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Chapter 476: Ice Bear King's Blizzard

The twenty-thousand-man army that Ju Zi brought along with her this time were soldiers deployed from the north of the Sun Moon Empire. They were able to tolerate the cold well. However, many of them still suffered frostbite after coming here.

Especially the five thousand miners who were sent over here – their tolerance for cold was much worse. The soul masters among them fared better, as their bodies were stronger. However, there were not many soul masters among them. Most of them were ordinary people. They worked every day. Very soon, many of them couldn't hang on anymore, and some of them even died.

The blizzard tonight was especially strong, and no one knew what the conditions would be tomorrow. Given this atrocious weather, their progress would likely be stalled even further.

After hearing no news of Huo Yuhao, Ju Zi was actually very anxious. She wished that their mining operations would finish quickly, so that she could return to her actual base. On the one hand, she wanted to quickly execute her plan for the war. On the other hand, she also hoped that she could rely on the Sun Moon Empire's intelligence abilities to find out where Huo Yuhao was.

Bitingly cold winds whizzed. The deafening sounds made it seem as if avenging spirits were whizzing instead. The soul lamps in the commander's tent flickered even more intensely, and even more depressions appeared around the commander's tent.

It's even stronger now?

"Chi Chi—" Weird noises started to sound around the tent. Ju Zi suddenly focused her gaze, and seemed to have thought of something. She quickly charged towards the opening of the tent and drew the curtains. Suddenly, countless ice flakes flew in. These ice flakes carried a strong sense of chill and sharpness. Ju Zi subconsciously lifted her hands before she poured out her soul power, which formed a protective barrier around her.

However, even so, the ice flakes still managed to cause ripples to form after piercing the barrier around her.

"It's damaged." Ju Zi commented, and immediately unleashed her protective soul barrier.

She was also a seven-ringed Soul Sage. After unleashing her protective soul barrier, she ignored the raging blizzard in the sky and immediately leaped up. She flew tens of meters into the air.

She was immediately stunned when she saw what was going on.

The blizzard was raging throughout the entire base. The snowflakes, that resembled icy blades, were also scattered everywhere, and covered the entire base. The leather tents of the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legions were still fine; they weren't really damaged yet. However, the other ordinary tents were already starting to tear because of the snowflakes.

Tragic screams were already sounding. The ordinary soldiers couldn't possibly resist the ice flakes, which were like sharp knives.

“Enemy attack!” Ju Zi shouted, and lifted her right hand. An orange-red beam of light immediately shot into the sky. Patches of orange-red light exploded amidst the blizzard. Ju Zi’s red armor shone, and a barrier formed around her.

Orange-red figures started to appear from the perimeter of the base, and beams of orange-red light also started to gather in the air. They formed a layer of red barriers that started to expand as they resisted the blizzard.

There were four hundred soul engineers in the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion, and there were some reserve members. This placed the size of the entire legion at around five hundred soul engineers. They quickly rose into the sky under Ju Zi’s signal. Linked defensive soul tools were unleashed, forming a barrier to resist the brutal attacks of the blizzard.

Ju Zi clearly knew that this blizzard wasn’t a natural phenomenon. No matter how strong a natural blizzard was, it was only very snowy and windy. The snowflakes couldn’t be so sharp, and they wouldn’t contain undulations of ice elements either. Without a doubt, this had to be someone’s doing.

Yuhao, is it you??After unleashing the linked defensive soul tools, the first thing that surfaced in Ju Zi’s head was Huo Yuhao.

However, she soon rejected that assumption. The reason was very simple – this blizzard was simply too strong.

Everything around had been covered by this blizzard, and it was damaging everything. No matter how talented Huo Yuhao was in terms of his Ultimate Ice, he was still a Soul Sage. A Soul Sage couldn’t possibly demonstrate such terrifying abilities. Ju Zi even felt that this couldn’t possibly be the doing of a single soul master.

Whether it was in terms of military matters or soul tools, Ju Zi was very intelligent. However, everyone had their flaws and shortcomings, and she wasn’t an exception. Her greatest shortcoming was that she wasn’t a strong soul master.

She wasn’t a strong soul master, but was a pure soul engineer instead. The strongest soul masters that she had fought were the evil soul masters from the Holy Ghost Church, which she actively avoided.

This was why she wasn’t able to deduce the cultivation of a soul master needed to produce such a brutal blizzard. Or rather, she couldn’t tell the number of soul masters needed to produce this blizzard.?Don’t tell me that the Heavenly Soul Empire or Dou Ling Empire actually have a strong soul master legion?

However, no matter how strong this blizzard was, it couldn’t shake the linked defense of the entire Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion.

However, the linked defense formed by five hundred soul engineers still had a limit. Their defense couldn’t possibly protect the entire base.

After all, the base had to be big enough to contain twenty-five thousand people! They could only protect one-third of the base. This was their limit.

After stabilizing the formations, Ju Zi immediately descended and continued to give out commands. She didn’t command the soldiers to retreat to this one-third of the base. Given how terrifying the blizzard

was, the ordinary soldiers would be torn apart the moment they exposed themselves outside. She immediately gave the order for everyone to hide under their beds and cover their bodies with their blankets.

Even though there would still be many casualties this way, she only hoped that this unnatural blizzard wouldn't last for too long. If that was the case, the number of casualties could be minimized.

Ju Zi's solution was undoubtedly the best they could do right now. Such a strong blizzard was unnatural. In her opinion, it couldn't last long.

However, her expression still changed after she settled the soldiers in the base. She knew that they had lost this battle, even though it had only just begun.

Most of the soldiers were hiding underneath their beds and temporarily avoiding the blizzard. However, the other two-thirds of the base had already been torn to pieces. It couldn't contain anyone any longer.

She had twenty-five thousand men with her, and it was already very cramped. It was impossible to contain everyone within the remaining one-third of the base.

This meant that their original plan couldn't be completed even if this blizzard ended soon, and even if there weren't too many casualties, it would be greatly delayed. Moreover, many people would certainly be hurt or killed. Even the machines that were used to mine the rare metals would be greatly damaged.

This blizzard was simply overwhelming! In addition, Ju Zi couldn't even find her target. If she wasn't able to lock onto her opponent and find out where this blizzard was coming from, she naturally had no way of dealing with it.

Can't find my opponent?

As she thought until here, Ju Zi's expression turned even grimmer. She subconsciously lifted her head and peered into the sky.

All she saw was the blizzard that was raging in the pitch-black night sky.

That's it. The aerial surveillance soul tools will be greatly damaged in this blizzard. Or rather, the other party's original plan...

As she thought until here, Ju Zi gritted her teeth extremely hard.

A scheme, this is obviously a scheme! The other party obviously knows that even if I find out that their plan is to destroy our aerial surveillance soul tools, I won't be able to command my soul engineers to leave the base, given the blizzard. This base is our foundation. We have so many soldiers here. Even if they choose to retreat, there wouldn't be enough tents. We'll still sustain heavy losses. This is why we have to protect our base. This gives them enough time to destroy our aerial surveillance soul tools.

Ju Zi's deductions were all right.

Huo Yuhao was on the Ice Bear King's back right now as he searched for the aerial surveillance soul tools at the boundaries of the blizzard.

As he had checked them earlier, he had already memorized the positions of these aerial surveillance soul tools. As for those that were within the blizzard, he didn't have to worry at all. *novE(lb).In*

The closer this blizzard was from the ground, the larger the area it covered. However, its actual strength would diminish. When it was in the air, its destructive strength would be even greater. Those aerial surveillance soul tools were also not very tough. Given the strength of this blizzard, they would definitely be destroyed.

The Ice Bear King had once questioned Huo Yuhao. He told Huo Yuhao that the destructive strength of his Blizzard would be several times greater if it was unleashed at a lower altitude. The enemy would certainly suffer much greater losses.

However, Huo Yuhao stopped him from doing so. The reason was simple. He didn't want to use this blizzard to deal with the enemy. Given the overall abilities of Ju Zi and her Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion, a blizzard was unable to truly hurt them. Once the region covered by this blizzard became smaller, she might have some way of dealing with it, since she was so intelligent.

Furthermore, the most important point was that Huo Yuhao didn't want to kill too many ordinary soldiers. They were innocent, just ordinary people. War and invasions were the results of their ruler's orders. This was why Huo Yuhao's main intention was to disrupt the Sun Moon Empire's plan, not to kill people. Also, he was the only one who knew deep down in his heart that he was afraid of hurting Ju Zi.

It was the truth that this blizzard was very effective. The ground shook tremendously, and the Sun Moon Empire's army was in a great state of confusion. Even though Ju Zi's orders were very appropriate, she couldn't possibly deal with Huo Yuhao right now. The raging blizzard was also slightly weakened at Huo Yuhao's request, but this made it possible for it to last longer. It was long enough for all the aerial surveillance soul tools to be dealt with.

The blizzard soon covered a smaller region. However, the parts of the Sun Moon Empire's base that were exposed were already completely destroyed.

The strength of the icy blades was limited, but that was only for soul masters. To ordinary people, they were still very lethal. Even though the strength of the blizzard was already greatly reduced at Huo Yuhao's request, there were still many soldiers who were unable to get out from underneath their beds.

Ju Zi looked very grim right now. She maintained the linked defensive formation, which greatly drained their soul power. The icy blades weren't too strong, but it was difficult for them to maintain their positions amidst the blizzard. In just a short time, all the soul engineers had to replenish their soul power with a Milk Bottle each. More importantly, this blizzard greatly dampened the soldiers' morale.

At this moment, a roar sounded from afar. Ju Zi clearly saw a figure that was charging towards the base rapidly.

This figure didn't come closer to the base, but started causing damage around the perimeter. The figure looked to be that of a human, but its strength was extremely terrifying. The tremendous sounds of destruction started to reverberate.

"Small Team 1, take care of him." Ju Zi commanded. She still didn't remove the linked defense formation. At this moment, she had to be more prudent in dealing with this unknown enemy.

There were ten soul engineers in one small team of the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion. Each of them was led by a Class 6 soul engineer, while the rest were all Class 4 soul engineers.

Ten soul engineers were rapidly charging towards the person who was causing destruction to the foundational structures around the base. Beams of soul rays also shot towards him.

They didn't use any soul cannons, which would be more destructive, to preserve the foundational structures.

However, they were shocked to see that the person didn't avoid their attacks at all. When the scorching soul rays struck him, they didn't even create ripples. They just disappeared. That person didn't seem to feel anything at all either.

After this, they saw something shocking. That person stood in front of a thick metal pillar. It was one of the many metal pillars that Huo Yuhao saw the Sun Moon Empire drill into the ground. Each pillar was fifty meters long, and they were forged from special alloys.

As this person exerted force, he actually managed to pierce through one of the pillars. Following this, he lifted it up, and swept this pillar towards the small team of soul engineers, as if he were trying to kill flies.

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The leading soul engineer was shocked. It was pertinent to note that each of the metal pillars weighed more than five thousand kilos! Was that a weight that a human could lift? Even if they were hit by only the edge of this metal pillar, it would still be enough to crush them!

"Disperse!" The ten soul engineers quickly dispersed, which prevented them from being killed.

However, that person didn't seem to care whether he hit them. In his hands, the pillar seemed to be very light and free. Then, he forcefully smashed the pillar against a huge rack at his side.

The rack was greatly damaged before it started to collapse. A huge drill that was attached to it slanted, and was about to fall off. The price of such a drill was around one million gold soul coins.

Is he really a human?? This was the thought in all of the soul engineers' heads right now. Even Ju Zi was stunned when she saw this.? Can a human really be so strong?

At this point, that person turned around. He grabbed the metal pillar tightly with both hands before he started to spin around. He looked like a giant spinning top, while the metal pillar was like the sharp point of this spinning top. It was extremely terrifying.

This was definitely more terrifying than the blizzard earlier. The surrounding structures were all destroyed as this metal windstorm swept by.

Ju Zi could no longer remain composed anymore. She shouted, "Large Teams 1 and 2, enter the formation and attack with heavy cannons. Teams 3 and 4, prepare to maintain the linked defensive barrier."

The soul formation of the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion was in the center of the base. This was the plan all along. All the large soul tools were contained within this formation. There were even several Class 9 soul tools there.

From this brief encounter, she had already concluded that this extremely powerful man had to be at least a Transcendent Douluo. Fighting a Transcendent Douluo was not something one or two people could do. As she recalled the blizzard earlier, she realized that the enemy's strength couldn't be estimated at all. The only way they could deal with their attacks was to use their linked defense in tandem with their soul formation.

Without a doubt, it was right of her to do this. However, it was at this moment that the Fire Phoenix Douluo was stunned. She peered into the sky and asked, "Legion commander, take a look. What's that?"

Ju Zi subconsciously lifted her head to take a look, and was stunned. A ball of icy-blue light was becoming brighter and brighter in the sky. This ball of light seemed to have covered the entire sky, as if the moon had suddenly fallen from the heavens. It was crashing down on them. The aura of this ball of light was so overwhelming that they felt as if they were being completely suppressed just by looking at it.

It's too scary. What is it?

"Quick, let's gather our full strength and attack the sky." Ju Zi gave out an order without any further hesitation. She also quickly went to retrieve soul cannons and fired them towards the sky.

At this moment, a loud boom caused Ju Zi's body to shake slightly. The entire linked defense formation started to waver. Many of the soul engineers didn't even hear her orders clearly.

Although two hundred soul engineers had left for the soul formation, there were still three hundred soul engineers maintaining this linked defense formation! But it still shook tremendously. This showed how powerful the enemy's attack was.

Ju Zi turned, and all she saw was a huge metal pillar being deflected away. She suddenly understood what was going on. The person who had unleashed the metal windstorm earlier had thrown the metal pillar towards them.

The metal pillar was almost fifty meters long, and it was unleashed with great force because of the high-speed rotation earlier. No wonder the impact force was so terrifying. Even though they were protected, some of the Class 4 soul engineers turned pale. Some of them were even hurt, and spat out blood.

This momentary delay allowed the huge icy-blue ball to get closer and closer. It was as if a giant mountain were going to crash down on them.

At this moment, the teams that were supposed to enter the soul formation had yet to get into position.

"Attack! Quick, attack towards the sky. Don't bother with that person below!" Ju Zi shouted. Her soul cannon had already been fired.

Although she didn't know what that huge light ball was, she could clearly sense that the entire soul formation would be destroyed if it was allowed to crash down. At this moment, ordinary soldiers were completely useless. Even as the commander of the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion, she also felt helpless.

The Fire Phoenix Douluo had remained close to Ju Zi, and she now lifted her hands. As a light flashed, she retrieved a golden-red object from her storage-type soul tool. It was a weird soul tool in the shape of a phoenix.

This soul tool wasn't very large. However, it exuded scorching heat the moment it appeared. The golden-red light that emanated from it also brightened their surroundings.

This Fire Phoenix was very exquisite. Its eyes were like rubies, and looked very real. It felt as if it were a real phoenix.

The Fire Phoenix Douluo wore a serious expression on her face as she slowly lifted it up. Following this, her figure flashed, and she exited the linked defense formation.

Intense fiery-red light was released from her body as her soul rings appeared. Her fiery wings were unleashed, and the fiery light started to gather towards the soul tool in her hands.

The Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion demonstrated its strength at this moment. The three hundred soul engineers in the sky quickly unleashed their attacks under Ju Zi's command.

Three hundred beams of fiery-red light shot out. They gathered in the air and charged straight towards the ball of light. Since they could link their defenses, they could naturally link their attacks too. This was why the Sun Moon Empire was so scary.

Loud booms resonated through the air. The huge icy-blue ball shook slightly, but started to shine even more brightly. It continued to crash down, although it was slightly slower now.

The ladies from the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion were shocked when they saw this scene. Their linked offensive soul tools were known for being unstoppable. There were a few hundred of them. Even though they were just using Class 4 scorching rays, their combined attack was still very powerful. Of course, the low temperature of the ice plains of the Extreme North slightly diminished the effect of these scorching rays. However, what exactly was that falling light? How was it able to resist the rays? It was completely unbelievable.

Ju Zi was a little similar to Huo Yuhao. In a crisis, she was able to maintain her composure. She knew that she had to stop the ball from falling. It had to be very strong if it could resist so many scorching rays. Once it crashed down, their soul formation was bound to be destroyed. If she could hang on until their soul formation took effect, they wouldn't need to fear anymore. A soul engineer legion was most terrifying in the soul formation that it created.

However, giant snowballs started to be rapidly flung over from the perimeter of the base at this moment.

Wherever they passed, all the mining machines were quickly destroyed. The burly man who flung the metal pillar earlier also looked into the sky, and roared. His body started to balloon in size. In just a matter of seconds, Ju Zi watched him grow to a height of more than one hundred and twenty meters.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King had a reputation for having the strongest body in the continent, and he didn't earn it from nothing. Soul masters and soul engineers weren't unfamiliar with soul beasts. However, this was the first time the soul engineers from the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion had seen such a massive soul beast.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King roared into the sky and crouched down slightly before leaping up. His huge figure was like a cannon shell as he collided with the linked defensive barrier in the sky. At the same time, the giant snowballs were already hitting them from all directions now.

“Boom——”

The linked defensive barrier shook tremendously, and all the soul engineers within it turned extremely pale. The Fire Phoenix Douluo was also stunned for a moment. She was also slightly delayed from firing her soul tool.

The Fire Phoenix Douluo could tell how strong the Tai Tan Snowdevil King was the moment he revealed his true size. She wasn't a pure soul master, but she had some understanding of soul beasts. If he could transform into a human, he had to be a savage beast! He's definitely a soul beast; this is not a Martial Soul True Body unleashed by a soul master. A Martial Soul True Body is an energy body, but this is definitely his true form.

There was one savage beast to their side, and there was a ball of terrifying light descending from above. Which one should they choose to resist?

“Sky.” Ju Zi made the decision for the Fire Phoenix Douluo. At this moment, she tried to calm herself as she faced the immense Tai Tan Snowdevil King.

The aerial threat directly threatened the soul formation below. Although the Tai Tan Snowdevil King was strong, the soul formation could still resist him if it was deployed perfectly. As one of the strongest soul engineer legions of the Sun Moon Empire, Ju Zi was confident that they could deal with any problems that arose once they unleashed their full fighting strength.

The Fire Phoenix Douluo shouted and exerted strength with both hands as she pushed up. As a sonorous phoenix roar sounded, a fire phoenix was actually released from her hands. It fluttered its phoenix wings and flew towards the plummeting ball of light.

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This was a powerful Class 9 soul tool that the Fire Phoenix Douluo had personally created. It was called Soaring Phoenix, and was a pure offensive soul tool. It could reach a temperature of over a thousand degrees Celsius, and possessed great explosive strength. It could only be used once before it became useless, but it was much more powerful than most ordinary Class 9 stationary soul cannon shells. However, its shortcoming was that it couldn't reach as far as a stationary soul cannon shell. However, it was very suitable for usage within a fixed region.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King was slightly stunned when he saw the fire phoenix rising into the sky. Although it wasn't flying towards him, he could still sense the immense soul power undulations it emitted. Can a human really unleash such an attack? That human isn't that strong either!

Huo Yuhao mentioned that humans are capable of inventing weapons. This must be one of them. It's indeed strong! Originally, the Tai Tan Snowdevil King had looked down on humans. However, his opinion slowly changed when he realized that his previous two attacks couldn't topple the linked defensive barrier, and after he saw the rising fire phoenix.

The huge ball in the sky was only five hundred meters from the ground now. At this moment, the Soaring Phoenix blew apart, and received its attack!

Blue and fiery-red formed two parallel lines in the air. These parallel lines expanded suddenly, and a region covering hundreds of square kilometers was instantly engulfed by these two colors. Ice and fire raged as they battled with each other. It was also at this moment that the soul engineers of the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion finally entered their soul formation, and started to control their large offensive soul tools.

Between ice and fire, fire was evidently being drained more quickly. After all, this was the ice plains of the Extreme North! In this extremely cold part of the world, all fire-type abilities were greatly diminished. This process was even continuous.

It was at this moment that a ball of icy-blue light suddenly drilled out from the fire and instantly crashed down, landing directly within the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion's soul formation.

When it hit the ground, the light dispersed, revealing a figure. Wasn't he Huo Yuhao?

When Huo Yuhao landed, his body immediately turned illusory. The huge figure that had descended from the sky earlier was naturally the Ice Bear King. Huo Yuhao had already guessed that the Phoenix Soul Engineer would have some way of tackling him, given their abilities. At the same time, he was also adapting to the situation. Everything, including the Tai Tan Snowdevil King and the Tai Tan Snowdevils' attacks, was under his control.

A white halo immediately spread after he concealed his body with his Imitation. At the same time, a golden whirlpool appeared above the Fire Phoenix Douluo's head.

They were his third and fourth soul skills, Mass Enfeeblement and Spiritual Confusion.

In terms of cultivation, Huo Yuhao couldn't compare to the Fire Phoenix Douluo. However, his immense spiritual power could compare to a Titled Douluo. Under the effect of his spiritual soul core, he unleashed two soul skills. Suddenly, the Fire Phoenix Douluo was sent into a momentary trance. Within this soul formation, all the soul engineers felt as if their soul power had leaked out of their bodies. A strong sense of weakness quickly caused them to turn dizzy.

After Huo Yuhao's Mass Enfeeblement, a huge vertical eye appeared at the center of the soul formation, and the space within the soul formation immediately distorted. Clearly no sound was made, but every soul engineer felt as if deafening thunder had sounded in their ears.

Huo Yuhao unleashed his Martial Soul True Body, the Demonic Eyes of the Asura, along with his Spiritual Blast.

A few spiritual-type soul skills were unleashed simultaneously. All the soul engineers from the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion staggered after being hit by Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Blast. Huo Yuhao didn't unleash the full power of his Spiritual Blast because he wanted to maximize the area it covered. Otherwise, some of the soul engineers who were closest to him would have been blown apart from the blast.

Huo Yuhao stomped the ground with his right foot before the Star Anise Mysterious Ice Grass surfaced above his head. Following this, the ground shook, and countless ice spikes formed a dazzling icy flower with Huo Yuhao's body at the center. It was the Star Anise Omnithrust.

Under the enhancement of the Star Anise Mysterious Ice Grass, the Star Anise Omnithrust was unleashed with full force. The soul engineers all had automated protective barriers on their bodies. They were only flung away from the Star Anise Omnithrust, but the soul formation that was deployed wasn't protected by a defensive barrier! Or rather, without any soul engineers controlling it, there was no way the soul formation could be protected.

The soul tools in this formation were rather tough. Even when hit by the Star Anise Omnithrust, only small parts of them were damaged. However, they were all knocked over by the impact.

Huo Yuhao's series of attacks didn't cause too much harm to the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion. However, it caused the soul formation to be completely suppressed.

When Ju Zi saw that huge vertical eye, she already knew who was here. Huo Yuhao was simply too quick. After he unleashed his Spiritual Blast, he returned to his original form almost instantly. When he stomped with his right leg, he was just looking at her.

After this, countless ice spikes were unleashed. Around the perimeter, several massive figures changed into their original forms after a series of collisions. The powerful Tai Tan Snowdevils had already charged into the base with the help of the blizzard and Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao stood arrogantly in the center of the soul formation. When Ju Zi finally gritted her teeth and gave the order to all the soul engineers to focus their attacks on Huo Yuhao, another huge figure fell from the sky, shielding him. A giant ice wall absorbed all the attacks. At this moment, these soul engineers couldn't even think about attacking Huo Yuhao without their soul tools.

Huo Yuhao remained where he was. On his forehead, his Eye of Destiny had already opened. Sunray patterns filled his forehead. Right now, he was at the center of the battlefield. Whether it was the Ice Bear King, the Tai Tan Snowdevil King or the Tai Tan Snowdevils, they were all within range of his Spiritual Detection Sharing. The entire battlefield had been completely engulfed by his Spiritual Detection. Every Tai Tan Snowdevil was under his command, including the Tai Tan Snowdevil King.

The Tai Tan Snowdevils didn't kill the ordinary soldiers. Instead, they were furiously destroying all the structures. All the facilities that the Sun Moon Empire had tirelessly built to mine rare metals were torn apart under the hands of these Tai Tan Snowdevils. Metal pieces were flying everywhere.

It took the soul engineers in the soul formation some effort before they shook off the effects of Huo Yuhao's Mass Enfeeblement, Spiritual Blast and Star Anise Omnithrust. By then, they discovered that they couldn't do anything at all. The Ice Bear King released a strong, chilly aura from his body as he stood within the soul formation. All the soul tools were quickly being frozen. **nove/Lb(1n**

Huo Yuhao was already showing mercy. After all, the soul engineers in the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion were female. If he had followed his attacks up with his Ice Explosion Technique, those who were of lower cultivations would have been critically hurt. However, he didn't want to kill too many people, which stopped him from doing that. All the soul tools were just frozen under the control of the Ice Bear King.

The soul engineers could only quickly flee in all directions. They were all scattered from one another. Even if they could attack, how could they possibly threaten the Ice Bear King?

Ju Zi turned slightly pale. When Huo Yuhao led the Ice Bear King to occupy the soul formation, she knew that she had already lost this battle. Without the soul formation, she couldn't possibly threaten the Tai Tan Snowdevils even if she could survive.

These Tai Tan Snowdevils were simply too scary. Class 4 and 5 soul tools were ineffective against them. Their destructive abilities had even destroyed all the mining facilities in and around the base.

These Tai Tan Snowdevils had massive limbs and sharp claws. Even the tough metals seemed like paper in front of them. Right now, more than a hundred Tai Tan Snowdevils were gathering towards the center. The Tai Tan Snowdevil King had even grabbed another thick metal pillar, and smashed it against the linked defensive formation in the air.

Ju Zi gritted her teeth and couldn't help but think –?this fellow is heartless. I've been worrying over him for so long, but he's brought me such a huge 'surprise' with his return.

Huo Yuhao naturally didn't know what Ju Zi was thinking about. Things had reached such a stage that the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion was clearly unable to clean up the mess anymore.

Huo Yuhao flipped up, and jumped onto the Ice Bear King's back. The Ice Bear King roared into the sky. Countless ice picks danced in the air and shot straight towards the linked defensive formation. The Ice Bear King turned around quickly and charged away with Huo Yuhao on his back.

He's leaving? He's leaving just like that?

Ju Zi was stunned. When she saw the frozen soul formation on the ground, she heaved a sigh of relief. Although they had suffered heavy losses this time, they had still managed to preserve their soul formation. This meant that she still had a chance of making a comeback.

However, this thought only lasted for a second before she was brought back to the harsh realities of life.

Tremendous booms started resonating through the air. Explosions sounded from the soul formation one after another. The huge soul tools were blown apart, and debris scattered in the air. Bits of metal flew everywhere, and the core formation blew apart, causing an even louder explosion. The entire soul formation seemed as if it had been ignited as it kept on exploding.

Ice Explosion Technique!

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The ferocious Ice Explosion Technique caused everything below to turn into an ocean of ice. The charging Ice Bear King released icy-blue halos from his body as he charged away. The ice elements in the air were instantly turned into another blizzard, that swept over the entire place.

Everything became unclear again. The blizzard caused heaven and earth to darken.

Ju Zi didn't give the order to attack anymore. She gathered all her soul engineers and commanded them to maintain their linked defense.

This time, the blizzard didn't last as long as before. By the time blizzard was about to end, the Tai Tan Snowdevils, Ice Bear King and Huo Yuhao had already completely vanished.

The chilly winds in the Extreme North continued to whiz, but the explosions had already ceased. Things turned peaceful once again. Due to the blizzard, the ground was already covered in white. Even at night, the silky-white snow still refracted some light.

At this moment, a deep voice sounded, "This is your last warning. Humans, leave the Extreme North. This is not a place you should be. If there's a next time, we won't be merciful. All life will be turned into ice and snow."

This voice came with the winds, and echoed throughout the camp. It was deafening. It sounded as if the heavens had raged.

This was...

Not all the soul engineers had seen the human figure that had appeared in their midst. After all, Huo Yuhao had unleashed his Imitation to conceal himself right from the start.

At this moment, all the soul engineers turned pale when they heard this voice.

This was only a warning. It was a warning from the ice plains of the Extreme North.

Every empire had a limited understanding of the world of soul beasts in the Extreme North. This was because the soul beasts here were only helpful to ice-type soul masters. Almost no soul master would come here to get a soul ring. Under such a circumstance, their understanding of the ice plains of the Extreme North was extremely limited.

The giants that were more than a hundred meters tall, and the terrifying giant bear that appeared earlier left deep impressions in the minds of these soul engineers.

As the Hand that Protects the Nation in the Sun Moon Empire, they were actually very confident in themselves. Their confidence even bordered on arrogance. This was their first time suffering such a heavy setback ever since they were established. Even though there weren't many casualties, they had still suffered massive losses. Almost all the aerial surveillance soul tools were destroyed. The soul formation below had also suffered the same fate. After tirelessly building these facilities for half a month, almost nothing was left. A large number of tents had been destroyed, and thousands of soldiers were left shivering in the cold. Was this how powerful the ice plains of the Extreme North were?

What kind of strength existed here? Did they incur the wrath of this place by trying to mine rare metals here?

The soul engineers weren't the only ones who heard the voice. The ordinary soldiers heard it too. Compared to the soul engineers, the ordinary soldiers were more afraid of gods. Adding that to the fact that it was bitingly cold right now, the soldiers' morale was greatly affected.

Ju Zi quietly drifted in mid-air. The others didn't know, but how could she not be aware?

Even though she only got a glance before Huo Yuhao had concealed himself, she could already tell that what she saw was right. It was him.

It had to be his abilities. Even though he was much stronger now compared to before, his Martial Soul True Body was unique.

It's him. He didn't just bring reinforcements from Shrek Academy; he brought many soul beasts from the ice plains of the Extreme North too. No matter how intelligent Ju Zi was, she couldn't understand why the soul beasts would listen to Huo Yuhao. Furthermore, the battle earlier didn't seem to have been initiated by the soul beasts. It had to be a scheme, a ploy. Not many had died, but all the soul tools had been destroyed. Furthermore, they didn't manage to cause many problems for the enemy. This was clearly an ambush led by someone!

At this moment, Ju Zi couldn't consider so many things anymore. She gritted her teeth and groaned furiously, then immediately gave out a series of orders.

First, the soldiers whose tents had been destroyed needed to be helped. They would be temporarily moved to the tents that had been protected by the linked defensive formation.

Even if it was overcrowded, they had no choice anymore. Furthermore, she instructed all the soul engineers to let out their tents to the soldiers who were injured.

The Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion was well-equipped – every soul engineer had her own tent. Even though their individual tents weren't very large, they were still sufficient to accommodate a few people. In addition, tents made from mature cow leather were much warmer than ordinary tents. They were very appropriate for accommodating casualties.

At the same time, the fire-type abilities of the soul engineers also become the best way to help the soldiers keep warm. The entire base started to get busy. Even though morale was low, the soldiers became less affected by daylight, because Ju Zi handled the situation very well. It was important to know that she had even let out her own tent for the injured soldiers. This act won the hearts of her soldiers, and stopped their morale from falling even further.

When things had finally been settled, the sky was already brightening. When Ju Zi saw all the damaged soul tools, she was on the verge of crying, even though she was normally very tough.

Not only had they lost this battle, they had lost tragically too. Although there weren't many casualties, they had suffered major losses in terms of their machines.

Huo Yuhao, you're too ruthless! Ju Zi gritted her teeth as she thought.

However, her expression slowly turned gentler as she recalled what had happened in the fight. How could she not tell that Huo Yuhao was actually being merciful? Otherwise, those powerful soul beasts would have had many opportunities launch a massacre.

If that had happened, more than half of the ordinary soldiers would have been killed, and even the soul engineers within the soul formation would not have survived. When the soul formation was destroyed, Huo Yuhao and the terrifying soul beasts had a ripe opportunities to encircle and kill them.

But Huo Yuhao didn't do so. He didn't let the powerful soul beasts do that. Instead, he engaged purely in destruction. After gaining the absolute advantage, he decided to retreat. Ju Zi knew that they had their linked soul tools as a guarantee, and could kill some of the giant soul beasts. However, what was the point of killing only one or two of them?

Those giants were too terrifying. Their defensive strength was the strongest among all the soul beasts that she had ever seen. The price to pay to kill even one of them would have been very high. What if

they drained all their soul power, and couldn't maintain their linked defensive barrier anymore? They could only flee. But what would be the result of fleeing? It was leaving behind a twenty-five-thousand-man army!

The soul engineer legion might be able to flee, but the ordinary soldiers wouldn't be able to do so.

When she thought until here, Ju Zi felt less aggrieved. Her nemesis was ultimately her own lack of knowledge. She had lost this round, and she had lost it badly.

"Hmph! You better not land in my hands." Ju Zi thought to herself fiercely. Her face started to show a tinge of red. This was because she found out that even she felt helpless when she thought of this.

Huo Yuhao led the Tai Tan Snowdevils as they retreated. They returned to their temporary base fifty kilometers away. However, they hadn't won effortlessly like Ju Zi thought.

There was a huge burn covering more than ten square meters on the Ice Bear King's chest. He was pretty hurt.

The Fire Phoenix Douluo's Soaring Phoenix was very strong. It was much stronger than Huo Yuhao had expected. The Ice Bear King had used his Ice Bear Meteor, his strongest offensive soul skill. However, he was still hurt after colliding with the Soaring Phoenix after he was weakened by the linked offensive soul tools.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King had already turned back into his human form, and stood beside Huo Yuhao. The Ice Bear King did the same. However, he was seated instead. He grimaced as he circulated his soul power to treat his wound.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King sighed and said, "I didn't believe that humans could invent weapons to deal with us. But it seems like I was wrong. Humans are already so strong." He had been fighting the Ice Bear King for many years, thus he naturally knew how strong he was. The Ice Bear King's Ice Bear Meteor had caused him massive problems before. However, it didn't have much effect after clashing with the humans' attacks.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King agreed with Huo Yuhao that they shouldn't massacre the humans. The ice plains of the Extreme North were a promised land that wasn't suitable for humans to live in. There wasn't any need to kill humans; they just needed to chase them away.

Huo Yuhao nodded gently and said, "My plan wasn't perfect. That's why Little Bai was hurt. Little Bai, how are you feeling now?"

The Ice Bear King turned around and laid on the ground, allowing his burning wound to come into contact with the icy ground. He shook his head and replied, "I'm fine, I'm fine. I can still hold on. Grandpa, I don't blame you. You warned me, but I was over-confident. I wouldn't be in this state if I had tried to avoid their attacks. Ah Tai is actually right – humans are scary. Although we had the absolute advantage earlier, we would still have needed to pay a huge price if we wanted to annihilate them completely."

Huo Yuhao nodded and said, "This was why I decided to just teach them a lesson after our sudden attack before retreating. I'm grateful for all your help. Fortunately, there weren't many casualties this time."

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Ah Tai nodded at Huo Yuhao and said, "You are the Snow Empress and the Ice Empress' companion, and that means you will always be the Extreme North's friend. If ever you need our help in the future, don't hesitate to send someone here to give us instructions." He bent down as he spoke, and passed his palm face-up in front of Huo Yuhao.

He was in human form, but he was still a lot more muscular than Huo Yuhao was. There was an icy-blue snowflake on his broad palm, which seemed like it was made from ice and snow. However, Huo Yuhao realized to his surprise when he took it that the snowflake was actually lukewarm. But he could clearly feel that the terrifying aura of Ultimate Ice contained within it.

"This is the Snow Empress' Writ, and it's personally given by the Snow Empress. If you need anything in the future, just send someone to the Extreme North with that Snow Empress' Writ, and we will follow any instruction or request you have."

"Thank you," Huo Yuhao didn't decline his offer, and he put the Snow Empress' Writ in his storage soul tool. The Extreme North's strength was very formidable. Furthermore, the Extreme North bordered both the Heavenly Soul and the Dou Ling Empire's northern territories. Perhaps he would actually need their help in the future.

The Tai Tan Snowdevil King stood up straight. "We have completed our task, and we shall take our leave. Please send my regards to the Snow Empress."

"Ah Tai." Blue light glowed as the Snow Empress glimmered beside Huo Yuhao.

The Snowdevil King hurriedly bowed to greet her as she appeared, and the Ice Bear King made his posture a little more glamorous.

The Snow Empress stared at the Snowdevil King seriously and said, "I'll leave the Extreme North to you, Ah Tai. I'll give you this – with this, you will be able to survive one more breakthrough." The Snow Empress waved her hand as she spoke, and a ray of blue light flew towards the Snowdevil King.

The Snowdevil King caught it subconsciously, and his eyes changed drastically in the next moment. He knelt down in front of the Snow Emperor with a "kerplunk", and his eyes were covered with mist.

"Thank you, Snow Empress. I will forever remember your favor of lengthening my life." He kowtowed three times at the Snow Empress respectfully before he got back on his feet and strode away with his tribe of Tai Tan Snowdevils.

Huo Yuhao naturally knew what the Snow Empress had given him, but he had no intention of stopping her. He knew that the Snow Empress was helping him establish camaraderie. His connection with the Extreme North would be seamlessly intimate with this relationship.

The Ice Bear King side-eyed the Tai Tan Snowdevil King enviously and grunted as he muttered under his breath, "What are you so happy about? I'll have my own in the future."

The Snow Empress glanced back at him and said, "You shall follow Yuhao for now. Take these few days to treat your wounds, and we will depart when you're better." The second part of her sentence was targeted at Huo Yuhao, and she disappeared into his body after that.

The Ice Bear King nodded obediently as his plump frame plopped back down onto the snow. The snow's temperature was so low that normal people would lose their lives lying down on such a surface, but the Ice Bear King seemed like he was enjoying himself.

Huo Yuhao turned around and gazed at the Sun Moon Empire's camp in the distance, and a faint smile gradually appeared on his face.

I was defeated the last time around, Ju zi, but I have pulled one back this time. I hope you understand what I'm trying to tell you, and leave this place as quickly as possible.

He wasn't worried that the lesson he had given her wasn't sufficient. So many bases and structures had been destroyed, and no matter how reluctant Ju Zi was, she couldn't reconstruct everything and continue excavating within such a short period of time. In the end, it wasn't easy for her to transport all those structural installations in the first place. The cost of excavation was also exorbitant, and she probably couldn't put the same batch together within two months.

Huo Yuhao did consider taking some of those rare metals back, but this place was so cold, and doing so would be a terribly difficult task. His individual strength was limited after all. He also considered asking the Tai Tan Snowdevils to help, but the Tai Tan Snowdevil King was only here because of the Snow Empress' favor, and he couldn't just command the new ruler of the Extreme North. He gave up thoughts of this endeavor.

After this lesson, the Sun Moon Empire would have to think long and hard if they wanted to try to excavate the rare metals here again. Huo Yuhao could do a lot more during this period of time, and he would have time to relay this information to the academy. The academy would contact the Heavenly Soul and Dou Ling Empires, and they were bound to do something.

Huo Yuhao told the Ice Bear King to continue treating his wounds here while he snuck back towards the Sun Moon Empire's camp to scout it out.

Huo Yuhao had a lot less trouble without the aerial surveillance soul tools. He didn't have to worry about anything at all with his concealment abilities.

Huo Yuhao gazed down from a distance, and he could how wretched the Sun Moon Empire's camp was. The sky was already bright by now, and the Sun Moon Empire's army was clearly hard at work. They were collecting and salvaging their broken and damaged machines, and they seemed like they were taking apart their camp at the same time.

A faint smile appeared at the corner of Huo Yuhao's mouth. Are they finally going to leave?

Damaged machines weren't the most painful losses, as machines could be replenished and repaired. However, many of their tents had been destroyed, and that meant many soldiers no longer had shelter or a place to rest. That was fatal in a chilly place like the Extreme North! Since Ju Zi could command her soldiers with strict obedience, then she had to have a relatively good reputation and prestige within her army, so she couldn't just disregard these soldiers. Furthermore, she still had to consider that he would notify the Dou Ling Empire. Retreating was her only choice under such circumstances.

As for those minerals and whatnot that the army had already excavated, he would just let them take them away. He could no longer do anything to stop them. After all, they hadn't managed to excavate much.

Indeed, after a morning of readjustment, the Fire Phoenix Soul Engineer legion put away many of their damaged or destroyed soul tools. They were damaged, but the rare metals inside them were still very precious. They could still use those rare metals after repairing or recycling them, so they couldn't just waste those soul tools.

Midday passed, and the army had their meals before they moved out and proceeded towards the south, back into the Heavenly Soul Empire's territory. The Fire Phoenix Legion was positioned at the rear.

Huo Yuhao watched them slowly leave, and he couldn't help but feel a sense of loss and lament in his heart. He was finally standing on opposite sides from Ju Zi in the end – how could he face her again in the future under such circumstances?!? Haih, I hope we don't meet again on the battlefield. But since she's one of the Sun Moon Empire's marshals, can we really avoid meeting each other on the battlefield again?

Huo Yuhao was still doubtful in his mind when he suddenly noticed that a sphere of red light emerged in the barren army camp. The fiery red light was flickering very faintly, but it was very glaring amidst the white and snowy ground.

Eh?

Huo Yuhao was too far away, so he couldn't see clearly even with his Spirit Eyes and Purple Demon Eyes. He had to activate his Eye of Destiny as he swept across to that area.

He quickly discovered that someone was standing in the snow, and this red light came from her body. Wasn't that Ju Zi?

In this moment, Ju Zi's pretty pale face flowed with grief and dismal beauty, and she was staring in his direction.

She's waiting for me? She guessed that I would come here to scout.

Huo Yuhao felt his heart quiver as he heaved a sigh, and he finally flew in Ju Zi's direction.

Ju Zi could see him flying towards her from some distance away, and the sadness in her expression gradually receded. A slight smile appeared on her lips, and she thought to herself that her arch-enemy did have a conscience after all.

Huo Yuhao drifted to the ground about five meters away from Ju Zi. They stared into each other's eyes, and their expressions were both deep and complicated.

"You've won, this time." Ju Zi grunted softly; she was evidently a little upset.

Huo Yuhao heaved a sigh and said, "Actually, I don't want to win. If only we weren't standing on opposite sides.

"Then stand over on my side!" Ju Zi retorted furiously, "If you come to me, we will no longer be standing on opposite sides, no?"

Huo Yuhao grew silent. He paused for a moment before he said slowly, "We have our own wishes and creeds. I know that if you insist on continuing down this path, you cannot convince me. Can't you see that I haven't attempted to convince you?"

"Aren't you afraid that I've prepared a trap here?" Ju Zi suddenly said coldly, "Have you forgotten what I said to you that day? Your heart is too soft. There's a saying that the compassionate cannot hold military authority. If I had been in your shoes last night, I would have unleashed a massacre when I had the absolute advantage. I would have done as much as I could to weaken my enemies' strength, and best if I could do away with myself, the mastermind. That would have been the only way to get something done once and for all. But you didn't do so, and you still dare to come see me at such a close distance. Aren't you afraid that I have prepared another ambush? You can't have the same luck to avoid capture every time, and when I'm prepared, it's impossible for you to capture me. At least, you can't do so within a short period of time."

Huo Yuhao laughed coolly. "But I have never considered you as my enemy."

Huo Yuhao's simple sentence dissolved Ju Zi's fierce expression, and she just stared at him blankly.

I have never considered you as my enemy. This was such a simple sentence, but it flicked at Ju Zi's heartstrings forcefully.

The fury on her face disappeared, and a plain smile took its place. She heaved a faint sigh as she muttered to herself, "You live up to your name as the man that I have chosen. No matter how foolish you are, you are still foolishly cute. But we can only be opponents in the end. You've won this time, but you may not the next time. I hope that we will cross paths again as late as possible because I truly don't want you as my opponent. That's not because you are hard to deal with, but because I can't bring myself to do anything to you. You may leave."

Huo Yuhao stared at her quietly and said, "Can this really not be changed, Ju Zi?"

Ju Zi shook her head and answered, "No."

Huo Yuhao no longer tried to advise her. He knew that she had made up her mind a long time ago, and he only asked his question because he was still hanging onto a fine thread of hope.

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Ju Zi looked up into the sky and muttered to herself, "Perhaps I will give you a present the next time we meet. But I can't give that to you."

"Eh?" Huo Yuhao stared at her suspiciously; he didn't understand what she was talking about.

"Why aren't you leaving?" Ju Zi asked again furiously.

Huo Yuhao shook his head gently and said, "Farewell. If we meet again, I wish that we won't have to be enemies. I truly hope that you will still be my senior that I studied with back then, and the same senior who helped treat my injuries. I'm leaving, Ju Zi, and you must take care of yourself. If the day comes that we finally don't have to fight to the death on the battlefield, I will try my best to protect you and fulfill your wishes."

Huo Yuhao stared at her deeply before he rose into the sky and flew far into the distance.

Ju Zi stomped her foot heavily as he watched him disappear over the horizon. “Ah—” She began to shout indignantly, and her entire being seemed to descend into hysteria.

She managed to calm herself down after a moment as she said angrily, “Ju Zi, Ju Zi – you say that his heart is soft, but isn’t yours as well? Why can’t you do anything to him? You know very well that he’s possibly the hardest enemy to deal with, and you should kill him. You will no longer have any worries if he is dead, and you will be able to do what you want with nothing in your way.”

She was still talking to herself when circles of fiery-red figures gradually appeared a hundred meters around her. Four enormous soul tools slowly rose as a red shadow swiftly came to Ju Zi’s side. It was the Fire Phoenix Douluo, Luan Feng.

“Why didn’t you give you the order, commander?” Luan Feng frowned as she asked Ju Zi.

Ju Zi turned towards her, and her eyes slowly turned moist as she suddenly plunged into Luan Feng’s arms and sobbed uncontrollably.

Luan Feng was momentarily stunned, and then she suddenly understood something as she heaved a faint sigh and hugged Ju Zi as she shook her head exasperatedly.

Huo Yuhao was still hovering in midair in the distance as he watched everything that was happening on the ground, and a forced smile appeared on his face.

“Ju Zi, did you know that I would rather you have given the order to make a move against me? If that were the case, perhaps I would have been able to harden my heart to deal with you in the future. But because of your softness, my heart cannot be hardened to do anything to you!”

Ju Zi was so scheming, how could he be tricked once again? How could he not have considered that she could have arranged an ambush? Only his spiritual form was there instead of his original body, and if Ju Zi did give the order to attack him, his spiritual form had many ways to escape.

Huo Yuhao was a lot more careful because of the mistake that he had made previously.

But Ju Zi didn’t make a move, and he couldn’t say anything heartless either. They had clashed and sparks flew, but everything had finally dissolved into a heartbreaking farewell.

Ju Zi was angry with herself, but wasn’t Huo Yuhao also hating himself for having a soft heart?

Ju Zi left, and she took her trusted subjects with her. The Extreme North grew calm once more, and all that was left were the marks of excavation.

Huo Yuhao returned to where the Ice Bear King was resting, and he sat down beside him with his legs crossed as he started to meditate. He quickly calmed himself down as he took this opportunity to cultivate in the Extreme North’s bitter cold.

Three days quickly passed, and the Ice Bear King’s wounds were fully stabilized. Huo Yuhao finally returned to his journey with the Ice Bear King once more, and they went straight for Dragon City. He still had to rendezvous with Nan Qiuqiu, who was waiting for him there.

Dragon City wasn't affected by the Sun Moon Empire at all, and everything was at it was before, though the city was still being penetrated by soul tools and technology. The Sun Moon Empire's soul tools were still snaking their way through the Heavenly Soul Empire's aristocrats and citizens' way of life.

Huo Yuhao took the Ice Bear King, who was in human form, back to the cloth store.

Nan Qiuqiu was already very worried from waiting, and she was immediately overjoyed when he returned.

"You still know to come back. You've been gone for so many days, but you didn't send a message at all." Nan Qiuqiu planted her hands on her waist as she shouted angrily at Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao placed his index finger on his lips as he lowered his voice and explained. "I was in the Extreme North over the past few days, so how could I have sent a message back to you? There's someone else here, calm down."

Only now did Nan Qiuqiu realize that a round fellow had followed Huo Yuhao inside. This person's waist, head, and torso were all circular, and his egg-like tummy entered the courtyard first before she saw his fat face, which was all smiles.

"Who's this?" Nan Qiuqiu asked suspiciously.

The Ice Bear King didn't wait for Huo Yuhao to introduce him, and he took a few quick steps forward as he said to Nan Qiuqiu respectfully, "You must be grandmother. Greetings, grandmother. I am Little Bai."

"Grand... grandmother..." Nan Qiuqiu stared at him with slack jaws and widened eyes. Huo Yuhao felt his eyes go black, and he couldn't help but slap the Ice Bear King on the head. "She's not your grandmother. Don't spout nonsense."

The Ice Bear King withdrew his head like a turtle and said aggrievedly, "Grandfather, this lady is quite pretty, so I thought she was my grandmother. So, she's not!"

Nan Qiuqiu stared at Little Bai's enormous torso before she turned towards Huo Yuhao and said, "Wait, wait. What is happening, exactly? You have to explain this to me. You've been gone for half a month, and you bring back a fat grandson back with you?"

Huo Yuhao answered with a forced smile. "He's my distant relative, and I am his senior." He could only explain everything like that. Otherwise, Nan Qiuqiu would probably hammer him with a lot more questions with that immensely curious personality of hers.

Distant relative??Nan Qiuqiu glanced at Little Bai a few times suspiciously. She felt that this fatty wasn't simple at all.

Huo Yuhao lowered his voice and said, "Qiuqiu, I ran into quite a big problem this time. I managed to figure out what the army was here for. They were here to excavate rare metals at the Extreme North's borders, and they have already discovered where the veins of rare metals are. They have retreated, but I cannot guarantee that they won't return in the future. We have to relay this information back as soon as possible, so that the academy can be prepared for a response."

Nan Qiuqiu asked, "Then what about the matter that eldest senior brother entrusted to us? Are we not going?"

“Of course, that still has to be done,” Huo Yuhao said exasperatedly, “That’s the reason why we have to split up. I’ll write a letter, and you’ll deliver it to eldest senior brother so that he can pass it to Elder Xuan personally. I will complete the task that eldest senior brother has given us.”

Nan Qiuqiu’s eyebrows rose as she retorted, “Hmph, I knew it – you just aren’t willing to do anything with me, and you’re always looking for ways to chase me away.”

Huo Yuhao forced a laugh and said, “Shit, isn’t this happening because the plans can’t keep up with what’s happening? This matter is too important. Furthermore, I’ll use a container to store a piece of Divine Ice Crystal, and you’ll bring that back for teacher Xuan so that he can inspect it and decide whether it’s suitable for crafting soul tools, and what kinds of soul tools the crystal is appropriate for. There’s something in it for you too.”

There was quite a large amount of the crystal, and everything came from the Earthdragon Sect. Nan Qiuqiu would definitely get a piece of whatever soul tool they could craft out of it. Of course, those Divine Ice Crystals wouldn’t have their ice spirits. That wasn’t because Huo Yuhao was stingy, but because those without Ultimate Ice martial souls couldn’t use ice spirits at all. Divine Ice Crystals without ice spirits were just top-tier rare metals, and soul tools could still be made from them through certain methods.

Nan Qiuqiu’s expression became a little better after she heard his words. “I’ll follow you this time, then. But remember – you owe me.”

“What do I owe you?” Huo Yuhao asked.

Nan Qiuqiu grunted and said, “I don’t care. You just owe me.”

“Alright.”

Huo Yuhao wrote the letter before he passed a piece of Divine Ice Crystal to Nan Qiuqiu so that she could take them back. He didn’t give her all of it, because it wasn’t safe, as she would be holding too many precious items with her.

Huo Yuhao escorted Nan Qiuqiu out of Dragon City to express how apologetic he was. He watched her depart before he turned around and went deep into the Heavenly Soul Empire with the Ice Bear King, in the direction of the Setting Sun Forest.

The Setting Sun Forest wasn’t far from the Heavenly Soul Empire’s capital, Heaven Dou City. Huo Yuhao couldn’t help but heave a sigh inside when he thought about Heaven Dou City, because that was where the Tang Sect had originated! But now, the city was in the Sun Moon Empire’s hands, and he had to help the Heavenly Soul Empire retake this city in the future, if that was possible.

Huo Yuhao had already decided how he was going to proceed. He had to visit the Setting Sun Forest to check if Big Mao and Second Mao were alright, and if they were fine, then all was well. Then he would have to scout around the Heavenly Soul Empire’s territories. He was by himself, and it was thus a lot easier for him to conduct reconnaissance duties of any kind. He wanted to see the Sun Moon Empire’s deployments, and he also wanted to find out how many of the Holy Ghost Church’s men were inside the Heavenly Soul Empire. He also wanted to search for traces of Tang Ya and Ma Xiaotao.

This process would probably take quite a long time, and that was one of the reasons why he didn't want to take Nan Qiuqiu along. It was a lot easier for him to escape alone, but things would be different if Nan Qiuqiu was with him.

Huo Yuhao relied on his powerful Spiritual Detection as he flew through the air. Even though he ran into some of the Sun Moon Empire's aerial surveillance soul tools, he managed to evade them cleverly.

Huo Yuhao was concerned about the Ice Bear King's injuries, so he deliberately controlled his flying speed. They arrived outside Heaven Dou City after two days.

Heaven Dou City's defenses were a lot tighter compared to Dragon City. Huo Yuhao could see from far away that there were many aerial surveillance soul tools above the city. The Sun Moon Empire's flag swayed in the wind on the city wall, and there were many soldiers patrolling and standing guard.

He couldn't see what was happening inside the city clearly, but he didn't dare to go any closer from the air.

Huo Yuhao stared at Heaven Dou City, and he thought that the Sun Moon Empire had to have many soldiers stationed inside, judging from the situation. Heaven Dou City was the Heavenly Soul Empire's capital city, and it was one of the most renowned and ancient cities on the continent. The Heavenly Soul Empire must have launched continuous assaults or ambushes from their forces in the shadows, and that was probably the reason why the defenses around Heaven Dou City were so tight. If those reclusive sects were the ones making moves, Heaven Dou City was evidently their best target.

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There have to be powerful soul masters here, since there are so many soldiers standing guard. The Holy Ghost Church probably has men here too, and I'll take a look once I'm back from the Setting Sun Forest.

Huo Yuhao turned around and went straight for the Setting Sun Forest. He couldn't help but wonder how Princess Wei Na and the others from the Body Sect were doing as he flew. The last time they had met at Radiant City, they were still so powerful, but they were now citizens who had lost their country.

The Setting Sun Forest was very close to Heaven Dou City, and Huo Yuhao could soon see the dense forest from a distance. There were faint flickers of brilliant colors deep in the forest – of course, those were fatal.

"Be careful, Little Bai. This forest has a very toxic miasma inside." Huo Yuhao warned the Ice Bear King beside him.

The Ice Bear King chuckled and said, "Rest assured, grandfather. Poison is what I'm least afraid of. Besides poisons like that belonging to the Ice Empress, the soul beasts of the Extreme North rely on our extremely low temperatures to resist most kinds of strong poisons. It's all good – let's go."

That's true. My Ultimate Ice isn't afraid of poison, and the Ice Bear King is much stronger than I am. The Snow Empress has truly found a good helper for me, and everything is a lot safer with this fellow around. This was the reason why Huo Yuhao felt confident investigating Heaven Dou City earlier today.

Huo Yuhao took the Ice Bear King into the Setting Sun Forest, and he went down the same familiar path as the Ice Bear King followed beside him.

Huo Yuhao was very different from when he first came here back then. He was still extremely weak back then, and he didn't understand anything about what was happening here. Now, he was a formidable Soul Sage who was almost a Soul Douluo. His soul power had been increasing rapidly, or even exponentially, after continuously absorbing the Manifold Mysterious Ice Essence every day over the past few days. Huo Yuhao could even feel that he was close to that bottleneck, and that discovery actually surprised him.

Huo Yuhao's soul power was only at Rank 74 when he left Shrek City. A little more than a month had gone by, but he could already feel that he was pushing towards the next bottleneck. That cultivation speed was simply too quick.

Of course, one of the most important reasons was that he had absorbed the Manifold Mysterious Ice Essence, and the Snow Empress was there to guide him. In addition to him forming his soul core, his soul power cultivation speed was greatly increased. His soul core continuously helped him increase his soul power even when he was not cultivating.

The Icefire Yin Yang Well quickly came into view. Huo Yuhao unleashed his Snowy Dance of Ultimate Ice to expel the miasma as he took Little Bai into the valley.

A man and a bear descended from the sky right into the valley. However, Huo Yuhao was immediately taken aback when they entered the valley.

The Icefire Yin Yang Well was still a paradise on earth the last time he was here, but many things were different now.

There were many different plants growing densely inside the valley around the Icefire Yin Yang Well, but everything clearly looked a lot more chaotic.

Many plants on the periphery had disappeared, and some areas even revealed empty earth. Only the immortal herbs and plants in the inner circles appeared as they were. Furthermore, such a place that was filled with life did seem a little disarrayed. Some of the immortal herbs in the inner circle seemed like they had shifted around.

What happened? Did someone come inside?

Huo Yuhao continued to think as he walked towards the Icefire Yin Yang Well.

"You're here." He wasn't even near the Icefire Yin Yang Well when a crying voice rang out.

The Ice Bear King was startled as he turned around vigilantly. He could see a large pinkish flower that was swaying its head around, and it was clearly emanating grievous emotions.

"How are you, You You?" The large pinkish flower was the Delicate Silk Immortal, and Huo Yuhao hurriedly greeted her.

The Delicate Silk Immortal was clearly full of resentment. "No – I'm not good at all. Ever since you guys sent in those two bastards, our plants haven't been well."

"Ah?" Huo Yuhao was momentarily stunned. Only then did he realize that the mess around the Icefire Yin Yang Well was related to Big Mao and Second Mao.

“What’s wrong, You You? Have Big Mao and Second Mao caused you trouble?” Huo Yuhao asked a little anxiously.

“They have caused more than trouble!” The Delicate Silk Immortal answered sorrowfully, “If not for the fact that some of us still have some strength, we would probably have become meals in their bellies. They’re not bears – they’re two pigs! Look at the outer layers. Originally, there were all kinds of herbs and plants there were thousands of years old, but they have eaten them all. They are also very cunning, and have considered eating us more than once. We didn’t dare to kill them because of you. The home that we have relied on for subsistence has become so tattered. If you didn’t come, we might have risked everything we have to deal with them, and that’s because they have become far too powerful. If we don’t deal with them soon, they might just eat every single one of us.”

Huo Yuhao didn’t expect Big Mao and Second Mao to cause so much trouble. He hurriedly apologized, “Sorry, sorry. I didn’t know they would be like that. I’m here to take them away this time, don’t you worry.”

You You heaved a sigh of relief, and many immortal herbs and plants released similar emotions around them. They had to be wary of those two fellows eating them every day, and living a life like that was truly difficult!

“Eh, this place seems very fun! That water is interesting.” The Ice Bear King didn’t pay attention to Huo Yuhao and You You’s conversation. Instead, his attention was focused on the Extreme Chill Icespring. He exclaimed happily as he spoke, and he strode towards it.

Huo Yuhao was caught off-guard as Little Bai leapt into the air and went right down towards the Extreme Chill Icespring.

The Delicate Silk Immortal’s voice froze, and it was clearly a little stunned. Is this human retarded? Why is he jumping straight into the Icespring?

“Is your friend committing suicide, Huo Yuhao?”

“Don’t worry about him. He’ll be fine.” Huo Yuhao said a little exasperatedly.

“Kerplunk!” The Ice Bear King plopped right into the Extreme Chill Icespring, and quickly disappeared into the water.

“You You, where are Big Mao and Second Mao? Let me take them away.” Huo Yuhao asked the Delicate Silk Immortal.

The Delicate Silk Immortal’s enormous flowerhead gestured to one side and said, “They’re over there. Those two fellows are either eating or sleeping to digest some herbs. They are fast asleep. Their digestive abilities are too strong – they eat every day and digest every day, and they absorb everything especially quickly. Go take a look. Take them away as fast you can – we can’t stand them for a minute longer.”

“Alright, alright. Calm down. I’ll just take them away.” Huo Yuhao felt very guilty that Big Mao and Second Mao had caused so much harm to them. This place was a place that the Tang Sect’s ancestor, Tang San, had been to before, after all. He couldn’t just let this place be ruined!

He swiftly went in the direction that You You had pointed out, and the herbs and plants opened a path for him as they let him walk as he liked.

Big Mao and Second Mao were lying down in the outer layer. There were quite a few plants and herbs beside them, and there was even some residue around the corners of Big Mao's mouth. Criminals wouldn't want to be caught, but these two fellows didn't care at all!

However, Huo Yuhao was astonished when he saw them. These two fellows were changing far too quickly.

The Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bear's appetite was incredible, and Huo Yuhao had already known that when they were still in the Tang Sect. The food that they had to gather to feed them was equivalent to the volume that everyone in the Tang Sect ate every day. However, they were less than three meters tall when they left the Tang Sect. Less than a year had gone by, but Big Mao and Second Mao were at least seven meters tall now. Even though they were still quite a distance away from becoming fully-grown Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears, their growth was just too quick. Their current size and build meant they were at least Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears with a thousand years of cultivation.

A Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bear's strength couldn't be measured by the number of cultivating years that normal soul beasts were measured by. Thousand year Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears were feared by even ten thousand year soul beasts, just like the first Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bear that Huo Yuhao had encountered back then.

Seems like they've been causing too much destruction, but they are growing very quickly!

Huo Yuhao didn't know that back when Bei Bei sent Big Mao and Second Mao into this place, You You and the other immortal herbs had allowed them to stay because of Huo Yuhao. That was because the valley where the Icefire Yin Yang Well was located was very large, and all sorts of herbs such as ginseng and Huangqi could be seen everywhere. They were all very nutritious and beneficial herbs. From the immortal herbs' perspective, those two bears could eat for a few hundred years, and they still wouldn't finish eating those things.

But what they didn't know was that the Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears' appetite couldn't be judged from their size. They possessed far stronger digestive abilities than normal living beings, and they had eaten nonstop ever since they had arrived.

They were still eating normal food back at the Tang Sect, and they digested normal food normally. Even though they still ate a lot back then, their appetite wasn't that outrageous. But ever since they arrived, the herbs and plants in this place were considered rare and exotic herbs, and every single species took their form from condensing large amounts of the spiritual qi of heaven and earth. The Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears were very good at absorbing the spiritual qi of heaven and earth. Big Mao and Second Mao would eat gluttonously every day. Then they would sleep, and digest everything as they slept before eating gluttonously again.

Humans would have exploded from the large amounts of nutrients if they ate so many herbs every day. However, the Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bear's were enormous, and had a frightening capacity to absorb all the vital energies of heaven and earth into their bodies. They ate quickly, and digested quickly as well. This was the reason why Huo Yuhao came across such a sight.

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Just as the Delicate Silk Immortal had said, if some more time were to pass, and Big Mao and Second Mao became sufficiently powerful, they would probably make a move on those immortal herbs. Those immortal herbs were plant-type soul beasts, and they weren't adept in battle. On the other hand, Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears were almost the most frightening soul beasts, and battle was their forte. Their ancestors in the ancient times were probably individuals that could match up to the giant dragon!

Huo Yuhao stared at these two exasperatedly, but he was feeling happy inside. Big Mao and Second Mao's growth undoubtedly added a lot of strength to the Tang Sect once more.

"Wa, this feels so good, just so good. Grandfather, I don't want to leave. It's too comfortable here." The Ice Bear King's voice rang out from the Extreme Chill Icespring.

Huo Yuhao snapped his head around. The Ice Bear King was swimming joyously and carefreely within the Extreme Icechill Spring in his original form, and his body was emanating icy blue light. He did seem like he was enjoying himself a lot.

You You was rendered speechless, and the other immortal herbs descended into silence.

They had thought Big Mao and Second Mao were large enough, but they truly paled in comparison to this one in front of them. Furthermore, the Ice Bear King, who was still swimming happily, didn't mask his aura at all, and the frightening ice-type undulations caused the Blazing Delicate Apricot, who was on the Blazing Sunspring's side, to quiver uncontrollably.

The two little bears had already given them enough trouble. If this extra-large bear had a go, he probably wouldn't even need a few days to devour every single plant in this place. All the plants in this place feared for their safety, and nobody dared to make a sound. They were afraid to infuriate Huo Yuhao or that enormous bear.

Huo Yuhao cursed under his breath as he activated his spectral demiplane, and he hurled Big Mao and Second Mao with one hand each into the demiplane. He erected a border inside the plane to protect the bears from being harmed by the undead outside before he arrived beside the Extreme Chill Icespring.

He was naturally unafraid of the Extreme Chill Icespring at his current cultivation. The temperature around the Extreme Chill Icespring was similar to that around the Manifold Mysterious Ice Cavern, and was probably higher than the cavern's inner areas. The salient feature of this place was that the mouth of the spring coexisted with the Blazing Sunspring.

"Grandfather, my injuries are healing very quickly in this place. But I'm a little hungry."

Every single plant around the Icefire Yin Yang Well almost shriveled when they heard that he was hungry. This time, their entire bodies were trembling.

Huo Yuhao almost laughed out loud when he saw how they were reacting. He could clearly remember, back when he was first here, how high and mighty these plants were.

"I'll find something for you to eat when we're out. Are you saying that the Extreme Chill Icespring helps you with your recovery?"

The Ice Bear King immediately nodded seriously and said, "This place is filled with much origin energy of heaven and earth, and it's just so comfortable. I don't want to leave anymore. Why don't you let me stay here, grandfather, and you can come get me after you finish your business?"

"Uh..." Huo Yuhao hesitated.

"No!" You You immediately cried out in agony. "I beg you, Huo Yuhao, take him away. I will give you whatever you want, even if what you want is more than your ancestor Tang San's limits. You can have whatever you want. We will cooperate as long as you don't let him hurt us. Please take him away. Otherwise, we will be doomed."

Huo Yuhao was all smiles when he heard the flower's words and said, "How ashamed I am – I have already received so much help from you guys. How can I get anything more?"

The Delicate Silk Immortal didn't even hesitate. "No, this isn't something that you want. We are giving things to you of our own will. Every single one of us will give you something. Besides the Bluesilver Emperor that we can't do anything about, the things we can give you should be sufficient for you to accomplish a lot of things. I just wish that you will leave immediately after taking those things."

The Delicate Silk Immortal shook its flowerhead gently as it spoke, and the Delicate Silk Immortal Pill that Huo Yuhao had seen before flew out.

The pinkish pill emanated an alluring fragrance as it drifted towards Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao caught it subconsciously.

The pill was lukewarm, and it shone with pinkish hues in his hands. Its gentle aroma gave him an incredibly refreshing and comfortable feeling.

You You was a little depressed. "Is that enough?"

"I was about to take the bear away without asking anything from you guys. However, he's injured, and I'll stay here with him for two days before we leave." Huo Yuhao spoke the truth. Even though the immortal herbs and plants here had been hostile to him before, he did get quite a lot of help from this place. He didn't harbor any resentment or hatred at all towards these plants.

Furthermore, his ancestor Tang San had left this place behind. How could he let the Ice Bear King cause destruction here?

But You You didn't feel that way. The flower immediately thought Huo Yuhao was being sarcastic when it heard his words, and it immediately used the plant's language to communicate with the other plants.

It didn't take long before an entire pile of all kinds of good stuff that immortal plants produced appeared in front of Huo Yuhao. For instance, the Blazing Delicate Apricot's Blazing Rubber was in that stack. The Blazing Delicate Apricot was evidently afraid of Huo Yuhao holding a grudge against it, and it almost took out every single bit of its blazing rubber.

The other plants made their own contributions, and almost everything was the best that they could produce.

Huo Yuhao was completely taken aback. He didn't expect that the destruction that Big Mao and Second Mao had caused would lead to something like this.

He didn't intend to take anything from those plants, but if the plants were so generous and giving everything out of their own free will, he would do himself wrong by not accepting their gifts.

Thus, Huo Yuhao acted according to the various records inside the Poison Scripture that Tang San had left behind, and he used various methods to keep all these absolutely precious items and essences.

There wasn't any burden on his conscience. After all, he hadn't harmed the plants here. Essences were precious, but the many plants that had more than a hundred thousand years of cultivation around the Icefire Yin Yang Well that was like a cornucopia wouldn't take long to recover after cultivating for a period of time. You You and the others were most afraid that Huo Yuhao would destroy everything here to get what he wanted.

Of course, Huo Yuhao understood that many of these plants were afraid of the Snow Empress and the Ice Bear King, who was happily swimming in the water. His individual strength wasn't enough to threaten these plants.

Huo Yuhao sincerely expressed his gratitude to the immortal herbs' generous gifts, and the plants looked on eagerly as he pulled the Ice Bear King away.

The Ice Bear King did recover a lot more quickly in this place, but the plants weren't assured at all! Huo Yuhao had taken gifts from them, and he would be ashamed if he dallied any longer. The Ice Bear King wouldn't need too long to recover outside anyway.

Huo Yuhao still wanted to laugh out loud as he left the Setting Sun Forest. Fortune has shone upon me – and I couldn't even stop it from happening! Oh, my ancestor, I didn't ask them for anything! They wanted to give everything to me of their own will.

Huo Yuhao touched his face and thought, am I being a little shameless? However, those precious essences and treasures are useless if they remain in that place. In my hands, at least I can save people and help people.

Huo Yuhao was confident that with the Delicate Silk Immortal Pill, even if he couldn't completely heal Tang Ya, he could still suppress the evil soul power within her body to a certain extent.

It's time to visit Heaven Dou City to take a look.

A dash of coldness flickered beneath Huo Yuhao's eyes. The Sun Moon Empire, and the Holy Ghost Church – no matter what, I will not let your plans succeed.

The journey from the Setting Sun Forest to Heaven Dou City wasn't far, but he was extra careful. He landed when he was fifty kilometers from Heaven Dou City, and changed into regular clothes that normal citizens wore. He also used Imitation to readjust his appearance and facial features before he traveled towards Heaven Dou City.

As for the Ice Bear King, his appearance was unfamiliar in the first place. Even though he was a little fatter than he should be, he was just some fatty if he deliberately concealed his aura.

They arrived outside Heaven Dou City's city wall in the evening.

Dusk was falling over the city as the sunset glow crept over the horizon. Blazing red clouds viewed from outside the city seemed to blanket the entire city in a layer of reddish-golden hues, and everything was dazzling and gorgeous.

Huo Yuhao and the Ice Bear King lined up at the gate, and went through inspection.

“Where are you from, and what is your business in Heaven Dou City?”

There was a team of fifty soldiers at the gate. Twenty were responsible for guarding the gate, while thirty others were responsible for interrogations and inspections.

Huo Yuhao had a wide arsenal of reasons and whatnot, and he invented a name for himself and the Ice Bear King as they smoked through the gates.

The Sun Moon Empire’s soldiers didn’t deliberately cause any trouble for them. They were holding soul power detectors in their hands, and they could tell whether someone was a soul master by sweeping over that individual. If someone wasn’t a soul master, asking a few questions was sufficient before the soldiers would let that person through.

Soul power detectors were useful against typical soul masters, but it was completely useless against someone like Huo Yuhao, who was adept at concealing himself. As for the Ice Bear King, his ability to conceal himself was possibly even stronger than Huo Yuhao’s, and he was more direct. The Ice Bear King withdrew his soul power into his soul core, and the thick layer of fat on his body severed any kind of undulations from the soul power detectors.

Heaven Dou City was still bustling and flourishing. Huo Yuhao used his spiritual power to sweep around after entering the city, and he could still discover the marks of battle. That was especially so around the city wall.

Evidently, both parties had undergone an epic battle when the Sun Moon Empire invaded Heaven Dou City.

Heaven Dou City is where the Tang Sect originated from!

Huo Yuhao couldn’t help but clench his fists tightly. Don’t you worry, Teacher Xiao Ya. I’ll help you take back our place of origin in the future, no matter what.

Bei Bei and Tang Ya were considered family. Huo Yuhao wouldn’t have been able to enter Shrek Academy if not for them, and even if he fused with the Skydream Iceworm, he couldn’t possibly have accomplished what he had today. Therefore, he had gratitude for the two of them that came from deep within his heart. The Holy Ghost Church had captured Tang Ya, and she had become the evil sect’s Sacred Lady. Besides Bei Bei, he was the one that felt the most pain. Furthermore, there was still Ma Xiaotao, who he saw as an elder sister.

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Huo Yuhao proceeded deep into the city once he entered, and found a hotel in a relatively bustling area to stay.

He didn’t have any leads right now, so he could only find a place to stay.

How easy could it be to find Tang Ya and Ma Xiaotao inside the Heavenly Soul Empire, or the Sun Moon Empire? He wasn't hoping that he could just find them here, but searching for information inside a large city like Heaven Dou City was a lot easier. He was almost certain that there were evil soul masters in Heaven Dou City. The Holy Ghost Church wouldn't relinquish the opportunity to control such an enormous city, and even if they couldn't control it entirely, they would keep the city within their grasp.

Huo Yuhao and the Ice Bear King had something to eat after finding a place to stay, but this meal stumped Huo Yuhao.

The reason was simple; the Ice Bear King's appetite was far too terrifying! One could imagine – he had a frame like a mountain, so how much did he have to eat to be satiated?

Everyone would find it very suspicious if Huo Yuhao just allowed him to eat as much as he wanted inside the restaurant.

Fortunately, the Ice Bear King had stored a lot of energy inside his body, and he could still sustain himself for many days even without eating. This would give Huo Yuhao enough time to find a solution. n-
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Huo Yuhao brought the Ice Bear King out of the hotel after eating dinner. Resolving this glutton's food issues was top priority. At the same time, he wanted to observe what was happening right now inside Heaven Dou City.

There were all sorts of surveillance soul tools in the skies above Heaven Dou City. Huo Yuhao didn't want his behavior to be too eye-catching, and he spread his Spiritual Detection around him as he walked the streets, trying to maintain his sensitivity as much as possible during the process. In the end, even if his spiritual power was discovered, they couldn't lock down on his position unless his opponent was also a soul master with formidable spiritual power.

Huo Yuhao wasn't that concerned about his safety. With the Ice Bear King beside him, almost nobody could capture him unless there were many powerful individuals from the Holy Ghost Church present.

Heaven Dou City was still busy and bustling late into the night. People thronged along the busy streets, and one could hardly tell that this was a city that had experienced the flames of war not too long ago.

The main streets of Heaven Dou City were being repaired, and some soul lamps were being installed. There was no doubt that the Sun Moon Empire was still following through with their plan of converting the city with their technology and soul tools.

The Heavenly Soul Empire's citizens were undoubtedly full of hatred towards the Sun Moon Empire. However, as long as they got used to all that new technology, and the core of those soul tools' technology was within the Sun Moon Empire's grasp, then the Sun Moon Empire wouldn't be afraid of the Heavenly Soul Empire's aristocrats or citizens resenting them. Given enough time, the Heavenly Soul Empire would be slowly assimilated.

Huo Yuhao walked the streets as he sighed inside. The Sun Moon Empire's strategy was just too ruthless. They were saying that they were serving the citizens, and nobody could say anything about it.

It was much later into the night, when the lights along the streets began to dim, before Huo Yuhao took the Ice Bear King back to the hotel.

Huo Yuhao had spent almost four hours scouting around, and he had already discovered some information about what he wanted to know.

"I'm hungry, grandfather," the Ice Bear King said to Huo Yuhao with an aggrieved look on his face.

Huo Yuhao laughed bitterly and said, "You're not the only one who's hungry. Those two fellows are hungry too." He was naturally referring to Big Mao and Second Mao, who, after sleeping for a couple of hours, had awoken in the spectral demiplane. Huo Yuhao immediately communicated with them with his spiritual power after they woke up, and told them to play around inside the spectral demiplane for now. He instructed them not to go too far beyond the borders that he had established.

Occasionally leaving the borders for a few moments wouldn't be a problem, but they were so lively, and Huo Yuhao would already be happy if they didn't cause trouble with the undead.

But the biggest problem in the spectral demiplane was that there was nothing to eat. Those two fellows fooled around for a while, but soon expressed to Huo Yuhao that they were hungry.

Feeding three bears is truly a difficult task!

Huo Yuhao laughed bitterly on the inside. Fortunately, he had managed to find a way to resolve their appetites when he was out. At least, he could deal with today, and everything else would have to wait.

The night was even darker outside. Huo Yuhao extinguished the lights before he took the Ice Bear King out of the hotel once more. This time, Huo Yuhao concealed them both entirely through Imitation.

"Grandfather, this ability of yours is fantastic. It's very suitable for surreptitious activity!" the Ice Bear King said excitedly.

Huo Yuhao was almost rendered speechless. "Do you know how to talk? What surreptitious!? Your grandfather is taking you to eat." Huo Yuhao could only accept the title now, as he was used to the Ice Bear King calling him that.

Huo Yuhao confirmed the right direction once they left the hotel before speeding up.

There were many surveillance soul tools in the sky, but they were inside a city, not the wilderness. Even if oscillation detectors discovered there were two people moving around, nobody would be alerted. Huo Yuhao realized when he was investigating before this that the surveillance soul tools above the city were mostly for monitoring. There were oscillation detectors and thermal detectors, but they weren't rotating around, and were probably used for responding to sudden events.

Huo Yuhao wrapped through and around streets and alleys as they arrived near the southern city gate. Huo Yuhao turned and entered a string of alleys, and an enormous structure quickly appeared in front of him.

It was a warehouse... a warehouse that stored food.

Granaries were imperative for any city, because they fed the city's citizens and the army.

For a large city like Heaven Dou City, at least ten such granaries had to be kept full to sustain everyone's daily necessities. At the same time, these granaries could also be used in the case of a siege.

Only granaries could satisfy the Ice Bear King, Big Mao, and Second Mao. Huo Yuhao didn't bother with whether the food was tasty or not.

The granaries were guarded very tightly. People that intended to cause destruction would normally start by burning granaries, because that was the easiest way to start chaos.

The granaries were heavily guarded, but that was for normal people. These defenses didn't count for much against powerful individuals like Huo Yuhao and the Ice Bear King.

They had the protection of Imitation as the bear and man strode openly into the granary's periphery. They would run into oscillation detectors and thermal detectors if they went further inside.

On the continent, these two kinds of soul tools combined, in addition to spiritual detectors, were considered a foolproof surveillance combination.

Therefore, places with these surveillance soul tools installed were typically very confident in their defenses. Spiritual detectors were expensive and not very practical, so such places would normally not be equipped with any. Most places were equipped with the other two kinds of detectors.

Huo Yuhao relied on Spiritual Detection and stopped accurately outside the surveillance soul tools' maximum range. Afterwards, he used his spiritual power and opened it like an enormous web over the entire granary.

There was no surveillance without any loopholes. That was especially true for a place like this granary. Granaries were very important to normal citizens and soldiers alike, but they weren't as important to soul masters and soul engineers.

Therefore, there were oscillation detectors and thermal detectors around them, but they only covered a certain part of this granary.

Finding their way in would be easy once they found a gap. Huo Yuhao wrapped around the main door and stepped towards the side of the granary before he snuck in with the Ice Bear King. Little Bai was clearly very hesitant when they were about to squeeze through the window, because he was too fat, and really couldn't fit.

Solving that problem was very simple. Huo Yuhao stored him temporarily in the spectral demiplane before he went through the window by himself.

Heaven Dou City's granaries were truly quite large. Grains and wheat were piled like mountains inside, along with all kinds of preserved and dried meat that could be kept for a long time.

Grains were suitable for anyone, while the meat was more suitable for the army.

Huo Yuhao found a corner that wouldn't attract any attention before he released the three bears.

Bears were carnivores, and they weren't very interested in grains. However, the dried meat and fish immediately attracted their attention.

Little Bai was too large, so he maintained his human form. Big Mao and Second Mao didn't notice him in the beginning, but those two Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears quickly realized something wasn't right when the three of them began to eat.

Little Bai's mouth could immediately open and stretch to one square meter when he was eating, and a whole carcass disappeared with each mouthful. Was this something that humans could do?

Big Mao and Second Mao thought they ate very quickly, but the two of them combined were still quite some way away from how fast Little Bai was eating.

Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bears were very arrogant soul beasts. They were naturally unconvinced, and thus all three bears began to compete, stuffing themselves continuously.

Huo Yuhao was standing nearby, and his mouth twitched as the sides of livestock that were hanging in rows disappeared at an incredible speed.

Body mass and size were still directly related to appetite. Reality proved that Big Mao and Second Mao were working very hard, but they were still a far cry from Little Bai.

Big Mao and Second Mao had spent a long time eating all sorts of precious herbs and plants at the Icefire Yin Yang Well, and they were growing very quickly. However, the taste of herbs and plants was very unpalatable compared to meat. They unleashed their potential more than usual because of this rare opportunity to eat meat.

Fifteen minutes passed. They quickly ate their fill before they patted their round tummies and laid down on the floor, where they refused to move. On the other hand, the Ice Bear King was still there, as he took his eating seriously. One mouthful, and one hanging side of meat after another disappeared. Furthermore, judging by the way he looked, he didn't even chew his food.

Little Bai was having the time of his life.

The Extreme North had always had a scarcity of food. No matter how peaceful the soul beasts there were, conflicts were still inevitable from time to time. Such conflicts usually happened because of the need to eat.

Someone at the Ice Bear King's level naturally wouldn't have to worry about eating. However, he was long since sick and tired of eating the same things every day.

This was his first time in the human world. The human world's hustle and bustle had already moved him, and the dried meat and fish that humans made were extremely delicious. How could he hold back?

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One hour went by before the Ice Bear King had his fill. More than a third of the dried meat inside the granary had disappeared...

Huo Yuhao only made his move at this moment, and he used his extra-large storage soul tool to store the rest of the dried meat. He could feed those bears for two or three meals with that. Feeding bears was truly a difficult task!

They had their fill, and Huo Yuhao sent all three bears into his spectral demiplane to rest. This time, he didn't even erect any borders. With the Ice Bear King around, his aura itself would ward off most of the undead creatures.

Little Bai changed back into his original body once they entered the spectral demiplane.

Big Mao and Second Mao immediately grew silent when they were still wondering why Little Bai could eat so much. They were all bears, and while the Darkgolden Terrorclaw Bear's bloodline was considered superior to that of the Ice Bears, the Ice Bear King was so much older than they were! He was as powerful as a Savage Beast. Therefore, the two little bears naturally became little brothers to the big bear.

The Ice Bear King loved these two little bears. He had countless little brothers back in the Extreme North, and now that he finally had little brothers to boss around after he left, how could he not be happy?

Huo Yuhao didn't care about how the three bears were messing around inside his spectral demiplane as he snuck out of the granary and went towards the city center.

Huo Yuhao had to find evil soul masters if he wanted to get any information about the Holy Ghost Church. He realized when he was scouting earlier that many soul masters inhabited Heaven Dou City's royal palace, which had originally belonged to the Heavenly Soul Empire. There were quite a few with formidable soul power undulations amongst them.

Huo Yuhao paused as he came near the royal palace, and he turned around as he turned into a relatively darker street by the side. He turned a few more corners, and then vanished into a shadowy corner.

Huo Yuhao didn't attempt to enter the royal palace directly. There were many powerful individuals here, and the palace's defenses were undoubtedly the tightest. He would likely run into some spiritual barriers if he went in too hastily. If he was discovered, he couldn't be sure if there were powerful soul masters who were adept with spiritual power.

Huo Yuhao concentrated his spiritual power, and he channeled his Ultimate Ice soul power to readjust his body's temperature. His body temperature quickly became one with the air around him, and he squinted a little as he used Spiritual Detection on the royal palace once more. This time, he was entirely concealed with Imitation.

Huo Yuhao had many formidable offensive soul skills, using his Ultimate Ice or his spiritual power. However, he only had one true divine skill in his arsenal – and that was Imitation.

Imitation allowed him to conceal himself, and he could even change the way he looked. In addition to the support from his powerful spiritual power, he could devise entirely unpredictable and mutable battle tactics.

Huo Yuhao's Imitation and Xu Sanshi's Xuanwu Displacement could both be said to be divine skills that were complementary to their martial souls.

Huo Yuhao's other soul skills were important, but they were relatively less important than Imitation, because his other soul skills could be substituted with other soul skills.

Huo Yuhao's spiritual power entered the royal palace once more, and he quickly locked on to a small lake near him. This lake was undoubtedly manmade, and its water was so clear that the bottom could be seen. It wasn't very deep – barely more than a meter – and there were many exotic flowers and plants growing around the lakeside. This was like a garden inside the palace.

This dark and shady corner where Huo Yuhao chose to hide himself evidently wasn't a casual choice; he came to this place because he was eyeing this lake beforehand.

There were soldiers patrolling the royal palace, but the chances that they would patrol this secluded corner were a lot lower. After all, there were many soul tools monitoring this area, and the patrols were comparatively targeted at blind spots, and the most important places.

This is the place. Huo Yuhao activated his Eye of Destiny, and strengthened his Spiritual Detection once more. He adjusted his senses to their most sensitive states as he observed everything that was happening around the lakeside. Only when he confirmed that there was nothing wrong around the lakeside did he jump over the wall and enter the royal palace.

The royal palace's walls were almost completely covered by oscillation detectors and thermal detectors. The opportunity that Huo Yuhao chose to enter was right after an oscillation detector swept over. These oscillation detectors rotated horizontally, and Huo Yuhao could never discover their rhythm without Spiritual Detection. He was making perfect use of this rhythm in this moment. Following that short window of time after he jumped over the wall, he dashed and arrived by the lakeside with a few ups and downs before he discreetly submerged himself in the lake's water.

None of the surveillance soul tool would target the water, and that was the reason why he was absolutely safe there. Furthermore, Huo Yuhao could do a lot of things underwater.

Huo Yuhao held his breath as he controlled his body to sink to the lakebed. The water wasn't deep, and if it wasn't already dark, he could be very easily discovered within the clear and transparent water, but discovering him under the cover of darkness was far too difficult.

Huo Yuhao's eyes gradually shone with pale blue colors after entering the water, and the temperature around him swiftly began to decline.

This small lake's surface area was about five hundred square meters, and it was considered exceptionally scenic. Under Huo Yuhao's control, the lower layer of the lakewater began to turn into ice.

In normal low temperatures, ice would definitely begin to form from the surface before it would spread downward. That was because ice had lower density, and would thus appear on the surface of the water.

However, ice began to spread from the bottom of the lake under Huo Yuhao's forceful control. Furthermore, the ice was secured to the lakebed, and this caused the low temperatures to spread from the bottom up. A thick layer of ice appeared after some time, and the ice stopped forming when it was about ten centimeters away from the surface. Huo Yuhao's body emerged from the surface, and he discreetly hid himself in a corner that wouldn't be scanned by any surveillance soul tools.

From the outside, the lake was still full of water, and the water's surface was still very calm. But anybody jumping into the lake would realize that the water was only ten centimeters deep, and everything below that was solid ice.

Only Huo Yuhao could achieve this level of control. Furthermore, he managed to vary the solid ice's temperature in different areas, and that was something that typical people couldn't accomplish.

If the temperature above the ice was too low, then the ten centimeters right below the water's surface would quickly turn into ice as well. Huo Yuhao's plan would be foiled if a patrolling soldier saw everything. On the other hand, if the ice's temperature was too high, then the ice would be quickly melted by the water around it, and Huo Yuhao wouldn't be able to do what he wanted. Therefore, he had to control the ice's temperature very delicately.

Huo Yuhao's understanding towards ice and water had become a lot deeper over the past weeks, and his control over ice and water became a lot easier and more casual.

Huo Yuhao wasn't in a hurry to leave. He lay prostrate on the surface of the ice, and he pressed his left hand underwater as he held a Milk Bottle in his right hand. He absorbed soul power from the Milk Bottle as he continuously channeled Ice Explosion into the ice beneath the water.

Huo Yuhao could detonate any kind of ice. However, only ice that was infused with Ice Explosion would possess the greatest explosiveness.

He had used this method back then to surprise even the Darkness Holy Dragon, Long Xiaoyao. That was enough to show how formidable Ice Explosion was. This was also an attack that couldn't be directly used, yet was almost considered a divine skill, which had an importance second only to Imitation.

Huo Yuhao continued for a full fifteen minutes before he stopped. He moved, and continued the same act. The lake's surface was a little big for Ice Explosion, and infusing Ice Explosion into just one spot wouldn't achieve the desired strength.

Another fifteen minutes passed before Huo Yuhao stood back up, and he used Spiritual Detection to open a path as he snuck deep into the royal palace.

The various surveillance soul tools on the royal palace's outer layer were greatest in number, and also the most sensitive. After all, prevention was better than a cure, and there were much fewer surveillance soul tools in the palace's inner regions. There were many people inside the royal palace, so surveillance soul tools weren't that practical. These soul tools would only become effective if they were searching for someone under certain special circumstances. If that happened, handheld surveillance soul tools would be sufficient.

Huo Yuhao continued secretly into the royal palace. He would stop every once in a while to inspect everything around him closely before continuing. At this point, he was most afraid of the formless spiritual barriers, and even he could only detect spiritual barriers from a close distance away. If his spiritual power touched a spiritual barrier, the person who was controlling the spiritual barrier would directly locate his position if they were strong enough.

Fortunately, spiritual barriers weren't common at all. Huo Yuhao was about one-third of his way in as he pushed forward, and he still hadn't discovered any spiritual barriers.

Huo Yuhao paused, and he stood in a dimly lit region between two pavilions. He briefly replenished his soul power and readjusted his spiritual power so that he was in peak condition before his eyes started to glow. Faint rose-gold colors flickered, and his Eye of Destiny opened on his forehead. All three of his

eyes were radiating rose-gold hues, and that was especially so inside his Eye of Destiny, as a black whirlpool could be faintly seen – that was Huo Yuhao’s spiritual soul core, that belonged to his Spirit Eyes.

People who were familiar with him would immediately understand after witnessing him in this state that Huo Yuhao was about to use a spiritual-type soul skill with his full strength.

Huo Yuhao unleashed Spiritual Detection to its highest possible level in the next moment, and it spread in all directions with his body at the center. It only took a few blinks of the eye before he encompassed the entire palace.

The reason why he had to go deep into the palace was because of this. It would be harder to lock down his position if he was inside the palace, and the reason why he did this was to startle and alert his enemies.

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At the same time, he wanted to see if the Sun Moon Empire had installed any spiritual barriers inside the Heavenly Soul Empire’s Imperial Palace. If they did, the place in which they did so had to be the most important. Either an important figure or object was bound to be there. He wasn’t afraid of being discovered. He was confident in his ability to flee this place quickly.

He instantly unleashed his Spiritual Detection, and a three-dimensional structure of the entire palace appeared in his head. He squinted his eyes and sensed the slight changes around him. He also fully imprinted the three-dimensional structure of the palace in his mind using his immense spiritual power. This would be important for his next visit here.

Indeed, just like he had expected, he detected three places where spiritual powers interacted. This meant that there were spiritual barriers in those three places. Those three places were all located near the center of the palace.

However, no alarm sounded. The palace was very quiet, as if the spiritual barriers that had been touched didn’t have any effect at all.

Huo Yuhao wasn’t complacent at all. After detecting for three seconds, he instantly shut off his Spiritual Detection. At the same time, he quickly unleashed his Spiritual Interference Domain and used his spiritual avatar to leave behind a streak of his spiritual power to maintain his Spiritual Interference where he was. He instantly teleported fifty meters away before fleeing in a direction that he had identified earlier.

He had found out many things after that brief period of Spiritual Detection.

Indeed, a few seconds after he teleported away, two black figures had already silently come to where he was. A huge black web, carrying a slightly fishy smell, fell from the sky and instantly engulfed the streak of spiritual power that Huo Yuhao left behind.

His spiritual power immediately dissipated and disappeared. His Spiritual Interference Domain also vanished, and everything turned dark once again.

“What?” A slightly surprised sound resonated. Following this, two figures fell to the ground.

“What’s going on? There’s no one?” An elderly-sounding voice was heard.

The other person was also puzzled, and said, “This shouldn’t be the case! Earlier, I sensed that the person unleashing his spiritual power was over here. I can’t be wrong. This person’s spiritual power was strong. He might be a spiritual-type Titled Douluo. I didn’t expect someone as strong as him among the remaining losers in the Heavenly Soul Empire. However, he’s very sensitive. After discovering our spiritual barrier, he quickly fled. But it’s not so easy for him to flee.” The voice of this person talking was very sharp, but their gender was unclear. His frail figure was concealed by a black veil. The person beside him was a tall and large elder. His sinister gaze was still flashing amidst the darkness. He had long, greyish hair that flowed behind his back, while his burly figure was also concealed by his black clothing.

There was an image of a ball of white flame on their chests.

“Come, let’s follow his spiritual aura to find him. He can’t escape.” The frail man in black snorted coldly, and a deep purple halo was released from his body. This halo was like an oscillation as it spread outward. During this process, slight oscillations appeared in the direction that Huo Yuhao had escaped from earlier.

“Oh? This fellow seems to be able to teleport. I only discovered traces of him fifty meters away. It’s a pity that it’s me. Hmph. Let’s go and chase him.” As he spoke, the frail man in black immediately leaped up and charged into the sky like a bolt of lightning. He pursued Huo Yuhao in the direction that he had escaped in.

The other elder followed closely behind him with his toes touching the ground. He let out intense white light from his body. At the same time, nine soul rings rose from beneath his feet.

The colors of these nine soul rings were very weird. Two of them were yellow, two of them were purple, and five were black. It was an ordinary combination of colors, but each soul ring had a blurry layer of color on it. This caused the original, bright colors of the soul rings to become much dimmer. This was especially so for the five black soul rings. If not for the fact that they could be compared to the pitch-black clothing he was in, the difference in their colors might actually be overlooked.

Without a doubt, this elder was a Titled Douluo, whereas the frail man in black was actually surrounded by a layer of distorted light. Traces of yellow, purple and black could be seen, but it was unclear how many soul rings he possessed.

The two figures quickly chased in a specific direction. Very soon, they came to the small lakeside that Huo Yuhao had used to hide.

While the Heavenly Soul Empire’s Imperial Palace was very expansive, that was mainly because of the structures in the palace. For powerful soul masters like Huo Yuhao, they quickly came to the boundaries of the palace as they unleashed their full strength.

Huo Yuhao was above the lake. If he moved forward any further, he would be within the range of the surveillance soul tools surrounding the palace. His Spiritual Detection was still in use. Due to his all-around detection earlier, he clearly knew where all the spiritual barriers were. Right now, he just needed to move his Spiritual Detection around those three spiritual barriers, and the entire palace would basically be under his detection.

He naturally discovered the two people that were chasing him. The two of them were very quick. That elder was a Titled Douluo. As for the other man, Huo Yuhao was unable to clearly tell. However, the other guy had to at least be an advanced-tier Soul Douluo if he wasn't a Titled Douluo, judging from his spiritual undulations.

Evil soul master??A cold grin surfaced at the corner of Huo Yuhao's lips. Following this, he charged straight towards a wall of the palace. At this moment, he seemed not to care about being discovered by the surveillance soul tools.

"Ring ring ring!" Deafening alarms sounded in the next moment. The entire palace was alarmed. Beams of light subtly appeared in the sky. Evidently, the aerial surveillance soul tools were scanning in this direction.

Not only this, beams of soul rays started to surface from above the palace walls. They were all sweeping towards his direction. The Sun Moon Empire did well in erecting a defense as strong as this even though they had only occupied the Heavenly Soul Empire for a short period of time.

A cold and mysterious look appeared on Huo Yuhao's face. He twisted his body in the air before his soul thruster lit up. Instantly, he charged towards the streets outside the palace. He unleashed his Imitation, and immediately disappeared.

Even if there were oscillation detectors, they still needed time to adjust and come over. By the time they arrived, Huo Yuhao would be long gone. It was impossible to follow him directly, given that his Imitation was in use.

Two figures were also chasing him at great speed. Just as they flew above the lake, tremendous booms sounded.

"Boom——"

The entire lake seemed to have been mined with countless bombs. A terrifying explosion ensued, and almost the entire Heaven Dou City could hear them. Amidst the resonating booms, the lake became the most frightening explosive. Countless ice flakes flew everywhere, and the immense explosive force blew apart the layer of ice that had formed on the surface of the lake.

This explosion was too sudden. There weren't any clues before it happened. When it occurred, the frail man in black and the elder were both astonished. They were both pure soul masters, thus they didn't have any automatic defensive soul tools on them. When the explosion occurred, they could only subconsciously circulate their soul power to resist it. Both their bodies were instantly flung high up into the air.

The frightening explosive force continued to surge upwards as the lake instantly expanded to five times its original size. The huge structures around it were immediately taken down by this explosion. Even the wide and thick palace walls collapsed.

The strength of this explosion was equivalent to an all-out attack from an ice-type Titled Douluo. Although Huo Yuhao was a Soul Sage, he had been accumulating power there for almost an hour. He had drained a lot of his soul power before he completed his Ice Explosion Technique. In addition, he had frozen the lake water into ice beforehand. The entire process took a lot of effort.

He wanted to achieve a result just like this.

The surrounding distorted lights around the frail soul master disappeared following the explosion, revealing his eight soul rings. He was already coughing up blood in the air.

When Huo Yuhao had escaped earlier, he sneakily stuck close to the lake's surface as he flew. For this frail soul master to follow his spiritual trail, he naturally had to follow Huo Yuhao's escape route closely. This was why both of them were almost at the center of the explosion, and were sent high up into the air by Huo Yuhao's Ice Explosion Technique.

The elder was faring much better, given that he was a Titled Douluo. Although he was caught unawares, he still relied on his abilities to neutralize most of the impact. The other soul master wasn't so fortunate. He was only a Soul Douluo, and he was a spiritual-type soul master. He wasn't adept at defense. As a result, he was immediately hurt critically by the explosion. His legs were blown off, and his soul power also became very messy in his body.

The excruciating pain caused his aura to turn into a huge mess. He was already screaming tragically in the air. Blood was flowing from his pores. Fortunately, his cultivation was rather strong, which saved his life. If he were only a Soul Sage, he would have lost his life to Huo Yuhao's accumulated Ice Explosion Technique.

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That Titled Douluo's face was also covered in ash from the explosion. Although his limbs weren't blown off, the shirt he was wearing was in tatters now. He spat out blood in the air, and his blood quickly turned into ice before falling to the ground.

Both he and that frail soul master were evil soul masters. When evil soul masters were influenced by their own evil strength, they would become very self-centered. Naturally, the Titled Douluo couldn't bother with the other soul master right now. As he tried to stabilize himself in the air, he quickly unleashed a defensive soul skill and hid within a layer of thick greyish fog. At the same time, he quickly retreated.

The other soul master couldn't adapt at all. As he was critically hurt, he had already fallen from the air by. He was flailing as he tried to circulate his soul power to control his body. However, he couldn't do it in the end.

At this moment, he suddenly a chill down his body. This chill didn't come from the temperature of the outside world; it originated from his own senses.

As a spiritual-type Soul Douluo who was an evil soul master, his senses had always been very acute. When this feeling came, he realized that something was amiss. He desperately screamed, "Save me!"

The elder who was rapidly retreating heard his call the moment he exited the radius of the remaining shockwaves of the explosion. After hearing his calls, he was furious. It was because of him that they were caught in the ambush. "Aren't you just falling from the sky? Don't tell me you'll fall to death even though you're a Soul Douluo? Why are you screaming so loud? Even if you're hurt badly, your injuries aren't lethal." The elder had no intention of saving him at all.

However, it was also at this moment that he was shocked to find out that the dark sky seemed to have slightly distorted in the space a little ways away from the man in black. Following this, a beam of golden light flashed before it penetrated the head of the frail man in black.

The frail man's body was quickly shriveling up as he fell from the sky, and that golden light also revealed its true appearance. It was a long spear that was sharp on both sides. The spear exuded blinding, petrifying golden light.

Disastrous! The Titled Douluo seemed to have realized something. His figure quickly flashed before he charged straight towards the sky.

However, that beam of golden light vanished in the next instant. Following this, there seemed to be a distorted figure that flashed past. In the next moment, everything returned to normal once again.

"Scoundrel!" The Titled Douluo shouted furiously, and a huge patch of thick greyish fog pursued that distorted figure. Wherever it passed, blasting sounds resonated through the air. However, his attacks were evidently futile. He could only hit the air.

When that frail man in black was killed, he realized that the enemy's target was that actually that frail man in black. The reason was very simple. He was adept at spiritual abilities.

From the start until the end, they had not seen the appearance of the enemy. However, without a doubt, this enemy was a spiritual-type soul master. Of course, in the eyes of the Titled Douluo, the enemy was a spiritual-type Titled Douluo. To this enemy, this elder wasn't the true threat. This was because he could conceal himself. Even given the elder's cultivation, and even if he unleashed all his senses, he could only discover his enemy within a certain region. On the other hand, that Soul Douluo was different. With him around, it was like having a pair of eyes. It was much easier dealing with the spiritual-type Titled Douluo. Obviously, the spiritual-type Titled Douluo wanted to kill the Soul Douluo, because that would greatly reduce their control over him.

There were very few spiritual-type martial souls in the world of soul masters. There weren't many spiritual-type soul masters, even in the Holy Ghost Church.

There were more spiritual-type evil soul masters compared to ordinary soul masters. However, in just a few years, three of them had already died. It was important to know that these evil soul masters were very crucial to the Holy Ghost Church, even though they had very weird temperaments. This Rank 87 spiritual-type Soul Douluo had now died. How could they possibly catch the enemy now?

Indeed, the person who had killed the Soul Douluo was Huo Yuhao. After he charged out from the palace, he found the most appropriate time to use his Ice Explosion Technique with the help of his Spiritual Detection.

As for turning back to attack, it was originally not in his plan. He had only thought of that idea suddenly. He didn't intend to deal with the frail man initially. After all, it was his first time seeing him and sensing his threat.

The reason why Huo Yuhao took action was because he wanted to act when his Ice Explosion Technique was the most effective.

He controlled his Ice Explosion Technique with the help of his Spiritual Detection. Huo Yuhao didn't charge too far out then. He stopped and turned back, and struck just outside the palace walls.

The reason why he had returned was because he saw the Titled Douluo elder abandoning his partner, leaving him exposed in the air.

Huo Yuhao wasn't fit to be called an Ultimate Soldier if he didn't seize the opportunity.

Throwing the Golden Dragon Spear from afar was Wang Qiu'er's ultimate skill. Huo Yuhao wasn't as strong as her, but he wasn't weak either after fusing with the soul rings she had turned into. Furthermore, he had strengths that she didn't have too.

Why did the Golden Dragon Spear appear after the Titled Douluo saw a distortion in the dark sky?

This was because Huo Yuhao had used his Imitation on the Golden Dragon Spear just as he threw it out.

This wasn't just a simple use of his spiritual-type soul skill. It involved attention to detail. The process was very complex.

First, he had to leave a streak of his spiritual sense and spiritual power on the Golden Dragon Spear. He could only do this after his spiritual power materialized. In addition, he was only able to complete such a rapid fusion of his soul and spiritual powers after he had formed his soul core.

After this, he imprinted his Imitation onto his streak of spiritual power and used it just as he threw the Golden Dragon Spear out.

Simply speaking, his Imitation was actually unleashed through his Golden Dragon Spear. This was why it was completely concealed in the darkness. It only revealed itself when it arrived in front of the frail man in black.

Even when it appeared, it was fully under Huo Yuhao's control. This was because he still had to ensure that his spiritual power continued to move his Golden Dragon Spear and complete the attack. The Golden Dragon Spear thus absorbed the life energy of the frail man. His life energy was directly kept by Huo Yuhao's spiritual power. On the Golden Dragon Spear, it was like an avatar with its own spiritual power and life energy. This avatar controlled the spear to fly back to him as fast as possible. As it flew back, Huo Yuhao's Imitation was unleashed again. This allowed the Golden Dragon Spear to move like the wind and instantly conceal itself.

This was why Huo Yuhao's attack actually drained a lot of his effort, even though it was just a simple strike. It was only completed through his immense spiritual control.

As for the elder, he had discovered Huo Yuhao too late. How was it going to be easy for him to pursue him now?

The immense soul power undulations caused by the Ice Explosion Technique didn't only blow apart all the surveillance soul tools in this region of the palace, but it also caused great interference to the aerial surveillance soul tools in the air. It was only possible to locate Huo Yuhao using another spiritual-type soul master.

Huo Yuhao moved through streets and alleys as he hid in the darkness. He only stopped after he was sure that he was in a safe place.

Right now, his breathing was a little quick. However, there was an excited look in his eyes.

Ultimate Soldier! This was a true Ultimate Soldier! Sneaking into the enemy's base, killing an influential figure and fleeing far away. From the start until the end, he wasn't even exposed. The enemy didn't even know who had made such an attack.

This feeling was great!

From the earlier all-around surveillance in the Heavenly Soul Empire's Imperial Palace, Huo Yuhao had already clearly found out that there was only one spiritual-type soul master in the entire palace. It was that guy. Without any soul tools, that guy wasn't able to pose a threat to him.

Although spiritual surveillance soul tools could locate him, they still had to be controlled by soul engineers. Compared to soul masters, they weren't very adaptable. Moreover, they couldn't track him. Unless the enemy could use spiritual surveillance soul tools in conjunction with oscillation and thermal detectors, as well as lock onto his position the moment he was detected, there was no way he could be detected, given current soul tool technology.

Huo Yuhao had always been monitoring the Sun Moon Empire's soul tool technology throughout this period of war. This was why he was so confident.

When he landed in Ju Zi's trap the last time, it was because he had been too careless. He had underestimated the Phoenix Soul Engineer Legion, which caused him to be exposed. But it was a good lesson. At least he wouldn't allow himself to be exposed in the future when it came to similar situations.

His direct fighting abilities right now were already very strong. More importantly, he was great at concealing himself. This was actually the most terrifying part about him.

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The reason why Ju Zi thought that Huo Yuhao would become her greatest enemy in the future was precisely because of this reason. Huo Yuhao's ability to conceal himself made him much more dangerous than ordinary Titled Douluo. It was most terrifying when a person's traces couldn't be found! Moreover, given Ju Zi's understanding of Huo Yuhao, she knew his potential. He possessed an Ultimate martial soul, and he already had seven soul rings. There was no doubt that he would become a Titled Douluo in the near future. A Titled Douluo with an Ultimate martial soul was even more terrifying than a Titled Douluo who was an evil soul master.

Huo Yuhao entered through the window as usual when he returned to his hotel. He had already calmed down by now. After killing that spiritual-type Soul Douluo, he had managed to achieve his aim for this mission. However, this would have greatly alarmed the enemy too. During this period of time, the Sun Moon Empire would surely increase their surveillance in the Heavenly Soul Empire's Imperial Palace. This was inevitable. But could he continue to wait any further?

The best way was naturally to wait for them to lower their guard before continuing his surveillance. The enemy might be more relaxed after a period of tension, which would then provide a great opportunity for him.

However, Huo Yuhao couldn't wait any further! There were still many things he had to do. He had to quickly gather information from here. Furthermore, through the earlier all-around surveillance, he was

certain that neither Ma Xiaotao nor Tang Ya were in the Imperial Palace. They were both Holy Ladies in the Holy Ghost Church, and they were very respected. If they were in Heaven Dou City, they would surely be in the Imperial Palace. Since they weren't, the likelihood that they were in this city was very small.

When he thought until here, Huo Yuhao's good mood diminished slightly. Without being able to find Ma Xiaotao and Tang Ya, it meant that his most important target of this mission wasn't achieved. How could he be happy then?

What should I do? Should I try to capture an evil soul master to gather information? Huo Yuhao furrowed his brow. That was the stupidest idea. Perhaps it might be effective, but it wasn't going to be easy. In addition, those evil soul masters might not know where Tang Ya was. But it seemed like he just had to give it a go.

He sat cross-legged and pondered for a moment. After this, he decided that he couldn't think of a better plan. It seemed like capturing an evil soul master and searching his memories was the best he could do.

After deciding on this strategy, he had another goal to reach. He thought about it for a moment before he started to perfect his plan.

If he wanted to find an evil soul master, the best place to do so was naturally the Imperial Palace. However, he had just caused a ruckus in the palace. The security in the palace was bound to be very tight now. Under such a circumstance, how could he possibly capture a lone evil soul master? This was a huge problem for him.

Furthermore, the evil soul master that he captured couldn't be too weak either. Otherwise, it would be difficult to get any information from him.

After formulating a plan, Huo Yuhao slowly entered into meditation and continued to absorb the Manifold Mysterious Ice Essence into his body.

He felt as if his cultivation was improving by leaps and bounds following every session of meditation after he started to absorb the Manifold Mysterious Ice Essence. His soul power kept on getting stronger, and he was slowly becoming a Soul Douluo. If not for the fact that he wasn't ready, he would really like to try out what standard his cultivation had reached. According to his own estimates, he should at least be Rank 77 by now. This also meant that his soul power had improved significantly. He had reaped great rewards.

The next morning, Huo Yuhao entered his spectral demiplane and fed the three bears. After this, he went to the streets again, and proceeded in the direction of the Imperial Palace.

As he walked the streets, he paid attention to all the chatter around him. Many people were discussing the explosive boom that came from the palace. It was even rumored that the perimeter of the palace was out of bounds right now.

Huo Yuhao kept on walking towards the palace, and only returned after making one round around it.

He discovered that the person in charge of Heaven Dou City from the Sun Moon Empire was still very rational. He didn't seal off the entire city or make it out of bounds because of what had happened last night. The only area that was out of bounds was the street that he was on yesterday. This was because

this street was where a part of the palace walls had blown apart. It was under repair now. Apart from this, everything in the palace appeared to be fine, at least from the outside. He didn't survey the inside of the palace using his spiritual power.

He had already unleashed his greatest spiritual power last night. There was no way the enemy wouldn't be wary of him. Any spiritual barriers or similar soul tools would certainly be in use now. If he carried out any Spiritual Detection, he would be sending himself straight into a trap. Although Huo Yuhao didn't really believe the Sun Moon Empire had any way of finding him, he wasn't going to take the risk.

After returning to the hotel, Huo Yuhao called the Ice Bear King out from his spectral demiplane.

Given his individual abilities, he wasn't really very impressive in Heaven Dou City. However, it was different if he had Little Bai's help. Furthermore, he had some other plans.

"Grandpa, what kind of place is that? It's really fun. Those skeletons are really interesting. But why are they running away from me?" Little Bai asked excitedly.

Huo Yuhao hadn't set any boundaries for him in the demiplane. He had allowed him to bring Big Mao and Second Mao out to play.

When Electrolux created this demiplane, he had made it so that the specters in the demiplane could evolve. Even Huo Yuhao didn't know where they got their energy from. According to the memories that Electrolux left behind, it should have its origins in spatial strength. As for how Electrolux managed to do that, he had no clue at all. It seemed to be a strength from another world. Unless his cultivation could reach that of Electrolux, there was no way he could possibly find any clues.

Huo Yuhao said, "This is a demiplane that one of my teachers left behind for me. It's a parallel dimension of our world, and only I can open it. Since you like it here, I'll let you enter a few more times in the future. However, we've things to do now. You must follow my plan."

Huo Yuhao recounted his plan to the Ice Bear King. He knew that the Ice Bear King was rather simple-minded, and wouldn't be able to remember a plan that was too complex. This was why he tried to simplify the mission that he gave the Ice Bear King. As for the complicated stuff, he left it for himself.

After settling the plan, Huo Yuhao and Ice Bear King remained in the hotel to rest.

Two days later.

The streets of Heaven Dou City were still very crowded. It was already evening now, and the sky had just turned dark. This was the time when business was booming for hotels and restaurants. Apart from those who were going home, there were a lot of people who were proceeding towards restaurants and eating places.

Huo Yuhao slowly walked among the crowd. After two days of observation, the situation in the palace had already quieted down. The damaged palace walls had already been repaired. As for what was going on in the palace, he didn't manage to find out anything through his Spiritual Detection. Today was the day he was going to truly take action.

The Imperial Palace was already within sight from afar. Huo Yuhao naturally walked towards it. After this, he sat in a small restaurant not far from the palace. He ordered some dishes and sat there alone, eating by himself.

It was at this moment that a figure silently came to the outside of the palace walls. The light around his body was distorted. It was as if this figure had completely assimilated with the air. It was just that streaks of air could be seen slightly distorting under the dim night lights.

If he revealed his figure right now, everyone who had ever seen him would be shocked. This was because he was also Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao slowly walked with his toes on the ground. He leaped up, and arrived above the palace walls. He silently unleashed his Spiritual Detection towards the inside of the palace.

Indeed, just like he had expected, the defensive installations in the palace weren't any different from before. After all, it was quite unrealistic to install more oscillation and thermal detectors. The palace was so huge. How could they possibly find so many more spiritual surveillance soul tools in such a short period of time?

Huo Yuhao found a spot that the oscillation detectors didn't cover, exploiting it to sneak into the palace. He quickly moved into the depths of the palace.

The number of patrolling guards hadn't been increased either. Perhaps the Sun Moon Empire thought that ordinary soldiers didn't have any effect on Titled Douluo.

Huo Yuhao went going deeper and deeper into the palace. Everything seemed to be business as usual. His Spiritual Detection was controlled within one hundred meters from him. He didn't carry out any detection on a large scale.

He only stopped when he was around five hundred meters from the center of the palace, where he silently hid in a dark corner.

It was also at this moment that the air started to undulate a little. Following this, snow started to fall from the sky.

At the start, it was only a few snowflakes, but slowly, the wind became stronger and stronger. More and more snowflakes started to fall. Patches of snowflakes were being blown about by the raging winds. In just a short period of time, the entire palace was covered in a blizzard.

It was weird, but this blizzard only engulfed the inside of the palace. It didn't leak out to any other parts of the Heavenly Soul Empire.

At this moment, the people who were passing by not far from the palace were shocked. It was their first time seeing the palace being engulfed by a blizzard. Such a phenomenon would only occur in the Extreme North. Although Heaven Dou City was quite close to the north, and it would also snow in the winter, it was impossible for there to be a blizzard.

This blizzard was very strong. When the snowflakes scratched the structures in the palace, piercing scratching sounds could be heard. The inside of the palace was a mess right now. Many of the patrolling guards were hurt by the blizzard. Furthermore, the temperature in the palace was also falling

dramatically. From the original ten degrees Celsius, the temperature soon fell to negative twenty degrees Celsius. The confusion and mess in the palace worsened due to this extremely cold temperature.

Chapter 480.3: The Godly Ice Explosion

The reason why Ju Zi thought that Huo Yuhao would become her greatest enemy in the future was precisely because of this reason. Huo Yuhao's ability to conceal himself made him much more dangerous than ordinary Titled Douluo. It was most terrifying when a person's traces couldn't be found! Moreover, given Ju Zi's understanding of Huo Yuhao, she knew his potential. He possessed an Ultimate martial soul, and he already had seven soul rings. There was no doubt that he would become a Titled Douluo in the near future. A Titled Douluo with an Ultimate martial soul was even more terrifying than a Titled Douluo who was an evil soul master.

Huo Yuhao entered through the window as usual when he returned to his hotel. He had already calmed down by now. After killing that spiritual-type Soul Douluo, he had managed to achieve his aim for this mission. However, this would have greatly alarmed the enemy too. During this period of time, the Sun Moon Empire would surely increase their surveillance in the Heavenly Soul Empire's Imperial Palace. This was inevitable. But could he continue to wait any further?

The best way was naturally to wait for them to lower their guard before continuing his surveillance. The enemy might be more relaxed after a period of tension, which would then provide a great opportunity for him.

However, Huo Yuhao couldn't wait any further! There were still many things he had to do. He had to quickly gather information from here. Furthermore, through the earlier all-around surveillance, he was certain that neither Ma Xiaotao nor Tang Ya were in the Imperial Palace. They were both Holy Ladies in the Holy Ghost Church, and they were very respected. If they were in Heaven Dou City, they would surely be in the Imperial Palace. Since they weren't, the likelihood that they were in this city was very small.

When he thought until here, Huo Yuhao's good mood diminished slightly. Without being able to find Ma Xiaotao and Tang Ya, it meant that his most important target of this mission wasn't achieved. How could he be happy then?

What should I do? Should I try to capture an evil soul master to gather information? Huo Yuhao furrowed his brow. That was the stupidest idea. Perhaps it might be effective, but it wasn't going to be easy. In addition, those evil soul masters might not know where Tang Ya was. But it seemed like he just had to give it a go.

He sat cross-legged and pondered for a moment. After this, he decided that he couldn't think of a better plan. It seemed like capturing an evil soul master and searching his memories was the best he could do.

After deciding on this strategy, he had another goal to reach. He thought about it for a moment before he started to perfect his plan.

If he wanted to find an evil soul master, the best place to do so was naturally the Imperial Palace. However, he had just caused a ruckus in the palace. The security in the palace was bound to be very

tight now. Under such a circumstance, how could he possibly capture a lone evil soul master? This was a huge problem for him.

Furthermore, the evil soul master that he captured couldn't be too weak either. Otherwise, it would be difficult to get any information from him.

After formulating a plan, Huo Yuhao slowly entered into meditation and continued to absorb the Manifold Mysterious Ice Essence into his body.

He felt as if his cultivation was improving by leaps and bounds following every session of meditation after he started to absorb the Manifold Mysterious Ice Essence. His soul power kept on getting stronger, and he was slowly becoming a Soul Douluo. If not for the fact that he wasn't ready, he would really like to try out what standard his cultivation had reached. According to his own estimates, he should at least be Rank 77 by now. This also meant that his soul power had improved significantly. He had reaped great rewards.

The next morning, Huo Yuhao entered his spectral demiplane and fed the three bears. After this, he went to the streets again, and proceeded in the direction of the Imperial Palace.

As he walked the streets, he paid attention to all the chatter around him. Many people were discussing the explosive boom that came from the palace. It was even rumored that the perimeter of the palace was out of bounds right now.

Huo Yuhao kept on walking towards the palace, and only returned after making one round around it.

He discovered that the person in charge of Heaven Dou City from the Sun Moon Empire was still very rational. He didn't seal off the entire city or make it out of bounds because of what had happened last night. The only area that was out of bounds was the street that he was on yesterday. This was because this street was where a part of the palace walls had blown apart. It was under repair now. Apart from this, everything in the palace appeared to be fine, at least from the outside. He didn't survey the inside of the palace using his spiritual power.

He had already unleashed his greatest spiritual power last night. There was no way the enemy wouldn't be wary of him. Any spiritual barriers or similar soul tools would certainly be in use now. If he carried out any Spiritual Detection, he would be sending himself straight into a trap. Although Huo Yuhao didn't really believe the Sun Moon Empire had any way of finding him, he wasn't going to take the risk.

After returning to the hotel, Huo Yuhao called the Ice Bear King out from his spectral demiplane.

Given his individual abilities, he wasn't really very impressive in Heaven Dou City. However, it was different if he had Little Bai's help. Furthermore, he had some other plans.

"Grandpa, what kind of place is that? It's really fun. Those skeletons are really interesting. But why are they running away from me?" Little Bai asked excitedly.

Huo Yuhao hadn't set any boundaries for him in the demiplane. He had allowed him to bring Big Mao and Second Mao out to play.

When Electrolux created this demiplane, he had made it so that the specters in the demiplane could evolve. Even Huo Yuhao didn't know where they got their energy from. According to the memories that

Electrolux left behind, it should have its origins in spatial strength. As for how Electrolux managed to do that, he had no clue at all. It seemed to be a strength from another world. Unless his cultivation could reach that of Electrolux, there was no way he could possibly find any clues.

Huo Yuhao said, "This is a demiplane that one of my teachers left behind for me. It's a parallel dimension of our world, and only I can open it. Since you like it here, I'll let you enter a few more times in the future. However, we've things to do now. You must follow my plan."

Huo Yuhao recounted his plan to the Ice Bear King. He knew that the Ice Bear King was rather simple-minded, and wouldn't be able to remember a plan that was too complex. This was why he tried to simplify the mission that he gave the Ice Bear King. As for the complicated stuff, he left it for himself.

After settling the plan, Huo Yuhao and Ice Bear King remained in the hotel to rest.

Two days later.

The streets of Heaven Dou City were still very crowded. It was already evening now, and the sky had just turned dark. This was the time when business was booming for hotels and restaurants. Apart from those who were going home, there were a lot of people who were proceeding towards restaurants and eating places.

Huo Yuhao slowly walked among the crowd. After two days of observation, the situation in the palace had already quieted down. The damaged palace walls had already been repaired. As for what was going on in the palace, he didn't manage to find out anything through his Spiritual Detection. Today was the day he was going to truly take action.

The Imperial Palace was already within sight from afar. Huo Yuhao naturally walked towards it. After this, he sat in a small restaurant not far from the palace. He ordered some dishes and sat there alone, eating by himself.

It was at this moment that a figure silently came to the outside of the palace walls. The light around his body was distorted. It was as if this figure had completely assimilated with the air. It was just that streaks of air could be seen slightly distorting under the dim night lights.

If he revealed his figure right now, everyone who had ever seen him would be shocked. This was because he was also Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao slowly walked with his toes on the ground. He leaped up, and arrived above the palace walls. He silently unleashed his Spiritual Detection towards the inside of the palace.

Indeed, just like he had expected, the defensive installations in the palace weren't any different from before. After all, it was quite unrealistic to install more oscillation and thermal detectors. The palace was so huge. How could they possibly find so many more spiritual surveillance soul tools in such a short period of time?

Huo Yuhao found a spot that the oscillation detectors didn't cover, exploiting it to sneak into the palace. He quickly moved into the depths of the palace.

The number of patrolling guards hadn't been increased either. Perhaps the Sun Moon Empire thought that ordinary soldiers didn't have any effect on Titled Douluo.

Huo Yuhao went going deeper and deeper into the palace. Everything seemed to be business as usual. His Spiritual Detection was controlled within one hundred meters from him. He didn't carry out any detection on a large scale.

He only stopped when he was around five hundred meters from the center of the palace, where he silently hid in a dark corner.

It was also at this moment that the air started to undulate a little. Following this, snow started to fall from the sky.

At the start, it was only a few snowflakes, but slowly, the wind became stronger and stronger. More and more snowflakes started to fall. Patches of snowflakes were being blown about by the raging winds. In just a short period of time, the entire palace was covered in a blizzard.

It was weird, but this blizzard only engulfed the inside of the palace. It didn't leak out to any other parts of the Heavenly Soul Empire.

At this moment, the people who were passing by not far from the palace were shocked. It was their first time seeing the palace being engulfed by a blizzard. Such a phenomenon would only occur in the Extreme North. Although Heaven Dou City was quite close to the north, and it would also snow in the winter, it was impossible for there to be a blizzard.

This blizzard was very strong. When the snowflakes scratched the structures in the palace, piercing scratching sounds could be heard. The inside of the palace was a mess right now. Many of the patrolling guards were hurt by the blizzard. Furthermore, the temperature in the palace was also falling dramatically. From the original ten degrees Celsius, the temperature soon fell to negative twenty degrees Celsius. The confusion and mess in the palace worsened due to this extremely cold temperature.