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Chapter 331: Breaking Out of the Tight Encirclement

Nineteen black clothed figures arrived soundlessly like spirits from hell, and the pair of eyes that were revealed on their faces that were covered by black cloths were icy cold, to the point they didn't contain a trace of feelings.

The hearts of the group of villains jerked when being stared at by gazes like this, and for no reason or rhyme, they felt their entire bodies go cold as if they'd fallen into an icy pit as boundless terror gushed throughout their bodies.

These villains possessed extremely abundant experience in murder, and they were able to discern with a single glance that the killing intent emitted by these 19 figures was so piercingly cold that it was even denser than their own killing intent by more than 10 times. These were absolutely devils of slaughter that had walked in mountains of corpses and seas of blood!

The black clothed figure in the lead seemed to be the leader, and the figure's eyes squinted upon noticing Qi Yin's corpse on the ground.

One of the black clothed figures charged forward to search Qi Yin's corpse for a moment and said, "He was just killed, and his time of death ought to be nine breaths of time earlier. It looks like the plan has failed and the target has probably noticed us and fled. But he has probably not gone far."

The black clothed leader said indifferently, "Don't give chase. The commander divided the 53 of us into three small teams this time, and we're surrounding him from three directions. Unless that kid flees back to Firecrow Town, he'll surely be ambushed and killed by the other two teams."

The leader paused for a while, and then glanced at the group of villains present and said with an icy cold voice, "Kill them all, don't let a single one survive!"

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

As soon as the leader finished speaking, the other black clothed figures moved out instantly with a reaction speed and movement that was so swift, it simply attained an extent that caused one's hair to stand on end. They were like machines of slaughter that were awaiting their orders at all times. Once the order was given, they moved out with a bang, and their fierce and murderous imposing aura was absolutely not something that could be tempered in a short period of time.

Numerous shrill cries swiftly resounded out in the surroundings of the forest.

Even though the strengths of these villains weren't weak, they seemed to be utterly weak and fragile before the attacks of these black clothed figures, and one of them practically perished in every single breath of time.

A battle like this was amazingly close to a crushing slaughter, and the scene was extremely bloody.

On the crown of a nearby tree, Chen Xi's eyes narrowed as his enormous Divine Sense spread out via the Rippling Echo technique, causing everything that occurred in the battlefield to be fully reflected within his mind.

Early on, before he killed Qi Yin, his Divine Sense that completely surpassed a Rebirth Realm cultivator had acutely discerned something unusual in the surroundings. Not only had he noticed these black clothed figures, he'd even noticed the black clothed figures that were approaching from another two directions.

In other words, he'd already noticed that he'd fallen into a tight encirclement with enemies in three directions since long ago, and this was the reason why he didn't flee.

But the appearance of these black clothed figures before him allowed him to instantly realize that this was a superb opportunity!

These Golden Core Realm assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion were in combat with those villains, and this was extremely beneficial for him to break out of this tight encirclement.

Moreover, he acutely noticed that this batch of assassins from the Blacksun Pavilion came from a direction that headed towards the depths of the Gloom Forest. So long as he broke out of the encirclement and followed along this path, he would perhaps be able to escape this adverse situation of being encircled.

Of course, it was extremely likely that their companions were ahead, but so long as he successfully broke out of the encirclement and escaped this situation of being surrounded, then his chances of surviving would be much greater.

Most importantly, he wasn't afraid of anyone in this forest that possessed a complicated environment. As for those villains from Firecrow Town, he wasn't stupid enough to think that he possessed the ability to rescue them.

Chen Xi's train of thought became even clearer and he promptly decided to make a move because if he continued dallying, then the enemies coming from the other two directions would arrive.

The slaughter was still carrying on. At this moment, only a mere seven villains were still standing while covered in blood and injuries, and they would die in a short while.

Chen Xi moved silently like a leopard cat that moved in the darkness as he soundlessly laid in ambush by the side of a large tree, and the tips of his fingers flickered with an imperceptible True Essence sharp light. The energy fluctuations of the Talisman Armament was too great and would easily expose his traces, whereas he was capable of controlling the True Essence fluctuations on the tips of his fingers instead, so he didn't have to worry about being noticed.

Swish! Swish! Swish!

Amongst the last seven villains that remained, six were killed instantly, and only a single villain remained, yet he'd seized this slight gap to flash out and flee madly.

"Wood One, kill him. Everyone else clean up the battlefield and prepare to leave." The leader of the black figures instructed with an indifferent voice.

"Yes." A black clothed figure answer before flying out explosively like an arrow that left the bow, and he moved to pursue the villain. In next to no time, he caught up to the villain behind an extremely thick and large tree.

After witnessing this scene and knowing that villain would face certain death, the leader of the black clothed figures turned to glance at the corpse of Qi Yin at the side, and then couldn't help but sigh after sweeping it from top to bottom. "What a pity, that Starruin Bow was a Shaman Treasure of shocking value."

Right at this moment, a sudden development arose!

At the side of the extremely thick and enormous tree that was 300m away, after he killed the final villain, the body of the black clothed figure called Wood One froze, and he actually stood frozen on the spot without moving.

"Wood One, what's wrong?" Someone asked curiously. Wood One's movements had always been agile and direct, and he'd never dallied. Could it be that there's an enemy behind that tree?

The gazes of everyone couldn't help but glance over.

"Watch out!" The leader's eyes suddenly opened wide

A figure suddenly flashed out like a bolt of lightning from behind Wood One. This unforeseen event happened too quickly to the point that a trace of an extremely short gap appeared in the reactions of everyone, and this gap wasn't even for a tenth of an instant.

However, it was precisely this less than a tenth of an instant worth of time that gave Chen Xi a superb opportunity.

His entire body was like a cheetah that had been accumulating strength while waiting to strike, and he suddenly erupted with his entire strength. A pair of shapeless wings appeared on his back, and in the next instant, he'd flashed out explosively like a wisp of illusory and translucent flowing light.

This was absolutely the first time since Chen Xi cultivated the Starsky Wings that he'd executed it to the limit, and his speed was so swift, the scenery before his eyes warped like a mirage as he teleported in the air.

Moreover, his aura had already locked onto the vital point of his enemy with extreme precision — the throat!

As he lightly swung up his right hand, a True Essence light that was like a sharp blade appeared, and it seemed like a wisp of cold light that suddenly appeared in the darkness.

Within Chen Xi's field of vision, the pupils of his enemy constricted abruptly and were filled with surprise, terror, and panic. Chen Xi didn't feel the slightest bit of pity, nor did he feel a shred of happiness. His feelings were extremely calm and composed to the point it was like glittering and bone piercing ice.

Hiss!

Chen Xi's right hand flashed out abruptly like an agile swallow skimming the surface of a lake, and it smoothly and swiftly brushed lightly past the throat of his enemy. After that, he didn't dally in the slightest as his figure turned like a divine dragon swinging its tail, and he pounced towards another enemy.

If he wanted to charge out of the encirclement, then he had to first kill three people that were obstructing his path. Presently, he'd already killed two of them, and he only had to deal with another one before he would be able to attain his goal.

Hiss!

Another sound that was extremely minute resounded out as Chen Xi's figure charged towards the final person. However, right at this moment, a wave of strong energy fluctuations came from behind him, and a sense of danger suddenly arose in his heart.

But Chen Xi didn't alter his movements. His eyes were still calm as water as he leaped on the ground to flash behind the final black clothed figure with a somersault, and then he slashed his palm onto the enemy's throat before swinging and tossing this person's corpse behind him.

Pu! Pu! Pu!

Streams of blade lights that were like a rainstorm tore through the sky as they struck towards him, and they instantly slashed this person's corpse apart and into mush, causing pieces of the corpse to spray all over the sky and a bloody smell to assault the noses of everyone present.

Chen Xi didn't have the time to see who attacked him from behind. He seized this opportunity to execute the Starsky Wings with his full strength and instantly vanished within the depths of the forest, and not the slightest sign of him could be see any longer.

The person who launched an attack at him earlier was the leader of this group of black clothed figures. His strength was the strongest and possessed extremely abundant experience, and he'd noticed something was amiss when Wood One stood frozen by the side of the enormous tree, but what he never imagined was that the target was actually so formidable!

This quick flow of actions could be said to cause one to have too many things for the eye to take in, and it gave him an unprecedented shock.

The figure of his target was like a ghost, and the target's method of killing was agile and without the slightest hesitation, causing coldness to emerge from his heart. This was the first time since he carried out missions that his target had broken out of his encirclement!

Meanwhile, the others recovered from their shock, and all of their expressions became grim as their entire bodies became stiff. Everything that occurred earlier happened in around the time of a single breath, whereas it was precisely within this breath of time that their target hadn't just charged out of their encirclement, but had already vanished without a trace now.

All of them looked at the directions Chen Xi vanished at with pale expressions, and they went silent in unison.

After a short moment, the leader returned to his senses, and his voice was icy cold and seemed as if it was squeezed out from the cracks between hit teeth. "Send out the news about what happened here right away. All of us will probably be struck with misfortune if we don't catch this fellow! After all, our Blacksun Pavilion only allows success and not failure when carrying out missions!"

"There's no need, we've already arrived." Right at this moment, a hoarse and unpleasant voice resounded out, and then over 10 black clothed figures appeared from the south.

Moreover, at the same time, another 10 plus black clothed figures similarly appeared from the north, and they flew over extremely swiftly. But unlike the other two groups of black clothed figures, at the center of this group of black clothed figures was a peerlessly beautiful woman with fluttering black hair who was in a blood colored dress, and her expression was icy cold to the extreme.

Amidst this group of black clothed figures that wore black colored cloths on their faces, this woman undoubtedly seemed extremely conspicuous. She was the Golden Core Realm commander level assassin of the Blacksun Pavilion, the assassin that was ranked 76th on the Blacksun Golden Core Rankings, Rose!

The instant she made an appearance, the expressions of all the other black colored figures turned fearful as they lowered their heads and bowed to indicate their respect.

Clang! Clang!

Rose walked by herself towards the two corpses and scanned them with her gaze for a short moment before raising her head, and then she stretched out her white hand to release a wisp of flames that instantly blazed the corpses into nothingness. Shockingly, there was a blood colored chain with the thickness of a thumb on her right wrist that was white like snow, and it emitted a wave of clear, melodious, and pleasant sounds of impact when she moved earlier.

"Not only was he able to notice our tracks, he was even able to seize a short time of a single breath to break out of the tight encirclement before he was completely encircled. This person is a formidable enemy indeed." Rose spoke indifferently with an icy cold voice that didn't contain a shred of emotion, and then she said with a wave of her hand, "Move out! Use the Universe Teleportation Talismans to converge with Commander Crimsonfox."

Along with the wave of her hand, the blood colored chain on her wrist emitted a clear, melodious, and pleasant sound once more, and it resounded out in this dim forest while carrying a trace of an icy cold aura that caused one's heart to palpitate.

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Chapter 332: Chained Fiendgod

After flying for around two hours, Chen Xi confirmed that there were no pursuers behind him before finally slowing down.

He was contemplating what to do next, as he wasn't really worried about his safety at this moment. The advantage of numbers was extremely difficult to be expressed within the forest, and he was even more agile by himself.

Most importantly, he was extremely familiar with combat in the woods.

The problem that lay before him now was that even though he'd escaped the Blacksun Pavilion's assassins behind him, there were surely more assassins distributed ahead, and their strengths would only be even stronger. If he continued taking a passive stance and heading forward, he would surely fall into the trap set up by them, and this was absolutely not something he was willing to see happen.

Chen Xi knew that if he wanted to turn around this situation that wasn't beneficial to him, then he first had to grasp the initiative and not be led by the nose!

So, how should I change this situation?

Chen Xi pondered swiftly as he flashed towards the depths of Gloom Forest.

Gloom Forest was extremely large and vast to the point it seemed boundless. Along with him moving deeper in, the size of the trees grew more and more enormous, tall, and old, and they were like pillars that stood towering beneath the sky and caused one to be unable to imagine exactly how long these trees had lived for.

Moreover, as he moved deeper in the forest, hills and mountains that were towering and vast started appearing in succession. But all of them were covered by this luxuriant forest. If one were to look down at the forest from the sky, the ground was like a sea of trees that rose up and down, and one's eyes would be filled with verdant green.

Suddenly, a feeling of terror surged into his heart and interrupted Chen Xi's thoughts. There was an ash brown colored mountain in the distance, and for an unknown reason, it was completely barren, causing it to seem extremely conspicuous within this vast sea of trees.

Chen Xi sensed a terrifying aura, and this feeling caused him to feel uneasy. The instinct in his heart allowed him to instantly determine that if he still didn't leave this barren mountain, then his life would suffer the most terrifying blow!

Swoosh!

Without the slightest hesitation, Chen Xi executed the Starsky Wings with his full strength and transformed into an illusory shadow that moved over mountains as if he was desperately fleeing for his life, and he only stopped after dashing out for around a few tens of kilometers.

The trace of terror that lingered in his heart only dispersed after he arrived here, and he stopped trembling with fear.

At this moment, the place he stood at was covered in vast amounts of luxuriant plants and ancient trees that towered into the sky, and it formed a sharp contrast with the barren mountain in the distance. The area here was filled with vitality and exuberant plants, whereas the barren mountain had a deathly aura and not even a blade of grass grew upon it, causing it to seem extremely desolate. Moreover, there was a trace of faint mysterious aura surging on the mountain, and it seemed as if a den of monsters sealed for an eternity was about to be opened.

What exactly is hidden in there?

Crack!

But Chen Xi could wrap his head around what was going on, a strange sound unexpectedly resounded out from the barren mountain. It was as if the mountain was cracking and rocks were moving, and it seemed as if a terrifying monster was about to climb out from the bottom of the mountain.

Rumble!

The demon beasts and flying beasts in an area of 50km of the forest seemed as if they'd been affected by something, and they became panicked and uneasy, causing them to flee madly towards the distance, ploughing through everything before them as they rumbled through the forest while emitting howls of terror.

At this moment, it was actually as if the end of the world had arrived. Because of the unusual movements in the barren mountain, this silent forest had become unprecedentedly chaotic.

"This is..." Chen Xi's eyes opened wide like sauces as he saw numerous distant mountains crumbling abruptly without the slightest sign, and then an expanse of ash brown colored mist emerged from there, causing it to be an astonishing sight.

Numerous large mountains crumbled, ancient trees shattered, and an enormous rift split open on the ground, whereas, the barren mountain had submerged down to form a terrifying black hole.

Bang!

Right at this moment, an enormous figure that was even larger than a mountain charged out of the ground with a bang. Its body beneath its spine was bound by numerous and dense black colored chains, yet merely its upper body seemed as if it would tower through the sky. Its eyes were enormous like lakes, and its shoulders were even broader than the mountains that spread across the ground. Every single breath of it actually gave rise to a gale that shook the surroundings as it swept out in all directions, and it emitted a rumbling sound of thunder.

"Ancient Fiendgod!?" Chen Xi was extremely shocked as he'd recognized the true identity of this enormous figure with a single glance. It was precisely because it was charging out from the ground that the numerous mountains crumbled and the earth split apart.

This Ancient Fiendgod was struggling intensely, causing the mountains and ground to crumble and emit roiling dust and smoke amidst its struggling, and the noise emitted from this resounded in the heavens and the earth and was powerful and terrifying to the extreme. But the part of its body beneath its spinal cord was imprisoned by numerous pitch black chains, so no matter how hard it tried, it was unable to struggle free of the shackles of the pitch black chains.

Those pitch black chains were surely a formidable divine object, otherwise, it would absolutely be impossible for it to restrain an Ancient Fiendgod here and cause it to be unable to lay waste to the world.

Om!

Chen Xi suddenly felt his hand shake tremendously. It was the Staruin Bow! This Shaman Treasure seized from the hands of Qi Yin had actually become restless at this moment, and it was about to slip out from his hand.

What a strong suction force. Could it be that this Ancient Fiendgod was drawn out because of this bow? Right, the materials used to refine this bow was obtained from an Ancient Fiendgod, and actions like this are absolutely an intolerable disrespect towards the Ancient Fiendgods that felt their statuses were extremely noble. Chen Xi instantly deduced many things in his mind. To a body refiner, a Shaman Treasure was a weapon they dreamt of the most, but to an Ancient Fiendgod, a Shaman Treasure was

an existence that aroused the greatest detest in them. Because the birth of every single Shaman Treasure meant that an Ancient Fiendgod had met its doom.

When he realized this, Chen Xi tossed the Staruin Bow into the Buddha's Pagoda right away. Right at this moment, he noticed that the enormous eyes of the Ancient Fiendgod in the distance suddenly shot towards him. The icy cold eye that was like a lake was filled with surging rage, and the terrifying might it emitted almost caused Chen Xi's entire body to become stiff and even breathing became much more difficult.

Bang!

In the end, under the restraint of the chains, the Ancient Fiendgod's body fell down powerlessly, and it vanished from the enormous rift. After that, the rumbling sounds stopped, the dust and smoke gradually dispersed, and only terrifying ruins from what had happened remained.

Chen Xi didn't speak for an extremely long time. This Gloom Forest was really dangerous and terrifying, and an unimaginable existence like an Ancient Fiendgod actually existed within it. The environment here was so adverse that it absolutely exceeded any of the dangerous places he'd experienced.

Chen Xi didn't dare stay here any longer and continued heading forward. Unknowingly, he'd actually traveled a distance of a few tens of thousands of kilometers and a few days had passed by.

During these few days, he'd relied on the Starsky Wings that were swift like a bolt of lightning to avoid many ferocious beasts all along the way. Of course, it was unavoidable for a few fierce battles to occur.

It was to the extent that even up until now, Chen Xi hadn't completely escaped from being pursued, as an enormous centipede that was completely bright silver in color had already been pursuing him for two days.

This was an extremely stubborn and formidable demon beast, it was more than 100m long and possessed a terrifying strength. The shell on its entire body was hard like steel, and even the Talisman Armament was incapable of shattering its shell, whereas its thousands of legs were like matchlessly sharp blades that shattered trees and swept through mountains. So long as Chen Xi slowed down slightly, it would follow along his aura to catch up, and it troubled him without end.

According to Chen Xi's conjecture, this silver colored centipede's strength was at least at the Rebirth Realm, and coupled with its outstanding defense and swift speed, it was utterly impossible for him to annihilate it.

He could only flee, so not to mention contemplating about how to deal with the Blacksun Pavilion, even escaping the terrifying demon beast behind him caused his head to ache at this moment.

Bang!

A myriad of cold lights tore through the sky and swept out, instantly causing all the ancient trees and rocks in the surroundings to be completely shattered. Chen Xi didn't have to turn around to know that the silver colored centipede had caught up once more.

He didn't hesitate in the slightest to leap up and flash out explosively.

Bang!

Chen Xi had just left when the ancient tree at the place he was standing earlier was chopped into half, and a myriad of enormous cracks were even cut open on the ground.

After that, an enormous silver colored centipede swung about thousands of legs as it shot out like a silver bolt of lightning. Its crimson red eyes stared in the direction Chen Xi fled as a trace of extreme rage flashed within. Just a little bit more, yet he escaped again...

Roar!

Suddenly, violent howl resounded out from deep within the forest as a black figure that was over 30m tall charged out, and it stretched out its hand with extreme agility to grab towards the silver centipede.

Shockingly, this was a ferocious and violent enormous ape with golden fur that was suffused with a rosy light.

The silver centipede was shocked and hurriedly swung its thousands of sharp legs towards the enormous ape.

Bang!

The enormous ape's body was enormous, yet was extremely agile, and it transformed into a wisp of gold light that swiftly appeared at the head of the silver centipede before its hands smashed down like falling meteors. It broke open the extremely hard head of the silver centipede with a single strike.

At this moment, under the violent attacks of the enormous ape, this silver centipede that had chased after Chen Xi for a few days could only cry out in despair before perishing, and then its brains and flesh were completely devoured by the enormous ape.

This was the Gloom Forest. Danger and terrifying creatures were everywhere, the law of the jungle prevailed, and bloody killing intent was everywhere.

There was no reason to be used here. Those with weak strengths wouldn't be able to survive for long because they would very likely become the food in another ferocious beast's mouth in the next moment.

Subsequently, Chen Xi fought a few more bloody battles, encountered numerous dangers, and he even suffered heavy injuries on many occasions, causing him to almost lose his life. Fortunately, his body refinement cultivation was sufficiently formidable. So long as his head and heart weren't injured, he was able to recover to his previous state in a short amount of time, so he was able to escape numerous assaults.

Presently, Chen Xi had formed an extremely good habit. So long as he stopped, he would recover his strength right away, and he would only stop for a short moment before leaving right away, as he didn't have the slightest time to waste. Because if he spent more than 15 minutes at a single place, he would be assaulted by the ferocious beasts that came over after noticing his movements.

But, experiencing countless life and death battles was extremely beneficial towards Chen Xi's strength and cultivation. Just the day before yesterday, his body refinement cultivation had already attained the intermediate-stage of the Golden Core Realm, and compared to before, his combat strength had

increased by more than a little bit. Presently, even if he was to face a Rebirth Realm cultivator, he would be able to fight the cultivator equally.

Moreover, wandering and cultivating all along the way allowed Chen Xi to unexpectedly obtain a few ten types of rare spirit herbs that could be considered to be treasures of the heavens and the earth, and he'd even obtained the skin, bones, and materials from numerous ferocious beasts. All of these possessed an extremely shocking value, and if they were combined together and exchanged for Nascent Condensation Pills, they would at least be able to be exchanged for a few million pills, thus it was absolutely a considerable amount of wealth.

Right when Chen Xi was immersed in moving forward, at the side of a rocky area coiled with mist in the extreme depths of Gloom Forest was a group of people that were plotting a perfect and comprehensive ambush.

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Chapter 333: Following Like A Shadow

This place was a bed of rocks situated at the edge of the extreme depths of Gloom Forest and enormous jagged and strangely shaped rocks were scattered all around. Some strangely shaped rocks were even 3km tall, yet were only a little over 30k in diameter, and when looked at from afar, it was like a spear that pierced straight into the sky, standing there proudly without fear of wind or snow.

Wu~ Wu~ Wu~

Piercingly cold winds that were like blades flashed past the bed of rocks. As it passed through those enormous rocks of strange shapes, the winds emitted sharp and ear piercing sounds that sounded like weeping, and it was like vengeful spirits were wailing, yet also seemed like demons were crying out sharply.

This place was a dangerous place behind Gloom Forest — Evilstone!

Unlike Gloom Forest, there were no living beings in Evilstone, as the spirit energy here was dried up, and its environment was extremely adverse. Strange gales blew through this place all year round, and when it entered the ear, it would cause various hallucinations to appear in one's mind and enchant one's soul. Slight carelessness could cause one to lose their soul and make them transform into a dry corpse.

Moreover, the deeper one traveled into Evilstone, the stronger the gales became, and the hallucinations created by them became even more terrifying. Compared to the bloody battles that occurred between ferocious beasts in Gloom Forest, Evilstone was undoubtedly even more terrifying.

Because this was a disaster of nature that was impossible to guard against.

At this moment, a group of black clothed figures stood respectfully in a concealed place in Evilstone, but their expressions were very heavy and unsightly. Their target had escaped from beneath their eyes within the time of a single breath and had even killed three of their companions. This outcome caused their hearts to be covered by a shadow so dense it was impossible to disperse.

Her bloody clothes fluttering as her black hair waved about, Rose stood silently on a strangely shaped rock, and her icy cold eyes didn't contain the slightest emotion or even a trace of fluctuation.

Everyone was silent, and only the sharp wailing sounds of the wind resounded in the air, and it carried an energy that took one's soul away.

Not long after, Rose suddenly raised her head, and the other black clothed figures revealed vigilant expressions. There was no need for any orders, as all of them had instantly made preparations to do battle.

"Rose, it's me!" A voice that was gentle like water sounded out from afar. Accompanying this voice was a handsome man who had a dimple on his left cheek when he smiled, who possessed a sharp chin, white skin, and a smile on the corners of his mouth, and he arrived before everyone in the blink of an eye.

The handsome man wore clothes that were white as snow and had a smile on the corners of his mouth, yet his temperament seemed to be extremely gentle. Along with his arrival, the surrounding air seemed to have frozen, and the tiny grains of sand on the ground were even covered in a layer of translucent ice.

There were similarly around 50 black clothed figures following behind him.

Rose saw the appearance of the person clearly, and she said with a nod, "Crimsonfox, you've arrived."

Shockingly, this person was a Golden Core Realm commander level assassin of the Blacksun Pavilion that was ranked 68th on the Golden Core Rankings, Crimsonfox. His gaze swept past Rose and everyone behind her before he said with surprise, "All of you wouldn't have really met with a mishap, right?"

Rose nodded and said, "You're right. No matter if it was the kill operation in Firecrow Town, the plan of the tavern owner using a fake map to lure him, or Qi Yin drawing him out, all of them ended in failure, and I even lost three subordinates."

"So formidable?" Crimsonfox's eyes narrowed, and coupled with his extremely sharp chin, he looked like a cunning fox.

Rose spoke in a dull matter, but he naturally understood the seriousness of it. Moreover, he understood Rose's strength extremely well, and being able to escape safely from her hands undoubtedly proved that the kid's strength was obviously more formidable than expected.

"The higher-ups underestimated his strength, especially his control of the situation that had already arrived at a level ordinary people are unable to reach. Coupled with acute perception of danger, and his resolute and decisive movements, even I was powerless to save the situation..." Rose analyzed word by word. Her tone was steady, neither fast nor slow, and seemed to be extremely calm as she described everything she saw in detail.

Crimsonfox's face gradually became serious, and a bright light flickered as his eyes blinked, and he promptly decided. "For the sake of the operation this time, the higher-ups have prepared for a very long time, so they only allow success and not failure."

When he spoke up to here, he raised his eyes to look at Rose and ask. "Did you gather his aura?"

Rose stretched out her white hand and flicked out an object that was like a drop of water and said, "His True Essence fluctuations were extremely tiny when he killed my three subordinates. I could only gather a little."

Crimsonfox briefly sized it up and said, "It's already enough. We can activate a Shadowtrack Treasured Talisman with this."

As he spoke, Crimsonfox took out a light blue colored jade talisman, then he slightly refined it by fusing this object that was like a drop of water into the talisman, and then a bright light flashed before it recovered to normal.

"Alright, his rough location can already be determined. The target hasn't left the Gloom Forest yet, begin the operation!" Crimsonfox closed his eyes and pondered deeply for a moment before he suddenly opened his eyes, and then he looked towards the extreme distance.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

Under the lead of the two commanders, Rose and Crimsonfox, everyone quickly vanished within Evilstone.

Gloom Forest, at the side of a large tree.

Chen Xi sat cross-legged there. He'd just experienced a fierce battle and annihilated a crocodile with blood red eyes and an azure colored snout, and he incurred a great deal of injuries.

But under his formidable body refinement cultivation, his injuries were healed very quickly, and his strength was swiftly recovering at this moment. It wouldn't be long before he would once again recover to his optimum state.

There was a longbow placed before him.

During these past few days, he had the intention of tempering his strength in body refinement and put his qi refinement cultivation aside, and he fought at full strength with Shaman Energy. Not only had he cultivated both the Deity Transformation and Heavenly Transformation Divine Abilities, he'd even tried to start researching and learning archery, and he'd obtained rather great gains.

With Chen Xi's cultivation, after he executed the Heavenly Transformation, his body was capable to attaining a height of 48m, and his own strength would rise explosively by around 30%. If it was combined with the Deity Transformation, then even though his strength wouldn't increase, but the strength he was capable of exerting in battle raised by a great deal.

If purely in terms of his body refinement cultivation, after he obtained the support of these two Divine Abilities, the combat strength he possessed was even slightly higher than his qi refinement cultivation!

Moreover, under the support of the Heavenly Transformation and Deity Transformation, no matter if it was the Starsky Wings or Grand Astral Palm, the might both of them displayed had increased by almost 30%.

Even though it was a mere increase of 30%, it was absolutely a tremendous change when used in battle. For example, he killed a terrifying ferocious beast a few days ago, the Spiked Stripetiger. If he fought it normally, he was utterly not a match for it, yet if he executed the Heavenly Transformation and Deity Transformation, he was able to smash the Spiked Stripetiger into a pile of mush within a mere three moves.

As for his cultivation in archery, he obtained small accomplishments in it as well.

Drawing a bow and shooting an arrow stressed upon possessing sharp eyes, agile hands, and the ability to move one's body as soon as the intention arose. Not only was sufficient strength required, speed and precision were extremely important as well. Especially precision, as it was the most basic requirement when testing an archer.

Shooting a leaf 100 steps away and shooting the heart 100 steps away, both of these were requirements for ordinary people in the world. To cultivators and body refiners, if they wanted to reveal a formidable might in archery, then the requirements towards their strength, speed, and precision was even harsher.

Because all cultivators possessed the ability to fly into the air and flee into the ground while in battle, and their movement techniques that were swift like lightning was even more nimble than the most agile swallow, swifter than the hawk that was most adept at flying. If one wanted to precisely hit them, then its difficulty was obviously enormous.

But Chen Xi currently had no lack of strength and speed, and what he had to train was how to lock onto his target and hit them.

The cultivation of archery was completely different from the cultivation of other skills, and its requirement towards one's Divine Sense was even higher than its requirement towards one's strength.

Only a formidable Divine Sense was capable of locking onto the movements of the enemy and capturing the slightest chance to annihilate the enemy in a split second. Then, it would hold on tightly to this chance and launch a fierce attack, and a tiny oversight in any aspect might cause the attack to miss.

All in all, the most basic cultivation in archery was to allow the hand to aim onto the target as soon as the eye did, and for both body and mind to become one. At the instant one decided to shoot an arrow, the movements of drawing the bow, nocking the arrow, aiming, and shooting had to be completed at the exact same moment. Only in this way would one be able to exert the true might of archery.

Of course, this was merely the basics.

Supposedly, there was a great expert in the primordial era that was skilled in archery. He was even capable of penetrating space, shattering stars, and destroying a hundred mountains with a single shot, and he was even able to kill an enemy 5,000km away in the time his thought arose.

Chen Xi was only capable of shooting arrows skillfully now, and he'd obtained some superficial knowledge about archery. This was all thanks to Qi Yin, as within the storage Magic Treasure left behind by Qi Yin upon his death was a jade slip that recorded an archery Divine Ability called Staruin Shattermoon Arrow.

This Divine Ability recorded knowledge related to archery in detail, like how to make the strength of the shot stronger when drawing the bow, how to nock the arrow in order to attain the swiftest speed, and so on and so forth.

Of course, this archery Divine Ability had to be executed with a bow and arrow Shaman Treasure. Presently, Chen Xi only possessed the Staruin Bow, yet didn't have an arrow, and he was only able to utilize his Shaman Energy to shoot out a shapeless arrow. Even though its might was strong, it was unable to compare with a real arrow.

Something worthy of mentioning was that this arrow had to be a Shaman Treasure as well. Because an ordinary arrow would be utterly incapable of enduring the might contained within it when the arrow was shot, and only a Shaman Treasure arrow was capable of exerting the entire might of the shot.

But even then, relying on Chen Xi's current strength in archery, it was sufficient for him to annihilate any ordinary Golden Core Realm cultivator within a distance of 50km. As for a slightly more formidable cultivator, it would depend on the situation.

Chen Xi opened his eyes as he awoke from his meditation, and he was brimming with energy and vitality as his entire body had recovered to its optimum state. Then, he grabbed up the Staruin Bow on the ground and was just about the move forward.

Right at this moment, a tiny energy fluctuation swiftly swept past his body, and it was like a ripple that swiftly undulated out before vanishing without a trace.

Shadowtrack Treasured Talisman.

As a Talisman Formation Master capable of crafting flawless high-grade Treasured Talismans, Chen Xi practically instantly recognized what had emitted this trace of energy fluctuation.

Just as its name implied, the Shadowtrack Treasured Talisman was a high-grade Treasured Talisman utilized for tracking. It only required a strand of the enemy's aura before it would be able to locate the enemy's location, and it would follow the enemy like a shadow.

If one wanted to escape this type of detection, it was only possible if one's strength had attained the Nether Transformation Realm, otherwise, even a Rebirth Realm cultivator would be unable to avoid it.

Have they finally come? When he noticed this trace of fluctuation, not only did Chen Xi not feel nervous in the slightest, he instead seemed to be slightly impatient as if he'd been waiting for a long time. He carried the Staruin Bow on his back, yet didn't more forward, and he turned around to charge towards the Gloom Forest instead.

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Chapter 334: The Target

Om!

A trace of fluctuation emerged from the light blue colored Treasured Talisman in his hand, and then Crimsonfox's eyes narrowed as he smiled lightly. "The target seems to have noticed us, and he's heading back towards Gloom Forest. Let's go, the hunt is about to begin."

The tip of Crimsonfox's foot tapped the sky, causing a circle of ripples to spread out in the sky, and then his speed abruptly accelerated greatly before the other assassins of Blacksun Pavilion followed closely behind him in unison.

Coupled with the 50 assassins that Rose led, their group totaled 107 people at this moment.

All of these people were assassins that had experienced hundreds of battles and were extremely experienced, and they dispersed the shape of their teams to form a fan shape as they flashed forward in the sky. Even though the speed at which they pushed forward was swift, the faces of every single one of

them was calm and composed without the slightest impatience, showing an extremely high attainment in carrying out operations, and their cooperation between each other was extremely good.

Crimsonfox didn't raise a defensive barrier around him and allowed the cold wind that was like blades to blow onto his face, and his eyes narrowed slightly as he revealed an expression of slight enjoyment. After he heard Rose's description of Chen Xi, he felt the desire to slaughter in his heart being drawn out bit by bit.

It had been a very long time since he'd encountered such an interesting kid, and he extremely anticipated the siege that was about to begin.

Crimsonfox wasn't worried that the target would be able to escape, or perhaps no one could escape from him. Because he possessed countless methods to lock onto the enemy, and the Shadowtrack Treasured Talisman was only one of his methods.

He wasn't adept in battle, and his strength was even inferior to Rose. Yet he was ranked the 68th on the Blacksun Golden Core Rankings and was even higher than Rose, who was ranked the 76th.

The reason was extremely simple. None of the commander level assassins were capable of comparing with his attainments in the art of tracking. The Blacksun Pavilion had sent him over this time precisely for the sake of firmly locking onto the target and completely putting an end to any possibility that the target would escape!

"Everyone pay attention, the target has stopped moving. Make preparations for battle!" Crimsonfox didn't fail this time as well, and he quickly noticed the rough location of the target.

This was a hill covered in forest that covered an area of around 3km, and it was like a small hump had arisen within the luxuriant forest, causing it to be extremely inconspicuous.

Chen Xi stood in midair, his clothes fluttering with the wind, and he suddenly raised his head to look towards the distant sky.

In the distant sky was a group of small black dots that were flying over here with shocking speed, and an aura of slaughter filled the air and seemed like a dark cloud that swept over.

A trace of coldness suffused the corners of Chen Xi's mouth. He'd already been preparing for a long time for the arrival of this day. At this moment, as he looked at the appearance of the formidable array of Blacksun Pavilion assassins, he didn't feel nervous in his heart, and only boundless killing intent remained.

He didn't have any distracting thoughts in his heart, causing it to be unusually clear, and he was only waiting for an optimum moment before launching a swift strike without the slightest hesitation.

Because he didn't like being in a passive situation and being on the receiving end, he didn't like being taken as prey by another. This time, he wanted to let them know exactly who the hunter was and who the prey was!

In the sky, Crimsonfox and Rose stopped, and the 105 black clothed assassins behind them spread out as their auras locked down onto the surroundings from afar.

Oppressive and pure killing intent covered the heavens and the earth, causing the demon beasts in the nearby 50km to seem to have noticed something was amiss and not dare approach this area.

Rose raised her white hand to gather her black hair behind her ear, and the violet colored chain on her wrist emitted a strange clanging sound that captivated the heart. She stared at Chen Xi with a pair of icy cold eyes that didn't contain the slightest emotion, and she seemed as if she was staring at a dead person.

It was precisely this person that had escaped her encirclement, and this time, she would absolutely not allow a situation like that from repeating again!

As he looked at Chen Xi who stood all alone in the distance, the corners of Crimsonfox's mouth was suffused with a ghastly and feminine smile as he said unhurriedly, "You know that fleeing is only a waste of energy, so you don't intend to flee? It's fine this way as well. The customers that entrusted our Blacksun Pavilion with assassinating you would most probably be willing to see how you die tragically with their own two eyes."

Crimsonfox didn't make a move impatiently but instead started forming seals and withdrew a mirror that surged with ripples.

This mirror was called a Mirror of Exchange, and it was a type of rare and wondrous treasure. It didn't possess any offensive ability, and its effect was extremely simple, it was capable of constantly displaying the scenes and everything that happened nearby.

Even if the other person that possesses a Mirror of Exchange was 500,000km away, the person would be able to see everything that occurred here through the mirror, and it would be as if the person was present here, causing it to be an extremely miraculous treasure.

Obviously, Crimsonfox had did this because he wanted everything that occurred here to be personally witnessed by some people that were an unknown distance away.

Chen Xi had even guessed already that Huangfu Jingtian and that group of old freaks were gathered somewhere before the other Mirror of Exchange, and they were looking towards him now. But he wasn't worried in the slightest. So what if they see? The winner and loser hasn't been determined.

Just like Chen Xi guessed, at this moment, in a space at the depths of the Wise King's Estate that was filled with Immortal Energy, a Mirror of Exchange floated in the air as a detailed scene appeared upon it.

When they saw the scene of Chen Xi being encircled by the Blacksun Pavilion assassins, the spirits of Huangfu Jingtian, Daoist Long He, Mo Lanhai, Zhao Zimei, Lord Liu Xiao, and Chong Xu the Unfettered were refreshed as their eyes revealed excited expressions.

"The Blacksun Pavilion is worthy of being the number one assassin organization in the world. It sent such an amount of forces for the sake of killing a little fellow. It's truly an extravagant display. This kid will absolutely die a graveless death this time!" The Dragonshark Isle's Master, Mo Lanhai, praised.

The Wise King, Huangfu Jingtian, shook his head and laughed coldly. "The six of us have paid a great price to make the Blacksun Pavilion deal with that kid, so dispatching so many assassins isn't a big deal."

"I'm not concerned with all this. So long as that kid's treasures can safely fall into our hands, then it wouldn't be in vain, no matter how great a price we pay." Daoist Long He chuckled.

The gazes of everyone burned when the treasures in Chen Xi's possession were mentioned, and they stared at the Mirror of Exchange with an appearance as if they simply wished for nothing more than to drag Chen Xi out from within the mirror!

In the sky above the small hill that was covered by the forest, the two parties stood in confrontation from afar, and they didn't voice any remarks to each other.

Both of them held the confidence of surely annihilating their enemies and strived to kill each other in battle, so was there any need for nonsense?

Even though he knew that his side had already occupied an absolute advantage, Crimsonfox still decided to first send out a few people to probe his opponent. He's experienced countless battles and knew deeply that he couldn't be careless, as since Chen Xi was able to stay alive until today, Chen Xi's strength would surely not be simple.

He called over five of his subordinates and said casually, "End it quickly."

These five people didn't dare be careless. Even though their target was only a single person, yet he was capable of escaping from the hands of Commander Rose, so his strength couldn't be underestimated. If it was a one on one battle, they knew they wouldn't be a match for him, but if it was a five on one battle, they had sufficient confidence to kill him. If one wanted to obtain a foothold in the Blacksun Pavilion, and especially as an ordinary assassin, one had to learn how to cooperate with one's companions.

This was also the reason why they'd survived all the years until now.

The five black clothed assassins approached, all of them stood in a well-arranged location that allowed them to cooperate with each other from afar, and they utilized a combat method that didn't have the slightest blind spot to firmly lock onto Chen Xi's aura.

Before these people approached, Chen Xi suddenly moved his hand as his muscles bulged, and vast Shaman Energy poured into the pitch black Staruin Bow that was suffused with a dim glow as he drew the bow to form a full moon.

Bang!

Instantly, Chen Xi seemed to have transformed into a different person. Terrifying killing intent surged out explosively from his body like a tide, and his black hair fluttered as killing intent lingered in the air around him. Coupled with his posture of drawing the bow to form a full moon, he was like a god of the primordial era that shot the sun and exterminated fiends, awe-inspiring and baleful.

The five people that moved to surround him felt suffocated as their faces went pale, and a trace of extremely tiny fluctuation arose in their minds from being affected by Chen Xi's killing intent.

Even though this trace of fluctuation only lasted for less than an instant, it was acutely grasped by Chen Xi, and his hand that clenched onto the bowstring suddenly moved successively five times in an instant as if he was playing the zither!

Beng! Beng! Beng! Beng! Beng!

It was like a sound that took one's life away, like the sound of the drum of death beating in one's heart. Five shapeless arrows instantly transformed into five flowing light that directly tore through the sky.

Bang!

A black clothed assassin's body suddenly exploded apart as if he was fiercely smashed by a hammer of the gods, and the terrifying force of impact caused his shattered corpse to explode into a ball of bloody mist that sprayed all over the sky.

The might of a single arrow was terrifying to this extent!

Actually, this was extremely normal. Archery was unlike any other combat method. It was fine if it didn't hit, yet it surely killed its target if it did. Its offensive strength was so formidable and effective range was so far that none could compare to it.

Even though this arrow was merely a shapeless arrow, it contained Chen Xi's enormous Shaman Energy, and it was even covered by the Wind and Sky Dao Insights, causing its speed to be matchless. So while it was shapeless and immaterial, it was absolutely a lethal weapon in hunting and killing enemies, and it caused one's enemy to be unable to guard against it.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

At practically the exact same time, the bodies of the other four people exploded into balls of bloody rain in succession, and it sprayed throughout the sky.

Instantly, all the five black clothed assassins Crimsonfox sent out had met their end, and they didn't even have the chance to emit a shrill cry before death. Such an exceedingly bloody scene caused the pupils of everyone present to constrict.

They naturally recognized the Staruin Bow in Chen Xi's hand, and they knew it was a Shaman Treasure that originally belonged to Qi Yin. But when utilized in Chen Xi's hands at this moment, the might it exploded out with caused all of them to feel disbelief.

This fellow isn't just a qi refiner, his body refinement cultivation is so strong that it's even more formidable than Qi Yin!

This sudden knowledge caused the hearts of everyone present to go cold. After all, before the operation this time, the information they came into contact with only showed that Chen Xi was merely a qi refiner, and it utterly didn't reveal that he'd actually cultivated a body refinement cultivation technique concurrently.

Even if a slight error occurred in their information, it would cause a change in the outcome of the operation, and this was something that every single assassin had to remember in their hearts. At this moment, the body refinement strength that Chen Xi revealed now had undoubtedly caused the situation to undergo a slight change.

The death of these five people caused this slight change to be exposed, and it was instead a good thing towards their following operation. Because their absolute advantage hadn't changed.

"Shaman Treasure! School of Fiendgod Body Refinement! The secrets concealed on this fellow are really numerous..." When the group of old freaks in the Wise King's Estate witnessed this scene, besides the shock in their hearts they felt at the beginning, they quickly recovered to their previous states.

As far as they were concerned, no matter how strong Chen Xi's individual combat ability was, he was only a single person in the end. At this moment, when facing the encirclement of over 100 assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion, especially with two commander level assassins leading the operation, there would only be a single end for him: death!

Beng! Beng! Beng!

Chen Xi seemed to have completely not noticed his current situation, and he ceaselessly drew his bow before releasing arrows that shot towards the black clothed assassins all around him.

But unfortunately, after they took precautions against it, these black clothed assassins revealed formidable individual strength, and all of them easily avoided these arrows, causing all of Chen Xi's attacks to miss and seem as if his actions were useless.

At this moment, in the eyes of everyone present, Chen Xi was indeed like a caged beast in battle, struggling desperately.

No one noticed that at the locations where those shapeless arrows Chen Xi shot out descended, traces of weak light that were inconspicuous had appeared!

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Chapter 335: Turning The Situation Around

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Numerous shapeless arrows tore through the sky like flowing light that suddenly shot out explosively, and every single flowing light carried a fierce, murderous, and all-conquering sharp aura.

Everywhere it passed, numerous thick ancient trees were directly penetrated, and the hard and thick ground was blasted to the point rubble sprayed all over the sky. In just an instant, an area of 5km around the small hill was riddled in holes like a hornet's nest, and it was in a state of devastation.

The scene was shocking, yet it was unable to create the slightest threat towards the assassins of Blacksun Pavilion.

Under the lead of the two commanders, Crimsonfox and Rose, the over 100 assassins formed a circle as they pressed forward towards Chen Xi. They naturally wouldn't just encircle him without attacking, and conversely, every single one of them executed their fiercest attacks that covered the heavens and the earth as it enveloped towards Chen Xi.

Dao Grade martial techniques, Martial Treasures... A variety of attacks swept through the heavens and the earth with a vast and terrifying might that shook the surroundings and shattered the sky. It was like a volcano had erupted in the area of 300m in their surroundings as the earth quaked, causing it to be extremely terrifying.

The violent flames and the matchless dazzling and resplendent lights emitted from the explosions caused the heavens and the earth to pale in comparison, and everything in that area couldn't be seen clearly any longer.

"That kid is probably dead this time." In the Wise King's Estate, the scene within the Mirror of Exchange that floated in the air was already completely blurred as it was entirely filled with a variety of divine light, and when he saw this scene, the Whitecrane Sect's Daoist Long He couldn't help but sigh with emotion.

"It isn't just probably, he's dead for sure!" Huangfu Jingtian laughed heartily, and his voice revealed extreme delight. "In less than three days, all the treasures in that kid's possession will be in our hands. Everyone, could it be that all of you don't think this is worthy of celebration?"

As he spoke, he raised the wine cup in his hand before raising his head and emptying his cup.

The other old freaks held smiles on their faces and raised their wine cups before emptying their cups when they saw this scene, and it seemed as if it wasn't sufficient to vent the excitement and happiness in their hearts if they didn't do this.

Right, the treasures we dreamt of are about to fall into our hands. At this moment, none of them could restrain their excitement.

As for whether seizing treasures from a junior was a loss of face, none of them mentioned it, and it was even to the extent that they automatically overlooked this little detail.

This was the psychology of great figures. So long as they took a fancy to something, they would demand or seize it without the slightest regard for the fate of ants.

"Hmm? What's that?" At the instant everyone was laughing heartily and drinking wine, Daoist Long He unintentionally noticed that the surface of the Mirror of Exchange suddenly lit up with countless dazzling rays of starlight.

Rays of starlight followed along a profound pathway to overlap each other layer by layer and link up with one another, and in practically an instant, it swallowed all the divine lights, bright lights, and flames...

After that, the scene within the Mirror of Exchange changed abruptly.

The entire sky was suffused with stars that enveloped all directions, and all the figures of the Blacksun Pavilion's assassins had vanished as if they'd vanished into thin air and not a single trace of their existence could be found.

This is...

The pupils of old the old freaks constricted as they instantly recognized that this was shockingly an enormous and complicated grand formation!

A bad feeling suddenly gushed into the hearts of everyone.

Chen Xi stood outside the grand formation and was breathing heavily as he'd suffered a great deal of injury beneath the attacks that covered the heavens and the earth. At this moment, his entire body was burned black, his hair disheveled, and he seemed to be in an extremely sorry state.

But when he saw the grand formation before him that was suffused with starlight, Chen Xi still revealed a slight smile.

After he killed Qi Yin and escaped from Rose's tight encirclement, he'd always been contemplating how to grasp the initiative and wipe out all threats.

While he was moving ahead, he was contemplating.

During the intense battles with numerous terrifying ferocious beasts, he was contemplating.

At the moments he was making the best use of his time to heal his injuries after the numerous times he suffered heavy injuries, he was contemplating as well.

When a person concentrated on a thing, the potential that would explode forth from that person would absolutely exceed the expectations of all. As the saying goes, concentration to the point of insanity brings out the extreme.

The grand formation suffused with starlight before him was the masterpiece of Chen Xi's bitter contemplation.

If he wanted to exterminate all 100 plus of his enemies in one fell swoop, then setting up a grand formation would undoubtedly be able to bring forth an unbelievable effect. A grand formation could be used for defense, and it could be used for slaughter.

After he possessed this thought, he gathered a huge amount of material in the Gloom Forest and utilized almost all of the materials within the Buddha's Pagoda before being able to set up this grand formation.

This grand formation was called the Boundless Starsea. Once cultivators fell into this grand formation, it would be as if they'd fallen into a boundless sea of stars. No matter how they flew or how they resisted, they would be unable to escape the restraint of this grand formation.

Unless one knew the method of breaking out of the formation or had attained the Nether Transformation Realm and destroyed the grand formation by force, otherwise, one would be like a caged bird that had fallen into a hopeless situation, incapable of flying away even with the possession of wings.

Simply speaking, the Boundless Starsea could be called an enormous illusory formation, and it was only capable of trapping one's enemies, yet didn't possess the slightest offensive ability.

There was nothing he could do about this. The materials in Chen Xi's possession and all the materials he'd gathered in Gloom Forest could only set up this formation. As for another large scale slaughter formation, even though he knew how to set up the grand formation, because he suffered from a lack of materials, he could only make do with the Boundless Starsea grand formation.

But its effects were similarly prominent. After he utilized the art of archery that he wasn't skilled in to show weakness to his enemies, his enemies really acted as he'd expected. They thought he had nothing

left up his sleeves and thought he was battling like a caged beast, and they pressed forward, yet they fell into the trap he'd set up since long ago in the end, causing them to turn from hunter into prey...

At this moment, all the 105 assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion including Crimsonfox and Rose had fallen into the grand formation, and they would be absolutely unable to escape in a short period of time.

This was an opportunity, a superb opportunity for him to exterminate all of them in one fell swoop!

Without the slightest hesitation, Chen Xi leaped up to instantly charge into the depths of the forest, and he left the grand formation behind.

After a short moment, he arrived nearby a waterfall, and he stopped 300 meters away. Without dallying in the slightest, he drew the Staruin Bow right away before suddenly shooting out a shapeless arrow explosively. The arrow tore through the sky and carried an unparalleled force of impact, and it collided into the waterfall and shook it to the point rocks shattered and waves of water surged into the sky.

"Roar!" Right at this moment, a beast roar that shook the heavens resounded out. A wyrm that was enormous like a mountain, completely graphite colored, and covered in icy cold scales exploded out from the surface of the water as its enormous claw that was thick like a water barrel stretched out to the sky, and it searched for the provocateur that had the audacity to trespass upon its place of cultivation.

"Bang!" Welcoming it was another shapeless arrow that was even more fierce, sharp, and filled with vast Shaman Energy, and it fiercely shot onto its head, causing a string of dazzling sparks to appear and this wyrm to be infuriated.

It noticed Chen Xi, and it instantly soared up to swiftly pounce towards Chen Xi before opening its mouth to spit out a ray of ice that was like an ocean, causing the mountains and forest ahead to transform into frost and lose all vitality.

Chen Xi fled madly, executing the Starsky Wings with his entire strengths, causing his entire body to seem like a wisp of a translucent illusion as he instantly flashed out 3km away.

Under its explosive rage, the wyrm pursued without end, its limbs stomped and instantly crushed expanse after expanse of enormous trees, and it shocked the numerous ferocious beasts nearby to the point of becoming horrified and fleeing in panic.

Chen Xi moved through the forest and quickly arrived before a gorge that had a sea of bloomed flowers, then he drew the Staruin Bow fully once again before shooting out numerous arrows that were like flowing lights, causing numerous horrifying cracks to be ploughed open on the sea of flowers, and petals fluttered in the sky as dirt surged up in to the sky.

An over 100m large flying beast with gorgeous wings suddenly flew out from the sea of flowers, and it flapped its wings furiously as one of the shapeless arrows from before had almost injured it!

It spread open its blood colored eyes that were sharp like blades and just happened to see Chen Xi who stood before the gorge, and it flapped its wings right away while emitting a clear cry of fury before transforming into a wisp of gorgeous smoke that charged towards Chen Xi.

This was absolutely a terrifying flying beast. Everywhere it passed, space was slashed apart by its wings that were like blades and the terrifying airflow that it carried along with it was like a gale that swept away rocks and wood, and everything before its path transformed into ask.

Chen Xi fled madly once again, and he arrived at another ferocious beast's territory after a short while.

An enormous ape over 30m tall that was covered in magnificent golden hair resided here, and it was violent and ruthless. A slap of its hand was capable of easily smashing a mountain into powder, and it was the absolute overlord of this area that not a single ferocious beast was capable of shaking.

Chen Xi utterly didn't make launch an attack, he only arrived within 300m of the enormous ape's lair and shook his body, and it drew out this ferocious beast overlord that was indescribably hot-tempered.

Just like this, the entire Gloom Forest had become extremely chaotic. The wyrm that was enormous like a mountain, the flying beast with gorgeous wings, the hot-tempered and ferocious golden colored enormous ape... Over 10 overlords from various areas had been successfully infuriated by Chen Xi, and they went berserk in the forest as they carried out a pursuit.

These ferocious beasts had even encountered each other on the way, but they seemed to have been familiar with each other since a long time ago, so they didn't enter into confrontation or battle, and they instead followed closely behind their enemy, Chen Xi, as they pursued him endlessly.

This scene shocked the other fierce beasts in Gloom Forest, causing all of them to be terrified and uneasy to the point of shivering. So many overlords moving out together caused them to feel as if the end of the world had arrived.

In the end, these overlord level ferocious beasts arrived before the Boundless Starsea grand formation under Chen Xi's lead.

When they saw Chen Xi standing before the grand formation and not fleeing any longer, these ferocious beasts didn't get carried away by their rage, and they slowed down instead and seemed to be slightly hesitant as if they'd noticed the existence of the grand formation.

Swoosh!

Seeming to have expected this scene since long ago, Chen Xi withdrew a flower that was scarlet like flames. The flower's petals revealed strands of dark gold color and contained surging and shocking vitality, and it emitted a unique smell.

At the instant this scarlet red flower appeared in the air and its smell was inhaled by these ferocious beasts, their eyes were instantly filled with blood, and their gazes were filled with greed and burning desire. It seemed as if the flower in Chen Xi's hand was a supreme delicacy of the world in their eyes, and it revealed a temptation that was difficult to refuse.

A trace of a smile suffused the corners of Chen Xi's mouth as he raised his hand and tossed this flower into the Boundless Starsea grand formation.

Rumble!

The enormous ape with golden fur who possessed the most hot-tempered temperament was the first to be unable to endure the temptation, and it moved out swiftly and trampled through the ground as it

charged towards the grand formation. When the other ferocious beasts saw this, they slightly hesitated before being unable to resist the temptation in the end, and all of them charged into the grand formation and instantly vanished without a trace.

What a pity. For the sake of making these ferocious beasts attack, a 10,000 year old Blood Nightmare Flower is gone just like that. But, so long as I'm able to use this to annihilate those assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion, then it would be worth the price I paid... Chen Xi stood before the grand formation as he heaved a sigh of relief in his heart. Up until now, everything was within his control, and what he needed to do next was to wait for the outcome.

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Chapter 336: Starting To Draw In The Net

The Blood Nightmare Flower was a rare spirit herb that emitted a unique smell, and one it was smelled by a demon beast, it would cause an extremely strong illusion to appear within their minds.

The unique smell emitted by a 10,000 year old Blood Nightmare Flower was even capable of causing demon beasts to think that so long as they consumed this flower, they would be able to obtain a meteoric rise and ascend to become an unfettered Heavenly Immortal in an instant.

Even though the effect was slightly exaggerated in their illusions, the medicinal strength of this flower was extremely miraculous indeed. Especially towards some ferocious beasts that found it difficult to take human form, as after they consumed this flower, they would be able to take human form in an extremely short period of time while possessing a superb body for cultivating the Dao.

This was similar to a temptation that was impossible to resist to any demon beast.

It was precisely because of this that when Chen Xi threw this peculiar spirit flower into the Boundless Starsea grand formation, these ferocious beasts that were overlords of an area would disregard their safety and charge into the Boundless Starsea grand formation without the slightest hesitation.

Chen Xi didn't continue sighing with emotion about the flower in his heart, and he sat down cross-legged before starting to recover his enormous physical strength.

From setting up the formation, to luring the Blacksun Pavilion assassins to attack, then drawing them into the grand formation, and then finally gathering all these overlord level ferocious beasts. Every single step exhausted a great amount of his mental and physical strength, and there were even numerous dangers existing all along the way. A mistake in any detail could have possibly caused everything to be for naught, whereas, he would fall into a hopeless situation as well.

This was a battle of life and death, and it didn't permit the slightest accident.

Fortunately, up until now, the entire plan had almost been completed flawlessly, and it was time to reap the rewards next.

It's a trap!

A trap that was meticulously set up since long ago and was awaiting us to fall into it!

Crimsonfox, Rose, and all the assassins of Blacksun Pavilion behind them had extremely heavy expressions as they stayed vigilant towards their surroundings, and they didn't dare be careless in the slightest.

This was a large scale illusion formation. When they walked within the grand formation, the heavens and the earth were completely covered with silver colored starlight that fluttered about, and there were even countless stars flickering in every single corner. It was profound and vast, and it caused one to be unable to clearly determine where exactly the true exit was.

Crimsonfox wasn't flurried when facing a deadlock. In the end, Chen Xi was only a single person. No matter how formidable the formation was, it had to be controlled, and a formation that was controlled and a formation that wasn't were two completely different notions.

Even though a formation possessed numerous profundities, it was a type of external source of strength in the end. After living a life of slaughter for so long, Crimsonfox understood extremely well that the essence of battle was the competition of the strength of both parties. No to mention that the grand formation before him was obviously a mere illusion formation that didn't possess the slightest lethality, and so long as he found the location of the formation's foundation, he would be completely capable of breaking the formation apart with ease.

After he concentrated his attention, Crimsonfox didn't continued pondering about anything else and gathered his attention towards breaking out of the formation.

This wasn't the first time he'd attempted to break out of a formation, but it was the first time he'd faced such a formidable illusory formation. Even though he didn't have any knowledge about this grand formation that had starlight fluttering about in it, he was still confident in his heart that by relying on the strengths of himself and his companions, breaking out of this illusory formation was only a matter of time.

Crimsonfox led everyone forward with a speed that wasn't swift. Moreover, a large hole would surely appear on the ground every time he took a step, and any illusions would be shattered by this. In this way, he wouldn't easily become confused from the illusions.

Even though this method was stupid, yet it was extremely effective. He only had to move forward step by step and search the entire grand formation, and he would surely be able to find the foundation of the formation before breaking out of it.

The methods varied, but the principles were the same. Any talisman formation would have a foundation, as the foundation was the center of the talisman formation. So long as the foundation was destroyed, then even the most formidable talisman formation would collapse instantly.

The further ahead he walked, the more confident he was in his heart.

Chen Xi was only a single person in the end, and the grand formation before him was only an illusory formation without the slightest lethality after all. How could such a force obstruct his footsteps?

Suddenly, Crimsonfox stopped moving.

The nearby Rose asked cautiously. "What is it? Is there a situation?"

Crimsonfox revealed a slightly bewildered expression. "The target is approaching towards us."

Rose was stunned, and then a wisp of disdain suffused the corners of her mouth. "This is an illusory formation after all. He probably knows that he'll be unable to trap us for too long, so he couldn't help but make a move himself."

As she spoke, a wisp of dense killing intent gushed into appearance on her icy cold and peerlessly beautiful face. Chen Xi had escaped right beneath her eyes the last time, and it had caused a belly full of rage to be accumulated within her. Moreover, she'd even fallen into Chen Xi's trap this time. Situations like these where she suffered a setback repeatedly had already angered her to the point of being on the brink of madness, and she urgently needed to kill.

Only by killing would she be able to vent the surging flames of rage in her!

Crimsonfox didn't speak and closed his eyes. Suddenly, he abruptly opened his eyes and cried out in shock. "The target's speed is too swift! Moreover, there's more than one..."

When he spoke up to here, Crimsonfox's expression had already gone ominous, and he didn't have the slightest composure any longer as he shouted out explosively. "Quickly! There are too many enemies, prepare to engage them in combat right away!"

Rumble!

Right when Crimsonfox finished speaking, a wave of the sounds of running that was like the rumbling of thunder abruptly resounded within the entire grand formation as the earth quaked, and even the earth seemed as if it was shivering.

The wyrm that was enormous like a mountain, the flying beast with gorgeous wings, the enormous golden furred ape that was over 30m tall... At this instant, it seemed like all the overlord level ferocious beasts in Gloom Forest had converged together!

At this moment, it wasn't just Crimsonfox, the faces of everyone went pale. They finally noticed that it wasn't Chen Xi's who'd come to attack, and it was instead a dense expanse of ferocious beasts!

What a detestable fellow!

What a ruthless plan!

What a terrifying chain of tactics!

At this instant, Crimsonfox finally understood the entirety of Chen Xi's plans. This illusory formation did indeed lack the slightest lethality, but if a group of terrifying demon beasts were to suddenly make their way in, then the lethality created by this would absolutely be even more terrifying than a grand formation.

At this moment, they were already incapable of withdrawing, as they couldn't retreat while within the grand formation, otherwise only death would await them.

Crimsonfox had experienced hundreds of battles and knew that only by facing these demon beasts head on would they have the slightest chance of survival, she he gritted his teeth and roared furiously right away. "Kill!"

A furious roar that was like explosive thunder resounded out in the entire grand formation, and it jolted awake everyone who'd fallen into panic. Crimsonfox's explosive shout had allowed them to instantly locate their pillar of support.

As assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion, they possessed extremely tacit cooperation between each other, and their attainments in combat far exceeded ordinary cultivators, allowing them to finish preparing their combat formations in an instant before launching an attack towards the group of beasts that emitted rumbling sounds while smashing their way over.

Crimsonfox shouted out explosively before being the first to charge into the group of beasts.

It has finally begun... Chen Xi suddenly opened his eyes and stood up, and then his Divine Sense stretched out into the grand formation as he started to pay attention to the battle that was playing out within.

He noticed to his shock that when Crimsonfox, who was gentle like a woman, entered into combat, he was ferocious beyond compare. Crimsonfox's thin body exploded out with a mighty and terrifying strength as he went on a rampage amongst the ferocious beasts, and he caught the ferocious beasts off guard, causing him to draw the attacks of most of the ferocious beasts. Moreover, Crimsonfox's combat technique was extremely unique.

Crimsonfox held a one meter long golden iron chisel in each hand. The chisels were thick like a thumb, and the blade on their edges surged with a terrifying aura. Every single time he swung them out, it would condense an enormous golden scissor image that cut out and cut apart space itself with its peerless sharpness, and it caused the ferocious beasts that surrounded him to suffer injuries that were neither heavy nor light.

Crack!

Crimsonfox moved about ceaselessly as the golden scissor flashed in the sky, and the ferocious and fierce aura he emitted could be said to be unstoppable. His formidable combat strength was something that even Chen Xi was extremely shocked by.

But, compared to Crimsonfox, Rose's combat methods were obviously even more terrifying. This icy cold woman whose blood red clothes fluttered about had a blood red colored chain that was thin like a thumb coiled around her snow white wrists, and every time she swung it out, it was like a blood red snake that danced about in the sky.

Moreover, every single inch of this chain contained a strong swallowing force. So long as the body of a ferocious beast was restrained by this blood colored chain for a short moment, chunks of its flesh and vital essence would be swallowed, causing the chain to be extremely wicked and terrifying.

Rose's method of attack was extremely prominent in a group battle. The ferocious beasts that were originally in a group were struck into a scattered mess by her, and this caused the threat the ferocious beasts posed towards everyone to reduce greatly.

The other assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion cooperated extremely tacitly with each other, and they converged their attacks to strike those ferocious beasts that had been broken up from the group.

The combat techniques of the two commander level assassins, Rose and Crimsonfox, caused Chen Xi to greatly widen his horizons, but he wasn't worried in the slightest that any change would occur in this fatal trap of his.

Because no matter if it was the wyrm, the flying beast, or the enormous ape, all of them were extremely formidable. Even though Rose was capable of making these ferocious beasts break up from the group, yet she was incapable of causing a fatal injury to them.

Conversely, the ceaseless attacks of Crimsonfox and Rose had aroused the ferocity within the bones of these ferocious beasts, causing all of them to become infuriated and go berserk, and then they joined forces to kill all enemies around them.

Bang!

Six assassins felt a black shadow envelop them, and they weren't able to dodge before the wyrm's claw slapped down onto them, slapping them into a ball of mush and causing them to die tragically.

In the Gloom Forest, this wyrm was absolutely an overlord whose defense and offense were at the peak amongst the others. Its scales were impenetrable, and when its enormous claw descended, it was capable of crushing mountains and shattering the earth, causing it to be extremely terrifying.

There was no need for Crimsonfox to direct them, as the death of their companions caused practically all the other assassins to concentrate their attacks onto this enormous wyrm.

Pu! Pu! Pu!

The wyrm was instantly drowned under countless attacks. No matter how shocking its defensive ability was, when facing the enraged strikes of a large mass of Golden Core Realm assassins, it was instantly riddled with holes as well.

But it was precisely because this wyrm had drawn almost all the attacks, it gave the other ferocious beasts an opportunity to take advantage of.

The enormous flying beast with gorgeous wings suddenly dove down before its wings spread open, and then its wings that were sharp like blades swept through the crowd. In an instant, over 10 assassins were cut into half at the waist, causing fresh blood to spray out as they fell down and perished.

The other ferocious beasts weren't inferior to it in the slightest, and practically all of them seized this opportunity to slaughter more than 10 people each. The terrifying ferociousness they revealed caused a trace of cold sweat to emerge from even Chen Xi, who was outside the grand formation.

At this moment, within the Boundless Starsea grand formation, the dense smell of blood permeated the air, pieces of corpses covered the ground, and the sounds of shrill cries echoed out endlessly. Coupled with the enraged and bloodthirsty roars of the various ferocious beasts, it was simply like hell on earth.

Chen Xi stood outside the grand formation with an indifferent expression, as the death of these people was incapable of causing him to feel pity, and then he raised his head and muttered suddenly. "Only a little over 10 assassins remain. It's about time they detonate their golden cores, otherwise, they might be completely exterminated..."

As he spoke, his figure suddenly retreated explosively, and he'd instantly put a distance of 300m between himself and the grand formation.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Sure enough, just as Chen Xi had expected, these assassins from the Blacksun Pavilion knew they had no hope of breaking out of the encirclement at this moment, and they'd already started detonating their golden cores!

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Chapter 337: One That Kills Will Usually Be Killed

Chen Xi wasn't a god, nor did he possess a miraculous technique to predict the future, and the reason he guessed these assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion would detonate their golden cores at this moment was entirely from his acute insight and control of the situation of the battle.

Crimsonfox and the others didn't act in this way at the beginning because the space they were in seemed to be boundlessly vast. Actually, it was merely the size of a small hill, but it was enveloped by the Boundless Starsea grand formation, causing an illusion that it was boundlessly vast to be created.

Coupled with that was the might of the detonation of golden cores being too terrifying, to the point that even Rebirth Realm cultivators were afraid of being unable to avoid it in time. Choosing to detonate their golden cores at that time would cause its terrifying might to affect the others, so no one was stupid enough to act in that way.

However, at this moment, almost all of the assassins within the grand formation had perished and only a little over ten remained, whereas around eight of those terrifying ferocious beasts were still alive, causing there to be a great disparity in the strengths of both sides. Crimsonfox and the others had completely fallen into a hopeless situation, and if they didn't detonate their golden cores, they would face extermination and die miserably under the claws of these ferocious beasts.

Under these circumstances, detonating their golden cores had undoubtedly become their only method of turning the situation around.

It was precisely based on a perception and analysis like this that Chen Xi would have moved away as if he could predict the future to avoid being affected by the explosions caused by the detonation of the golden cores of these assassins.

Rumble!

A destructive force that was beyond compare exploded out from within the Boundless Starsea grand formation, it seemed as if mountains were crumbling and tidal waves were surging, and its impetus was terrifying to the extreme. In practically an instant, the entire grand formation was destroyed and vanished without a trace, and then the terrifying force charged into the skies and swept out in all directions.

The golden core within the bodies of cultivators was the foundation of the heavens and the earth cultivators used to step into the Grand Dao, and their entire cultivation was condensed within it. It was like a barrel of gunpowder, and it only needed a tiny spark to emit a might that caused heavens and the earth to collapse and the sun and the moon to be cast into a shade.

In merely the time for a single breath, the trees, rocks, and even spirit energy and the various airflows in the sky within an area of 300m was obliterated within this terrifying force. It was even to the extent that the continuous mountain range that moved up and down exploded to reveal a terrifying pit.

When looked at from afar, a mushroom cloud that roiled violently and endlessly blasted up into the sky, and it seemed as if it wanted to blast a hole in the sky.

Before this terrifying might, Chen Xi once again flashed backward explosively for a distance of 3km before stopping. But the airflow in the sky that was violent like blades still cut into his eyes to the point they ached, and it was obvious how terrifying the might of the explosion of golden cores was.

Smoke and dust suffused the sky, and it only dissipated after a long time.

When Chen Xi clearly saw the scene of the battlefield before him, he couldn't help but be shocked in his heart.

The entire ground was covered in broken limbs and shattered bones, the air was suffused with dense and pungent burnt smell, and there were even numerous burnt pits and rifts on the ground...

To Chen Xi's shock, Crimsonfox and Rose were actually still alive!

At this moment, the two of them had suffered heavy injuries and were covered in scars, and they were standing on the ruins while gasping for breath, and the vital energy in their bodies were in complete chaos. They were like two people that were on the verge of death, and their vitality was about to dry up.

Obviously, even though the two of them were lucky to have survived under the terrifying explosion earlier, their bodies had obviously suffered extremely severe injuries.

A trace of sorrow flashed past Crimsonfox's eyes. Only he and Rose remained at the scene, whereas, everyone else had been sacrificed, and they would probably be unable to escape the outcome of facing extermination.

He's carried out countless missions, yet had never had a single mission that caused him to be in such a sorry state and feel such despair. When he thought of the target of the assassination this time, even with his selective gaze, he had to admit that he'd utterly lost in terms of tactics and planning, and he'd severely underestimated how terrifying his opponent was since the beginning.

Never had he imagined that not only was his opponent's qi refinement cultivation extraordinary, his opponent was actually a formidable body refiner as well, and even possessed extremely advanced attainments in the Dao of Talismans.

What he never expected even more was that not only was his opponent's strength extremely formidable, his opponent's ability of utilizing tactics and control of the situation of the battle had attained a height that he could only look up to.

"Come out! You devil!" Bitter regret and rage arose in Crimsonfox's heart for no reason, and a wisp of an unusual red color suffused his face that was pale as a sheet as he shouted out loudly.

Crimsonfox's explosive shout caused Rose who was by his side to be stunned, and then her icy cold and peerlessly beautiful face couldn't help but go dim. Right, the target this time is like a devil indeed, and he played with all of us within the palm of his hand...

Chen Xi hid in the shadows with an indifferent expression, and he seemed to have turned a deaf ear towards Crimsonfox's shout.

Actually, he knew extremely clearly that if he were to make an appearance now, then once Crimsonfox and Rose put their lives on the line and detonated their golden cores, just thinking about the consequences caused a chill to run down his spine.

There was no reply from the surroundings, and Crimsonfox's eyes couldn't help but reveal a trace of despair. He knew that the target was surely concealed in the shadows and might launch a fatal strike at him at any moment, and he similarly understood that his intention of detonating his golden core to take his target down with him had probably a wishful thought of his.

Looks like I'll really be perishing here today...

As soon as this thought emerged in his mind, all the resentment, rage, and regret in Crimsonfox's heart dissipated instantly as it wasn't an injustice to lose at the hands of an enemy like this.

Beng! Beng!

Suddenly, two shapeless arrows tore through the sky and assaulted Crimsonfox and Rose.

If they were facing an attack like this at an ordinary time, then Crimsonfox and Rose would be entirely capable of easily avoiding it. However, at this moment, they'd already suffered from heavy injuries and their entire bodies didn't have the slightest strength remaining, causing them to be only able to watch as death approached.

Pu! Pu!

Two piercing sounds resounded out, and then both of them felt pain in their bellies and their entire Dantians were completely destroyed under this strike.

Crimsonfox started laughing. This fellow has finally made a move. His heart was filled with praise. Even under this situation of absolute advantage, he was still able to be so cautious. It's no wonder that this fellow was able to survive until now...

He suddenly felt slight anticipation. Rose and I have failed. What sort of pleasant surprise would that fellow bring to Commander Whitesky on the third line of defense?

Unfortunately, he won't be able to see it...

Chen Xi walked out from the shadows to arrive before Crimsonfox and Rose, and there wasn't much delight in his heart for being about to annihilate all his enemies. He sized Crimsonfox up for a short moment before stretching his hand out to grab a mirror.

It was precisely the Mirror of Exchange.

Crimsonfox and Rose raised their heads in bewilderment, as they didn't know what Chen Xi wanted to do.

Om!

Chen Xi disregarded the two of them and utilized the Mirror of Exchange, causing a ripple to flow out. In next to no time, the scene here appeared once more on the surface of the mirror.

At the depths of the Wise King's Estate, the atmosphere was extremely oppressive as all the old freaks had knit brows and squinted eyes, and they seemed to be waiting for something.

From the moment Crimsonfox and the others fell into the grand formation, the two Mirrors of Exchange had already lost connection, causing them to be unable to see everything that was occurring on the other side any longer, and this unexpected event caused them to be slightly anxious and fretful in their hearts.

They saw Chen Xi was about to be killed and the three Immortal Artifacts were about to fall into their hands, yet an unexpected event just had to happen at this moment, so how could they be able to keep their composure?

"A mishap wouldn't have occurred, right?" Someone couldn't endure the worry in his heart and spoke out.

"How could that be possible? The Blacksun Pavilion dispatched over 100 assassins this time, and it was sufficient to annihilate a cultivator at the Rebirth Realm. No matter how extraordinary that kid is, he'll surely die under the encirclement this time. How could any mishap occur?" Someone argued forcefully.

"Just wait. Perhaps there'll be an outcome in a while." Someone sighed.

Everyone instantly fell into silence. Even if they'd already cultivated to attain the Earthly Immortal Realm, when facing with this sudden unforeseen event, they could only stand by anxiously and helplessly, and they could only wait bitterly.

"The Mirror of Exchange has been activated once more!" After an unknown period of time, the Wise King Huangfu Jingtian unintentionally swept his gaze on the Mirror of Exchange and just happened to see a bright light suffuse the surface of the Mirror of Exchange.

Swoosh!

At this moment, the gazes of everyone shot over in unison. However, when they saw the scene on the Mirror of Exchange clearly, it caused their expressions that weren't in time to reveal excitement to freeze instantly, and their pupils dilated.

In the mirror was a charred ground that was in complete desolation. Severed limbs and shattered bones covered the surroundings as if it had experienced a natural disaster, and everything had transformed into an expanse of horrifying ruins.

Crimsonfox and Rose were completely covered in injuries as they stood alone in the mirror while bathed in blood, and blood gurgled out from their bellies. Obviously, their Dantians were already destroyed. Their expressions were extremely strange, containing despair, frustration, bitter regret... Various emotions were interwoven on their faces, and it was terrifying to the extreme.

After that, Chen Xi's tall figure appeared in the mirror...

The hearts of all the old freaks sank when they saw this scene. No matter how unwilling they were to accept this situation, they had to admit that the worst had still happened.

"How could this be possible? How could a tiny intermediate-stage Golden Core Realm cultivator like him annihilate over 100 assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion? After all, those every single one of those assassins have experienced over 100 battles, and they're extremely elite and formidable existences!" Someone muttered involuntarily and felt disbelief.

"It's absolutely impossible to achieve this by relying solely on a single grand formation. Damnit! The Mirror of Exchange lost effect earlier, causing us to be unable to see exactly what had happened there." Someone gnashed his teeth as he spoke.

"But, no matter what, the encirclement this time has failed to succeed in the end, and it has ended in complete defeat..." Someone sighed deeply, and the person's voice revealed a dense disgruntled feeling.

Swish!

A trace of a sharp sword light flashed within the mirror and instantly drew the attention of all these old freaks, and then they saw a terrifying scene.

Chen Xi held a sword in his hand and struck out with a wisp of sword light that directly beheaded Crimsonfox and Rose, causing blood to spray out as two headless corpses fell forward.

This was an extremely ordinary method of killing, and it couldn't even be said to be cruel treatment or torture, but it was precisely because it was ordinary that it caused the old freaks to feel their hearts go cold.

Because Chen Xi's expression when killing was too calm, and he killed too decisively without the slightest hesitation. He utterly didn't say a single word and killed on a whim, and there wasn't the slightest restraint or hesitation.

He seemed to be soundlessly telling everyone — When I, Chen Xi, deal with my enemies, besides death, there isn't any room for discussion!

All the old freaks went silent. They were able to discern that the Mirror of Exchange was activated by Chen Xi, so was there any need to guess his intentions?

He wanted to use this to warn all of them — If someone offends me, then I'll surely kill that person!

Right at this moment, they saw Chen Xi's face appear in the Mirror of Exchange, his handsome face was covered in a calm and indifferent expression, and it felt as if he was 'looking' at them.

Within the Mirror of Exchange, Chen Xi's mouth moved and seemed to have said something. However, the entire scene completely vanished as the Mirror of Exchange that floated in midair became completely dim and lusterless.

All of the old freaks couldn't care about this, their faces had darkened as their expressions froze, and they seemed to have been stunned as they understood what Chen Xi had proclaimed soundlessly — One that kills will usually be killed!

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Chapter 338: The Trap To Annihilate All Enemies

Bang!

Huangfu Jingtian was unable to control the flames of rage in his hand, and he fiercely crushed the wine cup in his hand.

The eyes of the other old freaks were similarly surging with flames of rage. One that kills will usually be killed? A tiny ant actually dares warn us with such words? He's simply courting death!

As Earthly Immortal Realm experts, when had they suffered such provocation?

No!

Even if it was in the entire Darchu Dynasty, there wasn't anyone that dared brandish their claws and bare their fangs towards Earthly Immortal Realm experts!

But Chen Xi had done this, and this was an absolutely undisguised provocation!

These old freaks were angered to the point their chests rose and fell irregularly, and they wished for nothing more than to tear open space and arrive a million kilometers away to annihilate Chen Xi.

"Manager!" Huangfu Jingtian spoke with a deep voice that was like thunder and shook the surroundings, and he didn't conceal his surging rage in the slightest.

"Lord, what are your instructions?" An old man that looked like a manager swiftly appeared with a respectful expression, yet he was trembling endlessly with terror in his heart, as he'd clearly sensed the oppressive killing intent that suffused the air.

"Tell the Blacksun Pavilion that I and everyone present will absolutely not be willing to let the matter go if the mission this time fails! If the need arises, we'll even uproot the forces of the Blacksun Pavilion from the Darchu Dynasty, so ask them to act as they see fit!" Huangfu Jingtian's eyes were icy cold as bolts of lightning flashed into existence within them, and he didn't conceal his monstrous killing intent in the slightest.

"Yes." The manager's heart shook, and he didn't dare ask anything before hastily leaving after receiving his orders.

After he put away the Mirror of Exchange, Chen Xi didn't sigh emotionally too much as he looked at the scene of desolation and corpses that covered the entire area. The forest that was filled with danger wasn't a good place to be oversensitive.

He started to clean up the spoils of the battle this time.

His first target was Crimsonfox, as he was extremely curious towards the golden iron chisel weapon that could condense the image of a scissors.

The pair of one meter long golden chisels in Crimsonfox's possession were taken by Chen Xi, and it wasn't just that, everything in his possession was plundered by Chen Xi as well.

Wastage had always been bad habit that Chen Xi deeply detested, so as expected, the shattered corpses and severed limbs on the ground were plundered by him. The blood colored chain that was the thickness of a thumb on Rose's wrist caused his eyes to light up once more, but, he forcefully endured the impulse to study it on the spot before placing it into the Buddha's Pagoda.

This time, 105 assassins had died on the spot, and all them possessed cultivations at the Golden Core Realm and had experienced hundreds of battles. However, regretfully, besides plundering a large pile of earth-rank Magic Treasures, Chen Xi didn't have any other gains. Because these assassins utterly didn't bring along storage Magic Treasures.

Just think about it, the profession of being an assassin caused them to frequently wander about between life and death. So they'd probably made preparations to perish before carrying out a mission. Thus, besides the most formidable weapon in their possessions, they naturally wouldn't bring along other valuables along with them.

Chen Xi looked at the 103 Magic Treasures that lay before his eyes.

Amongst these 103 Magic Treasures was a variety of weapons like blades, spears, swords, and pikes, but without exception, there was an 'eye' shaped mark on every single one of these Magic Treasures.

Obviously, all these Magic Treasures were refined by the same equipment refiner, and this 'eye' shaped mark was probably the unique mark of this equipment refiner.

But this wasn't the main point, the main point was that other cultivators were utterly unable to use these Magic Treasures!

Chen Xi was able to discern with a glance that these Magic Treasures were made specially and customized according to each assassin. Every single Magic Treasure could only be used by one of these assassins, and if it was another person, at the instant that person's True Essence poured into the Magic Treasure, it would cause a change to occur in the internal structure of the Magic Treasure, causing it to transform into a pile of scrap metal in the end.

This was a restriction added into the Magic Treasures when the equipment refiner refined them, and if he wanted to remove this restriction, the only way was to tear the Magic Treasure apart. But, in this way, it would be no different to destroying the Magic Treasure.

They don't even leave any spoils behind after death. This Blacksun Pavilion's style is really stingy. Chen Xi sighed in his heart. Originally, he was thinking that once he arrived at Silken City, he would sell off all these Magic Treasures and would surely be able to obtain a shocking amount of wealth. However, now it would seem like he could only discard this thought.

But, I should find the time to properly study the restrictions on these Magic Treasures. Perhaps there should be a way to dispose of the restriction. At the very least, I can feed them to Bai Kui. In any case, that little fellow eats everything, so he probably wouldn't refuse the temptation of earth-rank Magic Treasures... Chen Xi shook his head and didn't think any further as he had to leave right away. The smell of blood was so dense here, and there would soon be numerous ferocious beasts that would smell the blood and swarm over.

Wait!

I seem to have overlooked something...

Not long after he left, Chen Xi suddenly thought of a problem.

There were an entire 168 people in the ambush operation of the Blacksun Pavilion towards him this time, and they were divided into three teams. Two of those teams had already been exterminated by him now, whereas, a last team remained. This team was led by Commander Whitesky, who was ranked the 65th on the Blacksun Golden Core Rankings. In terms of combat strength, he was slightly higher than both Crimsonfox and Rose, and his strength couldn't be underestimated.

Of course, Chen Xi wasn't concerned about this. He was concerned about whether the extermination of Crimsonfox and Rose's teams would be discovered by this team and cause them to rush over here?

They surely will!

There's probably a special method of communication between assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion, otherwise, they would absolutely not divide into three teams to ambush me. In that way, it has given me an opportunity to crush them one by one...

Chen Xi pondered for a short moment as an extremely bold plan appeared in his mind. He wanted to seize this opportunity to completely wipe out all the assassins the Blacksun Pavilion had sent to ambush and kill him this time!

Black clothes, black armor, black shoes, black helmet, this was Whitesky. His entire body was enveloped in a layer of pitch black and icy cold armor, and he was like a valiant and ferocious general that had gone on an expedition in the battlefield.

But at this moment, Whitesky's gaze was extremely gloomy as he stared at the two corpses by his feet. Crimsonfox and Rose were beheaded, their necks were slit with a single slash of the sword. Even though he didn't have much of a relationship with Crimsonfox and Rose, he still couldn't help but go silent when he saw the state of their deaths.

"Have you found the target's tracks?" Whitesky asked abruptly. His voice was sharp and hoarse like howl of chilly wind, and when it entered into the ears of others, it caused one's heart to go cold as a chill ran down one's spine.

"Yes." The members of his team replied right away with haste.

"Alright, we'll depart right now." Whitesky glanced at the person that spoke earlier and said with an icy cold voice, "Besides that, report the news back to the higher-ups, or to Commander Jiang Xun."

"Yes!"

Jiang Xun pondered for a moment as he looked at the jade slip in his hand, and then a wisp or surprise surged past his ordinary face before returning to normal, then he bowed and said, "I've failed to carry out the ambush, Seventh Leader, please hand down your punishment!"

An old man with a kind and benevolent countenance stood 30m before him, and it was precisely Cui Shan whom he called the Seventh Leader. Cui Shan waved his hand and asked. "Has Whitesky gone to pursue him?"

"Yes!" Jiang Xun gave a succinct answer with a calm expression, and not the slightest fluctuation in his expression could be discerned. "Crimsonfox and Rose's teams have been completely annihilated."

"Oh." Cui Shan's voice revealed a trace of surprise, and then he laughed lightly. "Haha, he was able to defeat the cunning and crafty Crimsonfox and Rose, who slaughtered resolutely and decisively. Looks like I've underestimated this little fellow as well."

Jiang Xun shook his head and said, "According to the report Whitesky sent back, the target set up a grand formation and lured a large number of ferocious beasts over. These ferocious beasts included an Azurescale Wyrm, a five colored Vermillion Phoenix, a Gold Titan Ape, and various other overlord level ferocious beasts. Based on the situation at the scene, 90% of our forces died at the hands of these ferocious beasts and a few more died from detonating their golden cores. Only Crimsonfox and Rose were beheaded by him."

Cui Shan sat back onto his chair while lightly rubbing his clean chin, and then his eyes narrowed as he went silent for a moment before bursting into laughter. "Extraordinary! His individual strength is so outstanding and even his combat tactics and planning is so extraordinary. If I took him to become my subordinate, then I would surely foster him as a core commander level assassin. Perhaps another Leader that could take charge and manage the Blacksun Pavilion would appear in the future."

Jiang Xun replied calmly. "I'm afraid that's impossible. I received news earlier that Huangfu Jingtian and the others have already found out some of the truth about what happened via the Mirror of Exchange. They sent word that if the ambush this time fails, then they'll uproot our Blacksun Pavilion's forces from the Darchu Dynasty."

Cui Shan's eyes went cold as he emitted a terrifying aura with a bang. A huge black sun image appeared behind him as his clothes fluttered, and he seemed to have transformed into a devil god of the shadows.

"Nevermind. Even a mighty dragon finds it difficult to crush a serpent in its own lair. Not to mention that since we've taken their money, we have to carry out this ambush successfully for them. If the operation this time fails, then the reputation my Blacksun Pavilion has created for a few thousand years will probably be completely destroyed." Cui Shan sighed and waved his hand. "Then annihilate him!"

"Yes!" Jiang Xun nodded and replied. "I intend to personally lead a team and send out all the Golden Core Realm commander level assassins that're active in the territory of the Darchu Dynasty."

Cui Shan nodded and asked. "How many people in total?"

"I only need 22 commander level assassins." Jiang Xun answered. "Their rankings are all at the top 50 of the Blacksun Golden Core Rankings. With this strength, any Golden Core Realm cultivator in the world can be killed."

Cui Shan waved his hand and seemed as if he couldn't be bothered to say any more, and then he sat in the darkness and closed his eyes to meditate. After Jiang Xun left, he once again opened his eyes before

lightly sighing and muttering. Isn't dispatching people repeatedly going too far? What if the Violet Thistle Bai Clan finds out?

Even though Chen Xi didn't know the strength of Whitesky and the assassins under his command, but he knew very clearly that Whitesky had probably already found out about the deaths of Crimsonfox, Rose, and the others.

He didn't flee impatiently but concealed himself at a concealed location in a mountain, and then he cultivated with great concentration as he worked hard to recover to his optimum state.

He'd already set up a trap earlier, and at this moment, he was waiting for the fish to take the bait.

When he thought of the costly price he paid to annihilate Whitesky and the others, Chen Xi couldn't help but feel pained and regret in his heart. But so long as he was able to attain his objective, then paying this price would be worth it.

I hope these fellows arrive soon. I must leave Gloom Forest after this battle, otherwise, if the Blacksun Pavilion sends over some experts again, then my journey will probably be delayed again... Chen Xi's eyes looked towards the distance, and he had a firm expression as he muttered without end.

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Chapter 339: Layer Upon Layer of Traps

Whizz! Whizz! Whizz!

Within the dense Gloom Forest, a group of people flashed forward swiftly, and the person in the lead was a black clothed man that looked like a hawk. He was called Bai Xing, and he was a capable subordinate of Whitesky's that was adept in the art of tracking and concealment.

Suddenly, Bai Xing stopped moving as his nose twitched, and then his eyes lit up as he said swiftly via voice transmission, "There's a smell of blood."

A trace of a cold smile flashed past the corners of Whitesky's mouth as he silently made a gesture with his hand.

Along with this gesture, the 50 black clothed assassins behind him quickly changed their formation soundlessly, and then they encircled towards the direction where Bai Xing pointed.

After a short moment, Whitesky suddenly stopped. He'd smelt that trace of bloody aura as well, and then his Divine Sense enveloped out and quickly saw clearly that the surface of the soil under a large tree 300m ahead was effusing a trace of a faint aura of blood.

Moreover, Whitesky acutely notice that there was a trace of extremely weak aura fluctuation beneath the soil, and he didn't continue searching so as to avoid alerting the target.

He'd carefully inspected all the traces around the corpses of Crimsonfox and Rose, and he'd confirmed that the target was extremely adept in setting up traps and skilled in planning. Crimsonfox and Rose had fallen into the target's trap because of this.

He wasn't helpless when dealing with an opponent like this. So long as he was able to find his opponents accurate location, then he would give his opponent a fatal strike, as a cultivator like this that was skilled in planning would be strongest in laying ambushes and setting up traps, and their own combat strength was their weak point.

On the other hand, Whitesky was most adept in using force, and he used absolutely strength to crush all schemes and tricks!

There was obviously a trace of fluctuation of a living being beneath the soil in the distance. Even though Whitesky wasn't sure if it was his target, but he held the thought that he would rather kill the wrong being than let his target off. So he resolutely decided to make a move!

"Kill!"

Whitesky fiercely waved his hand caused his subordinates that were accumulating strength since long ago to execute their strongest attacks without holding back in the slightest, and they blasted these attacks towards the ground beneath the tree that was 300m away.

As far as Whitesky was concerned, even if the target was lying in ambush there and a trap existed, he and his subordinates were 300m away. At this moment, they didn't hesitate in the slightest to attack with their entire strength, causing all of the target's schemes to be bound to come to nothing under the crushing might of absolute strength.

Bang!

The first attack struck the ground 300m away, and it was a peerlessly fierce sword light. The ghastly sword light directly broke open the ground, and it even slashed out a 300m rift on the ground.

However, when he saw the scene that was revealed within the rift, Whitesky's pupils constricted abruptly. There wasn't a person there, and there was only a single Tri-tail Chicken that was the most common demon beast in the Gloom Forest.

If it was merely a single weak demon beast like this, Whitesky wouldn't be so shocked. But what caused him to be shocked was at the side of the Tri-tail Chicken were two colorful and lustrous golden cores!

Shit!

At practically less than a tenth of an instant, Whitesky understood that he'd fallen into a trap. Earlier, for the sake of avoiding alerting the target, he didn't inspect what exactly was hidden beneath the ground. Moreover, the strand of aura of vitality didn't belong to Chen Xi, and it was emitted by a feathered animal instead...

He wanted to stop his subordinates, but everything was already too late and too far gone.

Rumble!

How terrifying was the full forced strike of 50 Golder Core Realm assassins? Not only did it instantly blast the harmless Tri-tail Chicken into nothingness, it even blasted apart the two golden cores.

A golden core being detonated and a golden core that was blasted apart created a might that was completely the same.

In an instant, a destructive force that was beyond compare gushed out from the ground and exploded out with a bang. It was like a volcano erupting, the earth quaked as the mountains shook, and all the trees and rocks in an area of 5km was blasted into powder and obliterated. Even the ground had a pit that covered an area of 300m blasted open on it.

After a long time, the dust and smoke dispersed.

In the expanse of ground that was charred black, a figure crawled up, and it was precisely Whitesky. At this moment, he was in an extremely sorry state, his hair disheveled, his face covered in dust, and his eyes were filled with streaks of blood that emitted boundless rage and hatred.

"Cough! Cough!" A wave of coughing resounded out as another 10 plus black clothed assassins crawled up from the charred ground, and they seemed to be in an even more sorry state than Whitesky.

"Check how many people have died." Whitesky's voice seemed as if it was squeezed out from between the cracks in his teeth, and his sharp and hoarse voice revealed boundless resentment and killing intent.

"13 have died, 6 are heavily injured, and another 31 can still do battle." In next to no time, the number of casualties was reported.

Whitesky's heart ached, and his eyes almost split apart. In just an instant, 13 of my subordinates that have followed me for many years are dead!

Dammit!

Whitesky was furious to the point of being on the verge of going mad. His expression was warped, his expression livid, and his teeth was practically about to be bit by him to the point of shattering. The target this time is truly too cunning, despicable, shameless, ruthless...

He'd even already guessed that those two golden cores surely belonged to Crimsonfox and Rose. It originally belonged to his companions, yet had now been used by his opponent to cause the death of so many of his subordinates, and Whitesky almost went crazy with hatred when he thought about this.

"Commander, what should we do next?"

The question of his subordinate caused Whitesky to sober up from his rage, and he took a deep breath as he forcefully restrained the flames of rage in his heart before saying word by word. "Pursue him! No matter what, we must drag out this despicable and shameless bastard!"

After they reformed their team, Whitesky's team set out once again.

After experiencing that unforeseen event from before, only 37 people remained from their team that originally consisted of 50 people. Moreover, six of them were heavily injured and had lost their ability to do combat.

It was precisely because of this unforeseen event that these assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion already hated Chen Xi to the bone. None of them spoke on the way, as they held a belly full of rage and intended to vent it all onto Chen Xi.

They were the elite assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion, and they usually launched sneak attacks and assassinated others. Never had they imagined that a day would come where they would instead be schemed against and suffer from a fierce sneak attack by another!

Moreover, from the beginning until the end, they didn't even see the shadow of their enemy!

This was simply an extremely great humiliation to all of them, so it would be weird if they didn't feel enraged and aggrieved in their hearts.

"Commander, look over there." Not long after, Bai Xing suddenly pointed towards a tree in the distance and cried out with shock.

Whitesky raised his eyes to glance over, and then his expression instantly darkened greatly. On the tree hung a piece of a mangled arm, and the arm was covered in a layer of rags. It wasn't difficult to see from the black colored rag that the arm obviously belonged to one of their companions.

"That seems to be the arm of Commander Crimsonfox's subordinate, Zhang Jing. I recognize the dark green birthmark on the arm." Someone cried out with alarm.

"Commander, should we take down that arm?" Everyone looked at Whitesky. The miserable deaths of their companions caused their hearts to ache. Now, even the severed limbs of their companions had been hung on a tree by their enemy, and this caused them to feel indescribable grief and indignation.

"What if it's a trap?" Whitesky asked with a low voice.

Everyone was instantly shocked in their hearts when they heard this, and then they recalled their experience from before.

"Let's go." Whitesky waved his hand as he spoke, and he didn't even spare a glance at the arm. He knew that no matter if it was a trap or not, he couldn't go probe it again. Acting like this was the safest.

Everyone placed their feelings in order before setting out once more. But, what caused them to be filled with grief and indignation was they saw numerous severed limbs all along the way, and there were even a few completely intact heads...

All of these were taken from the corpses of their companions!

The expressions of everyone was completely livid as they gnashed their teeth to the point it emitted cracking sounds, and the nerves on their foreheads bulged. If Chen Xi was here now, they would probably instantly swallow him alive.

"My god! Commander Rose's head is actually hung there." Someone cried out in alarm.

Everyone raised their heads to look over in unison. Sure enough, they saw Rose's head hanging on the tip of a branch. Her black hair was like a waterfall that flowed down, and her icy cold and peerlessly beautiful face still held a trace of frustration.

He was even able to do this to a beauty like this?

Everyone felt extreme grief and indignation, and they seemed to have already taken Chen Xi to be a perverted devil that was unpardonably wicked, and it wouldn't be sufficient for them to vent the surging hatred in their hearts unless they killed him.

"Commander, we've seen so many severed limbs and body parts all along the way, and they're not necessarily traps. Perhaps the enemy intentionally set up this as a form of strategy to put on a show of force to us. Commander, please allow me to retrieve the head of Commander Rose and bury her properly. It wouldn't be late to carry on our way after that." Someone suddenly knelt down and pleaded in a low voice.

Whitesky raised his eyes to glance over. He knew that this subordinate of his had once received a great deal of care from Rose, and this subordinate had always remembered it in his heart. At this moment, when he saw Rose's head being hung on a branch, he naturally couldn't leave without doing anything. "I can agree to your request, but for safety's sake, I'll only allow you to go forward." Whitesky said with a low voice, "Everyone else, move back to avoid any possible disaster!"

"Thank you, Commander, for fulfilling my wish!" That subordinate of Whitesky's was extremely grateful, and as soon as he finished speaking, he'd already flashed out towards the top of the tree that Rose's head hung from.

Whitesky and the others moved back instead for an entire 3km of distance before stopping.

Bang!

Right when that person had just taken down Rose's head, a terrifying energy fluctuation suddenly gushed out from Rose's head, and it instantly transformed into a surging sea of flames that burned this person into nothingness before he could even emit a shrill cry.

Even though Whitesky was already mentally prepared long ago, rage that couldn't be restrained still gushed out from his heart when he saw this scene. You're going too far! You're going too far!

All of the others were extremely astounded. They'd already been extremely careful, yet were still unable to avoid being trapped by their enemy, and besides causing them to feel enraged, they felt a trace of terror for no reason.

Are there even more traps waiting for us on the path ahead?

All of them completely didn't notice that the sea of flames caused by the explosion of Rose's head surged out to swiftly spread in all directions, and it quickly affected other places.

All the severed limbs and heads they'd seen hanging all along the way were lit ablaze at practically an instant, and then a string of explosions that shook the heavens and the earth rumbled as it resounded out.

If one were to look down from the sky, one would notice that the locations of these explosions were joined together and just happened to form a perfect circle, whereas, Whitesky and his subordinates were at the center of the circle.

Rolling and surging waves of water, a surging and raging sea of flames, wind blades that sprayed out like a squall, dazzling and resplendent bolts of lightning... In an instant, the entire heavens and the earth were covered in a variety of attacks.

"High-grade Treasured Talismans! Damnable bastard! He actually possesses so many high-grade Treasured Talismans..." Amidst the sounds of explosions, Whitesky's extremely miserable shrill cry resounded.

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Chapter 340: Phantom of the Forest

Flames sprang up into the sky in the Gloom Forest as a terrifying chaotic flow of force surged, roared, and dashed as it shattered space and caused the elements in the surroundings to become chaotic, and its impetus was extremely terrifying.

A single high-grade Treasured Talisman's might was roughly comparable to the full force strike of an advance-stage Golden Core Realm cultivator.

But it wasn't a single high-grade Treasured Talisman, but seven at this moment. All of these seven high-grade Treasured Talismans were crafted by Chen Xi, and they were respectively the Exquisite Fireflower Sea, Watermoon Paradise, Azurewood Vitality, Golden Celestial Soldier, Earthsky Heavenshaker, Silver Lightning Illumination, and the Seven Stars of the Northern Dipper.

The first five high-grade Treasured Talismans respectively contained the Grand Dao profundities of fire, water, wood, metal, and earth. Every single one of them were offensive Treasured Talismans that stood for slaughter.

On the other hand, the Silver Lightning Illumination was a Treasured Talisman that supplemented offensive force, and when combined with the five types of Treasured Talismans of the five elements, it was able to emit a five element lightning attack that possessed an even more terrifying might.

The final Seven Stars of the Northern Dipper Treasured Talisman was instead capable of instantly releasing an Entrapment Formation that formed a cage guarded by seven stars that locked down the entire area and prevented one's enemies from fleeing.

When these seven types of Treasured Talismans were executed in combination, they possessed both a force of slaughter and entrapment that were interconnected, so the terrifying lethality it created absolutely surpassed the full force strike of seven advance-stage Golden Core Realm cultivators, and it could even compare to the destructive force formed by a Rebirth Realm cultivator.

The entire process continued for almost 10 minutes before going quiet.

Within an area of 5km, the verdant and luxuriant ancient trees had transformed into ash that fluttered in the sky, and the ground even had numerous pit that were still emitting smoke blasted out on it, causing the appearance of the area to be extremely pitiable.

"Where are all of you? Where the fuck have all of you gone?" Whitesky swept the surroundings with his gaze and actually didn't see a single shadow of his subordinates, and he couldn't help but feel panic in his heart and roar out,

His hoarse and sharp yell reverberated in the heavens and the earth yet didn't receive a reply for a long time, causing Whitesky's heart to instantly fall to rock bottom. All 50 of my subordinates have actually...perished!?

He didn't dare believe that everything before his eyes was true, and this enormous unexpected event caused him to almost go mad. During these past few years, he'd carried out countless missions, yet this was the one and only time he felt so dejected like he did now. However, it was precisely this one mission that caused him to painfully lose all 50 of his most capable subordinates in less than half a day.

What caused the most grief and indignation in his heart was that up until now, he actually didn't even see the shadow of his enemy!

Devil!

No!

He's even more sinister and ruthless than a devil by a hundred times!

Whitesky was angered to the point he almost crushed his teeth from grinding them. How he wished to fight Chen Xi's to his heart's content. Even if he died, he wasn't willing to face those numerous lethal traps that had been meticulously planned since long ago.

At this moment, he finally understood Crimsonfox's and Rose's feelings before their death. When facing an enemy that was so adept in tactics, planning, and setting up traps, no matter how many forces one possessed or how formidable one's strength was, it would be of no use. Because from the beginning until the end, their enemy didn't intend to fight them head on!

Whitesky completely didn't notice that a pair of eyes were staring fixedly at him from the shadows of a nearby mountain.

This person was naturally Chen Xi, he felt slightly astonished when he saw Whitesky was actually lucky enough to survive, and then he didn't he didn't think any further about it. He'd already obtained a complete victory when the plan was carried out until this point. Even though Whitesky was still alive, he wasn't far from death.

But right when he was prepared to make a move and kill Whitesky, a wave of intense fluctuation abruptly suffused the distant sky, and it seemed as if something was about to drill out from space itself.

Traceless For 10,000 Leagues? No, this ought to be an even more formidable Universe Teleportation Talisman... Looks like the Blacksun Pavilion has already noticed that things aren't going well and have sent out some reinforcements. This thought has just flashed within his mind when Chen Xi had already vanished on the spot as if he'd vanished into thin air.

Not long after Chen Xi had just left, a bright light illuminated that area of the sky before 20 plus people walked out form the bright light. All of them had formidable auras and baleful gazes, and their cultivations were so high that all of them were actually stronger than Whitesky!

The person in the lead was precisely Jiang Xun, who possessed an ordinary appearance. There was no need to guess, the 22 people behind him were the formidable commander level assassins that were ranked in the top 50 of the Blacksun Golden Core Rankings.

"Your humble subordinate, Whitesky, greets Commander Jiang Xun!" Whitesky instantly awoke from his deep contemplation when he saw this scene and bowed in greeting.

Jiang Xun swept the scene of desolation in his surroundings with his gaze, then he looked at Whitesky who was in a sorry state, and he instantly understood everything. He waved his hand and said directly, "Tell us about every detail of the target. I've brought all the Golden Core Realm commander level assassins in the entire Darchu Dynasty over here this time. If we're unable to kill the target, then the mission this time can only be announced as a failure. As assassins of the Blacksun Pavilion, I presume you know what sort of consequences we'll have to bear if the mission fails, right?"

Whitesky's heart shook, and then he spoke right away about everything he'd encountered.

The group of commander level assassins behind Jiang Xun couldn't help but laugh endlessly with ridicule in their hearts when they saw Whitesky being tortured to such an extent. However, when they finished listening to Whitesky's narration, their expressions became serious and heavy.

The target is extremely troublesome!

When Whitesky finished speaking about everything, the contempt and disdain within the hearts of everyone had vanished, and then they started cautiously scrutinizing the target this time.

"Extraordinary strategy, skilled in setting up traps... In this Gloom Forest where one could hide everywhere, it's really a headache to deal with a target like this." Jiang Xun pondered deeply with a frown for a moment, and then he waved his hand and said, "Nevermind. We can only act according to circumstances. No matter what, we have to annihilate the target before he enters Silken City!"

"Yes!" Everyone received their orders solemnly.

However, the facts proved that the arrival of Jiang Xun and the others wasn't capable of giving rise to any effect. Conversely, along with them starting to pursue Chen Xi, they deeply understood how terrifying the opponent this time was.

Ten days later.

Jiang Xun's group moved silently within the luxuriant forest. The atmosphere within their group was oppressive, as every single commander's face carried a slightly heavy and vigilant expression. They moved carefully, as if they were afraid their footsteps would be too heavy and alert the enemy. Moreover, the commanders that were in charge of scouting even seemed as if they were facing a formidable enemy.

"The target is nearby!" A thin commander subconsciously constricted his neck. His sense of smell was extremely sharp and had been comprehending the Wood Dao Insight for a long time, causing him to be able to distinguish the enemy's slight aura from between the plants and trees, and there were still a few more commanders that were adept in tracking like him in their group.

However, the enemy was too cunning and would sometimes intentionally emit a trace of aura, causing both true and false to be mixed together, and it made their tracking become difficult as well.

Hiss!

A tiny sound that sounded like an extremely sharp blade tearing through the sky came from behind them.

The expressions of everyone went grim!

Bang!

The defensive Magic Treasure and head of a commander exploded, and blood mixed with shattered pieces of a Magic Treasure sprayed out into the sky. The people around him couldn't control themselves from emitting a sharp cry as they practically subconsciously dodged to the side.

Jiang Xun's expression was livid as flames of rage blazed within his eyes yet a trace of faint terror was present within.

"Commander Jiang Xun, this is already the 11th. If this continues, then all of us will die." At the side, Whitesky cried out hysterically with a warped face and a gaze that carried deep despair. Ten days ago, the appearance of Jiang Xun's group had caused he who'd suffered pain and torture to see a trace of hope. However, presently, this trace of hope had already been extinguished under his opponent's method of killing that was like an undetectable ghost, and his hope had transformed into terror and despair.

Jiang Xun's expression was ominous as he suddenly grabbed Whitesky's collar and said with an icy cold voice, "Enough! Do you think that we have a way out now!? Even if we leave now, do you think he'll let us off?"

The uneasiness and terror in their eyes had completely transformed into despair. Right, if we returned now, then the punishment that we'll endure will absolutely by more terrifying than death...

Whitesky's legs went weak and fell down to sit on the floor while being scared out of his wits, and he said with a dumbstruck expression, "Commander Jiang Xun. Could it be that we'll just wait helplessly for death to descend onto us?"

Everyone looked at Jiang Xun as if he'd already become the only one they could place their hoped on in their hearts.

Jiang Xun's gaze swept pass their faces and went silent for a long time before saying slowly. "There's only a single way if you don't want to die, flee!"

"Flee?" Whitesky shook his head repeatedly. "Assassins that betray the Blacksun Pavilion will die without a doubt. Doing this is no different from courting death."

"Are you capable of annihilating our target this time if we don't flee?" A trace of ridicule suffused the corners of Jiang Xun's mouth as he said with an icy cold voice, "No matter how enormous the force of the Blacksun Pavilion is, there are some places that they're unable to infiltrate. For example, the Darchu Dynasty's Imperial Palace. Relying on our ability and some information we possess, it's sufficient for us to guarantee our safety."

Whitesky was stunned, and then his expression became indeterminate. The others were like this as well, and they started an intense struggle in their hearts.

Jiang Xun wasn't impatient and silently awaited their decisions.

Actually, if it wasn't for the target this time being too terrifying, he would absolutely not think in this way.

During these past ten days, his days could absolutely be described as dark. The enemy was like a strand of spirit transformed from the god of death that came and went like a shadow. Every time he heard a 'hiss,' there would be a companion amongst them that fell to their death.

Jiang Xun even had a misconception that his enemy was simply even more like an assassin than he was. That figure that came and went silently and swiftly like a bolt of lightning, that method of assault that killed with a single strike, it caused all of them to feel horrified in their hearts.

No defensive Magic Treasure was capable of bringing a sense of security to them, because within this dark forest, they would never know when their opponent would appear in the next moment or who would be the target of their opponent's next strike.

Flying in the air?

That would only cause them to die even faster!

While in midair, one's tracks would be completely exposed and have no place to take cover. Moreover, the enemy was in the shadows. In that way, they would purely be making themselves into targets for their enemy to annihilate.

In next to no time, everyone had made a unanimous decision, they agreed with Jiang Xun's plan — FLEE!

After they made this decision, everyone couldn't help but heave a sigh of relief inwardly, and it felt as if an enormous boulder had been removed from their hearts, causing their entire bodies to feel relaxed. If it was possible, they didn't want to step foot again in this pitch black forest for their entire lifetimes.