

Swordsman 191

Chapter 191: The Rankings

Jian Wushuang and the other geniuses all looked serious.

Rewards from the Twelve Dynasty?

But no one present cared about it.

What they really cared about were the old sects.

The Point Battle in Sky Valley was a way to display their strength to the experts of the old sects.

The experts from the old sects did not come to the five-day hunt nor the selection battle in Tianzong Dynasty.

But Sky Valley was different. The Point Battle would attract the interest of the old sects. And how the geniuses performed in Sky Valley would be viewed by the experts of the old sects.

"The Point Battle in Sky Valley will begin tomorrow. The battle will last for ten days, so you guys should stay here tonight and prepare yourselves." No sooner than the words been uttered, the purple-robed elder closed his eyes, without giving Jian Wushuang and other geniuses one more glance.

But this night was doomed to be restless for these six geniuses.

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The night was beautiful.

A towering palace stood on a hill not far from the Sky Valley. The palace was ablaze with light.

The Easternmost Plain had very few buildings since it was a plain. Even the bandits could only simply build mountain villages here.

However, a palace existed on the hill.

Inside the palace, people were singing and dancing. Several formidable auras radiated from here.

The people who gathered in the palace were the Monarchs of the Twelve Dynasties. The Monarch in Tianzong Dynasty, Di Xi, was there as well. But since Tianzong Dynasty was just a small empire, he was sitting at the far corner.

Those Monarchs were talking and laughing.

At this moment, a red-robed woman stepped inside.

"Monarchs, the geniuses from the Twelve Dynasties have reached the Sky Valley entrance. The points they gained in the five-day hunt have been counted, and this is the list," the red-robed woman respectfully said.

"Ha-ha, finally."

“Hurry, give it to us.”

“Hurry up, let me have a look.”

Having been rushed by the Monarchs, the red-robed woman gave every Monarch a list.

The list did not only contain the points every genius got in the hunt, but also a ranking according to their points.

“Ha-ha, first place is Meng Wutian, who is from our Angel Empire. I expected that!”

At the head of the table, there were two seats which were obviously bigger than the others. Two people were sitting in the seats, and both were wearing an Emperor Robe. One of them was an elder, who seemed to have experienced many of the vicissitudes of life without losing his majestic appearance.

The other one was much younger. His behavior was a little bit frivolous, but what he said was extremely arrogant.

They were Monarchs of the two large empires in the Twelve Dynasties, which were the Cosmos Empire and the Angel Empire.

The one who was laughing loudly was the frivolous young man, the Monarch of Angel Empire.

“Hem, Ling Xueyu, what a disappointing fellow,” the experienced elder shouted in a deep voice.

First place in the Ranking was Meng Wutian, who was from the Angel Empire.

Second place was Ling Xueyu, who was from the Cosmos Empire.

“Ha-ha.” The frivolous man laughed even louder.

“Don’t be complacent. The points are just from the hunt in the first stage. It’s just the beginning. We should focus on the upcoming Point Battle!” the experienced elder looked at the frivolous man and said.

“Meng Wutian is indeed ranked first according to the current points, but the ranking might change after the Point Battle,” the elder continued.

“Oh? Maybe?” The frivolous man laughed. His eyes were filled with pride.

He knew what the elder said was true, but he did not care.

Since, at this moment, the Angel Empire had attracted more attention than the Cosmos Empire did.

The other monarchs below were carefully reviewing the list as well.

“As expected, the geniuses who are ranked close to the top are from large empires.”

“The geniuses in our middle-sized empires already did a good job just by being on the Ranking.”

“Look, there is a genius from the Tianzong Dynasty ranked in the top ten.”

“What?”

The Monarchs in the palace were all stunned. They immediately looked at Di Xi, who was sitting in the corner.

By then, Di Xi was reviewing the list as well. After seeing Jian Wushuang's name in the top ten, his eyes were glistening.

"Ha-ha~ good job, the young man did a good job," Di Xi could not help laughing loudly as he spoke.

Seeing the state of Di Xi, the Monarchs of the other Dynasties around him all looked embarrassed, and a few of them were even jealous.

"Driftcloud Empire is a middle-sized empire, but we failed to produce a genius who could make it into the top ten of the Rankings. Yet this Tianzong Dynasty, which is just a small empire, managed to have one?"

A few Monarchs from the middle-sized empires felt it was a loss of face for them.

But they could control themselves.

After all, these points were just for the first stage, which didn't mean anything.

The coming Point Battle in Stage Two, which would begin soon, was the real competition for the geniuses of the Twelve Dynasties.

There would be an updated list after the competition. That list would be the most important.

"By the way, the Point Battle of Sky Valley will begin tomorrow. At that time, the experts from the old sects will come to have a look," the frivolous man said suddenly.

No sooner had the Monarchs in the palace heard someone speak about the old sects, then they immediately quieted down.

"Many old sects will come this time, I already knew six of them. Among the six old sects, one is the Wilderness Sword Sect!" the frivolous man smiled and said.

"Wilderness Sword Sect?"

"One of the Eight Sects of Nanyang!"

"How could the Easternmost Hunt this year attract someone from the Wilderness Sword Sect?"

Everybody in the palace was in shock.

There were differences in strength among the old sects. The Wilderness Sword Sect, which was known as one of the Eight Sects of Nanyang Continent, had a strong heritage that was naturally better than other old sects.

Needless to say, the geniuses would have greater opportunities in the Wilderness Sword Sect than in some of the other old sects.

"The Wilderness Sword Sect? It's a sect that specializes in sword skills," Di Xi's eyes lit up and muttered, "Jian Wushuang is talented in Sword Principle. With such talent in Sword Principle, he might be valued by the experts of the Wilderness Sword Sect."

“Alright, let’s end the party. You guys have the rest of the night to meet your geniuses. You can show them the list and give them some instructions. Tomorrow, everything will depend on their own ability,” the experienced elder said sonorously.

As soon as the elder uttered this, the Monarchs in the party fanned out one after another.

Di Xi had lost no time gliding towards Sky Valley with the list in his hand.

Chapter 192: Two Monsters

At one of the entrances to Sky Valley, the remaining six geniuses of the Tianzong Dynasty had gathered together.

“Feng Yutian, congratulations.”

“Brother Feng, you made a breakthrough before entering Sky Valley. You’re so lucky.”

“I also envy him.”

The other five people stared at Feng Yutian with smiles on their faces.

Feng Yutian suddenly felt like he could make a breakthrough. Now, he was currently in the Half Step Yin-Yang Realm.

After the breakthrough, Feng Yutian’s strength immediately soared.

The Point Battle in Sky Valley was done in groups composed of the Dynasties. The promotion of Feng Yutian’s strength would also enhance the battle strength of their team. So they were, naturally, happy to see that.

“Haha, so lucky,” said Feng Yutian while laughing naturally.

At this moment, a great figure suddenly appeared, it was Di Xi in his Imperial Robe.

“Your Majesty!”

Jian Wushuang and other five geniuses greeted him respectfully.

“Greetings to you, Monarch.” The purple-robed elder who was waiting beside them also gave him a light greeting.

“I have something to tell these guys. You’d better keep away from us for a while,” Di Xi said while glancing at the purple-robed elder.

The purple-robed elder nodded and subsequently stepped back tactfully.

“You six did very well.” Di Xi looked at Jian Wushuang and his comrades with a solemn expression and continued, “But the Point Battle in Sky Valley is different from the hunt in the first stage.”

“During the hunt in the first stage, you just battled with fugitives. Although the strength of those fugitives is strong, they aren’t a real threat to you.”

"But in the Sky Valley Point Battle, you are going to compete with the geniuses of the other 11 Dynasties!"

"None of them are weaker than you. Instead, many of them are stronger than you..."

"Here is the Ranking. You'd better review it carefully."

Di Xi gave Jian Wushuang the Rankings that he attained at the banquet.

Jian Wushuang immediately accepted it and opened it. The other five moved close to him.

The Ranking of those geniuses from the 12 Dynasties, according to the points they obtained during the five-day hunt.

Jian Wushuang read it at first glance.

"First place on the Rankings is the Meng Wutian of the Angel Empire, with 6,877 points!"

"Second place is the Ling Xueyu of the Cosmos Empire, with 5,900 points!"

"Third place is Gu Yan of the Cosmos Empire, with 1,944 points!"

"Fourth place on the Rankings, Angel Empire..."

"Fifth place, Angel Empire..."

"Sixth place, Cosmos Empire..."

At first glance, the geniuses from the first to sixth place on the Ranking were, expectedly, all from the Cosmos Empire and the Angel Empire.

It was normal for the two big Dynasties to occupy the top six on the Rankings, with each Dynasty occupying three spots on average.

Furthermore, the most important part was that the points they obtained were extremely high.

"First place, Meng Wutian, got 6,877 points? Unbelievable."

Seeing the points, even Jian Wushuang was shocked, let alone Baili Chen and the others.

Among the six of them, Jian Wushuang was the best, but he only obtained 1,388 points.

For the others, Baili Chen had the most, with only 349 points.

However, Meng Wutian collected 6,877 points in the short five-day hunt, so what does this show?

"He should have killed at least six fugitives who were at the level of Blood Jade, and also should have killed many fugitives that are at the level of Purple Gold," Jian Wushuang muttered in shock.

He did his best and finally killed a Blood Jade warrior. However, Meng Wutian was much stronger.

Not just Meng Wutian. It was also true for Ling Xueyu, who was in second place.

Their points were much higher than the rest. After all, Gu Yan, who ranked third, only had 1,944 points.

“How did these two people kill so many Blood Jade killers in just five days?” said Jian Wushuang while frowning tightly.

Blood Jade fugitives are at least at the Peak Profound Yin Void Realm. In a fierce battle, even Jian Wushuang was not sure he would be able to kill them. After all, they wouldn’t be stupid enough to just stand there and wait for Jian Wushuang to kill.

Once something happened, the opposite side would immediately flee, and all the Yin Void experts were able to Voidwalk. Once they began Voidwalking, there would be no way to stop them.

It was only because of good luck that Jian Wushuang killed that Blood Jade fugitive last time. The opposite side was too conceited.

But not all of the Blood Jade fugitives were conceited.

Since it was not because of luck, there should be another reason.

The reason was Meng Wutian and Ling Xueyu. They were so powerful that the Peak Profound Yin Void Realm experts never had a chance to Voidwalk. They were instantly killed.

Right now, even Jian Wushuang didn’t have such strength.

“Frightening. I thought that Jian Wushuang and Xue Yun were the strongest. It is obvious that the exceptional geniuses from two large empires are much stronger than them.”

“6,877 points, my God, how did he do that?”

Baili Chen and Feng Yutian stared at the Rankings with incredible expressions.

Especially Feng Yutian. He had made a big progress just now, so he already had much more confidence in the Sky Valley Point Battle. But now, he lost some of his confidence.

Next to them, Mu Yingying, Yang Zaixuan, and Su Rou also had grave expressions.

“Hey, Jian Wushuang. What is your rank?” Baili Chen added.

Jian Wushuang immediately looked at the list and found his rank.

“Jian Wushuang, from the Tianzong Dynasty, ninth place with 1,388 points!”

“Ninth place?” Baili Chen was astonished and then looked at Jian Wushuang and said, “You are so powerful, how come you are only ranked ninth?”

Jian Wushuang smiled briefly, but his heart was filled with astonishment.

It really was astonishing.

Among the Gold Core Realm warriors in Tianzong Dynasty, there was no doubt that he was the strongest.

However, the Tianzong Dynasty was only a small empire. Undoubtedly, the world outside Tianzong Dynasty was vast.

It was not only the Twelve Northwestern Dynasties that had countless geniuses. Some of them were not any weaker than him, and some of them were even stronger than him.

"How do you feel after reading this list?" Di Xi asked.

"I am feeling a lot of pressure," Baili Chen answered directly, "After I made my breakthrough to Half Step Yin-Yang, my strength had soared. So I expected to rank in the top ten among the geniuses of twelve Dynasties. But, in reality, I'm not even in the top 20."

Baili Chen noticed that he was ranked 26th on the list.

"Jian Wushuang, how do you feel?" Di Xi asked and looked at Jian Wushuang.

"It is only the Ranking for the hunt, which means nothing," Jian Wushuang said seriously.

"Yes, that's right," Di Xi smiled slightly and continued, "This Ranking is just to show you the strength of the geniuses from the different Dynasties. It doesn't have any other use."

Chapter 193: The Final Battle Begins

Di Xi continued and said, "Even if you compete for a better ranking in the second stage, it will not matter much!"

"After all, the experts from the old sects don't care about your current strength, only your potential."

"You just need to show your talent and potential in Sky Valley. It doesn't matter if you enter the top 10 of the Ranking. As long as your talent and potential are high, the experts from those old sects will naturally come to you."

After hearing this, the eyes of Jian Wushuang and the others brightened.

Indeed, they did not have to compete for the top 10 ranks in the Point Battle. After all, they attached more importance to the old sects rather than the Rankings.

As long as those old sects paid attention to them and accepted them as disciples, that was enough.

"Tomorrow, there will be a lot of old sects that come to watch the battle. There will also be a top sect called the Wilderness Sword Sect," said Di Xi with a smile, then he looked at Jian Wushuang.

"Wilderness Sword Sect?" Jian Wushuang asked and raised his eyebrows.

He was a warrior that focused on Sword Principle. He was naturally eager to join a sect that excelled in Sword Principle.

Obviously, the Wilderness Sword Sect was most suitable for him.

"Jian Wushuang, With your talent, as long as you perform well in the Point Battle, you will attract the experts from the Wilderness Sword Sect," Di Xi said.

"I see." Jian Wushuang nodded seriously and a glimmer of desire emerged in his eyes.

"By the way, there is one more thing," Di Xi said as he looked around again.

“The Point Battle will be launched among teams of warriors from the same dynasty.”

“The twelve dynasties should have 12 teams, but the two large empires have more geniuses participating in the Point Battle since their overall strength is better. Therefore, they will be separated into four teams. Altogether, there should be 14 teams competing in the Point Battle.”

“You six are naturally a team. But since you are a team, you need a leader. The team leader must be chosen by you!”

“I think it should be based on strength. Jian Wushuang’s strength is the best among us, so the leader should him,” Feng Yutian said without hesitation.

“I agree.” Baili Chen raised his brows.

“I agree, too.” Mu Yingying nodded.

Naturally, Yang Zaixuan and Su Rou also agreed.

Seeing this, Jian Wushuang touched his nose and gave a faint smile.

“In that case, it has been determined,” Di Xi also smiled and said, “Jian Wushuang, the next two weeks are up to you.”

“I’ll warn you again...”

“When you leave tomorrow, you will each be given a token. If you find yourself at your limit, you must immediately crumple the token. This is equivalent to giving up the battle. Someone will come and take you away from Sky Valley. In any case, staying alive is more important.”

“Yes. ” Jian Wushuang and the others nodded.

“From here on, you can only rely on yourselves. I wish you all good luck,” Di Xi said, and then he immediately left.

Jian Wushuang and the others looked towards the huge valley in front of them with great enthusiasm.

Tomorrow, in that valley, they would finally meet with the geniuses from the other 11 dynasties.

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In the morning, as dawn was just breaking.

As the sun began rising above the vast plains with the first red rays, gusts of battle intent were also rising.

At the 12 entrances to Sky Valley, numerous talented geniuses from the 12 dynasties had already begun gearing up. They were waiting to enter the valley and begin their most intense battles.

At one of the entrances to Sky Valley, the remaining six geniuses of the Tianzong Dynasty were waiting together.

"This is the token representing your identity. Each of you has only one token. After entering Sky Valley, you must always wear this token on a conspicuous place of your body, so that the geniuses of the other dynasties can recognize you," That purple-robed elder said.

"What?" Jian Wushuang and others felt it was quite strange but did not ask more.

Soon after, a huge bell sounded and the whole Sky Valley suddenly became turbulent.

"It's time. Enter!" the purple-robed elder said and waved.

There was a hint of excitement in the six people's eyes as they moved directly along the entrance to the dense valley.

At the same time, the geniuses of the other dynasties were also entering Sky Valley.

The Easternmost Hunt was held every ten years, and its climax was the Point Battle in Sky Valley. Now the game had begun.

While the geniuses of the 12 dynasties rushed into Sky Valley, there was something in the air above the highest point in Sky Valley.

Rumbled ~~~ Figures radiating an oppressive atmosphere were standing there.

Some of their auras were hot, some were cold, some were violent, and some were easy-going.

The Monarchs of the 12 dynasties were all here, with guards separating them from the experts. In addition, the most noticeable experts were from the old sects.

The experts from the old sects had arrived early this morning.

At a glance, there were no fewer than 10 old sects, and the most striking sect was definitely the Wilderness Sword Sect.

A total of three people came from the Wilderness Sword Sect.

The leader of the three people was a middle-aged man with birdeyes. He was carrying a long sword and sitting on a suspended seat, with a towering aura. His entire body gave off the impression of a sword.

This middle-aged man was followed by two other people. They were also carrying long swords and their auras were cold. Both of them had obviously entered the Yang Void Realm.

Warriors of Yang Void Realm were naturally the most supreme experts in the Tianzong Dynasty.

However, in the old sects on the Nanyang Continent, there were many warriors in the Yang Void Realm.

"Mr. Lingtian, I never expected you to come in person this time."

"Mr. Lingtian, I haven't seen you for many years. How are you?"

"Haha, Brother Lingtian, I did not realize that the Wilderness Sword Sect was also interested in the Easternmost Hunt."

Many of the surrounding experts and monarchs had greeted the middle-aged man with birdeyes.

This middle-aged man, named Mo Lingtian, was a Law-enforcement Elder in the Wilderness Sword Sect. He had an extremely high status in the Wilderness Sword Sect, so it was normal for so many people to attempt to flatter him.

However, Mo Lingtian seemed very cold and indifferent to these people. To the people who called out to him, he just casually responded with a word.

At the bottom of his heart, Mo Lingtian was full of disdain towards these people, including the two monarchs of the large empires. He never cared for them at all.

“Just a small northwest district that can be neglected in the entire Nanyang continent! What kind of geniuses can be born in such a small place? What was the Sect Master thinking when he made me come here?”

Mo Lingtian was very reluctant.

He did not want to come here, he was only following the Sect Master’s order.

As for the 12 dynasties in the northwest, he looked down on them from the bottom of his heart. The so-called geniuses of the 12 dynasties in the northwest were negligible at best.

Coming here was only a pretense. He did not plan to bring any disciples with him to the Wilderness Sword Sect.

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Chapter 194: Encounter

“Ha-ha, here we go.”

As a monarch spoke, all the experts in the air looked down.

They stood high above the area, so they could see the entire valley down below.

Inside Sky Valley, the six-warrior team of Tianzong Dynasty slowly walked forward.

“We will meet the geniuses from other dynasties. Which dynasty will we run into first?” Baili Chen said with excitement.

“Even though we are from a small empire, our overall strength is far better than before. We don’t need to be afraid of the other dynasties, except the two large empires,” Jian Wushuang said seriously.

“Even if we meet the two large empires...”

“The two large empires are too strong, and half of the top 30 warriors in the Ranking belong to them. Moreover, A lot of their warriors met the point requirement in the first stage. They have so many strong warriors that if they take action together it will be too unfair for the teams from other empires!”

“They will also have problems distributing the points if they act in a large group, so they will definitely divide into smaller groups.”

“A large empire will be divided into two teams or more.”

“With our battle strength, we have a chance to win against one of their smaller teams.”

The five people beside Jian Wushuang all nodded to agree with his words.

Indeed, the geniuses of Tianzong Dynasty this time were much stronger than those of previous years, which could be seen from the Rankings.

The two large empires possess half of the geniuses who ranked the top 30 in the standings, and the rest places were carved up by the big contingent of middle-sized empires and small empires. In average, even those middle-sized empires got only one or two geniuses that could be included in the top 30.

As for the small empires, none of the other three small empires had a genius that ranked in the top 30.

While Tianzong Dynasty...two geniuses out of six were in the top 30, and Jian Wushuang was ninth place in the Rankings!

On top of that, Feng Yutian's strength had soared since he broke through to the Half-step Yin-Yang Realm after the hunt, so he should have the strength to be ranked in the top 30 now.

In other words, three out of the six had a battle strength that could rank in the top 30.

That was even more powerful than those middle-sized empires.

“Although our overall battle strength is very good, the geniuses from other dynasties will still treat us like a normal small empire,” Jian Wushuang smiled and said.

“Hum, if they dare to look down on us, then we will make them pay dearly for their arrogance!”

“He-he, I am already looking forward to our first battle.”

The six geniuses were talking and laughing, dispersing the tension that surrounded them before.

Suddenly...

“Hmm?” Jian Wushuang lifted his head and looked forward, “Here comes our first opponent!”

The other five also looked forward.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Several figures abruptly appeared on the tree branches not far away. Jian Wushuang and the other five also halted their steps.

With a distance of about ten meters, the two teams faced each other.

“It's them.”

“The Driftcloud Empire!”

“It's a middle-sized empire.”

Jian Wushuang and his teammates stared at the adversaries in front of them. There were eight of them, two more than their six-warrior team. Because the warriors all wore their identity tokens on an easily seen place, there was no problem recognizing them.

The eight geniuses from the Driftcloud Empire were looking at Jian Wushuang and his team as well.

"It's the Tianzong Dynasty, one of the four small empires."

"Ha-ha, seems like we are lucky, the first team we met is from a small empire."

"A small empire! They are sending points to us, aren't they?"

The eight geniuses from the Driftcloud Empire were looking forward with sparkling eyes.

There was a wide gap between middle-sized empires and small empires. Generally, the difference between geniuses was also huge.

"Only one of them is difficult to handle, Jian Wushuang, who ranked ninth," said the indigo-robed man who led the team from the Driftcloud Empire. He looked over at the six-man team and eventually fixed his sight on Jian Wushuang.

"That is Jian Wushuang. Hmm, the ninth place in the Rankings. His ranking is high, but there were too many accidents in the first stage. Even though he has more than me, it doesn't mean that he is stronger than me!"

The indigo-robed man's eyes were cold.

The man's name was Lin Nan, and he was 16th in the Rankings.

His rank was lower than Jian Wushuang, but he didn't consider himself to be weaker than those who ranked in the top 10.

"Come on!"

A cold radiance flickered in the indigo-robed man's eyes, then his figure darted toward Jian Wushuang and his team like a phantom, followed by the other geniuses from Driftcloud Empire.

"The first battle in Sky Valley..."

There was a hint of excitement in the six warriors' eyes.

"Go get them!" Jian Wushuang shouted.

In an instant, the six warriors pounced forward like eagles.

The geniuses from the two teams collided.

"Go to hell!"

The indigo-robed man, Lin Nan, dashed towards Jian Wushuang first, silently thrusting a jet-black long stick toward him.

The stick contained a high comprehension of Earth and Raging Fire essences which were perfectly combined together.

He was also in the Half Step Yin-Yang realm, making the power that radiated from the stick seem horrifying.

"This man's battle strength is more powerful than Baili Chen."?Jian Wushuang frowned and thrust out his Triple-kill Sword.

Clang!

The stick shadow clashed with the Triple-kill Sword, causing the sword to tremble slightly. Then, Jian Wushuang instantly retreated, but Lin Nan followed after him.

"Boy, go to hell!"

Lin Nan looked ferocious, using his full power to demonstrate his stick skills.

Streaks of stick shadows rushed out in succession, one by one, as if they were stacked together.

In this short moment, Lin Nan had thrust out with no less than a dozen stick attacks that used his full power.

While Jian Wushuang struggled to ward off the stick with his Triple-kill Sword, he kept retreating backwards and was quickly repulsed by the attacks.

"Whoosh!"

Jian Wushuang returned to the giant tree where he was before the fight started,?away from Lin Nan. Baili Chen and the others also appeared beside him, one after another.

In the past moment, they all had encounters with their adversaries.

"How was it?" Jian Wushuang looked at the other five.

"He-he, just so-so. The one who fought against me is in the Half Step Yin-Yang realm, but his comprehension is low. I was able to match him without using my full strength just now. I can definitely kill him once I get serious," Baili Chen smiled and said.

"Although I fought with two of them, they both have weak comprehension and they haven't reached Half Step Yin-Yang realm yet. So I'm fairly sure that I can win," Feng Yutian also said.

"I can remain undefeated against two of them," Yang Zaixuan's voice was cold and indifferent.

"If I fight against one, I can gain the upper hand," said Mu Yingying.

"I can also compete against one of them," said Su Rou with a timid tone.

Hearing this, Jian Wushuang could not help smiling.

In the short fight just now, the six warriors didn't really exert all their strength. It was just a tentative test.

After the test, they'd learned about the strengths of the eight geniuses from the Driftcloud Empire.

Chapter 195: Frontal Defeat

“This is our first battle in Sky Valley,” Jian Wushuang looked around at the other five warriors and said, “We must beat them smoothly and quickly to impress the experts from those old sects.”

“Let’s get them!”

“Go and hit them!”

“Ha-ha, kill them!”

The six warriors immediately moved, and in the next moment, the battle between the two teams started again.

But this time, Jian Wushuang and his team showed their true strength.

“What?” Lin Nan, who was fighting Jian Wushuang, was the first one to shout out in astonishment.

Lin Nan had been looking down on Jian Wushuang’s strength, thinking that it was not bad for ninth place. But now, after Jian Wushuang demonstrated his true strength...

A sword swept out, which contained three torrential sword essences, Gale, Raging Fire, and Waterdrop. When it clashed with Lin Nan’s long stick, he was instantly blown backwards.

“Hmm, Half Step Yin-Yang Realm, and he’s combined two essences. His battle strength is only a little bit better than Ouyang Haotian, whom I killed. But he is still much weaker than Xue Yun.”?Jian Wushuang’s eyes were cold as a sword light blazed forward in the next moment.

Selfless Sword Technique, Idealistic Form!

The sword light pierced the air like a flood dragon and appeared in front of Lin Nan in the blink of an eye.

Lin Nan swung his long stick, struggling to withstand the coming attack. But the sword light stormed toward him and knocked his long stick back.

Then a hint of killing intent flashed in Jian Wushuang’s eyes.

Formless Sword Art...the ninth move was displayed in an instant.

Shua!

The sword swept through Lin Nan’s throat at an amazing speed.

Lin Nan’s eyes were wide open as he died. He couldn’t imagine how Jian Wushuang, who should be weaker than him, could attack with such amazing battle strength.

Three sword moves!

It took Jian Wushuang only three sword moves to defeat him this time!

The first sword move knocked him backward, the second one blew away the long stick in his hand, and the last one killed him mercilessly.

Smoothly and quickly!

The situations in the other battlefields around him were also one-sided.

Baili Chen, Feng Yutian, and Yang Zaixuan's strengths completely erupted!

Baili Chen was already 26th in the Rankings.

But, Feng Yutian and Yang Zaixuan had displayed a battle strength that could almost compare with Baili Chen's.

"How is this possible?"

"Their battle strength.. increased?"

"They didn't improve. They just deliberately hid their strength."

"Oh, no!"

As a sudden cry sounded out, the geniuses from the Driftcloud Empire looked toward the voice. They happened to see the scene where Lin Nan was killed by Jian Wushuang. These geniuses' faces drastically changed in an instant.

"Withdraw!"

"Escape now!"

"Is..is Tianzong Dynasty really a small empire?"

These geniuses from Driftcloud Empire were incomparably frightened as they fled in disorder, not daring to stay any longer.

But since the battle already started, it was hard to escape.

"Go to hell!"

"Ha-ha, stay here!"

Baili Chen and the other warriors immediately chased after them. Meanwhile, Jian Wushuang who had just killed Lin Nan, started to take action as well.

In the end, only two of the eight geniuses from Driftcloud Empire were lucky enough to escape. While the rest of the six geniuses were ruthlessly killed by the six-warrior team.

Jian Wushuang and the others stood in the battlefield, looking at the dead bodies of the geniuses from Driftcloud Empire around them. Smiles emerged on their faces.

This was their first battle in Sky Valley!

Their adversary was Driftcloud Empire, one of the six middle-sized empires.

Yet, they defeated this team perfectly.

Only two of the eight geniuses from Driftcloud Empire escaped by luck, while the other six warriors, including two geniuses who were in the Half Step Yin-Yang realm, were killed.

As for the two escaped geniuses, they should have no choice but to crumble their tokens and give up.

That was to say, Driftcloud Empire's geniuses were wiped out because of this battle!

Up in the air, above the area.

"Ha-ha... Well down, so well down."

Di Xi pounded the table and stood up, with a dense glow sparkling in his eyes and a surprised smile on his face.

On the contrary, the monarch of Driftcloud Empire's face turned rather livid.

While the monarchs of the other dynasties were also wearing a strange expression.

"How could a small empire defeat a middle-sized empire face-to-face?"

"Are the geniuses of Driftcloud Empire really so disappointing?"

"It's not that they are disappointing. It's because those geniuses from the Tianzong Dynasty this time are unusually extraordinary!"

"Indeed. We all saw the battle just now. Among the six geniuses from Tianzong Dynasty, four of them have enough battle strength to be placed in the top 30 of the Rankings. Not only that, Jian Wushuang is ninth place in the Rankings. With a strength like this...It is stupid for those geniuses from other dynasties to still think of them as a team from an ordinary small dynasty."

Those monarchs were all sighing.

The Sky Valley Point Battle had just begun, and Driftcloud Empire was the first dynasty that was defeated.

So to speak, the battle was a disgrace to the Driftcloud Empire. In contrast, Tianzong Dynasty was shining this time.

Even the experts from those old sects, who were gathered together in the air, noticed Jian Wushuang and his team.

"Bring me the information of those little guys."

Attendants immediately gave the information of Jian Wushuang and his team to the experts from the old sects.

The attendants who were qualified to appear here were all Yin Void warriors.

The experts from the old sects read the information with interest.

"Tianzong Dynasty, although just it is a small empire, has some pretty outstanding geniuses this time."

"Yes, especially the leading one called Jian Wushuang. He is only in the Profound Gold Core Realm, but his strength is already so incredible. In addition, he is very young, under 20 years old."

"Wow, combining Gale, Raging Fire, and Waterdrop sword essences together at such a young age is very impressive."

These experts were laughing and talking, but they still looked calm.

“Sir, here is the information on the geniuses from the Tianzong Dynasty.” an attendant submitted the information to Mo Lingtian.

“Put it here,” Mo Lingtian said casually but didn’t even bother to look at it.

“Mr. Lingtian, the little guy named Jian Wushuang is quite good, and luckily for him, he is a warrior cultivating Sword Principle. Aren’t you interested in him?” Another expert from an old sect asked him.

“Jian Wushuang?” Mo Lingtian looked down at the ground, sneered, and said, “Combining three sword essences, so what?”

“The three essences he comprehended are just normal essences. He hasn’t even mastered a special essence. The Wilderness Sword Sect won’t accept such trash. If any of you are interested in that little guy, you are welcome to take him in as a disciple.”

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Hearing Mo Lingtian’s words, the surrounding warriors frowned slightly, but they did not say anything.

As for accepting Jian Wushuang as a disciple...these experts had no such intention for the moment.

The old sects had very high standards.

Also, the battle in the Sky Valley had just started.

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In Sky Valley, the battles had just begun.

The Driftcloud Empire was the first to be defeated. With the talented warriors of the major dynasties encountering in the Sky Valley, war broke out. Genius warriors from the various dynasties died one after the other, with some dynasties quickly followed in the footsteps of the Driftcloud Empire.

In a flash, the battle in Sky Valley had lasted for five days.

In a mountain forest, Jian Wushuang and five others stood on a treetop, with serious expressions on their faces.

They have encountered three teams in total these last five days.

The first team they encountered was from the Driftcloud Empire, and they defeated this team easily.

The second one they encountered belonged to a small empire whose overall strength was weaker than that of the Driftcloud Empire, so they naturally defeated this team easily as well.

However, the third team... the team they just met was from the Ziyi Dynasty, one of the six middle-sized empires.

Although the Ziyi Dynasty was only a middle-sized empire, its overall battle strength was much stronger than that of the Driftcloud Empire. Among the top 30 warriors in the Rankings, three of them were from the Ziyi Dynasty, including the one who ranked seventh!

His rank was higher than Jian Wushuang's.

As soon as they encountered the team from Ziyi Dynasty, a fierce battle immediately broke out.

This battle was extremely fierce and the battle strengths of two sides were very close. As a result, the two sides were evenly matched.

Because neither side could defeat the other or even gain an advantage, the two teams decided to retreat and leave.

"It has been five days..." Jian Wushuang looked around and said in a low voice, "During the first five days of the battle in Sky Valley, due to the large number of teams, it was very easy to encounter teams of warriors from the other twelve dynasties, so the battles were the craziest."

"However, the weaker teams have almost been defeated during these five days. The number of teams left is small, but the teams that can survive in these five-days all have great battle strength."

The five people beside Jian Wushuang all nodded in agreement with his words.

After five days of fierce battle, the weaker teams had all been defeated or knocked out.

Only the stronger teams remained.

And their team of geniuses from the Tianzong Dynasty was one of those teams.

"We need to be more cautious in the next few days. The number of teams is small, and chances of meeting with other teams is not as high as the previous five days. However, once we run into them, it will be a bloody battle," said Jian Wushuang.

In the air above the area, the monarchs were gathered together.

Most of them looked a little bit unsightly, and only a few monarchs had smiles on their faces.

In these five days, many teams from the dynasties had already been eliminated. Now there were only seven teams in Sky Valley that were still relatively complete, with sufficient battle strength.

Among the seven teams, the two large empires had two teams respectively, so they had four teams in total.

One of the other three teams came from the Ziyi Dynasty.

The Ziyi Dynasty normally ranked at the top among the six middle-sized empires. In the previous Easternmost Hunts, its geniuses always performed well, so no one was surprised that they managed to hold on this long.

Another team belonged to the East Hill Empire, which was also a middle-sized empire. As the level of its disciples was relatively high this time, all the monarchs could understand why this team could stick it out til now as well.

But the last team, a team from the Tianzong Dynasty...

After all, the Tianzong Dynasty was only a small empire. Warriors from a small empire being able to hold on this far made many of the surrounding monarchs embarrassed and unhappy.

But Di Xi was pretty excited.

He was very surprised that the team from his Tianzong Dynasty could persist till today in this Easternmost Hunt. He could hold his head high in front of other Dynasties.

He was extremely satisfied with the performance of Jian Wushuang's team.

And, if any of the experts from the old sects was impressed by one of the six members in Jian Wushuang's team, it would be perfect.

"Hum, look," A monarch suddenly cried out.

All monarchs immediately looked down, and then their expressions turned weird.

Many monarchs gloated towards Di Xi at this moment.

"Ho-ho, Di Xi, the young guys of your Tianzong dynasty performed really well in the Easternmost Hunt, but it seems that they will have to stop here," said a monarch next to Di Xi while laughing.

Di Xi became serious and he also looked down.

He noticed that a small team was slowly approaching the place where Jian Wushuang's team stood, and the two teams would meet in no time. And, this small team was one of the Cosmos Empire's teams!

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In the thick jungle, Jian Wushuang and the others were resting in the treetop when a sudden gust of wind blew through.

All six members of Jian Wushuang's team immediately raised their heads and saw many figures standing in front of them.

Seeing these figures, especially the tokens that they wore to represent their identities, all the six members in Jian Wushuang's team turned serious.

"The Cosmos Empire!"

"Finally, we have encountered a team from a large empire."

"Luckily, it is only one of the Cosmos Empire's teams."

Jian Wushuang's eyes were cold, while Baili Chen and the others beside him all stood up.

After all, the Cosmos Empire was a large empire, so the level of its geniuses was much higher than that of the middle-sized empires.

This Cosmos Empire's team had seven people, and four of them were in the top 30 of the Rankings. The most prominent one was a burly figure with a giant axe on his back.

This burly man's aura was the strongest among the seven people from the Cosmos Empire.

All the members including Jian Wushuang recognized him as soon as they saw this burly man.

Gu Yan!

He was third on the Rankings!

He ranked third, only behind those two monsters, Meng Wutian and Ling Xueyu.

"Oh, the Tianzong Dynasty."

Gu Yan's eyes were cold as he stared at Jian Wushuang and the others. A strange smile rose from his mouth.

"Such a small empire actually held on to this point! That's not bad. But now, since you have encountered us, you will have to stop here."

"Their team only has six people, so how do you want to divide them?"

"How will we divide them? According to our speed, whoever is too slow to find an opponent can only blame themselves."

"All right," Gu Yan said while lowering his voice.

"Enough talk, just do it!"

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Chapter 197: A Fierce Fight

While the geniuses from the Cosmos Empire looked towards Jian Wushuang and his comrades, Jian Wushuang and his comrades were also staring back at them.

"It's just a small squad from the Cosmos Empire, with four geniuses who ranked in the top 30. Among them, Gu Yan is the strongest, but our strength is enough to confront them," said Jian Wushuang, with an icy look in his eyes.

"I will deal with Gu Yan. Zaixuan, you take one of the remaining three who ranked in top 30th," Jian Wushuang looked at Yang Zaixuan and said.

"Ok," Yang Zaixuan nodded, and replied coldly, "I can't guarantee that I can defeat him, but I definitely won't be easy to defeat."

"Su Rou, you should have no problem dealing with one of them with your strength, right?" Jian Wushuang asked.

"Yes, no problem." Su Rou nodded slightly and said, "I can definitely confine him for a while."

"All right. Baili Chen, you shall deal with the remaining one," Jian Wushuang looked at Baili Chen and continued.

“Ha-ha, no problem.” Baili Chen laughed and replied.

“As for the remaining three who aren’t in the top 30, they will be handled by you two, Feng Yutian and Mu Yingying. You two can do it if you work together,” Jian Wushuang continued.

“No problem,” Feng Yutian and Mu Yingying replied confidently.

“Okay then, it’s settled. Let’s do it!”

With a roar, Jian Wushuang immediately rushed forward fiercely, like a flowing light.

“The people from a small empire actually have the gall to initiate a fight with us, unbelievable!”

“Ha-ha, then we shall kill them.”

“Jian Wushuang is my prey. You guys deal with the rest,” Gu Yan shouted.

Soon after, the warriors from the two squads engaged in a fierce fight.

Jian Wushuang led the charge, wasting no time before starting the fight with Gu Yan. Yang Zaixuan and the others moved toward their enemies as well.

Shua!

A sword light suddenly appeared, cutting through the air as it flew forward at a fast pace.

Jian Wushuang used his full strength with this first move. The second movement of the Selfless Sword Technique, Solipsistic Form.

As soon as he rushed forward, his power radiated out and filled the area. It was a monstrous power that even caused the air to vibrate.

By then, Gu Yan was holding the giant axe that had been on his back. He immediately waved the giant axe, causing an overlapping axe shadow to appear.

“Separate the Sky from the Earth!” Gu Yan roared, and then he violently slashed the giant axe towards Jian Wushuang’s sword light.

The slash was so powerful that it seemed like it could cut through mountains.

Bang!

The two forces violently collided together, releasing two terrifying bursts of power. Several blast waves immediately formed and swept over the area.

Facing this surge of power, the upper portions of the surrounding trees were shattered.

At this point, Jian Wushuang also felt a vast force that he couldn’t resist, forcing him to retreat several steps.

“I already tried my used my full strength with the Solipsistic Form, why can’t I beat him?” Jian Wushuang muttered in surprise.

“Thunderbolt. Yes, his giant axe contains Thunderbolt Essence!”

"He should have comprehended both Thunderbolt and Raging Fire Essences simultaneously. The combined essences made his power extremely violent and terrifying," Jian Wushuang muttered.

Thunderbolt essence was fierce and violent.

Same was Raging Fire essence.

With these two essences combined, how could Gu Yan's attack not be violent.

"He is even stronger than Xue Yun."?Jian Wushuang's face darkened.

Having experienced the first round, Jian Wushuang already had an idea how strong Gu Yan was.

Gu Yan combined two essences, one regular essence and one irregular essence, the same as Xue Yun. But the difference was that Xue Yun had only reached the Exceptional Gold Core Realm, while Gu Yan was at the Half Step Yin-Yang Realm.

So Gu Yan was naturally more powerful than Xue Yun in overall strength.

Luckily, Jian Wushuang had greatly improved his strength in the past two months, so he was not really scared.

"I'm not his match if I fight with brute strength, so I'll entangle him using speed and flexibility."

Having thought of this, Jian Wushuang instantly disappeared like a ghost and landed next to Gu Yan. Then he waved his Triple-kill Swords and quietly slashed towards Gu Yan.

Gu Yan flipped his hand and easily parried Jian Wushuang's slash. However, Jian Wushuang gripped his longsword and disappeared again, reappearing on the other side of Gu Yan... Jian Wushuang fiercely waved his sword, releasing a continuous string of wild attacks against Gu Yan.

Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang!

In a single moment, Jian Wushuang had already attacked ten times in succession, without giving Gu Yan a chance to breathe. Every slash was extremely tricky, so Gu Yan had to shift his Giant Axe to ward off the sword shadows.

"This fellow is flexible."?Gu Yan darkened his face.

Gu Yan specialized in strength and head-to-head battles. However, Jian Wushuang was fighting him with speed and flexibility. He couldn't do anything about it.

In the short fight so far, he did not have an advantage. Instead, he was constantly defending. How could he beat or even kill Jian Wushuang?

Gu Yan immediately realized he was unable to overcome Jian Wushuang alone. Thinking of this, he involuntarily looked around.

Only one glance was enough to make him even more depressed.

The situation of the other fights was also the same.

Both Yang Zaixuan and Baili Chen were fighting with a genius from the Cosmos Empire who ranked in the top 30, and neither one was in a passive position.

Su Rou's opponent was a lady, who ranked 21st. However, Su Rou's movements were extremely tricky, and her body was soft like cotton. No matter how the lady attacked, she was easily ward off by Su Rou.

Every time the lady tried to stop fighting Su Rou and attack the others, Su Rou immediately interfered. Although Su Rou's attack was not formidable, it was strong enough to prevent the lady from supporting her comrades.

Feng Yutian and Mu Yingying were in the same situation. They were working together, fighting against three warriors from the Cosmos Empire. It was an evenly matched fight as well.

Looking at the whole situation, it seemed the geniuses in both Empires were well-matched.

Seeing this, Gu Yan lightly sighed, and then he waved his hand, "Retreat!"

Then the other geniuses in the Cosmos Empire retreated without hesitation. Without wasting time, they quickly left together with Gu Yan.

Jian Wushuang and his comrades were still standing on the battlefield. Seeing the geniuses from the Cosmos Empire retreat, they all felt relieved. Soon after, they all threw a smile on their faces.

"They retreated."

"We defeated a squad from the Cosmos Empire!"

"Ha-ha, even a squad from the Cosmos Empire couldn't defeat us."

Baili Chen and Feng Yutian were excited.

"Don't be careless," Jian Wushuang shook his head and said, "It was just one of the squads from the Cosmos Empire. It should have been the weaker one, so the other one should be stronger. Ling Xueyu, who was 2nd place in the Rankings, is a member of The Cosmos Empire. However, we did not see him just now, so he should be in the other squad."

Hearing what Jian Wushuang said, the five next to him agreed and nodded.

They indeed defeated a squad from the Cosmos Empire, but it was not a big deal.

"Huh?" Jian Wushuang suddenly looked at Yang Zaixuan in surprise.

Su Rou, Baili Chen, Mu Yingying and Feng Yutian looked towards Yang Zaixuan as well.

Looking at the state of Yang Zaixuan, everybody had a strange look on their face.

Chapter 198: First on the Bounty List, Yang Tian

Yang Zaixuan half closed his eyes as an astonishing aura began radiating from his body. The aura was gathering, and in no time it reached a level that was far beyond the scope of the Gold Core Realm. But soon after, the aura was suppressed.

The aura quickly calmed down, but Yang Zaixuan's aura was obviously much stronger than before.

"Half Step Yin-Yang?"

"Ha-ha, he achieved another breakthrough!"

"Second Bro, congratulations."

Jian Wushuang and his comrades all looked at Yang Zaixuan with happy smiles.

They knew that Yang Zaixuan had achieved the Half Step Yin-Yang Realm.

Counting Baili Chen and Feng Yutian, their group now had three geniuses in the Half Step Yin-Yang Realm.

What's more, Yang Zaixuan possessed a fierce battle strength. Before he reached the Half Step Yin-Yang Realm, his battle strength was already powerful enough to reach the top 30 in the Rankings. Now his battle strength should have increased a lot.

"Second bro, your strength should be as good as mine now," Jian Wushuang said, then touched his nose and stared at Yang Zaixuan with a weird look.

"My strength is still weaker than yours, but I should be powerful enough to put up a fight," Yang Zaixuan said while throwing a slight smile on his cold face.

"Second bro, your breakthrough enhances our overall battle strength, and that's what matters," Jian Wushuang said with a smile.

Baili Chen and several other comrades all nodded excitedly.

What Jian Wushuang said was correct.

The Point Battle in Sky Valley was a contest of overall strength. Now that Yang Zaixuan had a sharp increase in strength, there was no doubt that it greatly enhanced the overall battle strength of their group.

If they fought with the group from the Cosmos Empire now, it would be much easier for them.

Jian Wushuang and his comrades were still immersing themselves in the joy and celebration for Yang Zaixuan's breakthrough. However, the seven warriors from the Cosmos Empire group, who just had a fight with Jian Wushuang's group, were now slowly moving ahead toward a nearby hill.

"How shameful! We are the geniuses from the Cosmos Empire. How could a group, formed by such geniuses, be defeated by a group from a small empire?" Gu Yan's face was turned livid with rage.

The faces of his comrades darkened as well.

Among them, there was a green-robed man. He was one of those in the top 30 places of the Rankings, and had just fought with Yang Zaixuan a while ago.

“That guy just now...” The green-robed man was muttering while walking, and his eyebrows were bent.

“What happened, Chu Dong?” Gu Yan looked at him and asked.

“Nothing. I just feel like the guy I fought with looks familiar, as if I have seen him before,” the green-robed man replied.

“Oh?” Gu Yan was stunned.

Once a warrior formed a Gold Core, he would possess an extraordinary memory. Normally, as long as they met someone once or they had an impression of someone, it would be hard to elude them.

Since Chu Dong felt Yang Zaixuan looked familiar, they should have met each other somewhere before.

“You are from the Cosmos Empire, but that guy was from Tianzong Dynasty. The two dynasties are so far away from each other, and the disparity between the two dynasties in strength is so big. How could that happen?” Gu Yan said questioningly.

Chu Dong patted himself on the head and began rummaging through his memories. Suddenly he widened his eyes and said, “I got it, I got it!”

“It’s him!”

“This is beyond my expectations!”

Chu Dong shouted horrifyingly.

“Who is he?” Gu Yan immediately asked.

Chu Dong took a deep breath, and then said seriously, “He is Yang Tian, he ranks first on the Bounty List in our Cosmos Empire!”

“What?”

What Chu Dong said shocked Gu Yan and several of the other geniuses standing beside him.

Cosmos Empire contained vast territory, with a big population and numerous warriors.

Needless to say, such a big Dynasty would have plenty of problems. So there was a Bounty List in the Cosmos Empire.

The Bounty List was personally created by the Imperial House of the Cosmos Empire. The people who appeared on the list were all important criminals who the Imperial house wanted. They attached a lot of importance to them.

Yang Tian, the son of King Yang, ranked first on the Bounty List!

The Imperial house of Cosmos Empire offered rewards for the capture of Yang Tian, and that already showed...

Anyone who was able to kill Yang Tian and bring back his body, along with his Interspatial right, to Imperial house, would be offered the position of First-class Duke. He would also receive three fiefs,

500,000 silvers, and 10,000 Elixirs. On top of that, he could choose a treasure from the Imperial Treasury.

If he was able to capture Yang Tian alive and hand him over to the Imperial house, then he would be given the position of First-class Commandery Prince. He would also receive eight fiefs, 5,000,000 silvers, and 100,000 Elixirs. He could even choose 3 treasures from the Imperial Treasury.

The status of First-class Commandery Prince was an unparalleled position in the Cosmos Empire. Their status was right next to members of the Imperial house. Eight fiefs were equal to a province in terms of territory.

Silvers and Elixirs were only a secondary concern.

Choosing three treasures from the Imperial Treasury was also a fatal attraction to any warrior in the Cosmos Empire.

Afterall, the Imperial Treasury was countless times more valuable than the Secret Pavillion in Tianzong Dynasty's Dragon Palace.

Needless to say, the treasures in the Treasure Pavilion were extremely valuable. Picking any three, how great would that be?

When the reward offered was announced several years ago, all warriors in the Cosmos Empire were shocked.

Many warriors were eager to find the Yang Tian mentioned in the rewards. However, Yang Tian had simply disappeared, and nobody knew where he went.

But now, Yang Tian had reappeared?

What's more, he reappeared in the Easternmost Hunt held by the Twelve Northwestern Dynasties.

"Chu Dong, are you sure your eyes did not deceive you? Did you really just fight with Yang Tian?" Gu Yan asked. He was a little bit excited.

Finding Yang Tian meant that they were one step closer to obtaining the rewards. Who wouldn't be excited?

Even for the geniuses in the Cosmos Empire, killing Yang Tian was much more important than displaying their strength in front of the old sects.

First-class Commandery Prince!

That was the same as being an overlord in the Cosmos Empire.

Even if they were unable to capture Yang Tian alive, they could still kill him. That way, they could at least get the position of First-class Duke and be a local Despot.

"I met Yang Tian once a few years ago, so I'm sure I don't have the wrong person," Chu Dong said and nodded solemnly.

With Chu Dong's confirmation, the geniuses from the Cosmos Empire got excited.

“Yang Tian, who ranks the first on the Bounty List!”

“Kill him. We have to kill him no matter what!”

“He must die!”

The eyes of those geniuses were sparkling with excitement.

“Yang Tian must be killed,” Gu Yan said coldly, “But he is currently in the group from the Tianzong Dynasty. It will not be easy for us to kill him.”

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Chapter 199: Attacked Again

They had already fought with the team from the Tianzong Dynasty once.

The team was strong enough to battle them to a standstill.

“If we only depend on our team, it will be impossible to kill Yang Tian. Xiao Xiao, contact another team and ask them to join us,” Gu Yan said and looked at a black-robed woman. Although her was the weakest in their team, her status was very high.

“Okay,” The black-robed woman nodded. A flying insect rushed out from her sleeve as she waved her hand, and flew into the surrounding jungle.

Gu Yan and the others stayed where they were. After about half a day passed, another team from the Cosmos Empire rushed there, guided by the flying insect.

“Gu Yan, what do you want us to do?” asked a brown-haired man. The team also had seven people, and the brown-haired man was the leader, who was 6th on the Rankings, Zhang Kong.

“Where is Ling Xueyu?” Gu Yan muffled his voice.

“That guy likes doing everything by himself, so we separated three days ago,” Zhang Kong said.

“Hum, that’s great. He won’t be able to claim this lucky opportunity,” Gu Yan said and smiled coldly.

“An oppportunity?” Zhang Kong asked while looking at him in surprise.

“The truth is...” Gu Yan began to narrate.

After a few moments of time had passed.

“What? Yang Tian!” Zhang Kong was surprised after hearing what Gu Yan said.

“Yeah, it’s Yang Tian. It’s a great opportunity,” Gu Yan said with a smile, “the team from the Tianzong Dynasty is very powerful. We can’t beat them by ourselves, so we wanted to work together and kill Yang Tian.”

“Okay,” Zhang Kong nodded without hesitation and his eyes were filled with frenzied light.

“Xiao Xiao, can you track the location of that team from the Tianzong Dynasty?” Gu Yan asked.

“Yes, I left a tracking sent on them when we were battling,” said the black-robed woman as she nodded and raised her eyebrows. Then, the previous flying insect flew out again.

“Follow it and kill them!”

Gu Yan smiled coldly. Subsequently, the 14 warriors from the two teams all rushed to where Jian Wushuang and his team members were staying.

Shortly after, they caught up with Jian Wushuang and his five team mates.

Jian Wushuang and the others were trudging through the dense jungle. Suddenly, a violent wind-breaking noise sounded out. They turned to look and found a swarm of warriors rushing towards them.

“Shit!” Jian Wushuang’s face changed.

“The Cosmos Empire!”

“So many people?”

“It’s two teams working together!”

The expressions on the faces of Baili Chen, Yang Zaixuan, and the others, immediately changed.

After all, the Cosmos Empire was a large empire. If there was only one team, they could fight back.

However, if the two teams worked together, there was no chance of them putting up a fight.

Up in the air, the Monarchs from those dynasties and the experts from the old sects all sighed while watching this take place.

“The team from Tianzong Dynasty is finished!”

“It’s extraordinary for a team from a small empire to persist this long, but they’ve reached their limit.”

“Hah, the two teams from the Cosmos Empire actually had to work together to fight with six people from the Tianzong Dynasty...”

Di Xi frowned keenly this time.

In the dense forest,

“Hurry and escape!”

As the leader, Jian Wushuang immediately ordered them to retreat.

Because of the huge difference in strength, their only chance was to escape.

“Haha. Do you think you can escape?” Gu Yan roared with a lower voice.

“Gu Yan, which of them is Yang Tian?” Zhang Kong asked with a low voice.

“He is...” Gu Yan said, while his eyes focused on Yang Zaixuan, who was quickly escaping.

“It’s him.” Zhang Kong’s eyes flashed a cold light. “Kill him!”

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

A cascade of figures simultaneously rushed forward at a high speed. Eleven out of the fourteen warriors from the Cosmos Empire teams were rushing toward Yang Zaixuan.

“What?” Jian Wushuang was surprised, “So many people want to kill second brother?”

Without any hesitation, Jian Wushuang turned around and appeared beside Yang Zaixuan.

“Get out of my way!”

Jian Wushuang roared, as the Triple-kill Sword embedded with three combined sword essences radiated a towering aura. A streak of sword shadow chopped out, as if separating the sky from the earth.

The third move of the Selfless Sword Technique, Sky Isolating Form!

This move he just comprehended was Jian Wushuang’s strongest killing move.

“Only by yourself?”

Gu Yan sneered and glanced at Jian Wushuang, striking out like a thunderbolt with his giant axe.

“Bang!”

They collided and then Jian Wushuang and Gu Yan were both pushed back at the same time.

“En?” Gu Yan was shocked. Last time, he could overpower Jian Wushuang in pure strength. But now, their strengths were almost equal.

Although Gu Yan was blocked by Jian Wushuang, the other 10 warriors appeared in front of Yang Zaixuan at this time.

A profusion of attacks began.

“Second bro, Watch out!” Jian Wushuang shouted suddenly.

At that moment, Yang Zaixuan had a very serious expression. Seeing a barrage of attacks rushing towards him, his eyes also flashed with a frenzied light.

Boom!

A horrifying aura suddenly began radiating from Yang Zaixuan. The power of this aura was greater than anyone present. At the same time, a gust of fierce Golden Spiritual Power flooded the area.

The Golden Spiritual Power covered Yang Zaixuan’s whole body, making him look like a god from heaven at the moment

Subsequently, Yang Zaixuan roared and brandished his saber.

He swung his saber three continuous times, chopping through the air and causing the whole area to be filled with rippling waves.

Rumble~

Another fierce roar sounded and the heaven and the earth seemed to be overshadowed.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Many figures were forced to rush away, appearing in the treetops. After regaining their stances, they all looked toward the figure covered in the Golden Spiritual Power.

That figure was Yang Zaixuan!

"It..."

Jian Wushuang, Su Rou, and the others were all looking at Yang Zaixuan with surprise plastered all over their faces.

Because, at this moment, the aura radiating from Yang Zaixuan was too strong, much stronger than Jian Wushuang. And the layer of Golden Spiritual Power that covered his body was also formidable.

"High Heaven Technique!" Gu Yan's pupils shrank as he said, "Yang Tian, it's you!"

"Hum," Yang Zaixuan snorted, and looked over at Jian Wushuang and the others behind him, "They are after me. Third bro, you should take them run!"

"Leave you here and run away? What are you saying?" Jian Wushuang did not move and his gazes grew cold.

"No one can leave," Gu Yan roared and the warriors from the Cosmos Empire rushed forward again.

"Kill them!" Jian Wushuang roared and was the first to rush forward. He fiercely fought with Gu Yan, who was the strongest among them.

Baili Chen, Su Rou, and the others also moved.

War broke out again.

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"Humph!"

Covered by a layer of Golden Spiritual Power and holding a saber like Satan, Yang Zaixuan fought with six talents from Cosmos Empire by himself at the same time.

Zhang Kong, who was 6th in the Rankings, was among the six geniuses.

However, while incessantly brandishing the saber, Yang Zaixuan's moves became more domineering.

One person and one saber, fighting against six geniuses at the same time.

"What an amazing little guy! "

"Easily fighting with six people?"

"That layer of the Golden Spiritual Power seems to be Heavenly Qi?"

“Yes. It’s Heavenly Qi from the High Heaven Technique, which is the highest level technique of the Cosmos Empire. Apparently, he concealed his strength because he didn’t want to display his cultivation method. It seems that he has an outstanding background.”

Many of the Monarchs and experts up in the air were secretly sighing, and they could not help glancing at the Monarch from the Cosmos Empire. The Monarch was a weathered elder, wearing an Emperor Robe.

At this time, the weathered elder looked down. When he saw the Golden Spiritual Power covering Yang Zaixuan, his face immediately became gloomy.

“It’s him. Yang Tian!”

“The traitor!”

The weathered elder clenched his hands as his eyes filled with killing intent.

The battlefield beneath them was a mess.

The sound of violent collisions could be heard as an incredible aura filled the air.

Although Yang Zaixuan’s strength increased enough to fight head-on with six of the warriors from the Cosmos Empire, they were fighting against two teams with a combined force of 14 people.

Even though Yang Zaixuan was holding back six people, there was still eight more that were not being restrained. One of those was Gu Yan, who could overpower Su Rou, Baili Chen, and the others.

“Damn it.”

Jian Wushuang noticed that Baili Chen, Feng Yutian, and Mu Yingying were retreating as they fought with the warriors from the Cosmos Empire. His expression became gloomy.

“It’s time to execute the Soul-Devouring Secret Skill...”

Jian Wushuang squinted.

The Soul-Devouring Secret Skill was his final trump card. He would not use it unless he was faced with an urgent situation.

After all, the Soul-Devouring Secret Skill placed a heavy burden on Jian Wushuang. Upon executing it, he would be weakened for several days. In a battlefield like Sky Valley, losing strength meant you would be eliminated or killed.

But in this situation...

Jian Wushuang decided to use the Soul-Devouring Secret Skill. But at this moment, a terrifying aura began radiating from among the crowd.

“What?”

Everyone immediately looked at the source of that terrifying aura.

“It’s her!”

“That woman!”

The geniuses from the Cosmos Empire looked at her in astonishment.

It was Su Rou!

At this moment, Su Rou’s sleeves and hair were fluttering as the terrifying aura continued to rise sharply and violently. In only a moment, it had reached an unbelievable level.

Subsequently, Su Rou’s eyes grew cold and she waved her hand. Vast aquamarine Spiritual Power surged out and formed a huge torrent.

The power of the torrent was amazing. It swept out and covered the entire space in only a moment.

The endless aquamarine power formed many sharp spikes and darted towards the geniuses from the Cosmos Empire.

“What is this?”

The geniuses from the Cosmos Empire were very surprised.

With their strength, it was not hard to defend against those spikes. However, there were so many spikes, and they filled the area, thrusting toward them from everywhere in quick succession.

Everyone from the Cosmos Empire had to try their best to parry those spikes.

Which gave Jian Wushuang and the others a slight reprieve.

“Escape quickly!” Su Rou roared with a low and anxious voice.

“Fourth sister!” Jian Wushuang looked at Su Rou and left without hesitation. “Go!”

Immediately, Jian Wushuang, Yang Zaixuan, Baili Chen, Feng Yutian, and Mu Yingying left the battlefield and rushed into the dense forest.

Su Rou also managed to leave, following Jian Wushuang and the others.

The power of the aquamarine torrent didn’t slow in the least until Su Rou left, at which point those spikes also halted.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Everyone from the Cosmos Empire appeared on the treetops and watched the figures of Jian Wushuang and the rest disappear. Their faces stiffened.

“They’re escaping!” Gu Yan muffled his voice.

“It was beyond our expectations. Even though they are from a small empire, they are very strong. We knew it would be hard to fight with Jian Wushuang and Yang Zaixuan, but we didn’t expect them to have such a terrifying woman,” said Zhang Kong as he squinted.

What Su Rou did had deeply shocked them.

Although Su Rou was only one person, she restrained all 14 of them.

“Hum, they only escaped temporarily,” Gu Yan groaned and said, “Xiao Xiao, how are things going over there?”

The black-robed woman frowned and said with a low voice, “That woman’s attack was terrifying. I had no choice but to focus on defending myself, and the Bloodarmor Bug was killed by a spike. I need two hours to hatch another one.”

“Only two hours? They can’t run far. We can just wait here for two hours,” Gu Yan said.

“OK.” Zhang Kong also nodded.

Now that they knew Yang Zaixuan was actually Yang Tian, these geniuses from the Cosmos Empire were specifically targetting the team from Tianzong Dynasty.

They would not give up until they killed Yang Zaixuan.

But at that moment...

“Hah, is everyone here?”

A light laughter suddenly sounded, and then a bloody-robed figure appeared on the treetop next to those talents from the Cosmos Empire.

It was a young man with a serious look, carrying a Blood Sword on his back, and wearing an evil smile. He looked at those talents from the Cosmos Empire with interest.

Seeing him, those talents from the Cosmos Empire all changed their expressions.

“Ling Xueyu!”

“Blood Sword!”

Ling Xueyu, acknowledged as the strongest genius in the Cosmos Empire, 2nd place in the Rankings!

Ling Xueyu and Meng Wutian, who ranked first, were publicly known as the two monsters in this Easternmost Hunt.

Even though he was also from the Cosmos Empire, Ling Xueyu was so strong that he could explore Sky Valley by himself.

Although he was one person, he had vanquished a team from a middle-sized empire!

Gu Yan and Zhang Kong’s expressions became unnatural when they saw Ling Xueyu.

They knew that Yang Zaixuan was an opportunity for them, but it would not belong to them if Ling Xueyu participated.