that time. The deeper it was, the stronger the pressure. At thirty meters, Lin Yun had already encountered a magma chamber, but he didn't stop.

Hidden in the lava pond, he kept paying attention to the slowly falling Lightning Spirit while completely disregarding his mana consumption. It took three to four seconds for Lin Yun's mana to be drained by the Lightning Spirit, and thus far, he had already replenished his mana seven times.

The Lightning Spirit's body was ethereal, as it was made of lightning. Its speed was very slow, especially as it just rushed out of the Demiplane to fight. It was like a drifting thundercloud.

Heaven Mages would very rarely fight like Dubois. Usually, a Lightning Spirit putting pressure on someone would be a way of bullying them. After the Lightning Spirit suppressed someone, there was no need to spend a lot of effort to attack. It would only need to pour out endless amounts of lightning to inundate the whole area. Each second spent within the affected region would make someone suffer from countless attacks.

Anyone under the Heaven Rank would definitely die, and no one could resist such unreasonable attacks...

"Mafa Merlin, you don't stand a chance, you can no longer escape. Pay the price for your stupidity..."

Dubois floated in the air, laughing heartily and looking quite carefree. He hadn't managed to kill Lin Yun last time, and with the recent matters, Dubois had already been restraining himself for too long.

The Lightning Spirit arrived ten meters above the lava pond, and the ink cloud surrounding its body was already touching the lava.

Everywhere around it, lightning bolts were appearing out of nowhere. The crackling sounds grew as lightning spread like cobwebs, wrapping over the entire lava pond.

A hint of regret appeared on Lin Yun's face within the lava pond.

'What a pity... If he had waited a few more seconds, I would have been able to draw out even more power.'

The lava pond was like a huge awl piercing into the depths of the earth, already drawing in the magma from the magma chambers. But Lin Yun wanted to draw in even more power and had kept the magma chambers suppressed.

Now that the Lightning Spirit was already starting to push down on him, Lin Yun could only give up on storing any more power.

The originally fiercely roiling lava suddenly became calm, as if some power was forcibly freezing the lava pond, and then, a terrifying aura burst out from the lava pond like a volcanic eruption.

“Rumble...”

It felt like thunder was echoing in the depths of the earth as the ground started fiercely shaking... It was as if there was some terrifying creature emerging from the ground.

Dubois no longer looked as relaxed, and he felt compelled to use his most powerful attack.

Endless lightning bolts fiercely rained down. Behind him, the shadow of an immense world appeared, and inside, crackling lightning bolts formed a river that entered the vortex at the center of the world.

And in the sky, a huge lightning bolt appeared in the center of the vortex and coursed down like a raging river.

The Lightning Spirit’s eye also turned into lightning that roamed about on the lava. Countless bolts were slicing the lava pond like sharp knives.

At the same time, the lava pond thoroughly burst out, and at its center, a hundred-meter-thick pillar of lava soared up.

It was like a terrible volcano suddenly erupted as the lava directly engulfed the lightning.

The thick lava pillar pierced through the center of that sea of lightning and rose over several hundred meters in the sky. Within that lava, lightning could barely flicker two seconds before disappearing.

At that time, the illusory world behind Dubois surged with lightning. It was as if his world was being destroyed, and the edge of the world even showed signs of collapse.

A small portion of the world crumbled in an instant, and the world only started stabilizing when a Lightning Spirit slowly appeared in the center.

Dubois became extremely pale as the mana fluctuations on his body became chaotic, and he even spat out three mouthfuls of blood.

“Mafa Merlin! You are dead! Dead! No one can save you! Anyone related to you will die!”

Dubois flew into a rage and started casting recklessly.

Five seconds later, the huge lava eruption finally dissipated, and the ocean of lightning also thoroughly submerged the lava pond. Lightning was flickering through it, making Lin Yun, still in his Lava Giant Incarnation, spit out blood. His incarnation was smashed, revealing the traces of burns on the surface of his body.

After flashing away a few times, Lin Yun dragged the lava pond over a kilometer away, separating it from the powerful ocean of lightning.

After emerging from the lava pond, Lin Yun drank two Health Potions, alleviating his pale complexion. He then grinned as he looked at the enraged Dubois.

'Taking risks? You should have checked who your opponent was! Even if I had to take risks to do so, I would still destroy your Lightning Spirit!

'Two bottles of Health Potion are enough to deal with that kind of injury, and mana consumption is irrelevant. I've yet to hear a mage with a Natural Demiplane ever running out of mana...'

Entities like that Lightning Spirit were simply unkillable because they would be revived in the Demiplane after being destroyed. As long as Dubois wasn't dead, that Lightning Spirit was effectively immortal unless the Demiplane collapsed.

But once the Lightning Spirit was destroyed, it would need Origin Power to revive in the Demiplane!

This was the same as using the mage's vitality. Aside from ranking up, it would be very difficult for the Demiplane to increase its Origin Power. Origin Power being consumed, in some severe cases, was no different from crippling a Heaven Mage.

Just from the death of the Lightning Spirit, a quarter of Dubois' Demiplane crumbled away. Based on the size of his current Demiplane, if the Lightning Spirit died two more times, the Demiplane would thoroughly collapse.

Dubois was floating in the air, his eyes completely red. He looked at Lin Yun from above, but no longer dared to summon his Lightning Spirit. He could only crazily cast spells, continuously making it rain lightning bolts.

And underneath, Lin Yun knew that he would no longer be able to trick Dubois, so he could only fight back with all his strength, continuously sending exploding Lava Spells upward.

The two kept trading spells, recovering their mana as it was consumed.

For an entire day, neither of them faltered. The destruction spread for several kilometers around them, with vegetation and even mountains disappearing without a trace.

The land all around them had become scorched earth, and not even a fist-sized rock could be found there.

The terrain had originally been mountainous, but now, the earth had been stripped bare down to a depth of several dozen meters.

The river that had been going around the area was now flowing into this huge depression, but even though it flowed down, not a single drop of water could be seen... It was as if the water went into the void after flowing there. It completely evaporated.

The surging steam transformed into smoke that continuously covered the sky, eventually condensing into clouds that started the Four Seasons Plain's rainy season ahead of time. A rainstorm broke out at the Grey Beastmen's fort, seemingly endless.

At the very center of the destroyed area was a two-hundred-meter-wide lava pond being controlled by Lin Yun. He looked pale and exhausted as hurricane-like fluctuations were surging out of his body.

In the sky, Dubois was also pale. After being caught off-guard by Lin Yun and having his Lightning Spirit destroyed, his Demiplane Origin Power had been damaged and he didn't dare to borrow power from the Demiplane. He only used it to replenish his mana.

But after fighting for a day, he had already replenished three times his base mana. If he continued, the Origin Power of his Demiplane would be damaged even further.

From the sky, Dubois looked at his pale opponent who still seemed to have endless mana, and doubt and disbelief could be seen in his eyes.

'Sh*t, what's going on with that Mafa Merlin? His mana capacity is actually that excessive? It's already comparable to a newly advanced Heaven Mage!

'And how could his Demiplane hold so much mana? Did he inherit a God's world?

'One day, an entire day... How many times did that damn guy replenish his mana? Ten times? Twenty times? Thirty times?'

Dubois was still hovering in the air, no longer planning on fighting.

He had fought for an entire day and still couldn't kill Mafa Merlin. Anyone with the slightest bit of a brain would know that he wouldn't be able to kill him now.

But Dubois was unwilling to give up like that.

A Heaven Mage that transcended mortals, who even summoned an Elemental God, was unable to kill a 7th Rank Archmage. He fought for an entire day, wanting to crush his opponent in a contest of endurance.

But ultimately, it was his own mana reserves that were reaching their limits...

'How could this be this way? How could such a strange thing happen? Do I really have to leave like this and let that damn guy off?

'He was an easily killable ant last time, yet I can no longer do anything to him. If I let him off now, I'm afraid I won't have the opportunity to kill him later on...'

Dubois' expression changed as he suddenly looked at the Grey Beastmen's fort in the distance.

He sneered, "Mafa Merlin, you are really defying expectations! Not only did you destroy my Lightning Spirit, but you also fought me for such a long time. I can't kill you today, but our battle has already destroyed this entire area.

"I might not be able to kill you, but I can destroy your foundation, your subordinates, your force! I can easily destroy everything.

"I'll give you a final opportunity! Hand over the control of the Four Seasons Plain and that puppet technology, and I can let you and your subordinates safely leave this place to fight in the front lines.

“I can’t kill you today, but you are also unable to stop me from doing whatever I want!”

Dubois glared down at Lin Yun as the lightning above his head transformed into lightning snakes. With a single thought from Dubois, these snakes would charge into the Grey Beastmen’s fort.

Lin Yun sneered and quickly used Flight before disappearing in less than two seconds.

Dubois was stunned. He completely couldn’t understand, because Lin Yun hadn’t been flying towards the Grey Beastmen’s fort, as if he had given up on it.

‘What’s going on? Does he truly not care?’

‘Damn, is that Mafa Merlin really that cold-blooded? How could he abandon his own people to run? Especially in a situation where he didn’t even need to escape...’

Dubois couldn’t understand.

After a day of fighting, they both knew that they couldn’t do anything to each other.

Since he couldn’t kill him, Dubois wanted to settle for the second-best thing: He wanted to threaten Lin Yun into surrendering. He wanted him to hand over the gold mine that was the Four Seasons Plain, as well as that innovative puppeteering technology. He even wanted the Grey Beastmen.

As long as he got those benefits, he would be able to make up for the loss of his Demiplane’s Origin Power sooner or later.

But now, Lin Yun had left without a word, puzzling Dubois...

His eyes suddenly lit up. “That Mafa Merlin is truly crafty, he almost fooled me. You think that by pretending to not care about those people, it will make me let them off?”

“Damn, I don’t believe it! Once I attack the fort, your subordinates will die one by one! Let’s see if you still don’t care then!”

Dubois sneered and flew towards the Grey Beastmen’s fort.

The fort had shut down the Teleportation Gate the previous day, and the entire fort was under martial law. Apart from Lin Yun’s subordinates and puppets, as well as some Grey Beastmen that had signed contracts of some sort, no one was allowed to leave their dwellings. They were all confined.

The entire fort was under full martial law, and the three huge mana reactors were operating at full capacity for the first time, integrating the entire fort as a whole.

The buildings stretching within the fort and the newly revised railroads looked like countless runes and patterns when seen from the sky, while the three mana reactors were placed at three corners of the fort, forming an array over the entire fort.

The transformation of the city walls was already complete, and those defensive metal plates arrays were linked to the entire fort.

The unified energy system integrated the outside and the inside of the fort, and there were also a large number of puppets at key locations, keeping the array operational.

At that time, an absolutely enormous lightning bolt violently fell towards the Grey Beastmen's fort.

Chapter 936 Provocation

Being hit by that terrifying attack, the fort's defense system was instantly roused, and the metal plates covering the entire fort shone brightly.

With the fort's railroad system acting as an array pattern, a large amount of energy started moving through the circuit, and the energy within the three large mana reactors erupted.

In an instant, countless runes appeared in the sky, gathering together in a formation before dispersing a thin membrane of light.

A huge light barrier appeared around the fort almost instantly, with several profound runes roaming on top of it.

Dubois' lightning bolt turned into countless smaller bolts as it hit the barrier.

And as those bolts streaked across the barrier, they scattered once more into smaller wisps of lightning.

These remaining wisps either ran out of power or fell into the earth, absorbed by the fort's city walls.

After being transformed through the array, that power was absorbed by the fort's three mana reactors, charging them with more energy.

After going through the mana reactors, Dubois' attack turned into supportive power.

Crowits was looking at the barrier in the sky and couldn't help sighing, "That's a Heaven Rank powerhouse! I didn't expect that after being remodelled by Sir Merlin, our fort would even be able to resist the attack of a Heaven Rank..."

Xiuban bared his fangs as he looked at Dubois hovering in the sky.

"That guy is a fool! Despite being a Heaven Rank, he couldn't defeat Sir Merlin, so he's trying to vent on us... Pah, what about Sir Merlin?"

Enderfa floated over and looked at Dubois with a derisive sneer.

"Rest assured, Merlin spent a lot of thought on the remodelling. Although the fort can't stop that guy for too long, it should be able to last two days. Merlin isn't the kind of person to suffer a loss. That guy will definitely regret his actions..."

Crowits was somewhat worried.

"It might be able to resist for two days, but what then? The fort's three mana reactors will break from the overload.

"Unfortunately, we are a bit too restricted on materials, and there are some problems with the technology, so we can't make better giant mana reactors. If we could make a giant mana reactor based on the right-angle theory, just one would be better than those three..."

Dubois was gnashing his teeth as he looked at the barrier covering the Grey Beastmen's fort, shock and surprise visible in his eyes.

'Damn, did that Mafa Merlin think I would be unable to take down that fort?

'Sh*t, how long has it been since he secured that place? That guy actually fortified the place like that? The defenses are so powerful, it can even block one of my blows!

'Hmpf, I'll see how long it can resist. Foolish Mafa Merlin, you don't want to show up? Let's see how long you can endure...'

As he thought of that, Dubois decided on his course of action and unhesitantly started attacking, releasing one spell after another, including Extraordinary Spells from time to time.

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On another side, Lin Yun had unhesitantly flown away and made a beeline towards the Thunderwind Fort.

That fort was under Dubois' control. Not only was it Dubois' headquarters in the Raging Flame Plane, but Dubois' subordinates were also in that fort.

The relationship between the Black Tower and the Black Tower's Holy Land was a bit complicated. Harren apparently wasn't complying with Dubois' orders and was doing as he pleased.

The last piece of information that Lin Yun had gotten said that Dubois mostly just stayed in the Thunderwind Fort while never personally acting, which wasted a lot of time when he could have been helping with the attacks.

'That's just perfect. You want to attack my fort, so I'll attack your fort. Let's see who is faster.'

Lin Yun tyrannically flew to the Thunderwind Fort, and the people there immediately discovered him.

A mage flew up from the fort and shouted at the intruder, "Who are you!? This the Thunderwind Fort under Sir Dubois' control! Flying is forbidden!"

After saying that, the mage directly released a Fire Dragon spell at Lin Yun.

Lin Yun had an icy expression and didn't slow down in the slightest, and a flame rune was flickering in his eyes. He reached towards the Fire Dragon and several dozen flame runes flew out, instantly smashing the spell.

Lin Yun flew above the Thunderwind Fort and looked across the whole fort. Besides some slave Beastmen used for labor, there were only the Black Tower's mages. But the robes they wore were different from what the mages of the Black Tower had... There was an extra gold circle around the symbol of the black flame.

They were clearly mages from the Holy Land, and they were all part of Dubois' forces.

"Mafa Merlin! Turns out to be you! Damn b*stard, are you challenging Sir Dubois' prestige? You actually dare to fly above the Thunderwind Fort! You are courting death! Immediately get the f*ck down and seal your own mana, or don't blame us for being rude!"

After recognizing him, Larieth immediately started yelling, his mana already roused, and the mages of the Thunderwind Fort started flying up one by one.

“Mafa Merlin, this is Sir Dubois’ territory! Challenging a Heaven Mage won’t involve just you! Anyone related to you will suffer! Cripple your own mana and beg Sir Dubois for forgiveness, and I believe Sir Dubois will definitely forgive you! Give up all your treasures and plead for leniency...”

Larieth was hovering in the air, watching as the mages of the Thunderwind Fort flew up, excitement visible in his eyes.

‘That damned guy, Mafa Merlin, really is a fool! He actually dared to come to the Thunderwind Fort. Unfortunately, Sir Dubois went out. But who could say anything about it if we killed him here? He is the one provoking a Heaven Mage!

‘That guy has a lot of Magic Tools and has a tremendous amount of wealth from occupying the Four Seasons Plain. If I can get my hands on some of his wealth, I’ll be able to immediately forge a True Spirit Magic Tool that fits me...’

Drunk with greed, he shouted, “Mafa Merlin, don’t blame me for not giving you a chance! You didn’t just bring a calamity upon yourself... You won’t be able to rest in peace, as the Family backing you will face the wrath of a Heaven Rank powerhouse! Now, hand over everything...”

Lin Yun floated in the air with a cold expression as he used his Magic Array to catch the auras and layout of the entire Thunderwind Fort. That fort didn’t even have a Sky-Sealing Array, and it held no secrets from Lin Yun. A few seconds were enough for Lin Yun to understand the full strength of the Thunderwind Fort.

He looked back at Larieth and already considered him a corpse.

“One blow. If you can take it, I might not kill you.”

After saying that, the four elements frantically converged in front of Lin Yun as a Four-Element Bomb condensed.

“Mafa Merlin! You dare to attack me!?”

Larieth clearly hadn’t expected Lin Yun to be so daring here in the Thunderwind Fort.

As he felt a deadly sense of crisis rise in his heart, Larieth instantly roused a Runic Shield, an Elemental Shield, a Mana Shield, as well as a shield-shaped defensive Magic Tool.

The Magic Tool transformed into a huge barrier of light that blocked in front of Larieth.

In an instant, the Four-Element Bomb landed on the Magic Tool.

“Rumble...”

A loud explosion echoed as the terrifying chaotic energy burst out and instantly wrapped around Larieth. That light shield was torn to pieces in an instant, and the same happened to his three defensive shields, allowing the destructive power to flood over him.

A terrifying shockwave swept out, turning everything in the vicinity into rubble.

The chaotic energy dissipated, and Larieth had thoroughly disappeared. Even his Magic Tool had been completely shredded and evaporated.

With this one hit, all the mages of the Thunderwind Fort were stunned. None of those spectating mages had thought that Lin Yun would dare to attack here.

Larieth, a 9th Rank Archmage, had been exterminated in a single blow...

“Enemy attack!”

“Face the enemy!”

Ear-piercing shouts echoed as the cries of alarm loudly echoed.

Those shocked mages suddenly roused themselves from their collective stupor, and they saw a huge shadow of a Purple Dragon appearing in the air. It curled around a wheel as deep as the starry sky. Four colors were shining in the center of the wheel shadow, and boundless runes were roaming within that wheel.

Then, four roaring vortexes of the four elements appeared around the huge Purple Dragon’s shadow, and endless elemental spells flew towards them.

Lin Yun was floating in the sky, holding the Draconic Staff in his right hand and the Book of Death in his left, letting out a tide of spells.

He wasn’t even using Elemental Incarnation. He was only relying on pure casting ability, and in less than three seconds, more than a dozen mages of the Black Tower were overwhelmed by the flood of spells.

Lin Yun was coldly looking down at the Thunderwind Fort, ferociously releasing spells. Apart from a few 8th Rank Archmages, as well as two 9th Rank Archmages, no one was able to show even a modicum of resistance.

And it wasn’t just these mages. Even the Beastman slaves were submerged by the flood of spells as they died one by one.

The sudden attack made the entire fort flare up. The Black Tower’s powerhouses rapidly flew over, and a large number of spells were fired back at Lin Yun.

Chapter 937 Seized

Lin Yun sneered, he didn’t dodge nor blocked, he didn’t even cast a defensive spell. Instead, he focused on his casting and made the flood of spells of the four systems come together and merge.

The spells of the four elements collapsed against each other, and by using the four Elemental Laws, those spells transformed into an elemental storm with pure destruction power.

The elemental storm was like a hundred-meter-wide tornado destroying everything on its way.

Those mages’ spells couldn’t block Lin Yun’s Elemental Storm, they instead reinforced the tornado of destruction due to the power of the Laws.

Lin Yun watched as those mages were submerged by the tornado one by one.

He immediately cast a Four-Element Bomb as he noticed some mages trying to escape and immediately slaughtered the other side. Only a 9th Rank Archmage managed to survive by using a special Magic Tool which turned him into light, allowing him to flee, albeit seriously injured.

Lin Yun sneered but didn't mind it, he just kept harvesting the lives within the Thunderwind Fort.

Slowly, the Thunderwind Fort managed to come together to launch a counterattack, but it didn't have that much effect...

The Thunderwind Fort had three 9th Rank Archmages. Larieth had been instantly killed, another one had been submerged by the Elemental Storm and had been torn apart, while the last one used the power of a Magic Tool to escape.

Although there was a lot of people remaining, no one could injure Lin Yun. Among the several hundred mages remaining, there was only thirty or so Archmages.

But in less than five minutes, the three 9th Rank Archmages had already been dealt with. Of the remaining thirty Archmages, seven died, eight were seriously injured, and the remaining ones had been scared witless.

They hadn't expected Lin Yun to be that powerful. It felt as if they were facing a Heaven Mage that wasn't using Extraordinary Power.

In ten minutes, a several-hundred-meter-wide area within the Thunderwind Fort had become ruins. The number of dead Beastmen was incalculable.

Those that became slaves weren't powerhouses among the Beastmen. As long as a Beastman was powerful, they would refuse to surrender and would instantly die in battle.

After half an hour, the thirty Archmages had been slaughtered and more than half of the remaining Great Mages had been lost.

The few surviving High Mages no longer dared to attack and all fled for their lives, while those Beastmen didn't even have the opportunity to escape.

They couldn't flee the Thunderwind Fort and could only hide in the distance, or kneel on the ground while shivering, not daring to do anything that would be taken as a sign of rebellion.

They knew that the master of this fort was a Heaven Rank powerhouse, yet someone rushed over and slaughtered those powerful mages. It was a bloodbath, no one was able to resist.

In half an hour, the Thunderwind Fort had been completely captured. Lin Yun then spent a few hours to search the Thunderwind Fort and all the hidden mages were killed.

As for whether they had the power to counterattack, Lin Yun wasn't too worried about it.

Lin Yun walked within the Thunderwind Fort, a stooped Expert Swordsman Beastman cautiously following behind him with a frightened expression.

Lin Yun had an icy expression plastered on his face. Under that Beastman's lead, he found any possible hidden spot within the Thunderwind Fort, and destroyed all chances of a possible ambush.

Lin Yun casually killed a High Mage hiding within an array, his expression even colder.

They had shed all pretenses, Dubois was a shameless person, thus Lin Yun didn't have to pretend or stay his hand.

'Heaven Rank...

'That's extremely troublesome. That damned b*stard...

'I can now contend with a Heaven Rank powerhouse and a 1st Rank Heaven Mage like Dubois can't kill me, but I can't kill him either...

'But Reina, Xiuban, the mage army and the others are unable to withstand the wrath of a Heaven Rank powerhouse. The eight forts of the Four Seasons Plain and the Radiant Fort can't withstand the rage of a Heaven Mage.

'They can't stop Dubois if he wants to slaughter them. They can't stop him if he wants to destroy my bases...'

'But, even if my subordinates can't stop you, your subordinates can't stop me...

'Haha, do you really think that a Heaven Rank powerhouse is invincible? There isn't even a Sky Sealing Array in the Thunderwind Fort! There are no decent defenses either! Did those foolish mages really think that they wouldn't have to worry because they were following a Heaven Rank powerhouse?

'Without a Heaven Rank powerhouse guarding it, it wouldn't take long to breach a fort like this.'

If he didn't make Dubois bleed, he would never see the end of it. Being haunted by a Heaven Rank powerhouse wasn't a good thing...

It was only the benefits of the Four Seasons Plain at the moment, but what if Lin Yun got more benefits later, how could Dubois not covet them?

The puppet army under Lin Yun's command transcended the puppets of this era, how could they not be coveted?

If he didn't scare Dubois off this time, walking on the Raging Flame Plane would become an ordeal.

Lin Yun expressionlessly killed all the mages he saw. Anyone resisting ever so slightly would be killed. He would rather kill than mistakenly let someone off.

These people were Dubois' entourage, and they still had faith in Dubois up till now, they weren't surrendering.

He had used a lot of resources to make those large mining puppets which extracted the ores of the Four Seasons Plain everyday, that was an astronomical amount of wealth.

There was also a large area with ore veins near the Radiant Fort, they were being mined everyday and the resources were delivered to the Four Seasons Plain.

These things were refined before being used on the defenses of the eight forts of the Four Seasons Plain. Puppet production became secondary, and not as many puppets were produced compared to the previous day.

He invested without looking at costs and hired Grey Beastmen, greatly increasing their wealth and living standards.

This was all in order to improve the defenses of the Grey Beastmen's fort, to make that fort able to resist the attack of a Heaven Rank powerhouse for a bit.

The Grey Beastmen's fort, was the only fort of the seven forts of the Four Seasons Plain with stronger defensive power, and Lin Yun's important subordinates were all gathered in there, making Lin Yun worry that something unexpected would happen.

He disregarded the amount of money he put into it, and sure enough, Dubois came... And as expected, he was shameless enough to attack the Grey Beastmen's fort.

"I must go faster..."

Lin Yun walked through the central street of the Thunderwind Fort while mumbling.

The Thunderwind Fort's defenses had been breached, most of its forces had been swept clean, but many people had escaped. They would join up with the powerhouses in the surroundings of the Thunderwind Fort to counterattack.

Lin Yun had to kill all these powerhouses before Dubois learnt of this!

Coldness flashed in Lin Yun's eyes. This scared the Beastman slave following him, making his legs continuously shake.

Sure enough, a few hours later, the powerhouses overseeing the surroundings of the Thunderwind Fort arrived and attacked Lin Yun. In one breath, that dozen Archmages and the few dozen High Mages were completely killed.

At that time, Lin Yun started searching for the Thunderwind Fort's wealth.

Although this place's wealth couldn't compare to the Grey Beastmen's fort, it was still a huge fort, and the fort overseen by Dubois.

The mined ores, magic metal, precious gems, various medicine and natural resources were delivered to the Thunderwind Fort.

The collections of the killed mages were all found and plundered by Lin Yun. In terms of Spatial Rings alone, he found several dozens.

Apart from all kinds of resources, they possessed some ordinary Magic Tools, over fifty Spiritual Magic Tools, and over twenty True Spirit Magic Tools. Unfortunately, only three of them had their own Magic Tool Incarnation. Their power wasn't that great, but the Magic Tool Incarnations were more mature than the Purple Dragon.

These things would be brought back and given to his mage army as they could still use them.

The large amount of natural resources were thrown into the Demiplane.

The Magic Array was revolving at maximum speed, displaying arrays, Teleportation Gates, and all the possible spots hiding probing spells.

He had to be thorough and couldn't let anything escape his search to avoid a possible ambush.

As he was going through a room, he did find a short range Teleportation Gate.

After Lin Yun cracked the Teleportation Gate, he found out that it led to another central area of the Thunderwind Fort, and that place was located in the biggest building.

"What is that?" Lin Yun pointed at that huge building over-thirty-meter-tall in the center of the Thunderwind Fort.

The Beastman following him promptly answered, "That's that terrifying Heaven Rank powerhouse's residence, that's all I know..."

Lin Yun waved his arm.

"Go, take other Beastmen with you and move out the valuable resources from the warehouses here."

After dispatching that Beastman, Lin Yun operated his Magic Array and his mana spread like a tentacle searching every single corner of that room.

Soon, he discovered that his mana couldn't cover one of the spots, a fist-sized area.

It didn't look particularly special, and even his Magic Array couldn't detect any aura there. Moreover, that spot was in the air, with nothing supporting it.

But it was able to stop mana from spreading, this raised questions!

Lin Yun took out a crystal pen and Star Ink before freely writing in the air, using mana to condense runes.

After a short period of time, a floating array condensed in the air. Apparently, there was a fist-sized Planar Path set up in that room.

Lin Yun opened the Planar Path and a chaotic aura spread out from within...

Chapter 938 Plunder

That plane didn't even have stable Elemental Laws, and there were only wind elements inside. Those fierce wind elements were condensing into countless sharp blades, constantly shattering the space. But after being shattered, it kept recovering under some sort of power. The plane's shape kept transforming as the plane reached the limit of collapse.

Lin Yun understood when he saw these circumstances. No wonder that Planar Path was active. It was a Demiplane left behind by a Heaven Rank powerhouse that had understood the Wind Law.

Moreover, seeing how this plane kept changing, that powerhouse must have purely understood the Wind Law, as there was nothing else moving within the plane, only Wind Blades. And the power of those Wind Blades was a lot higher than Space-Rending Blades.

It could be said that when this Heaven Rank powerhouse was still alive, just one of his Wind Blades would be able to tear through space.

But because of this, this Demiplane could no longer support that power and was already on the verge of collapse.

That array was linking the Demiplane to the Raging Flame Plane and temporarily attached it to the Raging Flame Plane. This slowed its collapse while using the Raging Flame Plane's power to slowly suppress the violent Demiplane.

If that Planar Path was closed, the Demiplane's coordinates would immediately change, and no one would be able to find it later. Eventually, the plane would thoroughly collapse and disappear into nothingness.

As he thought of Dubois, Lin Yun grinned. This had clearly been discovered by Dubois, who definitely didn't want anyone else to find it. There were as many as three auras covering that array, which shouldn't be considered a short-distance Teleportation Gate.

As he recalled the Laws that Dubois comprehended, Lin Yun was certain that Dubois had designs on that Demiplane.

Although many people felt that the Lightning Law, which branched from the Wind Law, was relatively stronger, Lin Yun knew that the simplest Wind Blade was actually the strongest.

Completely comprehending the Wind Blade was actually a Law path. At the end, space itself could be shattered and time itself could be temporarily cut. Using a Wind Blade to destroy a plane would really happen in the future.

That Demiplane was already on the brink of collapse. Its Origin Power had thoroughly burst out, and the Wind Blades were a materialization of this Demiplane's Origin Power. This was a rare opportunity.

If someone that also used the Wind Law was able to devour this Origin Power, it would equate to directly gaining some of the comprehension of this Demiplane's former owner. The Law of this Wind Blade Demiplane would materialize within their own Demiplane.

At that time, it would be too easy for Dubois to comprehend the Wind Blade Law. He could directly reach the initial stage, and the time required to comprehend it would be dozens of times faster than normal.

After devouring some of that Demiplane's Origin Power, it would also expand the Origin Power of Dubois's Demiplane, making it develop even more. He wouldn't have to worry about the growth of his Demiplane until reaching the 3rd Rank of the Heaven realm at the very least.

But these estimates would only be the case if Dubois happened to be as skillful as Lin Yun. If Dubois himself actually tried it, he would get a bit less than half of the benefits. Even so, that lesser half would still be enough to stabilize the foundation of his Law and easily promote him to the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm.

Standing in front of the Planar Path, Lin Yun sensed the berserk aura coming from within and sneered.

He opened the Book of Death and pronounced a strange character. In an instant, a rune flew out of the Book of Death and entered the Wind Blade Demiplane.

The berserk aura within the Demiplane was slowly suppressed. It happened very slowly, but not to the point of being unnoticeable.

Seeing this scene, Lin Yun nodded and sent three more runes into the Wind Blade Demiplane.

Once he was done, Lin Yun made the array regain its original shape, as if it had never been touched.

This would help Dubois... He greatly slowed the Demiplane's rate of collapse and even used a rune of the Book of Death to stabilize the Planar Path.

Increasing the Planar Path's stability was equivalent to reinforcing the connection between the Wind Blade Demiplane and the Raging Flame Plane. It would also greatly speed up the suppression speed of the Demiplane. No one would be able to see anything wrong... After all, that Demiplane wasn't intact in the first place.

Once Dubois rushed in, overjoyed, intent on plundering that Origin Power, he would be met with an even bigger surprise.

Lin Yun sneered and turned around to leave the room, making it look like he had only discovered some of the wealth there but missed that Teleportation Path.

In a day, Lin Yun had excavated all the secrets hidden with that fort. All the mages trying to hide were killed, and all those wanting to counterattack or ambush him were swiftly exterminated.

Apart from the Beastmen slaves, only puppets remained within the fort, patrolling and carrying around the plundered wealth.

A large number of puppets started setting up defenses in the Thunderwind Fort. The main defenses weren't put near the city walls. Instead, Lin Yun set them up near the center of the fort, especially around that thirty-meter-tall building. He even set up three Mana Crystal Cannons controlled by puppets.

These three Mana Crystal Cannons weren't defective imitations. They had been taken from the Intrepid, and he had recently managed to manufacture puppets that could fire them.

In a day, the wealth and treasure of the Thunderwind Fort had been taken by the Beastmen slaves to the huge square in the center of the fort. There were all kinds of processed metals, magic metals, medicinal plants, boxes of mana crystals, and so on. Everything had been moved there.

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At the same time, at the Grey Beastmen's fort, Dubois' offensive was still ongoing. Lightning bolt upon lightning bolt rained down, and a river of lightning kept washing over the barrier surrounding the fort.

The barrier kept fluctuating from the attacks, and the runes on the surface of the barrier had already started roaming. This showed that the barrier was losing its stability and that its supply of energy was falling. If this continued, the barrier would be breached within a day.

Dubois was shocked that he still hadn't been able to tear that barrier apart after a day, and some doubts rose in his mind. He only felt that as long as he breached the fort, Mafa Merlin would surely appear. That was why he kept attacking.

Dubois suddenly stopped and looked into the distance. Over there, a mage wearing a dilapidated robe and covered in bloodstains was swaying as he flew over.

Seeing the new arrival, Dubois' expression became ashen, and killing intent surged.

"What happened?"

Dubois cast a large Mana Hand and stopped that injured mage before pouring a bottle of Health Potion made by an Artisan into that mage's mouth.

The pale mage's unstable mana fluctuations became a bit better in an instant.

"Sir Dubois, this is no good! The Thunderwind Fort has been breached!"

The pale mage's expression was that of a bullied child crying to his parents.

"What! Sh*t, did one of the Beastmen's Heaven Rank powerhouses make a move? It's only been a day... Did they dispatch a powerful army? These damned idiots, f*ck!"

Dubois flew into a rage, lightning flickering within his eyes.

"No... Sir Dubois, it's that Mafa Merlin, he came by himself..."

Fear could be seen in that mage's eyes as he announced some shocking news.

Dubois' eyes were wide open and he held his breath. Anger and shock were bubbling up within him, and he almost felt like choking. His mana became chaotic as he spat out a mouthful of blood.

"Mafa Merlin!" Dubois roared before unhesitatingly opening a Spatial Door.

A two-meter-tall door of light slowly appeared in front of Dubois, and once it took form, he walked in, completely ignoring the mage behind him.

A unique ability of Heaven Mages, Spatial Door. As long as it was within the same plane, wasn't too far away, had known coordinates, and didn't have any interference in the middle, they could open a Spatial Door to directly teleport themselves.

It was theorized that as long as it was within the same plane, there was actually no distance limit for the Spatial Door. From Noscent's east, one could instantly teleport to the westernmost point of Noscent.

But this was just a theory. The chances of having interference between two places would keep increasing as the distance increased, and if there was some elemental chaos like two Heaven Ranks fighting, there would be a lot of interference.

Spatial Doors had huge restrictions. They simply couldn't be used within forts with powerful defenses and strong interference. A 1st Rank Heaven Mage could open one Spatial Door a day, and if they weren't in a hurry like Dubois, they wouldn't casually use it because it consumed too much mana.

Dubois had never used it in the Raging Flame Plane because it was a last resort. What if he used it and some urgent situation came up?

Now, he had to give up on attacking the Grey Beastmen's fort even if he didn't want to, because "that" place had great benefits for him.

Dubois stepped through, and a silver gleam appeared above the Thunderwind Fort a few seconds later.

The hint of silver rapidly formed a two-meter-tall door of light, and Dubois came out of it with a dark expression.

He looked at the calm Thunderwind Fort and sighed in relief.

'Fortunately, it hasn't been destroyed...'

Chapter 939 Four-Element Bomb

'That damned b*stard, that damned Mafa Merlin, he actually came to attack the Thunderwind Fort... I was careless, way too careless...'

Dubois gnashed his teeth. He had found some clues in the Black Tower's Holy Land concerning an 8th Rank Heaven Mage leaving behind a Demiplane. It was a Demiplane established on the foundation of the Wind Law, but following a completely different path from his own.

How could Dubois not be moved by this?

He consulted a lot of information before finally finding that it was roughly located in the Thunderwind Fort.

Thus, Dubois took the initiative to volunteer to provide assistance to the Raging Flame Plane. After arriving, he immediately attacked the Thunderwind Fort in person in order to ensure that the Thunderwind Fort wouldn't be destroyed.

Afterward, he had almost never left the Thunderwind Fort, especially after finding that Planar Path. He had secretly arranged an array and had been monitoring that Planar Path ever since.

He had been waiting for the Demiplane to stabilize in order to seize the benefits. Just a portion of the benefits would allow him to advance to the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm and solidify his foundations to an unprecedented extent. He wouldn't have too many obstructions before the 5th Rank.

The Lightning Spirit born in his Demiplane would also greatly mature, and its weak points would be shored up while its strength would greatly increase.

He had been personally keeping watch before, so he hadn't been worried about someone attacking it or destroying the fort. After all, who was willing to offend a Heaven Rank powerhouse?

But he definitely didn't expect that someone would be brazen enough to attack this place right after he left...

Dubois' expression kept changing as he used Eagle Sight to attentively survey the Thunderwind Fort. The hidden Planar Path's room was still intact, showing that it hadn't been exposed. Everything was in good condition.

Seeing this, Dubois was relieved. Shortly afterward, his fury soared and his Heaven Rank aura spread out as he floated towards the Thunderwind Fort.

In the Thunderwind Fort, Lin Yun was still inspecting the various kinds of metals, precious gems, mana crystals, and the rest of the loot.

Many of these things had been branded by people, and unless the brand was removed, Lin Yun wouldn't dare to casually put them in his Demiplane.

Lin Yun knew thirty-five ways to use these brands to calculate the coordinates of a Demiplane.

His Natural Demiplane was completely different from a Heaven Rank powerhouse's Demiplane established in the void. With the coordinates, some powerhouse could forcibly open a Planar Path and rush in.

If a powerhouse capable of using Extraordinary Power entered the Demiplane, they could destroy it or even snatch it away since Lin Yun had yet to reach the Heaven Rank.

Lin Yun naturally had to be a bit cautious. All the ores had to be cleansed through raging flames at least once. The medicinal ingredients were processed, and what could be used was mixed into potions.

Lin Yun, who was in the middle of processing medicinal ingredients, suddenly sensed the aura of a Heaven Rank powerhouse and immediately sneered. He left the assisting puppets deal with the rest and left the room.

As he came out, he saw a thundercloud gathered above Dubois' head, floating above the Thunderwind Fort.

"Mafa Merlin! You have successfully infuriated me! Damned b*stard, you actually dared to attack the Thunderwind Fort under my control! You are doomed, no one can save you!

"Immediately hand over the Thunderwind Fort and I can let you have a peaceful death. Otherwise, you'll keep on living in pain as I'll make you watch everyone you know die in front of your eyes. Everyone you are related to will die a tragic death in front of you!

"Your subordinates, your family, your relatives, as long as they are related to you, they'll all die!

"And it'll be your turn after their deaths. I'll cripple your mana and make you try the 186 extreme punishments of the Black Tower. It won't matter if you die, because I'll put your soul in a Pig Beastman's body and keep on torturing you before using your soul as a Soul Lamp.

"Your soul should be able to last for more than a millennium. I'll watch as your soul slowly wears down little by little, an appalling and fitting death..."

Dubois slowly floated over, the aura of a Heaven Rank powerhouse blossoming around him. The bellowing sounds were like earth-shattering thunder pressuring down.

Apart from Lin Yun, everyone in the entire Thunderwind Fort had been suppressed until they couldn't budge. Even the puppets' control systems had been influenced.

Lin Yun indifferently glanced at Dubois' grandstanding. Just as his mana fluctuations slightly changed, the three Mana Crystal Cannons were simultaneously controlled by the puppets.

After three seconds, a blinding light burst out of a Mana Crystal Cannon, and a thick pillar of light instantly appeared before Dubois' body.

Dubois sneered, and the lightning bolts covering his body automatically rushed out to meet the light pillar.

But Dubois' expression instantly changed when that surging river of lightning was unexpectedly pierced by that light pillar, which continued flying towards him.

A glaring cyan Lightning Shield instantly appeared in front of Dubois and clashed with the light pillar.

"Rumble..."

Thunder boomed as the Lightning Shield fiercely twisted and showed signs of breaking...

And that attack wasn't the end. Two more thick pillars of light instantly pierced through the river of lightning and exploded against the Lightning Shield.

"Snap..."

A sharp sound echoed as if glass was shattering.

Suddenly, the cyan Lightning Shield shattered.

The leftover power of the light pillars continued towards Dubois, who extended his finger. A Lightning Bolt appeared in front of him, instantly devouring that light pillar.

Dubois looked at those three Mana Crystal Cannons with an extremely nasty expression. He hadn't expected those cannons to be so powerful. They already exceeded the power of an 8th Tier Spell in a direct confrontation. While they couldn't compare to an Extraordinary Spell, they weren't too far off.

'I was caught off-guard and was almost humiliated...'

"Mafa Merlin! Get the f*ck over here! I want to tear your soul to shreds!" Dubois bellowed.

Following his roar, the lightning clouds in the sky kept churning and thunderclaps kept echoing.

"Rumble..."

Lin Yun flew to the peak of the building in the center of the Thunderwind Fort and sneered as he looked at Dubois.

"Idiot..."

Then, Lin Yun controlled the puppets and activated their battle mode, and all the puppets... started plundering the Thunderwind Fort with no regard for others.

Dubois spat out blood. With his Eagle Sight, he could clearly see the Purple Gold Throne in the main hall being torn to pieces, and all the equipment used to connect to the Wind Element Plane was dismantled and moved out of the hall. The puppets even stripped apart the floor made of Wind Spirit Magic Metal.

The anxious Dubois immediately sent a several-hundred-meter-long lightning bolt lancing towards Lin Yun.

The latter sneered again and dodged, but he didn't fly up. Instead, he flew down and used Lava Incarnation.

An eight-meter-tall Lava Giant appeared on the ground of the Thunderwind Fort, and the scalding lava formed waves that spread out from Lin Yun's location. The two hundred meters around Lin Yun turned into a pond of lava.

Every building within the range of the lava pond was ignited as they rapidly sank into the lava. Within three seconds, everything within two hundred meters had been cleanly destroyed.

The Purple Dragon's shadow was behind Lin Yun, and so was the wheel shadow. Lin Yun also took out the Draconic Staff and the Book of Death.

As soon as they appeared, Lin Yun went all-out and released boundless Lava Spells, transforming them into a spellwave that tyrannically flew towards Dubois.

Dubois was scattering lightning all over, his hair standing on end. As he chanted, lightning runes kept flying out of his mouth and transforming into dazzling lightning bolts that flew towards Lin Yun.

Lin Yun used the lava pond to keep dodging, not using a single defensive spell and completely focusing on offensive spells.

Behind him, the puppets controlling the Mana Crystal Cannons were also coordinating their attacks with Lin Yun. The Thunderwind Fort's defenses, the puppets, everything was attacking with Lin Yun.

The surging spellwave was like a flaring elemental wave that ruthlessly charged into the sky, continuously clashing with the lightning river.

The three Mana Crystal Cannons were locked onto Dubois' location and kept firing.

The light pillars kept piercing through the spells and heading straight for Dubois.

Although the Mana Crystal Cannons couldn't breach Dubois' defenses, they kept his hands tied. He could only keep releasing 9th Tier Crystal Lightning Shields.

A long river of surging lightning fell, destroying a dozen scattered puppets as well as a few dozen buildings.

As Lin Yun kept releasing spells, the lava pond followed Lin Yun's movement and kept spreading, destroying the buildings around him.

A corner of that thirty-meter-tall tower in the center was also destroyed. If it continued, that tower would certainly collapse.

As Dubois' Crystal Lightning Shield was once again shattered, Lin Yun released a Four-Element Bomb. The Four-Element Bomb instantly disappeared from in front of him, piercing through the air towards Dubois.

At that instant, a cyan layer appeared around him and lightning surged on top of it as wisps of mana kept roaming. Those rays of lightning and mana gathered together and transformed into runes that moved about the surface of the shield.

That was a Heaven Rank powerhouse's shield. It was called the Origin Shield and was a more advanced shield than the Runic Shield. It combined the Mana Shield, Runic Shield, and Elemental Shield. The Origin Shield was formed with mana as the foundation, and the Heaven Mage's own Law fused into it. That defensive ability was the fastest life-saving defensive spell of a Heaven Rank powerhouse.

Yet it was now used...

Chapter 940 Let's Talk

The Four-Element Bomb exploded on the Origin Shield, instantly covering it with its overwhelming power. The surrounding elemental power instantly dispersed, only leaving behind berserk destructive power.

And this wasn't over. Another two Four-Element Bombs hit Dubois' Origin Shield in succession and sent him flying.

Surging lightning roamed as a vortex appeared in the sky, sending another lightning river out of it and engulfing Dubois' body.

He ragingly bellowed, "Mafa Merlin! You are dead!"

The ten-meter-thick lightning river flooded down and submerged the Thunderwind Fort, instantly destroying half of the lava pond. Lin Yun kept flashing around and the lightning river kept chasing him relentlessly.

Buildings were torn into pieces, transforming into the finest powder.

In just four seconds, that thirty-meter-tall tower in the center of the Thunderwind Fort collapsed with a loud rumble.

As the tower collapsed, Dubois was suddenly roused.

Almost everything within a kilometer in the center of the Thunderwind Fort had been destroyed, and if this continued, that hidden Planar Path's area would be destroyed too.

Lin Yun was even dodging towards that location. Within ten seconds, that area would be covered in lava, and that room certainly wouldn't be able to resist the lava pond's heat.

The array within also couldn't resist the aftermath of the battle.

If the array was affected by the destruction, then let alone being discovered, that Planar Path could be thoroughly severed.

Dubois loudly ground his teeth. He had lightning roaming over his body, ready to explode, and his hair was standing straight and flickering with electricity.

Dubois was panting, bursting with rage. But he had no choice but to stop.

He had been held to a draw before, as no one had any advantage over the other. But now, it looked like he was at a bit of a disadvantage... He had been forced to use his Origin Shield. Using force to take back the Thunderwind Fort was impossible.

Only ruins would be left after taking it back, and there would be no Demiplane. What use would there be in that case?

Dubois ground his teeth and stopped casting. At the same time, the lightning vortex above his head also slowly dissipated.

As the lightning clouds disappeared, the dim sky recovered, and rays of sunshine shone brightly.

At that time, three more thick light pillars crossed over a kilometer before exploding on Dubois' Origin Shield. Caught off-guard, he was sent flying.

He flipped twice in the air, and with a greenish pale expression, he couldn't help shouting, "Mafa Merlin, let's talk."

Dubois managed to squeeze those words out, and in order to express his sincerity, he scattered all the lightning surrounding him, only leaving his Origin Shield up.

Lin Yun glanced at Dubois and disdainfully sneered.

He already knew that Dubois absolutely wouldn't dare to continue attacking. If he did, that Planar Path would be destroyed. So what if the buildings of the Thunderwind Fort were destroyed? These could be rebuilt in a few days. But that Planar Path would cease to exist if it was destroyed.

That Demiplane had no real use for Lin Yun, but it was absolutely comparable to an Extraordinary Magic Tool to Dubois.

After scattering his Lava Incarnation, Lin Yun didn't look at Dubois as he walked over to the square on the side.

There was a large amount of ore, smelted metal, magic metal, large excavated rocks, and precious gems.

It was clear that those rocks that exceeded three meters in size had been extracted by Beastman slaves. These Beastmen didn't know how to extract the raw gems within. If it was done incorrectly, those precious gems hidden inside would be destroyed, and the losses would be more significant than a vein of magic metal.

These were to be personally extracted by a mage, and the extraction method of every raw gem was different. Some raw gems would be wrapped within magic metal, and using force would only result in the destruction of the gem.

Lin Yun was about to personally extract the precious gems.

No one knew what raw gem would appear in the magic metal ore veins. It couldn't be defined, even at the peak of Noscent. It could only be roughly guessed that every magic metal ore vein could have those raw gems, and until they were excavated, no one could be certain.

This became something fun, and it would become a huge industry in the future. Ore from magic metal veins would be excavated, and mages would extract what was inside.

Many Heaven Mages liked the action of opening up raw gems. By spending a few Level 10 mana crystals, they could potentially find a treasure worth over ten thousand spirit mana crystals.

Lin Yun took out a tool and started striking that rock piece by piece, very carefully exposing the magic metal ore inside before searching for a possible raw gem there.

Soon, over twenty ordinary raw gems were at Lin Yun's feet. He had a focused appearance as if the flying Dubois didn't exist.

In the sky, Dubois' eyelids were twitching, and his chest was violently heaving up and down. His mana fluctuations became chaotic.

It took Dubois ten seconds to suppress his rage, and only after suppressing the fire in his heart did his voice reach Lin Yun like muffled thunder.

"Mafa Merlin, I admit that I underestimated your strength. I can't handle you, but you can't do anything against me. Continuing to fight wouldn't be good for either of us. As long as you give back the Thunderwind Plane, I'll treat anything that happened before as if it never happened, and I can forgive all the sins you committed.

"But you have to compensate me for my losses, and for the losses of everyone overseeing the Thunderwind Fort. Our grievances will wait until the matter of the Raging Flame Plane is over. Before then, I won't make a move against you. I also won't attack your people."

Dubois looked very sullen. A grand Heaven Mage was actually giving ground to an Archmage.

Moreover, the other side had attacked his own headquarters and destroyed them...

The Black Tower's experts in the Thunderwind Fort had all disappeared. It was unknown how many were killed, and these were Dubois' entourage. Losing them was like losing a chunk of his own flesh. Especially those Archmages... That was a huge loss. He still didn't know if the three 9th Rank Archmages had fallen...

Humiliation, it was simply a disgrace. This was a humiliation everyone would laugh at.

Dubois felt that he had made great concessions. As a Heaven Rank powerhouse, he had taken a step back. This mark of respect should be good enough.

But...

"Haha, a fist-sized Blue Blood Gem, that's good luck. Hmm, that giant mana reactor can be improved by an entire grade..."

Lin Yun's luck was quite good to actually discover a fist-sized Blue Blood Gem. Its entire body was sky blue like a blue crystal, but there seemed to be a pile of dense blue blood inside. As it swayed, the blue liquid could faintly be seen flowing.

This was a precious gem even more precious than Fowl Blood Gem, it contained extremely terrifying power and could supply the mana reactor of a Low Heaven Rank puppet.

By modifying the giant mana reactor of the Grey Beastmen's fort and adding the Blue Blood Gem and Fowl Blood Gem as core fuel, the power it burst out with would be enough to allow the fort's barrier to withstand Dubois' attack for an extra three days.

Lin Yun took out a box and put the Blue Blood Gem inside before continuing the extraction process.

It seemed as if he hadn't heard Dubois' "sincere" words...

Dubois almost spurted blood. Lightning spread from his body and his eyes were flickering with lightning as his mana went berserk.

Thunder started echoing above his eyes, and clouds slowly converged.

Lin Yun, who had been ignoring Dubois, reacted instantly and threw away his tools before reactivating Lava Incarnation. He remained there, attentively watching the floating Dubois.

It was as if he was saying, 'If you want to fight, then come.'

Seeing Lin Yun's attitude, Dubois' emerging rage was instantly extinguished.

The black clouds dissipated, and he even scattered his Origin Shield.

A helpless and sullen expression flashed in his eyes as he softly sighed.

"Mafa Merlin, I'll act as if nothing happened before, and I also won't bicker with you. We can have peace talks. You hand over the Thunderwind Fort, and from that point on, we won't have any grievances. I also won't retaliate.

"Let's forget about everything. In the future, I'll follow my path, and you follow yours, with no grudges between us.

"How about it?"

Dubois felt very gloomy. He could only stare blankly as the ores he'd collected were slowly opened by Lin Yun. There had been several ordinary raw gems and three precious raw gems, the most precious of which had been the Blue Blood Gem, which was even fist-sized.

Fighting was no longer possible, as the Planar Path was too close to this area. Once they started fighting, the Planar Path would inevitably be destroyed.

'Damn, that damned guy... Alright, I'll endure. I'll bear with it for the sake of that Demiplane. As long as I have that Demiplane, everything else within the Raging Flame Plane is unimportant. Once I plunder the Origin Power of that Demiplane, I'll have plenty of opportunities to deal with that Mafa Merlin.'

After a while, Lin Yun was still not reacting. A vein was twitching on Dubois' forehead as he kept everything bottled up and asked, "Sir Merlin, peace talks?"

Lin Yun raised his head and sneered, "Haha..."