

Versatile 1831

Chapter 1831: Battle Against Evil Star

A cold star dove through the mist, descending aggressively. It clearly indicated the Manta Ray Bird Emperor's hostility to Mo Fan!

The chain rattled under the moonlight. The Manta Ray Bird Emperor did not let out a cry when it suddenly dove from the sky. Its wings sliced through the air and ignored its resistance!

Its dark-silver shiny scales tore through the veil of the night and sliced the moonlight in half like a vengeful sword. Mo Fan was still two hundred meters away from the creature, yet his body was overwhelmed by fear, as if he had just been sliced in half!

Mo Fan stared at the creature coming at him, descending like a falling star. He did not budge, yet his body began to split from one to two, then four, then sixteen!

Mo Fan's shadows stood in a row, each perfectly resembling him. He was now covered by a layer of shadow which concealed his original colors.

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was diving right at Mo Fan. Its move immediately took out twelve of the shadows that Mo Fan had split into. However, when it realized none of them was the real one, it suddenly turned in the air at an unbelievable angle and attacked the remaining four shadows instead!

Most flying creatures would move in an arc while they were turning in the air. Even the strongest winged beasts would still need to bank somewhat to greatly alter the angle they were flying at. However, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor had changed its angle right away. Its path was almost an L-shape. It went from a vertical slash to a horizontal slash without any time in between them!

Mo Fan was indeed among the four remaining shadows. He was given a great scare when he saw how Evil Star had turned so quickly in the air. He no longer dared to fool around with his shadows when he saw the air slashes approaching rapidly. He immediately engulfed himself in flames and launched himself to a taller tree.

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was below Mo Fan when it glided past him. It had sliced through the trees along its flying path in a perfectly straight line.

Mo Fan began to fall as he had lost his balance. Meanwhile, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor had already made its turn, hovering again in the air. The Manta Ray Bird Emperor did seem more like a manta ray in the deep sea. It was cool-looking, yet intimidating!

The Manta Ray Evil Bird would not let the human who provoked it go so easily. It suddenly beat its wings in Mo Fan's direction.

Mo Fan saw sharp flickers on the edges of the Manta Ray Bird Emperor's wings, and two enormous crescent-shaped shockwaves sprang toward him from his left and right. They produced a piercing screech as they traveled through the air. It sounded like a gigantic bee beating its wings at an insane speed. Mo Fan knew the shockwaves could easily slice through a mountain, let alone his vulnerable human body!

Mo Fan was prepared for it. A Star Constellation close to completion was already under his feet. When the terrifying wing slashes arrived, he had vanished before the wing slashes crossed paths at his former location.

Mo Fan reappeared a hundred meters away, feeling a burning sensation from his shoulders. He looked at them and saw both his shoulders bleeding. The wing blades were simply too quick for him. They had still managed to hurt him even when he had entered the other dimension while casting Blink. If he had not been prepared, he might have come out of the dimension in two halves instead!

"How ferocious, I like it!" Mo Fan ignored the minor cuts on his shoulders, as they would stop bleeding on their own. Mo Fan's body had a certain self-healing ability, perhaps because he had eaten a lot of that sacred medicine that Xinxia had given him. *(cough, Demon Element, cough)*

One must view the most spacious ocean and ride the most savage bird on the island when viewing the world. Mo Fan was determined to subdue the Manta Ray Bird Emperor and make it his mount today. It seemed like he would have to show some of his true capabilities!

"Little Flame Belle, show it what we have!" Mo Fan clenched his fists as if he was going to unleash all the power in his body.

The Meteor Scarlet, Calamity Fire, and Ardent Sunset of different colors circled around Mo Fan like dragons. When they intertwined above him, the flames poured down like lava and turned him into a warrior in burning armor. The flames spread fiercely above the island, dyeing the clouds red!

"Flame Ripple!"

Mo Fan could now wield Flame Belle's outstanding control over the Fire Element. He rapidly unleashed the flames around him in a ripple. The flames spread across the sky above the trees and sprang at the Manta Ray Bird Emperor on the other side!

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was obviously not a fan of heat. With a flicker from its back, a blue pillar of water surged forward and crashed into Mo Fan's flames. The water and fire instantly produced a huge cloud of steam above Dawn Island.

However, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor's water was obviously inferior to Mo Fan's three Soul-grade Flames, and the flames started pushing toward the Manta Ray Bird Emperor. However, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor simply rose twenty meters higher into the air to dodge the flames with ease.

"Again!" Mo Fan was extremely quick at gathering the flames to him. His Fire Magic had gotten stronger.

He unleashed the Flame Ripple once again, but this time, he had applied the Seal of Order on it, enabling it to track down the Manta Ray Bird Emperor while it was flying.

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor dodged to the left to move away from the Flame Ripple's path, but the flames oddly altered direction along the way just enough to strike the Manta Ray Bird Emperor.

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor suddenly moved downward when the Flame Ripple approached it, dodging the flames once again.

Even though Mo Fan's Seal of Order had given the Flame Ripple the ability to chase after its target, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor was only dodging the flames at close distance. It was impossible for the Seal of Order to manipulate the angle of the spell in time.

"Such quick reflexes!" Mo Fan was startled.

Mo Fan did not use the Seal of Order at first, hoping that the Manta Ray Bird Emperor might lower its guard. He had only used it on the second Flame Ripple to alter its angle out of nowhere, yet the Manta Ray Bird Emperor still managed to react in time to dodge it...

Chapter 1832: Evil Star Versus Fiery Feathers

Evil Star started moving around unusually at a crazed pace, leaving afterimages behind as it did so.

The afterimages of the Bird Emperor began to stack on top of one another gradually. From Mo Fan's view, it felt like a dozen of the creatures had stacked up around him when there was only one creature. The afterimages were merely a result of its unbelievable speed.

Evil Star began to move horizontally after it was done moving vertically, producing the same afterimages. It left over a few hundred afterimages in the night sky in a brief moment. It felt like there was an army of Bird Emperors, all staring at the flame-shrouded Mo Fan with a cold look in their eyes.

Mo Fan was slightly dazzled. He suddenly heard a cry, which meant there was only one Evil Star, while the rest were mere illusions.

The illusionary Bird Emperors began diving at Mo Fan in an orderly manner. It felt like a fleet of fighting jets was going to bombard the spot he was standing on!

Mo Fan thought the afterimages would not pose any threat to him. The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was simply trying to trick him. However, he realized how deadly each illusion actually was when he saw the illusions slicing through the trees they came into contact with!

It was meaningless to dodge the attack considering its insane area, nor was Mo Fan able to cast Blink in time. He had no choice but to clench his teeth and confront the illusions of the Bird Emperor with force.

"Fiery Feather Swords!"

Rings of flames erupted around Mo Fan. The flames were spreading like feathers and proceeded to transform into burning swords. They formed a small circle around Mo Fan at first, but each time the flames surged, more burning swords were added to the ranks!

Mo Fan pointed into the sky, aiming the burning swords in the direction from which the illusions of the Bird Emperor were approaching. The number of the burning swords clearly outmatched the number of the illusions, but each illusion contained a greater force than the swords. The burning swords collided with the illusions, like a bunch of burning meteorites crashing into an icy meteor shower. The impact of the spectacular collision shook the entire island.

The light produced by the destruction lit up the dark island, illuminating the coconut trees scattered all over it, the valleys covered entirely in moss, and the Manta Ray Evil Birds that were flying back to regroup with the main army!

The battle had obviously startled the Manta Ray Evil Birds out searching for invaders. They immediately flew toward the island at their highest speed. It was terrifying watching their dense figures and icy sapphire eyes approaching in such overwhelming numbers.

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“Mo Fan, I would pick up the pace a little if I were you! Otherwise, what I’m going to say will be my last words!” Zhao Manyan shouted at him.

“Why do I feel like you said the same thing in Egypt. Your last words are as stinky and long as your usual nonsense!” Mu Bai mocked him.

“I’m the kind of person with a strong awareness of potential threats to my life, so I’ve been living my days as if the apocalypse was going to happen at any second. Do you have a problem with that?” Zhao Manyan snarled.

“You’re just scared of dying,” Mu Bai scoffed.

“That’s how precious I’m f**king treating my life. I still have so much time left and so many beauties to taste!” Zhao Manyan said righteously.

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Mo Fan glanced down the mountain and saw the Manta Ray Evil Birds everywhere. Their speed was unbelievable. They were able to cover a few kilometers in the blink of an eye. It felt like they had the whole place surrounded.

The numbers of the Manta Ray Evil Birds were even greater than they had thought. It felt like the island was running out of space for them after every Manta Ray Evil Bird on the island had woken up. Some among them had menacing auras and dark red skin like evil crimson-red moons. They indeed looked like a demon species that had descended upon the mundane world from an evil moon!

Those creatures were obviously the Greater Featherless Birds that Chen Shuo had mentioned. They had inherited the appearance of the Bird Emperor and its natural aggressive temperament. Their superior wings and tails would put anyone looking at them under great pressure, far exceeding the pressure from the Manta Ray Evil Birds.

“I’ll leave them in your hands. Just buy me a little more time,” Mo Fan told the others.

Mo Fan ignored the Manta Ray Evil Birds that were approaching from every direction. He was fully focused on the Bird Emperor.

Evil Star was staring at Mo Fan. It too was grim and focused, as if it had rarely bumped into such a powerful human.

A shadow suddenly descended from the sky like an icy hammer, heading straight at Evil Star's back without any sign. It sliced straight down, like it was going to cut the creature in half.

It was a shadow Mo Fan had Summoned with the Fiendish Night. He had used it to Summon a rebelling shadow of the Bird Emperor to attack it.

The Bird Emperor did not expect such a unique ability, since Mo Fan had not produced any unusual energy beforehand. The Fiendish Shadow landed its blow on the Manta Ray Bird Emperor accurately, leaving a long cut on its back. The cut had torn through its flesh and left some black goo on it.

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was injured, yet it did not show any sign of panic. It continued calmly observing its surroundings. A strange shadow was now slowly rising below its body. It did not have the shape of the Bird Emperor anymore. It turned into a pair of blades and stabbed at the creature's belly instead!

The Bird Emperor finally noticed the shadow this time. It immediately spun in the air, exposing its belly under the moonlight while emitting a silver glow to drive the shadow away and resolve the danger.

Mo Fan was not too bothered when the creature saw through his trick. The Dark Material was only good at ambushing its targets when they least expected it. He was satisfied after inflicting the wound on the creature's back!

Chapter 1833: Shadow Cage

The Bird Emperor lifted off higher into the sky. It quickly arrived directly above Mo Fan.

Mo Fan looked up. He first thought the Bird Emperor looked like a cloud blocking his view of the sky, yet for some reason, the creature's figure kept growing in his vision, like it was about to cover the entire world!

It felt like the creature was a god of the night who had just opened up his mantle. The darkness was slowly absorbing the night sky and soon spread over the entire area above Mo Fan. The Bird Emperor was somehow as enormous as the night sky, while Mo Fan was as tiny as a dust particle under the mantle of darkness. He was suddenly overwhelmed by fear.

The starry night sky was looming right over Mo Fan as the creature began to fall. It was as terrifying as the sky collapsing onto him.

Mo Fan had experienced all kinds of illusions. When he saw the Bird Emperor enlarging, he thought it was just a trick to put him under pressure, a visual illusion to trick the enemy's mind and render them defenseless.

However, when the Bird Emperor dove at him, he suddenly lost his sight. A pain like he was being crushed flowed through his body, as if he had just been slammed into the ground. The feeling of suffocation and his bones being crushed felt so real!

“What kind of ability is this?”

Mo Fan was completely lost in darkness. He had lost his vision and his hearing. He was drowned in silence, while his body was being squeezed as if he was being forced to lie in a sturdy, cold, and narrow casket!

Mo Fan began to panic a little. He was struggling to identify if he was experiencing an illusion or if he had actually fallen into the Bird Emperor’s strange Domain. He tried to unleash his magic and scream, but his efforts were in vain. He was like the lingering consciousness of a spirit who had died physically!

Time gradually passed, but Mo Fan still could not find a way out. No matter how tough Mo Fan was mentally, no matter how much he believed everything was just a mere illusion, the torture, confined space, pressure, and the sense of emptiness were starting to get on his nerves. He felt like he was going to be driven mad soon!

“This cannot continue, there must be a way out. It must be some kind of a mental cage. I can’t allow my consciousness to be locked inside this dark casket!” Mo Fan did not give up. He knew his will was the key to overcoming any magic that was targeting his mind. It was similar to the Scorpion Lord Medusa’s stony gaze that he had faced in the past. It had Sealed his mind and corrupted his heart, putting him into a self-destruction mode!

Mo Fan would not allow his mind to be trapped in a dead end. He was trying his best to recall everything that happened before he ended up here.

He remembered the Bird Emperor was extending its wings like the mantle of the God of the Night. The wings were so huge that even the mountains felt tiny. They loomed over the sea like a huge cloud, and when he looked up, his gaze was fixed on the irresistible figure. His vision soon failed as he fell into the darkness...

“There’s no way it could grow so big, but why did the brilliance of the stars and the moon disappear when I looked up?” Mo Fan did not stop thinking.

Why did the light disappear in advance when the Bird Emperor’s body was not big enough to cover the entire sky?...

Didn’t that indicate the light was unable to pass through when it was using the ability?

“Shadow Magic! It has the Shadow Element!”

Mo Fan finally realized the truth. The huge mantle of darkness was exactly the same as the Nyx Regime, trapping its target in complete darkness. The Bird Emperor was not necessarily targeting his mind. It was simply erasing the light that was shining on him by Sealing him off within a wall of darkness!

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The dark sky had a slight hint of blue when it was viewed from its reflection on the surface of the sea. A black curtain was now surrounding Mo Fan like a triangular prism as the Manta Ray Bird Emperor

hovered above him. The strange glow of the curtain was coming out of its body. It was bound to Mo Fan's soul.

However, when Mo Fan realized it was made up of Shadow Magic, he found the weak spot on the wall. He was able to break down the wall of darkness trapping him by focusing on the weak spot!

Mo Fan stepped through the crack. He was still covered in a layer of dark energy, which slowly dissipated. The faint glow of the stars and the icy moon shone upon him once again. The fires of his soul that were put out a moment ago erupted instantly as he regained his will to fight!

"I didn't expect it to be a Shadow Mage, too!" Mo Fan glanced into the sky. He grinned as he saw the dark energy encapsulating the Bird Emperor.

The creature was even more fitting to be his mount!

The Bird Emperor uttered a cry like a dolphin. It was not the screech of a bird, but a cry that touched the soul. It was like a hint of grief from the voice of a singer!

The Bird Emperor was successfully provoked. It felt like its pride was on the line!

"Show me your true strength. Otherwise, you won't be able to prove your worthiness to be my mount!" Mo Fan was even prouder. He pointed at the Bird Emperor so it could feel how confident he was in his own strength.

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor swung its tail to wave the chain binding it around.

The Bird Emperor was facing the sky while its tail was pointed at the island. It let out another cry, like it was Summoning the darkness from above. The cry which could touch anyone's soul echoed across the whole sky and the sea!

The Manta Ray Evil Birds nearby were further enraged upon hearing that cry. They began to charge at the mountain recklessly, even if it meant crashing into the net of icy thorns which Mu Bai had set up. They wanted to assist their Emperor, even if they were covered in wounds!

"What now? You're sending your men after me instead? What a letdown!" Mo Fan said when he saw the Bird Emperor's reaction.

Creatures of its level were able to understand human speech slightly, regardless of whether they had lived with humans before!

The Bird Emperor's cry was still echoing in the sky. While Mo Fan thought it was Summoning its people, something like a white piece of cloth started falling from the sky.

Mo Fan took a closer look at it and realized it was a fierce wave falling from the clouds above. It was spectacular and stunning!

Chapter 1834: Cloud Bursting Waterfall

Mo Fan initially thought there was only a single wave pouring down at him. However, he soon witnessed an astonishing sight.

The white wave was like a heavenly river falling rapidly from a cliff, yet it just kept coming until it had filled up half the sky. It felt like it was going to cover half the island!

Mo Fan was smaller than even the tiniest tree on Dawn Island, not to mention the waves were pouring right down onto his location. He even gave up on the urge to run away. He could only watch the waves fall onto him with wide eyes!

The force of the waves was comparable to a heavenly soldier slamming his fist on the ground. Mo Fan naively thought he could find a safe corner somewhere, but the whole forest was instantly devoured by the waves!

Mo Fan's flames were put out once again. He barely moved away from the area where the waves were the strongest, but he was still dragged to the bottom of the mountain by the unstoppable waves.

The waterfall lasted for quite some time. The water even filled the valleys nearby. The domestication ranch was now thoroughly soaked in water.

"How insane is that creature? Is it trying to drown the whole island?" Zhao Manyan had run a fair distance away. He watched the waves surge past him like an angry sea.

Zhao Manyan also knew how to cast the spell Sky Waterfall, but his version of the spell was like a little sink-tap compared to the Manta Ray Bird Emperor's dam. He somehow believed Mo Fan's provocation had a greater chance to become his last words, compared to the chance of the words he previously uttered becoming his last words.

"Did anyone see Mo Fan?" Jiang Shaoxu asked.

"I think he was knocked to the bottom of the valley," Lingling said indifferently.

"Tell Miss Tangyue to retrieve his corpse from the valley. Let's leave this place while there's still time before it's morning," Zhao Manyan said. His life was already in great danger, before he even found a single trace of a Totem Beast. Zhao Manyan realized he should not be so stubborn sometimes. It was just a chance to achieve the Super Level. He still had plenty of ways and opportunities if he failed here. There was no need to go all out with these unfriendly birds!

"You were the one who insisted on coming here, and you're the one asking to leave first? Where the hell is your integrity?" Jiang Shaoxu sneered disdainfully.

"Mo Fan is as tough as a cockroach. He's going to be fine, but I'm not sure if he can still fight the Bird Emperor after being swept away by the waves," Lingling said.

"I think we should give Evil Star another shock with the magic netting to weaken it. Otherwise, that young man won't have a chance to defeat it," Chen Shuo spoke up.

“But the domestication ranch... oh, it’s slowly surfacing from the water. Were the buildings ten years ago so sturdy then? It did not collapse after being hit by such powerful Water Magic!” Zhao Manyan exclaimed.

The domestication ranch was built on a slope. The buildings slowly resurfaced after the waves flowed into the valleys and lower ground. The devices in the buildings were well-protected. Chen Shuo knew they were going to be fine.

“We should give the Manta Ray Bird Emperor another shock while Mu Bai and Miss Tangyue are still able to hold their ground!” Zhao Manyan said.

Zhao Manyan, Lingling, Jiang Shaoxu, and Chen Shuo returned to the domestication ranch. The waves were Summoned with magic, so they had dissipated fairly quickly.

They suddenly heard footsteps from the corridor when they were about to operate the devices. The footsteps were oddly clear, as if they were stepping on water.

Jiang Shaoxu glanced toward the corridor in alarm. Zhao Manyan was shocked too!

Was it a ghost? Why would there be footsteps when the domestication ranch was abandoned ten years ago? Tangyue and Mu Bai were busy fending off the Manta Ray Evil Birds. He could still see the light of their spells flickering out there. There was no way they had come back to the building!

“Who’s there!?” Jiang Shaoxu asked coldly, her face alert.

The footsteps approached. Several figures soon came into the room from the corridor. They were wearing different outfits, but they all had the same logo on them.

The group was led by a bulky man. His eyes scanned the place, his face cold and stern, before saying, “I’m the chief of Nanxi Mountain Enforcement Union, Zhu Qi!”

As a matter of fact, Jiang Shaoxu already knew who the people were before the man spoke, as she had recognized two of the people behind the man who claimed to be the chief. They were none other than Zhu Min and Li Dong, while the others all had the logo of Nanxi Mountain Enforcement Union on their outfits.

“It’s the Enforcement Union! Great, we just happen to need your help!” Chen Shuo was overjoyed.

Chen Shuo thought he could no longer rely on Mo Fan to defeat the Bird Emperor, and the chief of the Enforcement Union was the perfect candidate to take over Mo Fan’s role. As the highest authority in Nanxi Mountain Enforcement Union, his strength was definitely on par with some of the Councilmen!

“How bold of you! Dawn Island is clearly off-limits! Will you be able to bear the consequences if you end up provoking those creatures to attack the nearby towns!?” Zhu Qi harrumphed coldly. He was extremely displeased by them.

“Well, we were trying to eliminate the threat!” Chen Shuo was lost for words.

“Where’s the vice chief?” Zhu Qi asked.

“She’s on the mountain in the south.”

“Is there anyone else apart from the people here?” Zhu Qi asked.

“Chief, I think there’s another Mage on the mountain in the north, too,” Li Dong said.

“It must be the guy named Mo Fan,” Zhu Min said.

Zhu Qi glanced at the mountain in the south, as if he was looking for Tangyue.

He blurted out a moment later, “Is it morning?”

“Yes, the sun had risen,” a senior enforcer said.

“Mm, we’ll go and get Tangyue, while the rest of you regroup with the guy in the north. As for you people, you will behave yourself and stay here. I hate people who bring me trouble the most! You’ve already done it once, but if there’s a second time, I won’t go easy on you...” Zhu Qi said expressionlessly.

Chapter 1835: Kamikaze Dive

The chain of metallic gravel slowly descended. The Manta Ray Bird Emperor hovered above the valley. Water was still flowing down the mountain and surging into the lower areas fiercely, as if it was going to form a huge reservoir.

A man in a light gray outfit was floating in the water. He looked no different from the broken wood that was drifting on the surface. He was facing down, while his bloated limbs were swaying along with the current.

The Bird Emperor circled above the corpse a few times. It remained on alert for some time, and did not approach the water recklessly.

The Bird Emperor opened its mouth, and fired a water projectile at the back of the corpse.

The corpse suddenly turned into a black mantle, which disappeared as the projectile struck it. The Bird Emperor immediately realized it was a decoy, and quickly left the area.

“It’s too late!” Mo Fan’s voice suddenly appeared. A man covered in dark lightning arcs launched himself from the wall nearby. He slammed into the Bird Emperor’s back like a hammer imbued with wild lightning.

A few dozen lightning bolts were bundled together before Mo Fan unleashed them with his stomp. It actually looked like a lightning hammer descending from the sky, smashing right into the Manta Ray Bird Emperor’s back. The resulting wound was even bigger than the previous cut left by the Rebellious Shadow!

The Bird Emperor cried out in pain. It struggled to resist the Lightning Magic whose damage had been amplified twelvefold. The lightning surged right into its body, making it feel as if its organs were going to explode at any second.

The Bird Emperor struggled fiercely. It immediately dashed forward in a blur of light to stop the lightning hammer from hurting it, but Mo Fan was long prepared for that. He had finally tricked the Manta Ray Bird Emperor to a perfect altitude and distance for his counterattack. There was no way he would give the creature a chance to return to the sky!

“Space Rhythm: Gravity!” The lightning covering Mo Fan did not dissipate. A silver hexagon established itself and encapsulated the Manta Ray Bird Emperor and Mo Fan, who was holding onto the creature’s back!

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor tried to fly away, but it felt like its body was held in place by some powerful magnet, like it was carrying over a hundred tons of extra weight. It started falling down instead!

However, the Bird Emperor’s wings were surprisingly strong. It managed to recover and remain in the air even under the pressure from Mo Fan’s Space Rhythm. It was slowly moving out of the Space Rhythm’s area!

“Transforming Rock: Binding Gravity!” Mo Fan quickly cast another spell when he saw the Bird Emperor about to break free from the Space Rhythm.

Space Magic involved compressing an area to multiply the force of gravity. On the other hand, the Earth Magic modified the structure of the ground to manipulate gravity. Mo Fan used both spells on the same area. It basically added another huge mountain to the Bird Emperor’s back. If the creature tried to hold back, the overwhelming force might even crush its bones!

The two spells were extremely effective against an agile creature like the Manta Ray Bird Emperor. It was having trouble just beating its wings to remain flying, and was slowly being dragged to the ground.

The Bird Emperor did not give up. It was moving toward the center of the valley where the water was accumulating at. Mo Fan was a little puzzled. The water in the valley was going to disappear eventually. It was unlikely that the Bird Emperor could turn the situation to its favor, even if it had the ability to control the water!

The Bird Emperor suddenly withdrew its wings while Mo Fan was thinking. It had turned into a triangular sword diving straight to the bottom of the valley at a terrifying speed under the strong force of the two spells. Mo Fan’s heart almost jumped out of his throat from shock. He was falling straight to the bottom of the valley with the Bird Emperor!

“What is it trying to do? Is it trying to take me down with itself?” Mo Fan was astounded when he saw he was getting closer to the bottom of the valley.

Was it forcing him to cancel his spells?

“Must it really be so resolute!? Damn it, is it trying to see who’s tougher? Go ahead and crash, then! We’ll see who’s still standing in the end!” Mo Fan cursed. He decided to go all out with the arrogant Manta Ray Bird Emperor.

Mo Fan would not miss out on the opportunity to subdue the Manta Ray Bird Emperor. Manipulating the gravity with two spells was the only way he could think of to defeat the Manta Ray Bird Emperor, so he had no intention of giving up on it!

The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was diving like a meteorite. It was suicidal, especially when Mo Fan's spells had multiplied the force of gravity on it.

The Bird Emperor dove into the water like a swordfish. The water was not too deep. The resistance of the water was nowhere enough to provide them with some buffering. The Bird Emperor continued to drag Mo Fan who was holding on stubbornly and plunged right at the bottom of the valley!

"I'm never... going to let go...(gulp gulp)" Mo Fan's throat was filled with water after his shout.

Mo Fan retained consciousness. He realized the Bird Emperor was serious with its decision, too. It did not bother slowing down even though it was about to crash into the bottom of the valley.

Mo Fan did not withdraw his spells despite the Manta Ray Bird Emperor's reckless decision. However, just as Mo Fan thought the Bird Emperor was going to kill the both of them, it somehow dove into a cave at the bottom of the valley!

Mo Fan was in complete darkness. He was very close to the walls, but the creature was still diving deeper into the cave, now filled with cold water.

Mo Fan thought the Manta Ray Bird Emperor was going to crush both him and itself. He did not expect there to be a bottomless cave in the valley. The Manta Ray Bird Emperor was not trying to break free from the spells when it was moving around. It was aiming for the cave before diving straight into it!

The cave was shockingly deep. Mo Fan initially thought the Bird Emperor's spell had merely filled the cave with water, but after the water became colder and cloudier, and he accidentally tasted a hint of saltiness from it, he realized the cave was filled with water from the sea instead of the Waterfall!

The valley was located at the center of the island, around seven kilometers from the sea. However, Mo Fan noticed the space clearing up after they dived another hundred meters deeper. The vast place was filled with seawater instead!

Chapter 1836: Breaking the Chain

The chain that had been swinging around loosely at the domestication ranch suddenly tightened. It had only covered a hundred meters when it was curled up, but it was over four hundred meters long when it was straightened. It tore the trees and rocks along its path into pieces. Wood and rock splinters were fired to the sides. The chain was even producing a loud screech, like a metallic dragon who had suddenly lost its calm!

"What's going on?" Li Dong and Zhu Min witnessed the chain's unusual movement when they were going to the other side of the mountain to look for the person who was fending off the Manta Ray Evil Birds.

Luckily, they had not stood too close to the chain. Otherwise, its force would have broken their legs easily.

“Not sure, it seems to be tied to something in the valley.” Zhu Min followed the chain and noticed one end of the chain was extending deep in the valley.

“Let’s not worry about it for now. We should stick to the chief’s orders,” Li Dong said.

Zhu Min nodded.

The two were just about to jump over the misbehaving chain when it suddenly cracked loudly. The chain had snapped in half somewhere between the mountain and the valley. Countless shards went flying and left holes peppering the mountain walls.

Zhu Min was very unlucky, as the front of the chain suddenly swung in his direction after it snapped in half. The chain struck him like the tail of a snake, moving at the speed of lightning.

Zhu Min’s eyes widened. The chain dealt a ferocious blow to his chest and his stomach before he could react. He spun crazily in the air as he was sent flying!

Zhu Min slammed into a stone wall with a loud bang. His body almost sank into the stone. Li Dong’s mind went blank as he remained frozen to the spot. He ran to Zhu Min with a shocked expression when he finally collected his thoughts after some time.

Blood splattered across the ground. Zhu Min, whose body was now stuck in the rock, had completely lost consciousness. His entire chest had collapsed, as if it was no longer supported by his ribs. His body was badly bent out of shape. Fresh blood was pouring out of his eyes, nose, and ears. Li Dong could not believe how terrible Zhu Min looked!

“Zhu Min, Zhu Min, wake up!”

Li Dong was terrified. Did Zhu Min really die from the whiplashing chain? How was he supposed to explain his death to Chief Zhu Qi?

Your son was killed by a chain... I saw it with my own eyes.

Li Dong believed he would also die if he told the chief about it.

Li Dong felt his scalp going numb. A hint of anger rose within him when he looked at Zhu Min’s miserable appearance again. Such a pampered son! Wasn’t he an Advanced Mage? How could he possibly fail to dodge the chain? He would not have died so easily if he at least Cast a Basic Spell or used some Equipment to defend himself. Only Mages who lacked practical experience would fail to react in time and die such a miserable death!

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The chain had broken. Its other end was dragged deep into the cave at the bottom of the valley by the Manta Ray Bird Emperor. It proceeded to sink to the bottom of the ocean.

The three Soul-grade Flames were significantly weaker now that Mo Fan was surrounded by water. He was even having trouble maintaining his own body temperature. When the Bird Emperor was diving to the bottom of the ocean, Mo Fan was relieved when he recalled the Bird Emperor was bound by a chain. It would eventually reach its limit, but when he realized the chain had snapped in half, he could not help but feel like he was being dragged into Hell instead!

“Brother, you won, you’re the winner, let me go now!”

Mo Fan was now extremely helpless. He initially wanted to subdue the Bird Emperor with his plan, but not only did he help the Bird Emperor break free from the chain that had tied it down for twenty years, it had even brought him to the bottom of the ocean.

It was obvious that Dawn Island was different from the other islands with a solid bottom. Most islands were similar to a mountain, with half of their bodies immersed in water. The part above the water was referred to as an island, but Dawn Island was different. There was only an irregular pillar under the water below it, like a house being supported by a single pillar at the edge of a cliff.

The Bird Emperor was amphibious. The cave connected to the sea below the island was located close to the Sky Coconut Grove. However, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor’s movement was restricted by the chain, so it could only reach a certain depth in the cave. However, it was now like a fish that had broken free from the hook of a fishing rod and jumped back into the water to enjoy its freedom!

Mo Fan was a non-swimmer. He was not going to suffocate in the water, but his strength would greatly weaken if he was underwater for too long. Meanwhile, the Bird Emperor was as good at fighting in the water as it was in the sky. How was Mo Fan supposed to beat the Bird Emperor?

Therefore, begging for mercy was the best option he had. It was merely a misunderstanding... it was a misunderstanding... just a misunderstanding!

“Mm? Why am I smelling blood? Am I injured?” Mo Fan suddenly noticed a strong smell of blood from the seawater while he was at a loss. He quickly checked his body, but did not notice any wounds apart from the one on his shoulder, and the internal injuries he had suffered from the impact of the ferocious wave.

Mo Fan used the Shadow Element to look around carefully and realized the blood was from the Bird Emperor’s belly. It was leaking like a huge bucket of red paint was being spilled into the water.

“It’s injured?” Mo Fan murmured.

Mo Fan did not dare let go of the Manta Ray Bird Emperor. If he did not stay on its back in its blind spot, the Manta Ray Bird Emperor could easily kill him in the water. He might still have a chance to return to safety by hanging onto its back.

However, the Bird Emperor did not seem to have any strong intention to shake him off. Its speed began to slow down. It was slowly falling to the bottom of the sea now, like a leaf drifting in the wind.

Its wild temperament, fierce aura, and vitality had dropped significantly. Mo Fan immediately used the Shadow Element to observe the other side of the creature as he realized something.

Mo Fan gasped after the glance. He almost swallowed a mouthful of seawater because of it.

He saw a terrifying wound under the creature. The Bird Emperor might look like a ray, but most of its organs were still located at the center of its body still. However, the skin and flesh under its belly were completely torn apart. The wound already reached its organs, from whence its blood kept pouring out.

“The chain was hooked onto your organs?!” Mo Fan exclaimed.

The creature was abusing Mo Fan's spells to increase its diving speed just to break free from the chain, but the chain was actually hooked to its body, its bones, and its organs. It was clearly suicidal!

It explained why the Bird Emperor had lost its aggression ever since it had dove into the sea. It had basically risked its own life just to break free from the chain!

Chapter 1837: The Twisted Succession

Thick blood was continuously pouring out of the creature's body. A great chill was slowly infiltrating its body as it gradually sank to the seabed. Mo Fan felt terrible, like his heart was being filled with the disgusting seawater.

In the end, he did win the battle. The Bird Emperor knew its action was going to tear apart its organs and bones, yet it did not hesitate in the slightest. It did not necessarily hold a strong grudge against the human who came to provoke it, but it did against the chain which had tied it down and prevented it from soaring freely in the vast sky and the sea. The chain was like the string of a kite or a fishing rod. It was a cage limiting it to a world of only four hundred meters radius!

Mo Fan began to regret his decision to manipulate gravity with his spells. It gave the Bird Emperor the chance to break free from the chain, at the cost of its own life. This fall to the seabed was most likely the final moment of its life.

Mo Fan felt extremely terrible after seeing the blood squirting all over the place. He was not a Healer. There was nothing he could do to stop the Bird Emperor's life from draining away. He could only fall to the seabed together with the Bird Emperor. He could already see the seabed, despite the darkness around him.

The seabed was supposed to be covered in sand or irregular rocks, yet what Mo Fan saw was more like... the remains of a kingdom of oceanic creatures!

Mo Fan's vision was limited due to the darkness. If he had not noticed something that resembled the skeleton of a creature below him, he would simply have assumed the bottom consisted of weird-looking rocks. However, when he got closer to the seabed, he realized the remains were actually the insides of an enormous creature lying at the bottom of the sea. Its bones were enough to form a seabed, while its spine was the sea stack that was supporting the whole island!

The spine below the island was covered in moss, so Mo Fan had first assumed it was a sea stack instead. However, his thoughts were all over the place after he realized the truth.

What exactly was the creature? How the hell was it so big? It felt like it had come a time when the world was still beyond anyone's understanding.

The Bird Emperor's dolphin-esque cry was a lot gentler and weaker now. Mo Fan only recovered from his astonishment after hearing the Bird Emperor's cry.

“Use these, I’m not sure if it will keep you alive, but it’s better than nothing,” Mo Fan quickly took out the sacred medicine which Xinxia had prepared for him. He poured them all into the Bird Emperor’s mouth regardless of their effects, including those that were meant for external uses.

The Bird Emperor’s cold eyes were fixed on Mo Fan. They no longer had its hostility, nor did it have any intention to fight him. Instead, there was a hint of gratitude in its eyes.

The battle had allowed it to break free from the chain. It had finally reached somewhere beyond the reach of the chain for once after twenty years. It could lie still among the bones of the Ocean Father. It had never felt so at peace.

“You were never a Contracted Beast, right?”

“You have always been trapped on the island to be used as a test subject for their experiments. This is where you were born... so you want to sleep here forever?”

Mo Fan could not understand demon creatures, but those in the Ruler-level were intelligent to a certain degree. They could easily relay their thoughts through the looks in their eyes or their emotions.

Chen Shuo had indeed been lying to them. That son of a b**ch was most likely one of the people who were in charge of the inhumane experiment. He had still not given up on his wild ambitions after so long!

“Stop talking and hold your breath. I’ll bring you up top and ask Mu Bai to freeze you. I’ll find a way to heal you, too,” Mo Fan told the Bird Emperor. “Oh, my bad, you weren’t even talking... Anyway, don’t give up on yourself so easily. The world is so big, there are still a lot of places you should check out on.

“Oh, don’t you worry, I’m not Yang Yongxin. I’m not trying to brainwash you with the Psychic Element or anything, nor am I going to ask you to be my Contracted Beast. I’m a huge fan of democracy and freedom. Once I treat you, you can go wherever you want as long as you don’t gather your army of Manta Ray Evil Birds and attack us humans. If you don’t believe me, you can ask my Little Flame Belle and Apas. I’ve never forced them to do anything. They are willing to follow me around...” Mo Fan panicked even more as he thought the Bird Emperor was going to die soon. He quickly decided to motivate it.

However, a protesting voice sounded from the second Contracted Beast. Apas strongly disagreed with Mo Fan’s statement by uttering, “Bullshit!”

However, Apas was quite a distance away, so the protesting voice was pretty poor. Mo Fan could not hear her at all. He continued to comfort the Bird Emperor by guaranteeing that it would soon return to the blue sky and sea healthily...

Mo Fan kept feeding the Bird Emperor medicine. As a matter of fact, Mo Fan wished he had the ability to summon someone globally. He would just summon Xinxia to him to save the Bird Emperor, but he did not have such an ability. He could only rely on the medicine.

The medicines were strong, but their effects were too slow. The hourglass representing the creature’s life only had a thin layer of sand left...

Mo Fan heard noises in the surroundings. He looked around and saw sapphire light dots showing up in the darkness. They were approaching in huge numbers. Huge outlines of jagged wings soon appeared from the shadows.

“Look, your people have already woken up. They care so much about you, so you must keep on living for their sake...” Mo Fan began, but shuddered when he sensed strong murderous intent surging in his direction.

The Bird Emperor’s feeble eyes glittered as it forced itself to gather its strength and stared at the Manta Ray Evil Birds cautiously.

Mo Fan was stunned.

He thought the army of Manta Ray Evil Birds had come to grieve at their emperor’s death, yet there was not the slightest hint of sorrow among them. The creatures were staring at them greedily, as if they had been waiting so long for this day.

Their greed was not directed at the human Mo Fan, but the Bird Emperor instead!

“Scum, you bunch of scum!” Mo Fan was enraged.

The Bird Emperor was already dying, yet these creatures were already planning to feast on it. The Bird Emperor would rather die than surrender to an enemy, but its offspring were hitting it when it was down. Even the worst species would rarely turn against their own kind!

Taming, mass reproduction... this place...

The Bird Emperor was such a lofty and unyielding creature, yet its offspring that were produced from the experiments were so ungrateful. The experiment was twisted from the first day. Even the noble lineage and spirit which the Bird Emperor had shown were twisted after being passed down!

Chapter 1838: Battling Against the Birds in the Sea!

The Manta Ray Evil Birds swam in a huge circle around Mo Fan and the Bird Emperor. They might be greedy, but they were extremely cautious, too.

They made sure the Bird Emperor was indeed on its last breath. Their eyes suddenly emitted a corrupt light. Even their numb faces looked twisted and uglier!

A Manta Ray Evil Bird began to make its move. The rest of the Manta Ray Evil Birds were obviously not going to miss out on the opportunity, either. In addition to them, Mo Fan noticed a huge number of Featherless Birds that were asleep previously gathering toward them, too. They were excited after picking up the smell of the Bird Emperor’s blood.

A Manta Ray Evil Bird that was leading the way let out an unpleasant cry. Its head resembled a swordfish, and was like a sharp weapon that could penetrate everything. It was gradually speeding itself up by releasing a stream from its back!

The Manta Ray Evil Birds had perfectly straight bodies which minimized both air and water resistance when they were moving. They could also boost their speed significantly by propelling themselves underwater like a jet!

A clearly visible long trail was left behind in the dark sea. Mo Fan happened to be waiting for a chance to vent his anger when the Manta Ray Evil Bird ambushed them. He threw a punch right at the Manta Ray Evil Bird's head!

The flames were greatly weakened due to the environment, but still sprang at the Manta Ray Evil Bird. It knocked the Manta Ray Evil Bird away, while the flames burned the outer layer of its skin.

The creature spun wildly and eventually stopped around fifty meters away. It lifted its head and glared at Mo Fan!

"Damn it, how is it still alive?" Mo Fan cursed.

It did not necessarily mean the Manta Ray Evil Bird was stronger than he thought. Under normal circumstances, even a Commander-level creature would struggle against Mo Fan's Fiery Fist of three Soul-grade Flames. It was more than enough to kill a Manta Ray Evil Bird instantly, but Mo Fan was currently deep in the sea. The water resistance, pressure, and the lack of Fire Magic around him had greatly impacted the damage of his spells.

Mo Fan preferred the Fire Element as his main weapon. Little Flame Belle could easily give him the control of a Super Mage over the Fire Magic. He could only rely on the Fire Element if he had to fight so many Manta Ray Evil Birds at a time.

"This isn't going to work. I must go back to land first. I'm going to die if I fight these things in the water!" Mo Fan murmured.

Mo Fan glanced at the Bird Emperor, which was now lying on the bones. He encapsulated the creature with his Will. It slowly floated up under Mo Fan's control, covered in a silver light.

Xinxia's medicine was working. The blood loss and damaged organs were barely under control, but the creature was no longer fit for battle. Mo Fan was already struggling to defend himself while fighting underwater, but he also had to escort a creature over nine meters long with wings extended to safety, from a depth of over a thousand meters! It was clearly a tough job.

However, Mo Fan did not want to abandon the Bird Emperor. He was extremely fond of the creature, similar to a kid who was infatuated with Gundam. He was extremely fortunate to have stumbled into a creature he was fond of. He would not allow it to die in such a humiliating way!

"You scum, come at me! You idiots are going to rot first at the bottom of the sea!" Mo Fan's eyes glittered. He rarely had such a determined and stern look on his face.

The Manta Ray Evil Birds had no feelings for their Emperor. They merely respected its strength and did not dare to provoke it.

However, they would no longer have to stay on the island that was like a cage to them after killing the Bird Emperor. They could obtain greater strength by feasting on the Bird Emperor, and then they would be able to fly to other islands and conquer them. They would butcher everything in their way, reproduce, and proceed with their endless invasions...

They had picked up the scent of humans to the west of the island many times!

More Manta Ray Evil Birds arrived. The visibility underwater was very poor. To make things worse, the creatures could easily achieve the speed of a bullet without needing to build up speed. Mo Fan barely dodged them while using both Fleeing Shadow and Blink.

The creatures were attacking at an unpleasantly high frequency. Dodging the attack of a Manta Ray Evil Bird did not necessarily mean he was safe, as the creatures would turn around immediately, despite being sent away by their momentum, and fire themselves at Mo Fan like bullets again. Mo Fan was starting to lose his mind after more than a hundred Manta Ray Evil Birds were surrounding him.

Mo Fan was unfamiliar with fighting underwater. He was unable to boost his speed in the water like a Wind Mage or a Water Mage. He would be left with countless holes by now if it weren't for his Shadow Element!

"The Nyx Regime won't last for long too. What should I do now!?" Mo Fan's heart sank. The Nyx Regime was not unbeatable, either. It would stop a nearby enemy at most. Mo Fan did not have a better plan in mind!

The area covered by the Nyx Regime slowly dissipated. A carnelian Manta Ray Evil Bird, obviously one of the Greater Featherless Birds, was cunningly waiting less than fifty meters behind Mo Fan. A spiraling stream of water jetted out of its back. It suddenly dove toward Mo Fan after folding its wings.

"Rock Barrier: Rock Shield!"

Mo Fan instinctively turned around and lifted his right arm like a shield before he even saw the danger. A faint golden-brown light flickered on his arm before dust particles gathered in front of it and formed a double-layered shield!

BANG!

The shield shattered into pieces right away like bubbles. Either way, Mo Fan's Earth Element was still too weak for a battle of this level, not to mention how lacking his defenses had always been.

The Rock Shield merely weakened an enemy's attacks to a non-critical level, like a piece of red cloth used to distract a bull, giving Mo Fan a chance to dodge the attack.

Fresh blood squirted out around Mo Fan. It spread rapidly like puddles, but soon thickened upon contacting the cold sea water.

Mo Fan lowered his head and saw an amount of flesh around the size of a hand had been sliced off his thigh. The pain was shocking when the wound was soaked in the icy sea water!

Chapter 1839: Fiendish Evil Spirit

Mo Fan was covered in blood as thick as paint. He quickly treated his injuries and glanced in the direction the carnelian Manta Ray Evil Bird had gone. He formed a lightning orb in his left hand and tossed it at the creature.

The lightning arcs emitted by the lightning orb spread over ten meters into its surroundings. The Lesser Featherless Birds died instantly when the lightning whips caught them. The carnelian Manta Ray Evil Bird which had injured Mo Fan noticed something terrifying catching up to it. It quickly sped up and swam about nimbly, trying to dodge the lightning.

Mo Fan obviously would not let the creature escape so easily. The lightning orb was already enhanced with the Seal of Order. Mo Fan had left the same seal on the creature's back when it sliced off the flesh on his thigh. The lightning spell was sure to land on it, unless the creature was quick enough to alter its path in the shortest time possible, similar to the Manta Ray Bird Emperor!

As Mo Fan thought, the lightning orb finally struck the carnelian Manta Ray Evil Bird on the head around six hundred meters away. Even scarier lightning bolts flashed in the area. The lightning whips looked like an enraged monster from afar, its tentacles unleashing its wrath. It was swinging its electrifying tentacles around wildly. The lightning arcs produced by the explosion caught every single Manta Ray Evil Bird within two hundred meters of it!

The lightning discharges lasted for quite a while. Blurred figures sank to the seabed like dark rain. It was a huge number of Lesser Featherless Birds and the Manta Ray Evil Birds, including the strong carnelian Manta Ray Evil Bird. Not a single one of them survived.

The Lightning Element was even stronger underwater. Although there was a greater difficulty in controlling the spells underwater, Lightning Magic was just as deadly. It allowed Mo Fan to recover some of his lost ground!

Mo Fan immediately swam a few hundred meters closer to the surface while the rest of the creatures were still dazzled by the deadly lightning. Previously, he had been surrounded by boundless darkness, but after swimming up for some time, he could faintly feel the warm sunlight from above.

"Hang in there, we are almost at the surface!" Mo Fan blurted out when he saw the Bird Emperor was about to close its eyes.

The Manta Ray Evil Birds obviously knew Mo Fan was not good at fighting underwater. They waited for the lightning to dissipate before gathering above Mo Fan like crows. They extended their wings and manipulated the flow of the water together.

The area above was pitch-black, but the Manta Ray Evil Birds had distanced themselves from one another evenly, and were now stirring up the waves like a tornado. The waves soon formed a huge maelstrom!

The creatures were now aware of how deadly Mo Fan's Lightning was, so they did not engage Mo Fan directly. They were planning to trap Mo Fan and the Bird Emperor underwater forever by keeping them away from the surface.

Mo Fan found himself in a pinch once again when facing the black maelstrom. He was being dragged back to the bottomless abyss after he finally had a chance to swim closer to the surface.

Shadows dashed around and left a few cuts on his body without him noticing. The Bird Emperor too was also being cut by the creatures. They would eventually shred Mo Fan and the Bird Emperor into pieces by slowly closing in. The Lesser Featherless Birds were moving around rapidly in the maelstrom. It was like an enormous flesh-grinding jar!

“Damn it, if I could reach the surface, you would all die!” Mo Fan was furious.

Normally, Mo Fan was able to secure a foothold with his flames when he was fighting against huge numbers. He would then intimidate and destroy his enemy with the Lightning Element. Mo Fan was fearless every time he was up against countless demon creatures since the combination of his Fire and Lightning Elements was just too destructive. However, he was struggling to fend off the Manta Ray Evil Birds with just the Lightning Element.

“Wisps of Will!”

Mo Fan cast a Space Spell. His Will quickly traced the Lesser Featherless Birds and forced them to collide with one another. The maelstrom was soon filled with the carcasses of Featherless Birds. Even the remains of the Manta Ray Evil Birds which Mo Fan had killed previously with his Lightning Magic were dragged into the maelstrom too, generating a terrible smell.

“Shadow Fiend: Plaza of Death!”

Mo Fan finally found the right time to use his Shadow Magic after the Dark Material had thoroughly spread across the area!

The Shadow Element was very effective deep in the water. Mo Fan had been spreading the Fiendish Night throughout the battle, waiting for the Dark Material to germinate!

The Sapphire Manta Ray Evil Birds and the Lesser Featherless Birds were still manipulating the current. They were like water ghosts howling and dragging their prey to the bottom of the sea. However, a strong wave of darkness soon engulfed Mo Fan, his eyes gleaming coldly!

As he gave the order, countless shadow fiends slowly rose from the Featherless Birds, like demons that had finally woken up after hiding in the creatures’ bodies for a long time.

The shadows lifted their weapons murderously. It was like every Featherless Bird was possessed by an evil spirit, which had come to sentence them to death. The evil spirits attached themselves to the creatures and lifted their axes high, waiting to behead their targets!

The slashes took place at the exact same time. None of the shadow fiends missed their attempts. They were attached to the back of more than three hundred Featherless Birds, who had all turned headless within one second!

The undercurrents were still in disorder. Countless heads from the Featherless Birds were spinning around Mo Fan. Their blood was thick enough to form a blood-red sea dragon. The rest of the Lesser Featherless Birds immediately fled for their lives when they saw the heads and the dead bodies. They dared not stay any longer in the cursed water!

The evil spirits disappeared after fulfilling their duties. Mo Fan felt a lot better when the maelstrom finally dissipated.

“These Fiendish Evil Spirits are unusually strong. Feng Zhoulong didn’t lie to me,” Mo Fan murmured to himself.

It was Mo Fan’s first time using his new ability, Fiendish Evil Spirit. It was a Shadow Spell imbued with the Curse Element!

Mo Fan tried out the spell for the first time after the Dark Material had spread across the place. To his surprise, the Fiendish Evil Spirits simply attached themselves to the Manta Ray Evil Birds and sliced their heads off in an instant. He was delighted when their heads all fell off at the same time!

The money he had spent was definitely worth it!

Chapter 1840: Icecloud Crystal Realm

Mo Fan continued swimming toward the surface. He could finally see the sunlight again after the Featherless Birds forced him back down to the bottom of the sea.

It was bright above the surface. It was obvious that dawn had arrived. Mo Fan finally reached the surface by keeping the Featherless Birds at bay with the murderous aura of his Fiendish Night. He was relieved to see light again.

“~~~~~!” The Bird Emperor had let out a faint cry.

Mo Fan glanced at it and told it, “I’ll get you ashore.”

Mo Fan helped the Bird Emperor out of the water and placed it on a soaked area covered in seaweed. The place was most likely a shoal, but the tide fell back in the morning and exposed the ground.

They seemed to be at the seaward side of Dawn Island. The place had a lot of reefs and undercurrents nearby, so his team had never considered landing here.

The waves were extremely fierce. Mo Fan could feel the ground shaking as the waves splashed on the reefs, even though it was still early in the morning. The sunlight brought new colors to the reefs and the shoal. The Bird Emperor was enjoying the heat from the sun too, as if it was taking an enjoyable nap and ignoring the shocking wound on its belly. It did not seem surprised after its descendants turned against it.

The Lesser Featherless Birds and the Sapphire Manta Ray Evil Birds had no intention to spare Mo Fan’s life so easily. It was like the creatures were suffering from amnesia. They were traumatized by Mo Fan’s Shadow Magic just a moment ago, yet they began charging at him recklessly again, and surrounded the reefs and shoal in no time.

The waves rolled fiercely as more Featherless Birds and Manta Ray Evil Birds burst out of the water. Some landed on the reefs like bats, quickly looking like bunches of black grapes. Their numbers were just so terrifying. Others were circling in the air like a pack of vultures who had found a battlefield with scattered dead bodies. They would either fly at a lower height or soar into the sky cautiously. They did not want to give anyone on the ground a single moment of peace. Some of them were leaping across the surface of water like schools of fish. They were able to hide and ambush their prey from the water, too!

“You sons of b***hes, you no longer have a chance now that I’ve come ashore. I’ll kill every single one of you!” Mo Fan shook the water off himself as flames spread rapidly under his feet. The familiar energy engulfed him. His confidence and unruliness grew together with the flames, even as the Lesser Featherless Birds and the Manta Ray Evil Birds were approaching him!

The three Soul-grade Flames erupted ferociously from Mo Fan’s body. The Fire Magic formed a Domain under Mo Fan’s control, burning the Featherless Birds and Manta Ray Evil Birds within a hundred and fifty meters from him with scorching heat.

However, Mo Fan suddenly felt light-headed as he was about to unleash his power. His vision darkened as he almost fell to the ground.

Mo Fan staggered a few steps and quickly held onto a rock nearby. The flames he had accumulated had dissipated by half too.

“What just happened?” Mo Fan was astounded. The situation had never occurred to him before.

Mo Fan immediately looked at his thigh and noticed a strange blue color surfacing on his flesh. It had permeated into his arteries and veins.

“Damn it, I forgot these things are poisonous!” Mo Fan realized.

Zhao Manyan had also been in a feeble state not long after he was injured. He soon fell unconscious after that.

Meanwhile, on top of the huge wound on Mo Fan’s thigh, there were lots of other cuts and bruises on him too. He might have the Demon Flesh, but the poison would still affect him after reaching a certain level.

The Bird Emperor noticed Mo Fan was poisoned. It let out a faint cry, telling Mo Fan not to waste his time on it. It was satisfied as long as it did not die while being chained.

“I won’t let a poison like this stop me. You better lie still. I’m going to save you, I already gave you my word!” Mo Fan swore.

The poison slowly spread in Mo Fan’s body. He was unsure how much of the paralyzing poison had permeated into his body. The flames that faded away returned once again. Mo Fan was already preparing the Sky-Flame Funeral for the Manta Ray Evil Birds that were circling in the sky like vultures!

Flames poured down from the sky like a rain and spread across the shoal, turning the place into a sea of flames. The waves struggled to put out the flames.

The flames were meant to last for a little longer and spread over three hundred meters away, but Mo Fan suddenly felt light-headed once again. He fell to his knees after losing control of his legs. He almost went face-down into the water.

The flames were in complete disorder. Mo Fan was extremely annoyed by the dull shrieks of the Manta Ray Evil Birds.

He had finally made it out of the water, yet he was going to lose to their disgusting poison. It explained why the Manta Ray Evil Birds were unwilling to come too close to him for some time. They were not intimidated, they were simply waiting for the poison to spread, so he would soon be like an animal injected with anesthesia, waiting to be slaughtered.

The carnelian Manta Ray Evil Birds immediately knew what was going on when they saw Mo Fan losing his strength all of a sudden. The creatures were cunning hunters. They immediately gave the order after the flames on the shoal dissipated. The rest of the Featherless Birds that were waiting on the reefs, circling in the sky, and leaping on the surface of the sea began to charge at him.

The army of Manta Ray Evil Birds soon formed a brown cloud rolling forward. Their ugly and greedy appearance had rid them of their former imperious bearing. They were more like a bunch of lowly bats now. They were all trying to be the first, yet they were purposely slowing down so they would not die in the front like cannon fodder.

The Bird Emperor knew the creatures were after it. It slowly moved its body and struggled while moving toward the shoal.

Mo Fan was having trouble moving his body due to the paralyzing effect of the poison. He had the option to flee into the woods with his Fleeing Shadow, but how could he possibly leave like that? He did not take half a step back during the intense battle. How could he possibly admit his defeat when he was up against these twisted creatures?

“Cry of the Woman of Snow, Icecloud Crystal Realm!” came a loud voice from the top of the hill behind Mo Fan. He immediately sensed a powerful magic aura, strong enough to change the weather and make the sun dim!