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The entire sky had transformed into a projection screen, astonishing the entire world.

In bases all over the world, people were looking up en masse at the distant sky, witnessing this scene that seemed like a miracle.

Even at the peak of human technology, no one had the ability to use the entire sky as a projection surface.

Moreover, these images were too realistic, not like projections, but rather like the legendary mirage of a Fata Morgana—except that a Fata Morgana could not be this clear, nor could it offer close-ups.

Most humans had taken this astounding scene for a Fata Morgana, but a select few knew that this was not any mirage, but rather a Firmament Projection System common in more advanced alien civilizations.

Those humans, the Mutators, who had been to technologically advanced alien planets, many had seen this kind of Firmament Projection System before, and their expressions were now uncertain.

The Firmament Projection System was only available in high-level civilizations, something that current human civilizations could not build.

The sudden appearance of the Firmament Projection System here made them worry if aliens had already come to this planet.

The current strength of humanity was not enough to fight against such civilized alien species, and should the alien species wage war, it could very well be an annihilating battle for humanity.

Super-Bases such as Tiancheng Base, Sea Corn Base, Wanderer Base, God's Love Base, and others dispatched many people, all starting to search for the location of the Firmament Projection System.

They were both hoping to find and also not hoping to find the aliens, their emotions were quite complicated.

“Who are those people? The places in the mirage look so strange, where is that?”

“Look, why is the sun there blue?”

“Why are there so many perspectives? It’s like each person has an exclusive view, as if it’s being filmed following them. Can a Fata Morgana do that?”

“What is this thing after all? Who exactly are those people?”

Most people had such doubts, while the inhabitants of Yashen Base quickly recognized the Mutators from the Lu and Xu Families, which added to their puzzlement.

The Lu and Xu families reacted swiftly, dispatching people to the vicinity of Jinshui Lake as quickly as possible to investigate.

They soon saw the Realm King Cultivation Device, but not Xu Tiange, Lu Qing, or anyone else, and for a while, no one dared to touch the strange device.

Some tried to approach the device, but after a burst of alarm sounds, those who tried to get close were reduced to ashes by an erupting ring of light.

Those watching the images soon realized that the scenes in the sky were very much like an outdoor survival show, with each person encountering different Base Variant Creatures in that dangerous place.

What they found inconceivable was that the Base Variant Creatures there were all unfamiliar to them, and several different mutated creatures had appeared in different places in just a few hours.

“My God, is that a Mutated Crystal Base? That’s terrifying!”

“Why is that Mutator running so slowly? Is he really a Mutator?”

“Two have died already!”

Bai Shenfei was also watching the images in the sky, her expression extremely complex.

She knew that place, because she had been there herself, but she couldn’t have imagined that it would be projected like this. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

“Those old fellows must be having a headache now, huh?” Bai Shenfei seemed to think of something and a smile actually appeared at the corner of her mouth.

Her gaze fell on a familiar figure in the image, and she couldn't help frowning: “How is he there?”

Inside Dark Bird Base, the top tiers of the Lin, Wang, and Qi families all looked troubled.

The Qi and Wang families had originally thought that this was a secret exclusive to them, and that only they, the holders of the Dark Bird, could enter that mysterious place.

In the future, all the Base Mutation resources there would be theirs, and they could use those resources to grow their family clans. In a few decades, they could develop into great families like the Super-Bases, or they might even become the top-level families.

Not only had other people entered that mysterious place, but it was also projected into the void, filling them with fear, disappointment, and rage.

Lin Miao was worried about Lin Shen's safety, wondering why he would be in such a place. The Base Variant Creatures there were too terrifying.

Lin Shen and his group had temporarily hidden in a small grove, which was close to the beach and not very large—they were only seeking temporary shelter.

“Wei, didn't you say you've used teleporters many times and visited many planets? How come you can't even recognize a teleporter?” Lin Shen pulled Wei Wufu aside and asked him in a low voice.

“The device, it's different,” Wei Wufu shook his head.

Lin Shen thought so too and then asked, “Have you ever heard of the terms ‘Realm King Cultivation Device’ or ‘Observers’?”

Wei Wufu continued to shake his head, apparently hearing them for the first time.

Lin Shen felt somewhat helpless. If even Wei Wufu had no clue, it would be difficult to clarify the origins of this so-called Realm King Cultivation Device.

Of course, Lin Shen didn't care what the Realm King Cultivation Device was. Regardless of its name, it was just a teleporter.

What he really wanted to know was who these so-called Observers were.

From the clues they had, the Realm King Cultivation Device appeared to have come from an extraterrestrial source.

However, Lin Shen had inquired from Tian Xin that space travel required a spacecraft, and it was impossible for a single instrument to cross the void on its own.

All they had seen was the Realm King Cultivation Device, which suggested two possibilities.

One possibility was that a spacecraft had already arrived near their planet, and the Realm King Cultivation Device was deployed by them.

In that case, the so-called Observers should be the aliens inside the spacecraft, observing humans with some scheme in mind.

But there was another possibility: the spacecraft transporting the Realm King Cultivation Device encountered some problems, and the device happened to land on their planet, much like the transport pods that carried the Primeval Eggs over two hundred years ago.

If that were the case, there would be no Observers. Then where would the Realm King Cultivation Device be broadcasting their images back to?

Lin Shen guessed that it might just be playing on the device itself, likely unseen by many.

Lin Shen clearly underestimated the capability of the Realm King Cultivation Device, unaware that they were being watched by the entire human world.

Returning to this planet, Lin Shen still had confidence that he could survive successfully.

After arriving once again, he quickly adapted to the gravity here.

Not just adapting, Evolution Theory once again took effect under the gravitational environment, causing Lin Shen's body to undergo strengthened mutation and become even more robust.

Under the baptism of the gravitational environment, Lin Shen distinctly felt his bone density and strength increase as Evolution Theory circulated.

Of course, the three instances of sensing the Sacrifice +1 notification also informed Lin Shen that three of the people who were teleported with them had probably died by now.

With the experience from last time, Lin Shen already knew how to use the Sacrifice to Heaven ability, hiding the aura gained after offering the sacrifices.

Certainly, his most formidable trump card was Fei Zai (Fatty), who was sleeping the sweetest sleep in his backpack.

Now, Lin Shen's ability to survive was considerably stronger than the last time he was here.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing were both Alloy Level, and they each had Crystal Base Level pets with them, but in such a place, they still decided to follow Lin Shen, looking to him as their leader.

"Shen, a Base Variant Creature has come out from the sea," whispered Xu Tiange, who was on watch, as he stealthily slipped back and spoke in a hushed voice.

The group moved towards the edge of the grove, hiding in the underbrush and looking toward the beach. Indeed, they saw a Base Variant Creature emerging from the sea.

"Damn, what kind of Base Variant Creature is that!"

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The exclamation wasn't from any of the four individuals among Lin Shen and his group but from the people watching their exclusive images.

Many people who were watching the images had been attracted to this side.

In fact, since the beginning of the projection of the images from the sky, quite a few people had been drawn to Lin Shen's four-person team.

There were handsome men, beautiful women, and tough guys; who wouldn't want to watch?

Unfortunately, this half-day had passed, and the four of them only hid in the small woods without going anywhere, timid as a nest of mice, with nothing worth watching. In contrast, several other temporary teams had erupted into fights with Base Variant Creatures several times, some with casualties, which was even more eye-catching.

The number of people originally watching Lin Shen's side had dwindled a lot, but after that Base Variant Creature walked out from the sea, it immediately caught the attention of many people, and a crowd turned their gaze this way.

The Base Variant Creature that emerged from the sea was clad in magnificent golden armor, holding a golden trident in its hand, resembling a statue of a Golden Deity.

Without mentioning anything else, the appearance of this Base Variant Creature was simply too eye-catching, all shining golden, reflecting dazzling glints of gold under the sunlight.

Over two meters tall, robust like a deity from Greek mythology donning golden armor, anyone who saw it would be dazzled.

“This Base Variant Creature looks so strong; it must be an Alloy Creature, right?”

“The sneaky small team of four is finally going to fight against a Base Variant Creature?”

“The four of them look young; I wonder if they’ve advanced to Alloy Level; will they dare to make a move?”

“They absolutely have to fight!”

“Fight what? They’d better run; those four have been hiding all along, certainly at lower levels, probably all Steel Level rookies. Facing it head-on would be like delivering themselves on a plate.”

“Such a dazzling Base Variant Creature, and it’s humanoid too; it would be great if it could be turned into a pet.”

“Stop dreaming, adult Base Variant Creatures almost never offer up their keys to become pets.”

At this moment, people seemed to suddenly rediscover the thrill those humans had over two hundred years ago when watching videos and live streams, except now the whole world was watching a grand live show together.

“Do we have a pet? Send one to test the waters.” Seeing the Base Variant Creature approaching them, likely having discovered them, Lin Shen said to Xu Tiange.

He was unwilling to use his own pets; those were his ammunition.

Xu Tiange, without any more words, directly threw out a Pet Capsule which transformed into an Iron-horned Horse upon landing on the beach.

“See, I told you, they only have an Iron-horned Horse for a pet; they must all be Steel Level, which is why they’ve been hiding and not daring to venture out.”

Upon seeing the Iron-horned Horse, someone immediately showed a look of disappointment. They didn’t want to watch a scene of Steel Level humans being slaughtered by Base Variant Creatures.

Some people felt that the players in the images weren't that good; even they could have done it.

The Iron-horned Horse, following Xu Tiange's command, charged towards the Base Variant Creature. When it got close, it lowered its head and struck with the horn on its forehead.

The Base Variant Creature, like a Golden Armored Deity, didn't dodge or avoid. It didn't even use the golden trident in its hand, instead extending its free hand and grabbing the horn of the Iron-horned Horse.

The Iron-horned Horse, charging fiercely, was abruptly stopped in its tracks. No matter how hard its hooves tried, they couldn't move forward an inch, nor could they break free from the Base Variant Creature's grasp, only slipping in place.

Crack!

The Base Variant Creature seemed to apply just a bit of strength and snapped off the Iron-horned Horse's horn, casually throwing it on the ground.

The Iron-horned Horse, in agony, backed away with a scream, but before it could take two steps, it was suddenly impaled by the golden trident, pinned dead on the beach.

"So strong! That Golden Deity-like Base Variant Creature is explosively powerful."

"Strength is secondary; the key is how cool it looks. That style, those moves—just too cool."

"Now the four-person team is in trouble."

"Quickly look, the Golden Deity is walking towards their hiding place; it must have discovered them."

As the Golden Deity advanced step by step towards the small woods where the four were hiding, many people's hearts were caught in their throats.

"Wei, it's up to you," Lin Shen glanced at Xu Tiange, who seemed somewhat evasive, and then spoke to Wei Wufu at his side.

Alloy Base Variant Creatures weren't too much for Xu Tiange to handle, he still had the Crystal Base pet his old man had given him, and he could take care of a few more Alloy Creatures.

The problem was that Xu Tiange was unfamiliar with this area, unsure of the unique traits of the Base Variant Creatures here, and he didn't want to take chances.

Lu Qing usually seemed to have a somewhat assertive personality, but Lin Shen understood her better. She was actually a girl who was rather indecisive internally, needing someone beside her to help make decisions, someone who needed guidance.

Wei Wufu responded and immediately walked out.

“This guy seems to be quite capable; among the four, his combat power must be the highest, right?”

“I suppose he could be Alloy Level, otherwise why would he dare to fight while the other three are hiding and not showing themselves?” Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

As people discussed, Wei Wufu suddenly exerted his strength and sprinted towards the Base Variant Creature, which also charged at Wei Wufu.

During the charge, a purple Alloy Carapace had already appeared on Wei Wufu’s body.

Clang!

The instant the two shadows swiftly intersected, a crisp metallic impact sounded.

Before the audience could see clearly what had happened, Wei Wufu and the Base Variant Creature had already passed by each other and dashed forward, only stopping seven or eight meters later, back to back.

Wei Wufu now had an Alloy Blade in his hand, pointing towards the sky, without even turning back, the blade slowly lowered, letting the Base Mutation Fluid drip to the ground.

The Base Variant Creature behind him suddenly fell to the ground, and during the fall, its head parted from its body.

“Holy smokes, that was powerful. Who is this guy?”

“With such strength, why hide? Go kill those Base Variant Creatures.”

“That blade, so fast.”

People were amazed by Wei Wufu’s swift blade, but soon someone screamed, as from within the waves, one after another, golden-hued Base Variant Creatures resembling Golden Deities emerged from the sea.

One... two... three... seven... ten... thirteen...

In just a moment, more than a dozen Golden Deity-like Base Variant Creatures were walking upon the beach from the sea, with more appearing behind them from the waves.

“Shen, should we flee or fight?” Xu Tiange looked to Lin Shen for his opinion.

“Retreat,” Lin Shen answered without hesitation, planning to call Wei Wufu to retreat together.

However, he looked to another side of the grove and saw several golden-hued Base Variant Creatures resembling Golden Deities encircling from that direction as well.

Looking in other directions, the same Base Variant Creatures surrounded them; unbeknownst to them, these creatures had already besieged the grove.

“Repair the bridge in daylight, cross the river under cover of night; the previous Base Variant Creature was just a distraction, those creatures are actually utilizing military tactics!”

“So many Alloy Creatures, can they really make it out alive?”

“I doubt it, unless the other three are as strong as the guy with the blade.”

Seeing they were surrounded, Lin Shen said to Xu Tiange and Lu Qing, “Try to use pets in combat as much as possible, don’t get involved personally unless absolutely necessary, conserve your strength.”

Having said that, he himself completed his Base Mutation, his entire body enveloped by a mirror-like Steel Carapace.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing answered, they too completed their Base Mutations, and Alloy Carapaces appeared on their bodies.

“Damn, out of those four young people, there are actually three Alloys; what the hell were they hiding from before?”

“Wait a minute, why do I feel like those three Alloy Mutators are all listening to the Steel Mutator?”

“Must be some big family’s young master, right? Those three Alloy Mutators are his bodyguards?”

“These big family kids really know how to live it up: a Steel with three Alloy bodyguards, and there’s even a female bodyguard among them, pretty chic.”

“With so many Alloy Creatures, can the three Alloys protect him?”

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“Charge out.” Lin Shen chose a direction, and Wei Wufu charged out first. He didn’t have any high-level pets to use, so he had to charge out on his own.

Lin Shen followed behind Wei Wufu, with Lu Qing and Xu Tiange flanking him on the left and right, respectively. Almost simultaneously, each tossed out two Pet Capsules that transformed into Alloy Creatures, protecting their rear.

Wei Wufu was really fierce, charging at the forefront alone. His swift movements allowed him to avoid being surrounded, while he swung his blade toward an Alloy Creature.

The Alloy Creature raised its harpoon to meet the attack, but it was a step too late, as Wei Wufu’s blade severed its arm.

Wei Wufu took on four opponents, still with ease to spare.

Other Alloy Creatures rushed over, but they were blocked by four Alloy Creatures, and for the moment, they couldn’t break through.

Lin Shen held the Angel Revolver in his hand but didn’t rush to shoot, because his gun was loaded with Steel Capsules and unless it hit a vital spot, it wouldn’t be easy to kill these Alloy Creatures.

The spectators marveled at Wei Wufu’s bravery and were also anxious for the pets of Xu Tiange and Lu Qing.

Under the onslaught of so many Alloy Creatures, it was feared that the four Alloy Creatures might not hold out for long.

When their gaze fell on Lin Shen, the scene seemed to shift in an odd direction.

A Steel Mutator, Lin Shen was holding a small handgun, and they had no idea what use the handgun could have against the Alloy Creatures.

If you had an anti-tank rifle, it might be slightly useful, but what’s the point of wielding a small handgun there, are you joking around?

Some even noticed that within the backpack on Lin Shen's back, there was actually a pigeon, with its round little head poking out from the opening of the backpack, curiously looking around.

"This young master is truly exceptional; coming to such a dangerous place, I can barely understand carrying a handgun for a lack of security, seeking psychological comfort. But in such a big backpack, you could at least carry more Pet Capsules with you, or maybe some food and water. What are you doing with a real pet pigeon inside—is this a vacation?" Someone couldn't help but make a snide comment.

Because Lin Shen hadn't been seen using any pets, many people had this kind of thought.

Most people felt that Lin Shen was a burden, and in such a dangerous environment, he could likely become a liability to his teammates.

Especially, Lin Shen's behavior seemed so abstract that it left people confused about what was going on in his head.

Only a few who had seen a Pet Capsule Launcher knew that the gun in Lin Shen's hand was high-end merch, not something an average person could get.

On the second floor of a teahouse at Dark Bird Base, Wang Tian'er and Qi Shuheng were drinking tea while watching the mirage-like images in the sky.

"Brother Tian'er, what's your Wang Family's take on this matter?" Qi Shuheng's expression looked a bit grim.

The place they considered forbidden was now publicly disclosed, a significant blow to both Qi Shuheng and the Qi Family.

It was no different for the Wang Family. Wang Tian'er forced a bitter smile, "What opinion could I possibly hold? The entire world now knows that place exists. I believe it won't be long before the major families from the Super-Bases will come looking for it. This secret is definitely impossible to keep any longer."

"That may not necessarily be the case," said Qi Shuheng, glancing at Lin Shen. "They were able to get in, and I'd wager nine times out of ten it's thanks to the Dark Bird of the Lin Family. If Lin Shen and the Dark Bird die inside, without the Dark Bird, who else could find Gourd Mountain?"

Qi Shuheng was clearly mistaken, thinking that Lin Shen really had a Dark Bird in hand and that the people from the Lu and Xu Families were led in by Lin Shen using the Dark Bird.

“You think if he dies, those major families won’t be able to figure it out? As long as someone comes out alive, it’s the same. We can’t keep our Dark Bird anymore,” sighed Wang Tian’er.

Qi Shuheng fell silent for a moment, then sighed helplessly, deflated, “We’ve plotted for so long and ended up with nothing, and now we might even be wedding-dress makers for others. It’s too frustrating.”

“Stop thinking about that for now; focus on how to save our lives and secure our family’s safety instead,” said Wang Tian’er, who usually appeared combative but now saw things more clearly than Qi Shuheng. “Those major families will find us sooner or later. We can’t keep the Dark Bird any longer. You better think carefully about what to trade it for.”

Qi Shuheng bitterly said, “You’re right, it’s time to think about these things, but I just can’t help feeling resentful. The chance for us to rise was right before us; it’s all because of those bastards of the Lin Family.”

“What’s the use of resentment? This is how the world works; only the strong survive,” Wang Tian’er paused before continuing, “Actually, for us, this isn’t necessarily a bad thing. I don’t know how the Lin Family managed this commotion, exposing that secret place to the whole world. But because of that, even the major families won’t be able to monopolize the place. Although we can’t keep the Dark Bird, we might still secure some spots to enter that mysterious place. By relying on major families to get us in there, it’ll be safer than going in by ourselves, and we might gain more.”

“I hope so,” Qi Shuheng said, still resentful as he watched Lin Shen’s figure. “In any case, the people from the Lin Family really deserve to die.”

The deserving-to-die Lin Shen wasn’t dead yet and was constantly sizing up the Alloy Creatures charging at him. His gun had never fired.

“No good, we can’t hold them off. Xu Tiange, stop holding back and bring out your trump-card Pet,” urged Lu Qing, pulling out a Pet Capsule that looked like a red jade stone and transformed it into a combat-ready stance with his hand.

A red jade lion roared into life and pounced on the incoming Alloy Creatures, tackling one to the ground. Its sharp claws tore through the creature’s chest as though the hard golden armor was mere paper under its grasp.

Xu Tiange also stopped holding back and threw out a Pet Capsule that looked like gold crystal, summoning a Gold Crystal Giant Bull that charged forward, sending Alloy Creatures flying. Its horns even pierced through an Alloy Creature, lifting and tossing it halfway into the air.

The appearance of the two Crystal Base Pets instantly changed the course of the battle, like a tiger among wolves, quickly slaying several Alloy Creatures.

The golden harpoons of the Alloy Creatures plunged into their bodies could not inflict any harm and only left them to be slaughtered. .

“Damn, those two bodyguards actually have Crystal Base Pets!”

“Who exactly is that young master, having Crystal Base Pets for bodyguards?”

“Isn’t this the strongest playboy around? No wonder he dared to venture into such a dangerous place with only a Steel Mutator, a pigeon, and a small handgun.”

As the two Crystal Base Pets displayed their might, more people were drawn to watch, and increasingly many eyes turned towards the images of Lin Shen and his companions.

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In a moment, the two Crystal Base pets had slain seven or eight Base Variant Creatures, causing the others, who no longer dared to besiege them, to turn tail and flee towards the sea.

The Red Jade Lion and the Gold Crystal Horned Cow pursued and killed several more Base Variant Creatures, and the rest escaped back into the ocean.

“Clean up the battlefield,” Lin Shen said as he took out a water pouch to collect the Base Mutation Fluid from the bodies of the Base Variant Creatures.

Alloy Level Base Mutation Fluid was still worth some money.

For Lin Shen, who was now penniless, this Base Mutation Fluid was a considerable fortune.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing were somewhat taken aback, as they hadn’t brought anything to collect Base Mutation Fluid when they set out.

They had only planned to look for the Base Mutation Box; who could have expected to end up in such a place, totally unprepared?

Their subordinates had such items on them, but they were not around at the moment.

Seeing their expressions, Lin Shen knew for sure they hadn't brought anything, so he took out a roll of portable plastic water bags from his backpack and gave each of them two, telling them to collect the Base Mutation Fluid themselves.

They needed to spend three days in this place, and they would need food and drink, which Lin Shen would later have to share with them. He didn't want to work only to provide for them.

"Lin Shen really came prepared; it seems he knew beforehand that the Realm King Cultivation Device would send us to this bizarre planet, which is why he brought so many water bags," Xu Tiange thought, preoccupied with the idea that Lin Shen had been ready all along.

Lin Shen did not ask Wei Wufu to collect the Base Mutation Fluid but tasked him with keeping watch by the shore. In case the Base Variant Creatures made a comeback, he could sound an alarm immediately.

While collecting the Base Mutation Fluid, a surprised cry came from Lu Qing, "There's a Base Mutation Egg!"

Lin Shen and Xu Tiange quickly made their way over, only to see that within the torn chestplate of a Base Variant Creature, killed by the Red Jade Lion, there lay a golden Base Mutation Egg.

"Check the other Base Variant Creatures to see if there are any eggs inside their chests," Lin Shen said as he walked over to the body of another Base Variant Creature, which unfortunately had its chest intact, making it impossible to see if there were any eggs inside.

"I'll help you open it," Lu Qing volunteered, commanding the Red Jade Lion to come and tear open the chestplate of the creature.

Unfortunately, there were no Base Mutation Eggs inside.

"I've found one too," Xu Tiange called from nearby, his luck serving him well as he too had discovered a Base Mutation Egg.

The three of them turned over all the bodies, finding a total of three Base Mutation Eggs.

Xu Tiange found one, Lu Qing found two, and Lin Shen didn't find any. Lu Qing offered one to Lin Shen, but Lin Shen refused it.

“The Base Variant Creatures in this place have a high chance of carrying Base Mutation Eggs. Should we go hunt some more Base Variant Creatures?” Lu Qing suggested, no longer as tense as he was at the beginning, contemplating the viability of a hunt.

“Shen, with our strength as a group of four, we should be fine against Crystal-based Creatures, as long as there aren’t too many,” Xu Tiange added.

The rate of Base Mutation Egg production here surprised him; back home, finding Base Mutation Eggs was not so easy.

Only a few Base Variant Creatures would carry Base Mutation Eggs, and normally, after conceiving an egg, they would find a concealed nest to await the laying of the egg and would scarcely come out again, making them hard to find.

The people watching the battle thought that this four-person team should go out and hunt Base Variant Creatures instead of hiding away as they had earlier.

Among all the temporary teams, this four-member team, with three at the Alloy Level and two possessing Crystal Base pets, had the strength to rank among the top three.

The other two teams, whose strength was not inferior to theirs, were already hunting Base Variant Creatures all over, with quite successful gains, unlike their own surreptitious approach.

After much consideration, they could only attribute the reason to Lin Shen.

It was commonly believed that Lin Shen, the playboy, was afraid of death and only wanted to sneakily grow stronger, which is why he would hide and not hunt Base Variant Creatures.

Suddenly, a gigantic wave surged toward the beach, reaching much farther than the previous waves, prompting Lin Shen and his two companions to retreat.

When the seawater receded, the corpses of the Base Variant Creatures that were previously close to the ocean had been swept away into the sea.

Just when the onlookers felt pity, they saw a golden figure emerge from the waves.

“There’s still a Gold Armored Sea Demon daring to come out...” Xu Tiange’s eyes lit up, but upon seeing it clearly, his expression turned grave.

While they had been killing these Base Variant Creatures, they had learned from their watches that these creatures were known as Gold Armored Sea Demons, Alloy Level Base Variant Creatures.

However, the creature walking out from the waves was not one of those Alloy Level Gold Armored Sea Demons they had killed before.

This Gold Armored Sea Demon had a significantly larger body, standing over three meters tall.

Its entire armor resembled golden crystal silk, shimmering with countless golden threads within the Crystal Armor under the sunlight.

Its armor was also more ornate with ancient and mysterious patterns, and the helmet resembled a crown; in its hand, it wielded not a simple spear but a Golden Crystal Trident.

“Crystal-based Creature!” Lu Qing, whose enthusiasm for hunting Base Variant Creatures had just been ignited, also looked at the Crystal Base Level Gold Armored Sea Demon with a grave face.

“Lu Qing, let’s join forces to take it down, and we’ll split the profits evenly,” Xu Tiange hesitated for a moment, feeling that they should not be afraid of the Crystal-based Creature if it was two against one.

With such a high chance of these Base Variant Creatures nurturing Base Mutation Eggs, killing this Gold Armored Sea Demon might reward them with a Crystal Mutation Egg.

Lu Qing turned to Lin Shen and said, “Lin Shen, you should go hide in the thicket first, and after we kill it, we’ll give you a share of the Base Mutation Fluid.”

The previous battle had eased Lu Qing’s nerves a bit, and she had gained some confidence.

Like Xu Tiange, she also realized the high chance of Base Variant Creatures here nurturing Base Mutation Eggs, seeing it as a rare opportunity.

“No need, whoever hunts the Base Variant Creature keeps it,” Lin Shen signaled for Wei Wufu to retreat with him into the thicket.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing were unaware of the situation here, but Lin Shen knew all too well that there were many mutated creatures in this area, and that Gold Armored Sea Demon might not be just an ordinary Crystal Base.

Lin Shen did not try to dissuade them—he knew that cutting off someone’s path to wealth was like killing one’s parents. Now, stopping Xu Tiange and Lu Qing might not necessarily turn them into enemies, but it would invariably leave a thorn in their hearts, making it difficult for them to get along harmoniously in the future.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing exchanged looks and simultaneously commanded the Red Jade Lion and the Gold Crystal Horned Cow to charge at the Gold Armored Sea Demon.

The durability and strength of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow exceeded 39 points, and although it had not reached 40, it was already considered a very strong tank-type pet.

The Red Jade Lion was more balanced, with all stats above 36 points. Coupled with its rending claws and rapid chasing speed, it was a fearsomely aggressive type of pet.

Leading the charge, the Gold Crystal Horned Cow rammed forward, its two massive gold crystal horns fiercely striking towards the Gold Armored Sea Demon that had just stepped onto the beach.

The Gold Armored Sea Demon's faceplate was smooth, without mouth or nose, and only had a horizontal bar over the eyes that twinkled with a golden light.

Sighting the charging Gold Crystal Horned Cow, it positioned its trident horizontally, blocking the massive horns.

The brute force of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow was unmatched; a single charge was enough to pierce and send a heavy tank flying. Search* The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Ordinarily, a Crystal-based Creature taking such a hit would likely be pushed back repeatedly or even impaled by the massive horns.

But when the Gold Armored Sea Demon's trident blocked the horns, it remained unmoved, its strength no less than that of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow.

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Almost at the moment the Gold Armored Sea Demon crossed its arms holding the trident to block the charge of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow, the Red Jade Lion leapt from behind the Gold Crystal Horned Cow, and in an instant, pounced on the Gold Armored Sea Demon. The lion's paw, endowed with the Claw Rending Innate Skill, swiped toward the Gold Armored Sea Demon's head like a gust of wind.

"Got it."

“Should’ve done this earlier.”

“With such powerful Crystal Base pets, what were you dilly-dallying for all this time.”

“The Red Jade Lion and the Gold Crystal Horned Cow are among the top pets in the Crystal Base Level, one an attacker, the other a tank. They were always a perfect match.”

People watching from around the world seemed to have already visualized the scene of the Gold Armored Sea Demon’s head being torn apart.

With the restraint from the Gold Crystal Horned Cow, the Gold Armored Sea Demon no longer had the spare energy or means to fend off the Red Jade Lion’s assault.

“Not good,” said Wei Wufu, who was watching the battle with Lin Shen in a grove of trees.

Inside the Ye Family’s castle, Ye Yuzhen, also watching the battle, slightly shook his head: “Lu Qing is still too impatient.”

A flash of golden light in the Gold Armored Sea Demon’s eyes, and its legs split apart, rooting into the sand like two immovable sea stakes, the hands clutching the trident suddenly burst forth with terrifying strength. Search* The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

With a frightened bellow from the cow, the trident, forked against the cow’s horns, forcefully flipped them over. The blades of the trident, now standing upright, stabbed into the underbelly of the Red Jade Lion as it pounced down.

The Red Jade Lion, pouncing violently down, essentially rammed its belly onto the blades. More than half of the foot-long blade penetrated through.

With a swing of the trident, the Gold Armored Sea Demon flung the Red Jade Lion up, then smashed it heavily onto the sand.

“Impossible!” Xu Tiange cried out in shock.

Among those watching the battle, many also cried out.

The strength of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow was already at the top among Crystal Base creatures. Even a Crystal Base creature with a full 40 units of Strength couldn’t be much stronger than it, so it shouldn’t have been flipped over so easily.

“Unless... that’s not a normal Crystal Base... but a Mutated Crystal Base...” The possibility struck Xu Tiange, and his face turned very ugly. He regretted taking the initiative without consulting Lin Shen.

The Red Jade Lion was seriously injured, and Lu Qing was filled with regret, but there was no time left for them to dwell on their regrets.

The Gold Crystal Horned Cow got up and charged again at the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon. Xu Tiange knew that if the Red Jade Lion died, the Gold Crystal Horned Cow would be no match, and their deaths would only be more tragic.

Facing the charging Gold Crystal Horned Cow, the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon suddenly dodged backwards, avoiding the strike of the horns, the trident that had been embedded in the Red Jade Lion's belly was also retracted.

The Red Jade Lion got up, Base Mutation Fluid leaking from its belly. Lu Qing didn't dare to recall it and could only let it continue to fight.

The battle between the two Crystal Base pets and the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon wasn't looking promising.

"It's over, that's a Mutated Crystal Base. Where on earth are they, how come there are so many mutated creatures? This is already the second Mutated Crystal Base to appear, right?"

"The second one already. The previous Mutated Crystal Base killed that Alloy duo completely."

"So far, two Mutated Crystal Bases and two Mutant Alloys have appeared, along with seven or eight Mutant Steels. I really want to know where that place is. If one has enough strength, it would be paradise for a Mutator!"

"Paradise my ass, for those four people there, it's hell right now. The two Crystal Base pets won't last long, and what awaits them next is a merciless slaughter."

Even the great families of some Super-Bases were extremely shocked at the moment.

Many of them had been to many other planets, some of which did indeed have a much higher rate of mutant creatures, but such a high mutation rate they had never seen before.

"We must find the teleporter to that planet." Many families once again increased their workforce to search for the location of the Firmament Projection System, seeking a way to teleport onto that planet.

With such a high mutation rate, such a high chance of Base Mutation Eggs appearing, and no higher-level creatures above Base Mutation appearing, that planet was simply a huge treasure trove for human Mutators.

Any super-base that could occupy that place and utilize its resources would be able to continuously produce outstanding descendants. Who wouldn't be envious of that?

"Shen, let's escape." Xu Tiange retreated to Lin Shen's side and said through gritted teeth.

He knew they had run into trouble this time and could only make a strategic retreat. While the Gold Crystal Horned Cow and the Red Jade Lion were still capable of fighting and could hold off the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon, they would have a chance to escape.

If their Crystal Base pets were killed, they wouldn't even have a chance to run.

Lu Qing also fell back, saying helplessly, "They won't last much longer."

"Don't rush, let's watch a little longer," Lin Shen wasn't in a hurry to leave, his eyes fixed on the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon in battle.

He had been observing the Gold Armored Sea Demons previously, the ordinary ones having more than a dozen acupoints.

When he was collecting Base Mutation Fluid earlier, he tested with Leaf Blade and found that these acupoints were indeed weak points on the Gold Armored Sea Demons.

The Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon had fewer acupoints, only three in total: two not very conspicuous, and one relatively noticeable.

That location was also the weakest spot on the ordinary Gold Armored Sea Demons.

Through the battles with the Red Jade Lion and the Gold Crystal Horned Cow, Lin Shen noticed that the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon was very protective of that spot, meaning it had to be its weak point.

If they ran now, the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon, after killing the two pets, might well be able to chase them down, and they would only die more miserably.

The speed of a Mutated Crystal Base creature was not something they could match.

Instead of betting on whether the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon would chase after them, it was better to take it down now.

Lin Shen, while keeping an eye on the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon, popped out the cylinder of the Angel Revolver and replaced one of the capsules.

The Angel Revolver was loaded with Steel Capsules, and even with a .44 caliber enhancement, it was estimated that it would be difficult to pierce through the weak points of a Mutated Crystal Base creature.

To penetrate its weak spot now, a stronger bullet was needed.

The only capsule that Lin Shen had which could penetrate the weak point of the Mutated Gold Armored Sea Demon was the evolving Death Powder.

“You’re in the middle of evolving, aren’t you? You ignore everything else, take the benefits and evolve on your own, don’t you? If you don’t help me out, I’ll use you as a bullet,” Lin Shen thought maliciously as he loaded the Pet Capsule with Death Powder and a key into the revolver.

His hand movements were discreet, and others only saw him manipulating the gun, thinking he was loading bullets, unaware of what he actually inserted.

“Not running now and waiting to be wiped out?”

“Damn, why is he loading bullets? He can’t seriously think of using that small gun against a Mutated Crystal Base creature!”

“He’s gone crazy; he must be terrified out of his mind to even consider using a handgun against a Mutated Crystal Base creature.”

“I told you, that playboy is definitely going to screw things up.”

Even Wang Tian’er and Qi Shuheng, watching the battle, felt that the young man from the Lin Family must have lost his mind to have such a wild idea.

The spectators all found it utterly ridiculous, and Lu Qing also looked at Lin Shen with a strange expression.

Xu Tiange knew the power of the gun in Lin Shen’s hands, but Lu Qing did not. She had her doubts about Lin Shen’s decision to continue watching the fight.

Lin Shen saw what Lu Qing was thinking but didn’t explain anything, only thinking to himself with a sigh, “Trust is key for two people to walk together; clearly, the trust between me and Lu Qing isn’t strong enough to keep us together forever.”

“After I fire this shot, we’ll leave,” Lin Shen said softly to Lu Qing.

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Chapter 76 - 76: A Bullet with Soul (Four more chapters for subscription)

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The mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon's trident moved with such agility and force that its blades flashed with an eerie gold light.

Wherever the gold light touched, the thick and hard crystal body of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow was easily sliced open. .

It was certain that this was not the level of destructive power a trident should have.

The upper limit of hardness for a Mutated Crystal Base is merely 41, which is only a little harder than that of the Gold Crystal Horned Cow, but to say that one could leave deep gashes in the cow's hefty body as if cutting through wood was somewhat far-fetched.

It's like if you made a thick shield out of 5-chrome steel, which is less hard compared to 9-chrome or 10-chrome steels, and then crafted a knife out of the harder 9-chrome steel.

When using the knife to hack at the shield, it wouldn't just easily pierce through. If the blade were slightly thinner, it might even chip or break first.

The edge of the trident was not thin, yet it shouldn't be so capable of leaving such deep wounds on the Gold Crystal Horned Cow.

There was only one explanation: the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon possessed a special Innate Skill that enhanced its trident's destructive force to such an extent.

Similar to the Red Jade Lion's Ripping Claws, which also bolster their effect, except the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon's skill had a much stronger impact.

The Gold Crystal Horned Cow and the Red Jade Lion had already been killed, covered in numerous wounds, deep enough to reveal the crystal bones, with Base Mutation Fluid constantly dripping from the injuries.

Lin Shen seemed oblivious to all this, silently standing behind a tree resembling a coconut palm—made of steel—aiming his pistol stealthily at the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon that was demonstrating its might.

“Big brother, time to pack up your divine powers and stop your tricks, better run while you can.”

“Bro, what you’re holding in your hand is a pistol, not a laser gun, let’s just stop this, okay?”

“I can understand having money to burn, but I’ve never seen someone be this reckless.”

“Bro, you better take your lady bodyguard and run. Such a beautiful woman, it would be such a pity if she died.”

Bang!

The sound of a gunshot echoed.

A small Pet Capsule shot out at a speed invisible to the naked eye, like lightning.

Unlike the Pet Capsules Lin Shen had fired before, this one did not turn into a pet upon leaving the launcher; it still retained its capsule form.

The mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon, busy thrusting its trident into the Gold Crystal Horned Cow’s belly, failed to notice the incoming Pet Capsule. By the time it sensed it, it was too late.

The distance was too close, the speed too fast, and even with the Sea Demon’s agility, it was too late to dodge.

There was a strange clang, and the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon, attempting to pull out its trident, suddenly froze.

Time seemed to freeze as well, with everyone’s gaze glued to the rigid figure of the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon.

Between the eyes of the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon, a bullet hole emerged, with gold-colored Base Mutation Fluid slowly oozing from the wound.

Accompanied by the slowly leaking Base Mutation Fluid, the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon released its trident, staggered a few steps back, then fell heavily onto the beach sand, lifeless.

Lu Qing’s eyes widened, seemingly in disbelief at what he had just witnessed.

Xu Tiange was also shocked and elated. He knew that Lin Shen’s revolver was formidable, but he hadn’t expected it to be this powerful, capable of killing a Mutated Crystal Base with a single shot.

Xu Tiange felt even more fortunate for his wise decision not to make an enemy of Lin Shen in the past.

A single shot took down a Mutated Crystal Base; although the Xu Family had a fair number of Crystal Base Powerhouses, they couldn't withstand being killed off like this.

He had no idea how difficult it was to kill a Mutated Crystal Base; the Angel Revolver was just one factor. The capsule bullet, transformed from Death Powder, was also essential. Unless replaced with a Crystal Base Capsule, ordinary alloy capsules couldn't achieve this effect.

Moreover, it was necessary to know the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon's weak spot, to shoot accurately, and to make a surprise shot from hiding—all of these conditions were indispensable.

If the mutant Gold Armored Sea Demon had seen Lin Shen shoot, preparing itself in advance, Lin Shen's shot might not have hit its weak spot.

Being able to hit the weak point with a single shot wasn't just luck.

Lin Shen had loved playing with those street games since he was a child, spending plenty of money on claw machines, ring tosses, and balloon shooting.

That precise marksmanship had begun with shooting balloons as a child.

He started by losing money to the balloon stall owners, but eventually he reached a point where he almost never missed. He had no idea how much money he had spent in the process.

Later, shooting balloons with air guns no longer satisfied Lin Shen, so he begged his fourth brother to get him a real gun for target practice, which resulted in a scolding from his eldest sister.

In order to shoot accurately, he had no idea how many bullets he had fired. It could be said that Lin Shen's accuracy was purely the result of feeding one bullet after another.

In pursuit of fun, Lin Shen didn't hesitate to spend heavily. Fortunately, he had several good brothers and sisters who supported him. Had it been any other family, they wouldn't have allowed such extravagance.

He never expected that the games he played before would now prove so useful.

Being proficient in all manners of entertainment might not necessarily be a bad thing.

"That thing is a gun? That thing is really a gun!"

"A pistol can take down a Mutated Crystal Base? Have I gone mad, or has the world gone mad?"

“Fake, it must be fake. Those images must be from a variety show, right? It’s all scripted; everything’s scripted.”

“Did human technology make another breakthrough? A pistol that can kill Mutated Crystal Base means humanity’s spring has returned. What Base Variant Creature should we fear? Give me a small pistol, and I’ll wipe out the entire family of Base Variant Creatures...”

“Once again, this proves that the world is a virtual one. A Steel Level wielding a pistol blowing up a Mutated Crystal Base is definitely a bug in the virtual program.”

The whole world went crazy. The scene of Lin Shen killing a Mutated Crystal Base with a single shot was too shocking for ordinary people, even absurd.

Base Variant Creatures that the human race couldn’t completely destroy after continuous missile bombardments and even nuclear attacks were now taken down by a small pistol—such a crazed notion.

Everyone was thinking about where they could purchase such a pistol.

“I told you so. You can doubt a playboy’s abilities, but you can’t doubt his knowledge and strength. You think he’s courting death, but in fact, he’s got everything under control on the fifth level.”

“I’m willing to call him the strongest playboy; his background is genuinely solid.”

“The little brother looks so handsome. Does anyone know which family’s son he is? I want to be friends with him, not for anything else, just because I like little brothers who are good at shooting.”

Had Lin Shen known he was being mistaken for a playboy from a well-grounded family, he would probably have been unable to stop feeling inferior.

His capacity for squandering money conversely signaled a background far insufficient compared to real playboys; at best, he was just a slightly wealthy second-generation rich kid, hardly daring to claim any significant ancestry.

“Killing the Mutated Crystal Base Creature, Mutant Sea Demon God General...” The message of slaying a Base Variant Creature popped up on his watch.

The Gold Armored Sea Demons were killed by others, so Lin Shen’s watch had not signaled any alerts.

“This prey is mine, any objections?” Lin Shen swept his gaze over Xu Tiange and Lu Qing.

“Shen, why even ask? Of course, it’s yours,” Xu Tiange said very cooperatively.

Lu Qing looked at Lin Shen with a complex expression. Initially, she thought Lin Shen was too laid back, lacking ambition, and the long-distance relationship, coupled with others fanning the flames, eventually led their relationship to an unceremonious end.

But seeing Lin Shen now, she felt as though he had changed from the person he used to be.

Seeing Lu Qing nod without objection, Lin Shen walked over to the corpse of the Sea Demon God General and began collecting Base Mutation Fluid with a water bag.

He called Wei Wufu over, handed him the Leaf Blade, and asked him to help cut open the chest of the Sea Demon God General.

The body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General was too hard, and it took Wei Wufu a great deal of effort with the Leaf Blade to finally remove its chest plate.

Seeing what was inside the chest of the Mutant Sea Demon God General, Lin Shen’s eyes suddenly lit up, and even Wei Wufu couldn’t help but exclaim, “My God.”

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Chapter 77 - 77: Two Mutant Eggs (Fifth Update, Please Subscribe)

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The chest cavity of the Mutant Sea Demon God General was a bizarre structure, resembling both biological organs and mechanical parts.

Wrapped within that peculiar organ were two identical golden crystalline eggs, clearly being a pair of Base Mutation Eggs. Each Base Mutation Egg contained countless intertwining gold threads; they were dazzlingly beautiful and ineffably captivating.

“Obtained Mutated Crystal Base Egg from Mutant Sea Demon God General... Obtained Mutated Crystal Base Egg from Mutant Sea Demon God General...”

The Mutant Sea Demon God General actually nurtured two Base Mutation Eggs. To get two Mutated Crystal Base Eggs at once, that luck was simply unmatched.

No wonder Wei Wufu couldn’t help but curse, it was indeed too eye-catching.

The spectators, seeing that Lin Shen had actually retrieved two Base Mutation Eggs from the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General, were seized by jealousy and couldn't even think straight for a moment.

Many people now felt impulsively driven to rush over to Lin Shen's location, to fight Base Variant Creatures and claim their Base Mutation Eggs.

Even some more extreme individuals wanted to kill Lin Shen directly and steal the pair of Mutated Crystal Base Eggs from his hands.

Lin Shen's team immediately became the focus of all the temporary teams in the world, with everyone discussing Lin Shen's Angel Revolver and the two Mutated Crystal Base Eggs.

Xu Tiange, though also somewhat envious, knew that he needed to rely on Lin Shen to survive in this place and dared not show it, going forward to congratulate Lin Shen instead.

Lu Qing also marveled at Lin Shen's incredibly good fortune, realizing that these two Mutated Crystal Base Eggs, whether used personally or sold, were exceptionally explosive assets.

"That bastard is quite lucky," Ye Yuzhen felt a tinge of joy when she saw Lin Shen obtain two Mutated Eggs.

However, seeing Lu Qing approach and say something to Lin Shen, Yuzhen's mood suddenly soured.

Wei Wufu grasped the trident in his hand, swiping it through the air a few times with what seemed like satisfaction, and immediately strapped it onto his back.

"If you can carry it away, then it's yours," Lin Shen said to Xu Tiange and Lu Qing, pointing at the corpse after retrieving the Death Powder Capsule from the head of the Mutant Sea Demon God General.

Mutated Crystal Base materials were also quite valuable, but Lin Shen had already had his fill of the spoils. It was only fair to let them have some soup.

The main issue was that carrying such things wasn't convenient. In a place with such strong gravity, steel pets would likely be unable to drag it, and he didn't have a higher-class pet to use, which significantly impeded his escape speed.

Lin Shen had no intention of staying in that place any longer. Who knew what kind of creatures would emerge from the sea next? If a few more formidable beings appeared, they would be troublesome to deal with.

He also had no idea how far he'd have to travel to find a place to hide, and he didn't want to waste time on the road.

Xu Tiange was very pleased upon hearing this. This was Mutated Crystal Base material; although it wasn't as valuable as the two Mutated Eggs in Lin Shen's hands, nor comparable to the trident in Wei Wufu's hands, it still held significant value.

A flicker of disappointment crossed through Lu Qing's eyes, as it seemed that Lin Shen had put her and Xu Tiange in the same category, robbing her of the joy of obtaining high-grade mutated materials.

"Let's drag it away first, then we can discuss how to divide it up later," Xu Tiange said to Lu Qing after some deliberation, then they brought an Alloy Level Mighty Kong Elephant to drag the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General.

The Red Jade Lion and the Gold Crystal Horned Cow had both been called back; the two pets were severely injured and would likely take some time to recover.

After some discussion, the group decided to move away from the beach and find a safer place to settle down.

The four of them walked on and off, moving slowly and not encountering any Base Variant Creatures; it seemed rather dull.

However, the discussions about them never ceased. Lin Shen was offhandedly labeled a playboy, and the uninformed even mistook Wei Wufu and the others as his bodyguards.

At this time, another team quietly surpassed Lin Shen and his three companions.

Zheng Yan and six other Alloy Base Mutators had formed a temporary squad. Since they were all Base Mutators from the Lu Family and very familiar with each other, having often operated together in the past, their cooperation was exceptionally smooth.

Under Zheng Yan's leadership, the seven of them had killed a number of Base Variant Creatures in the vicinity and had even luckily encountered a Mutated Alloy, but unfortunately, they did not find any Mutant Eggs.

Not long after Lin Shen and his team had killed the Mutant Sea Demon God General, Zheng Yan's great opportunity also arrived.

In a valley, they actually discovered a nest of Crystal Mutation Eggs. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

The nest of Crystal Mutation Eggs was located in a stone pit within the valley, lined with some fine metallic branches, covered by a few large metallic leaves.

Accidentally venturing into the stone pit and lifting the leaves, everyone in the team was astounded.

Inside, there were three Crystal Mutation Eggs that looked like jade, with two of them green, resembling Imperial Green Jade, and the other one a bluish-green color. This made them even more overjoyed, as the bluish-green Crystal Mutation Egg was very likely a Mutant Egg.

“Let’s collect them first and divide them up when we get back,” Zheng Yan’s eyes flashed with a trace of greed.

However, reason still triumphed over greed. In order not to let the squad fall apart and turn on each other, Zheng Yan repeatedly assured that they would fairly share their spoils after returning. This steadied the other six Alloy Base Mutators in the squad.

The spectators were admiring their fortune. Lin Shen and his group had to fight a tough battle with the Mutant Sea Demon God General to gain their rewards.

These people had simply stumbled upon three Crystal Mutation Eggs, one of which might even be a mutant.

Zheng Yan first collected the three Crystal Mutation Eggs. Just as they were preparing to leave, they heard an angry roar echoing through the entire valley.

A Crystal-based Creature, covered in Green Crystal Scales and resembling a huge dragon without wings but standing upright like a lizard, charged down from above the valley. The nearly vertical cliff face was like flat ground under the creature’s feet—it reached the bottom of the valley in just a few bounds.

With such speed, Zheng Yan and his team had no chance to escape, and a fierce battle erupted in an instant.

The Mutators summoned their Alloy pets, but they were no match for the Crystal-based Creature. In just one encounter, one of the Alloy pets was torn in half by the creature’s bare hands. Its claws, which were like emerald daggers, tore through the body of the Alloy pet as if it were tearing through paper.

The group was shocked; they were no match for the creature. It was only with the summoning of a Crystal Base Level Red Jade Lion by Zheng Yan that they managed to stabilize the situation.

The Red Jade Lions of Zheng Yan and Lu Qing both came from the same place, a major resource area controlled by the Lu Family.

Even with the Red Jade Lion’s participation, they could only barely maintain the situation.

The Crystal-based Creature was faster than the Red Jade Lion and highly intelligent; it didn't fight the Red Jade Lion head-on but adopted hit-and-run tactics, striking Zheng Yan and his team repeatedly and quickly killing several Alloy pets.

The Red Jade Lion could only chase after the creature, always one step behind, watching helplessly as the Crystal-based Creature darted to and fro.

One Alloy Base Mutator, who was slightly inattentive and retreated too slowly, was pierced through the heart by the Crystal-based Creature's tongue, which was like a soft sword, after it broke through the pet's defense line.

Zheng Yan was also at his wits' end; this Crystal-based Creature was smarter than any others he had ever seen. It refused to engage directly with the Red Jade Lion, putting him in a very passive position.

If it continued like this, they probably would all be killed by this Crystal-based Creature, and the Red Jade Lion would be of no use.

Zheng Yan clenched his teeth, about to order everyone to split up and run, when he suddenly saw an unbelievable figure appear in the sky above the valley.

"God! What am I seeing?" someone exclaimed in shock.

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Chapter 78 - 78: Robbing the Angel (Sixth Update, Please Subscribe)

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The immaculate wings shone with a sacred halo under the sunlight, and the head of dazzling golden curls was truly eye-catching. The white robes and the handsome features, unlike those of any human, made him resemble the kind and benevolent angel of legend, the one who descends to save humanity from worldly concerns.

Upon seeing this creature, reminiscent of an angel, the faces of people from several major families drastically changed.

Ordinary people, on the other hand, were filled with wonder and praise, marveling that angels truly existed in this world and extolling the angel's mercy and universal love.

At such a time, for a kind and beautiful angel to appear, what else could he have come for if not to rescue humans being slaughtered by Base Variant Creatures?

Some of the faithful humans had even begun to pray to the angel.

Even the atheists, for the most part, believed that the angel's arrival must surely be to save mankind.

Within Zheng Yan's squad, several Mutators also held this belief.

Unfortunately, what they had encountered was not a real angel, but rather a member of the Celestial Race, who only bore some resemblance to angels.

Under the gaze of countless onlookers, the angel transformed into a white dazzling arc and descended into the valley, his body clad in a holy White Jade Carapace as he flew.

The Crystal-based Creature noticed the angel and seemed to sense danger. With a roar, it leapt up, its claws reaching towards the angel's chest with the speed of lightning.

Be it angel or demon, whoever came would not stop it from reclaiming its eggs.

In the instant before the angel and the Crystal-based Creature were about to collide, the angel's speed surged, and he flashed past the creature.

The Crystal-based Creature was severed in midair, and both the Base Mutation Fluid and the corpse fell to the ground.

The angel, on the other hand, landed gracefully, not a speck of grime or dust on him, just like an angel descending to the world to save it.

"Lord Angel, thank you for saving us," one of the devout Mutators in the squad said excitedly, paying respects to the angel.

The others were also somewhat relieved to have escaped a terrible fate, but only Zheng Yan frowned as he scrutinized the angel.

"I have saved you, how will you repay me?" the angel said with interest after looking over the group.

The squad members were taken aback as they had never heard of angels saving humans and then asking for something in return.

"Lord Angel, how would you like us to repay you?" asked the Mutator who had paid his respects, somewhat suspiciously.

"I quite enjoy making friends with people. Would you like to be my friends?" the angel asked with a smile.

“Of course...” Overjoyed, the believer thought he might be the first human in the world to befriend an angel.

“Since you’re willing to be my friends, then leave everything you have with you, and get lost,” the angel suddenly showed his true colors.

This statement left all the onlookers with their mouths agape, and the believers felt like their entire worldview had shattered, overwhelmed with a shock that was indescribable, as if it was the end of the world.

An angel, robbing humans, including his own followers.

This world is mad as hell!

“Oh God, is it the greed and foolishness of humanity that has angered You, and that is why You have sent down an angel to punish the ignorant humans?” Some believers trembled uncontrollably, as if this unbearable world was about to be destroyed.

“It seems that you want me to take action myself,” the Angel said, looking at the shocked group with a trace of mockery in his eyes. His Angel’s Wings fluttered behind him, turning into a phantom that rushed towards the leader, Zheng Yan.

Zheng Yan was horrified and hastily commanded the Red Jade Lion to meet the charge.

But how could the Red Jade Lion be a match for the Angel? In just an instant, the Angel’s foot, wrapped in the White Jade Carapace, stomped on the Red Jade Lion’s head, pressing it directly into the ground and smashing out a large crater.

As the Angel flew towards him, his handsome face nearly touching his own, that angelic visage now appeared demonic in Zheng Yan’s eyes.

“Lord Angel, take whatever you want,” Zheng Yan shouted loudly while lifting up his backpack and presenting it to the Angel.

“There’s a good boy. I like obedient friends the most,” the Angel said, taking the backpack, glanced at its contents, and then looked at Zheng Yan, casually continuing, “And your pet too.”

Under the watchful eyes of humans around the world, an Angel robbed six humans, stripping them of all their possessions, not even leaving a Pet Capsule behind.

The Angel even searched the body of the dead Mutator until he was sure there was nothing left, then took all the items and flew away, leaving behind six destitute humans and a corpse in the valley.

Only now did people react to why the Angel killed the Crystal-based Creature with a single strike but only stepped on the Red Jade Lion—it was because he intended to claim the Red Jade Lion as his own.

The appearance of the robbing Angel shocked the world.

People were discussing where exactly the Angel came from, and whether he was truly an angel.

In less than a day, the information provided by the Firmament Projection System was enough to overturn humanity's worldview that had formed over thousands of years.

And this was just the beginning. In the following tens of hours, the robbing Angel frequently appeared on screen, robbing one temporary team after another.

Zheng Yan and his group were powerless to resist, to say nothing of other teams.

Fortunately, the robbing Angel only robbed and did not take any interest in killing.

Of course, that was provided you were willing to hand over all your possessions and make friends with him. The fate of those who were unwilling to make friends was witnessed by everyone through a certain Alloy Base Variant Creature. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

No one wanted to see it again, and no one was willing to risk refusing the friendship of the Angel.

For a time, the robbing Angel's notoriety far exceeded that of everyone else, almost causing Lin Shen, the playboy, to be temporarily forgotten.

Whenever someone remembered Lin Shen and his group, they wondered if they would choose to befriend the Angel upon meeting him.

If they were unwilling to be friends, surely their end would be very tragic.

The sheer strength of the Angel made people feel as if he and the humans were not even on the same level. No one believed that Lin Shen and his group could survive if they refused to be friends.

Some prayed that Lin Shen and his group wouldn't encounter the robbing Angel, while others wished they could be found by the robbing Angel immediately.

The possessions on Lin Shen were enough to drive a small group of people insane with jealousy. If the Angel took those possessions, it would not be an unwelcomed event for them.

If it were possible, they'd be eager to lead the Angel himself, at least to find some psychological comfort in the thought that if no one had anything, it would feel balanced.

Unfortunately, the Firmament Projection System did not have exclusive footage of the robbing Angel, and he could only be seen when he appeared near those humans.

As more and more people tuned in, they all wanted to know when the robbing Angel would finally come across Lin Shen and his group of four.

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Those who hoped to rob the Angel and find Lin Shen and his group, once they saw the situation on their side, gnashed their teeth in frustration.

After leaving the beach, Lin Shen and the other three were incredibly lucky to have found a rather hidden cave, which wasn't occupied by any Base Variant Creatures.

The four of them hid inside the cave, and nearly forty hours had passed; they showed no intention of coming out.

"Cowardly, really too cowardly. That playboy has such powerful weapons and bodyguards, yet he's been cowering the whole time."

"Don't be naive. He has a huge inheritance to protect, who knows who would benefit if he died, of course he has to be cautious."

"Hiding like this, I reckon it will be hard for the Angel to find them before the countdown ends."

"I actually kind of want to see them get robbed by the Angel."

During this long period, the Mutators from the Lu and Xu families had learned the function of the watch, and naturally, the spectators did too.

In their eyes, this was more like a reality show, only a few knew that this was far from some reality show, without any script; death was real.

Lu Qing and Xu Tiange were now wholeheartedly following Lin Shen's advice; even someone like Lin Shen, who had the capability to kill Mutated Crystal-based Creatures, was being so cautious in this place, what right did they have to act recklessly?

In truth, they were being misled by Lin Shen. This planet was indeed dangerous for humans, but not to such an extent.

Generally speaking, the oceans and certain mountain ranges were the most dangerous places, where Crystal-based Creatures were most likely to appear.

The forest was a high-risk area as well, but the plains were different; not as dangerous, with the main threats being steel creatures and Alloy Creatures.

Some members of the Lu and Xu families were luckily transported to the plains, where they had hunted a good number of prey, including mutants, and some had even obtained Mutant Eggs.

Of course, Lin Shen didn't know this; both times he had been to this planet, he ended up near the sea with mountain ranges nearby, which was one of the most dangerous areas.

Moreover, the many terrifying mutants he encountered made Lin Shen feel that one had to be very prudent here and that he dare not go out hunting Base Variant Creatures carelessly.

Even if he wanted to hunt Base Variant Creatures, he would wait until he advanced to an Alloy or Crystal Base, acquiring the ability to protect himself.

Furthermore, the four of them had already made some gains, and those gains were quite high-level, so they lied down with a clear conscience.

While the other three were sleeping, a noise was suddenly detected by Xu Tiange, who was keeping watch. They all jumped up and gathered at the mouth of the cave, peering out quietly.

Before long, they saw a group of about fifteen figures walking this way.

Upon closer inspection, Xu Tiange and Lu Qing were overjoyed; among those fifteen people were members from both the Lu and Xu families.

They had thought that in such a dangerous place, their family's Mutators would mostly have been lost to misfortune; seeing so many alive was an unexpected relief.

"Shen, look, they're all our own people. Shall we let them come over and hide together?" Xu Tiange had learned his lesson and didn't act without consent this time.

Seeing Lu Qing looking at him with a pleading expression, Lin Shen immediately agreed.

Firstly, those people were heading this way, and even if he didn't agree, they might discover the cave later.

Secondly, Lin Shen wanted to gather information from them, to understand what the situation was like in the surrounding area.

The strengths of these new arrivals varied, and the fact that they had survived until now suggested that this place might not be as dangerous as he had thought.

With Lin Shen's permission, Xu Tiange and Lu Qing came out of the cave and called out to their family's Mutators.

The Mutators, upon seeing Xu Tiange and Lu Qing, were both surprised and delighted, and quickly ran over.

Lin Shen just stood inside the cave, watching those people with a cold eye. Their situation didn't look too bad, but it wasn't particularly good either.

It was very strange that among so many people, not a single one had a mount.

If one might say all their pets had been sacrificed, then they should have had many more wounds from such intense battles. However, it seemed that they had only a few injuries, and some of them even didn't have any wounds at all, their clothes still clean and tidy.

However one looked at it, there was something odd going on.

Of course, Lin Shen couldn't guess that these people had been robbed by an Angel and hadn't managed to get new pets yet.

They did manage to get some Base Mutation Eggs, but these eggs couldn't immediately become pets.

Zheng Yan was overjoyed to see Lu Qing.

After being robbed, as they hunted Base Variant Creatures, they hoped to find Lu Qing. They did encounter some people, but unfortunately, none was Lu Qing.

Zheng Yan was very worried about Lu Qing's safety, knowing that if anything really happened to Lu Qing, he would have a hard time explaining upon returning.

Moreover, he didn't want anything to happen to Lu Qing; he was planning on leveraging her to enter the core circle of the Lu Family.

Seeing that Lu Qing was unharmed, Zheng Yan was very happy, but when he saw Lin Shen standing in the cave, his brows furrowed again.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing led everyone into the cave, and when Zheng Yan and the others saw the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General, they were slightly surprised, but they didn't say anything; they even thought it was just an ordinary Crystal-based Creature.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing asked about their situation while Lin Shen silently listened on the side.

As Lin Shen had thought, aside from the seas and the mountains being relatively dangerous, other places didn't actually have that many Crystal-based Creatures.

These people were relatively lucky, not being transported to particularly dangerous areas. Except for Zheng Yan's group, they had basically not encountered any Crystal-based Creatures.

Therefore, their perception of danger was quite low, and they had actually managed to reach the mountainside.

As Lin Shen listened to their stories, nearly everyone mentioned the robbing Angel with clenched teeth, speaking about their experiences of being robbed.

Now Lin Shen understood why things had seemed so strange; it wasn't that their pets had been sacrificed, but rather that they had been entirely plundered by the robbing Angel.

Lin Shen and Wei Wufu exchanged glances, both thinking of the same person.

"Tian Xin, that fellow, is still here? I thought he had already gone back," Lin Shen thought to himself.

After he had robbed Tian Xin, Tian Xin had nothing left; logically, Tian Xin should've gone back to prepare before returning.

Unexpectedly, Tian Xin hadn't gone back and had been lingering on this planet. search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"I was originally planning to get some alien high-tech products from him the next time I came here. It's really a pity that he hasn't left," Lin Shen felt slightly regretful.

It was very possible that on this planet lay the remains of The Ancient Realm King and The Three Treasure Chests. When Tian Xin arrived, he came in stealth, not daring to let others know, and even if he did go back, he would surely keep it a secret.

After all, compared to Humans, his strength was naturally strong, but among the Powerful Cosmic Races, he was just a small shrimp.

If he let this news out, what was The Ancient Realm King's would hardly fall into his hands.

So, no matter what, Tian Xin definitely wouldn't reveal the method of entering this planet.

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When everyone was exchanging information, they naturally asked about Xu Tiange and Lu Qing's situation, as it seemed they fared the best, even having hunted a Crystal-based Creature without being robbed.

Xu Tiange was clever, not mentioning the Mutated Crystal Base Egg that Lin Shen had gotten, only talking about their combined efforts to repel the Gold Armored Sea Demon and hunting the Mutant Sea Demon God General.

"This... this is Mutated Crystal Base..." Only then did everyone realize that the corpse was actually that of a Mutated Crystal Base, and they couldn't help but marvel.

What surprised them the most was that Xu Tiange even said that when killing this Mutated Crystal Base, Lin Shen contributed the most.

Zheng Yan's gaze flickered, and although Xu Tiange did not mention Lin Shen getting the Mutated Crystal Base Egg or bring up the matter of Lin Shen's gun,

he still keenly sensed that something was off. How could Lin Shen, a Steel Mutator, contribute the most? The only explanation was that he owned a powerful pet, one strong enough to kill a Mutated Crystal Base Creature, meaning it must be at least a Crystal Base pet or even a Mutated Crystal Base pet.

Additionally, hearing that the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General had been claimed by Xu Tiange and Lu Qing led him to ponder further.

Why did Lin Shen contribute the most, yet the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General was given to Xu Tiange and Lu Qing?

Even though Lin Shen had taken the Base Mutation Fluid and Wei Wufu had taken a trident, these items were worth more than the body.

But Zheng Yan still felt that something was amiss and could only think of one possibility: Lin Shen might have gotten a better reward.

Thinking back to Xu Tiange mentioning earlier how they had hunted a Gold Armored Sea Demon and extracted a Base Mutation Egg, Zheng Yan speculated that Lin Shen might have gotten a Base Mutation Egg from the Mutant Sea Demon God General.

The thought that he had had the chance to get a Mutated Crystal Base Egg but ended up being robbed by the Angel, while Lin Shen had gotten a Mutated Crystal Base Egg and might even safely last until the countdown ended and return home, made Zheng Yan very annoyed.

After exchanging information, most people decided to return to the plains and continue hunting Base Variant Creatures.

Having come to such a magical place, they couldn't go back empty-handed; even after being robbed, they would hunt some Base Variant Creatures to get materials or Base Mutation Eggs.

With so many mutant creatures here, if luck was on their side, they could get a Mutant Egg—even just a Mutant Steel Egg, all their losses would be recovered, and they would make a fortune. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

As for the robber Angel, they weren't overly worried, as usually, the Angel would rob but not kill; at worst, they would simply get robbed again since they had little left to lose anyway.

Upon hearing this, Lin Shen also felt tempted, since the plains were not that dangerous, he too wanted to gain some benefits.

After all, he was in desperate need of money, and now he regretted giving the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General to Xu Tiange and Lu Qing.

If he had known it wasn't that dangerous here, he could have just slowly dragged the body to the plains and slept without worries. He could have spent more time dragging the body over.

But then again, if dragging it took too long and something unexpected happened on the way, it would be more loss than gain.

After resting for a while, everyone set off and left the cave together.

Lin Shen and Wei Wufu rode on Iron-horned Horses, swaying leisurely at the back of the group.

Before arriving, it was their mounts that were the crappiest, but now that only four people were left with mounts, it seemed their mounts became somewhat conspicuous.

“How come the playboy’s mount is so crappy? With all his money, couldn’t he get a better one?”

“You know nothing. This is called not flaunting wealth; the richer the person, the more low-key they are. Before the playboy made a move, didn’t you also think he was just trash? But then with a single shot, he killed the Mutant Sea Demon God General.”

“So that’s how it is!”

Those who witnessed the situation all thought that Lin Shen was being low-key.

If Lin Shen knew about this, he probably couldn’t help but laugh until his back ached—he, with his money and high-level pets, who would bother riding such a shabby Iron-horned Horse? Those are both slow and horribly uncomfortable.

The other Mutators felt quite bitter, feeling even more resentment towards the person who robbed Angel. If it hadn’t been for the robbery, they wouldn’t have had to walk on two legs.

Regrettably, since the one who robbed Angel was too powerful, they could only curse in their hearts, as nobody dared to actually seek revenge.

The location that Lin Shen and his group were at was initially an entrance to a mountain path leading from the seaside to the plains, not far from the plains now.

Safely reaching the plains, just as they said, there were many alloy creatures there, one could see from afar herds of creatures resembling sheep grazing on metallic grass.

Unfortunately, those ordinary Steel Creatures were of too low value, and the Mutators from both the Xu and Lu Families didn’t even consider them, unless there were mutants among them.

They had wanted to head toward the mountains earlier, aiming to find some high-level Base Variant Creatures. But hearing how dangerous it was near the sea, they dared not proceed.

Because there were too many people, it wasn’t convenient to hunt Base Variant Creatures together, and since this area was relatively safe, they decided to split up for the hunt.

Xu Tiange and Lu Qing were the respective leaders of the Xu Family Team and the Lu Family Team, so naturally, they would go hunting with their own teams.

The problem now was the corpse of the Mutant Sea Demon God General, as it belonged to both Xu Tiange and Lu Qing, it seemed inappropriate for either to take it with them.

“If you trust me, you can leave your stuff here, and I’ll watch over it for you,” Lin Shen said.

“Shen, I of course trust you, no problem,” Xu Tiange immediately stated.

Lu Qing looked at Lin Shen doubtfully and asked, “Aren’t you going to hunt?”

“There isn’t much time left, and it’s pretty hard to find suitable prey around here; I won’t go,” Lin Shen said with a smile.

The plains were safe, but the profit wasn’t too good; one could not even spot an alloy in sight, and the place was just too vast. Lin Shen thought about how much time would be wasted just walking, and without a decent mount to use, he couldn’t be bothered to walk any further.

Rather than wasting time and energy looking for Alloy Creatures, it was better to rest here for a while and avoid potential dangers.

Lu Qing and Xu Tiange had no objections and temporarily left the corpse of the Mutant Sea Demon God General with Lin Shen and Wei Wufu to watch over while both of them went off with their respective teams to find prey.

Lin Shen and Wei Wufu sat down under the shade of a large tree, looking at the herds of sheep in the distance, feeling much more relaxed.

Lu Qing and a few Mutators, guided by Zheng Yan, arrived at a spot where the plains met the mountains.

Zheng Yan and his group had been here before and found a type of Alloy Creature, but at the time, they didn’t value it much and didn’t stay long.

Now, these Alloy Creatures were the perfect prey for them, who lacked pets; they couldn’t be picky anymore.

“Lu Qing, you take people to hunt around here, I’ll go check other places to see if there are more suitable Base Variant Creatures for hunting,” Zheng Yan said, then turned and walked towards another direction.

After losing sight of Lu Qing and the others, Zheng Yan veered to one side, heading straight for the valley where he had previously been robbed by Angel.

Not long after entering the valley, he saw a figure of Angel descending from the sky. A flicker of joy passed through Zheng Yan's eyes.

"You again, what bad luck," Tian Xin said, glancing at them and recognizing Zheng Yan whom they'd robbed before, feeling somewhat annoyed.

"But since I'm here, how could I return empty-handed? My friend, could you give me some face?" Tian Xin narrowed his eyes and walked over to Zheng Yan.

"Wait, I know someone who not only has a Crystal-based pet but also a Mutated Crystal Base Egg," Zheng Yan suddenly spoke up.

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