

Apocalypse 1386

Chapter 1386: Memory from his last life

People from Guancheng Chun's lab opposed it and felt that it should be a tie. The unknown thing was how did David's ape die.

If they died together at the same time, you could say that it was a tie. If they lasted a while longer, you couldn't say that they were cheating.

The problem was no one knew when that ape died.

Although they were willing to help their own people, they couldn't lie. So, the final outcome was that Los Alamos still won.

But the Chinese were still unhappy. Not only because they lost this battle but also because they were unhappy with what Los Alamos brought out.

Those mechanical bugs seemed to have made the ape stronger and even covered its body in metal. But what was the outcome? It died after the battle. If Guancheng Chun's ape lasted slightly longer, things might be different.

The mechanical bugs were like berserk potions and had a huge side effect.

Moreover, the lifeform needed another piece of equipment and evolved to control it. This made this thing very complicated, and it took many steps, which then gave rise to many problems.

There was also the practicality. You had to knock the monster out before you could implant the bugs. The monster would then die after.

From another angle, if you wanted to use the bugs, you had to control the lifeform in advance. You couldn't find one when you faced a sudden danger. But if you had to prepare in advance, nurturing the lifeforms would consume money and manpower.

The costs would be very high. Thus, the technique Los Alamos brought out wasn't suited for use.

Guancheng Chun's lab was different. Be it the lifelike arms or the implant technique, they were both high-end stuff. You just had to obtain control of a mutated lifeform, and the surgery would give it four strong limbs.

It wasn't easy to control mutated lifeforms. You had to make them battle beasts or use precious scrolls. But if you controlled one and added the four limbs, you would obtain a super fighter. As compared to Los Alamos's mechanical bugs, the value was obvious.

This foreign lab used this method to cause Guancheng Chun to take a slight loss. Even if they lost, the value of this wasn't high. But if they won, their outcome was fantastic.

Lifelike Limb's technique was a combination of biological and mechanical skills. The things it involved were systematic and were now lost to this foreign lab.

Guancheng Chun's expression wasn't good. Although this wasn't their core technique, it was one of the best. To lose it in such a frustrating way was unacceptable.

But facing so many evolved, he told his subordinates to hand the technique to David. This needed some time, and both sides sent people to another place to hand it over slowly.

He won the first and lost the second, which slightly disappointed people who hoped for Guancheng Chun to win. Only the foreign faction was excited and happily discussing things.

“Shall we continue?” David looked at Guancheng Chun as if he was going to win the third battle even before it started.

Guancheng Chun stood up and said coldly, “Continue!”

David laughed, “Sir, that has four legs. Did you forget that we added stakes to our second battle? I will use the Morning Dew, and you will use a piece of gold equipment. I don’t care as long as it is gold.”

The Chinese cursed. They thought the foreigners had forgotten about this matter. But maybe they were afraid of accidents happening, so they didn’t mention it before the battle and only after.

No one did forget about it, including Guancheng Chun. He thought his lifelike technique would win the second battle. Now that he lost, what could he do?

People might seem sympathetic to him and even angry at the enemy, but no one could help pay for him. Even Li Daqian wouldn’t do so.

Gold equipment was too precious, and human relations didn't matter in the apocalypse.

"Why not you guys do the third battle? If you win again, let Guancheng Chun pay two sets of gold equipment when it ends. If you lose, then forget about the gold equipment. You just need to give them the technique for the third battle. What do you think?"

Pin Palace's Mr. Wen spoke. This time, it didn't sound very biased, and the suggestion seemed reasonable.

Only Ye Zhongming frowned.

He remembered what Li Daqian told him about this conflict and felt something wasn't right.

It was as if... Los Alamos was doing this on purpose.

Ye Zhongming lowered his head and tried to recall. He felt that there were some memories of this, but he couldn't recall it.

"I am afraid he doesn't have two gold equipment!" David disagreed.

If they didn't continue, they would lose the lifelike technique and a piece of gold equipment. If they continued and won, they would turn the tides. They would not only not lose anything but also gain a technique.

Guancheng Chun knew he was like a gambler; he had to make the third bet.

Seeing that David was unwilling, Guancheng Chun walked to Li Daqian and said, "Villa hEad Zhang, I have 100% confidence, but I don't have any gold equipment now. Can you... Lend me one. I will return it after. Even if I lose, I will compensate it. My lab has a technology that is no weaker than gold, no, no weaker than many purple equipment that has been successfully researched!"

Hearing Guancheng Chun say that, Ye Zhongming raised his head. He recalled the thing!

Chapter 1387: Compromise

Ye Zhongming had a low status in his last life and was an average evolved. If not for his Shooter job and a green sniper rifle that gave him good ranged damage, he would have fallen to the bottom of the apocalypse.

So when he heard the news regarding the higher levels, these things were basically legends. They were also explosive news that had spread through many layers to get to his ears.

Some were exaggerated by others, so they left him a deep impression. Others were cloudy, and he didn't understand them fully. These sounded like stories that were made up. He would often just listen to such things and not care much.

But evolved's memory was very good. If no one else mentioned such things again, he wouldn't be able to recall it. But if someone did something to trigger those memories, he would have some impression.

Before this, everything that happened since he arrived in Thousand Beast Villa gave him a weird feeling. He was unsure what it meant. Only when Guancheng Chun brought up the request to borrow equipment did he recall something that had spread for some time in his last life.

The rumors said that Los Alamos Lab once used despicable methods to steal a faction's resources and skills. Although they relied on their strength and backing to sell their results to China, many big factions suppressed them, so they couldn't fully enter.

The person who said it wasn't certain if it was true or not. Ye Zhongming just listened and didn't think much about it. After all, Los Alamos Lab's clientele wasn't ordinary evolved like him and he didn't think those things would concern him.

As for despicable methods etc, Ye Zhongming had seen a whole bunch of these in his last life and wasn't very interested. He only had some slight impression of this because it concerned the country and foreigners.

But when Guancheng Chun spoke today, Ye Zhongming recalled this matter. Los Alamos conned the big faction in the country and obtained two things that he had some impression of. One was a gold piece of equipment crucial to that faction's leader. Because this gold equipment left the leader's side, Los Alamos was able to complete that crucial robbery. Another was a very strong beast pool equipment. It was a large-scale beast pool. Los Alamos's future experiments were able to get an explosive breakthrough because of this.

All of that was very similar to what was happening now.

The rumors included other, more detailed details, which Ye Zhongming couldn't recall. He didn't know if the details he could recall were accurate, either.

Ye Zhongming had two choices. One was to act like he didn't recall anything and allow things to continue. Anyways, with his strength, Xia Bai and the female guards, even if something happened, he would be able to retreat.

The second choice was to tell Li Daqian about this so that he would get prepared just in case.

But Ye Zhongming hesitated and didn't know what to choose.

Choose the first one? Apart from making things uncontrollable, there wasn't any other use. If something happened, his squad and himself would be in danger. Should he stop or allow things to happen? Or just take the opportunity to gain something?

No matter the choice, he would have to bear the consequences.

As for the second? Ye Zhongming found it tough to make this choice, too.

He recalled the faction that Los Alamos plotted against wasn't Thousand Beast Villa. There wasn't anything regarding Guancheng Chun also. Of the people present, he hadn't heard that there were so many experts as the current event.

Was he going to tell Li Daqian about something he was so uncertain about? He might not say anything because of Ye Zhongming's identity, but he wouldn't fully believe him.

One must know that Thousand Beast Villa could kill a level nine lifeform and was very famous. Maybe they would be ranked first in the following Five Ring Money rankings.

This was also their home ground. Would someone dare to hurt them and even try to wipe them out?

Ye Zhongming's memories were cloudy. If he thought about it rationally, he wouldn't believe such a thing would happen.

Now, Guancheng Chun was looking expectantly at Li Daqian. The other Chinese and foreigners also looked. Would the boss of Thousand Beast Villa lend the equipment?

Ye Zhongming hesitated, but Li Daqian made up his mind.

Two pieces of equipment appeared in his hands, which attracted everyone's attention.

The first was a colorful clay puppet. It was exquisite, and after he removed it, everyone could feel an ice-cold aura from it.

Second was a beautiful star. It was the size of a palm, but there were many beautiful pictures on it. When Ye Zhongming looked at it from his seat, those were pictures of beasts.

"You are my guest and also Chinese. I can't let others laugh at you. I will lend you these two pieces of equipment, but you better win the third battle."

Li Daqian was happy-go-lucky, but it didn't mean he was a fool. Although he agreed to lend the two, the clay person and the star didn't leave his hands.

"No, no, no." David said, "Things can't be settled like this. We should settle it one by one!"

"You lost the second one, so you must give me a gold piece of equipment. We will then have the third battle. If you win, you can choose to ask for the gold equipment back or choose Morning Dew! We have a spirit of contract. The stakes belong to their own battle and can't be mixed!"

Hearing David say that, Guancheng Chun's expression turned even uglier. He spent so much effort in convincing Li Daqian to lend him two pieces of equipment. As long as he won the third battle, all problems would be solved.

But David wanted to follow the rules to the letter. Wasn't he forcing Li Daqian to regret? Everyone knew that he wouldn't really give the gold equipment to Los Alamos lab. This thing was too precious, and Li Daqian probably only had two pieces.

Both sides were at a standstill due to this problem, and neither backed down.

At this point, Mr Wen suddenly said, "Why not since both sides can't agree, let's compromise."

Chapter 1388: Similar request

Everyone slowly quieted down and looked at Mr Wen standing up.

This person had some power in the country not only because of his age but because of his previous identity. He was a famous merchant and speaker with over a million social media fans. If you paid attention to relevant news, you would have some impression of him.

“I will represent the region. Your lab can send a person to sit with me on the other side. We will take charge of the two pieces of equipment when the third battle goes on, and we will give the equipment to whoever who wins.”

Hearing Mr Wen say that, many people felt that it made sense. But David still shook his head and said that it didn't follow the rules and still went against their previous agreement.

Mr Wen's face sank, “You better understand where you are. We aren't going against our word; we are just being more flexible. Why doesn't it work? This piece of equipment is borrowed and doesn't belong to Guancheng Chun!”

Seeing this elder get so furious, David hesitated. He turned to the person in charge of the Los Alamos lab. That old man frowned and thought about it for a moment before agreeing.

Mr Wen's expression got better. He looked at his good friend Li Daqian before passing him something from his space.

“I will place the Heaven Fixing Needle on your side. Pass me the two pieces, and I will return them once the third battle ends.”

Mr Wen's voice was soft, and only the people around could hear it. Moreover, he emphasized "returning them" which made Li Daqian relax. What was more surprising was that he handed over a 50 cm-long female finger-sized metal needle.

This needle looked unassuming, but it was very valuable. It was a purple piece of equipment!

It had officially gotten onto the country weapon rankings and improved each time. In the last version, it was 4th.

Although Mr Wen was Li Daqian's good friend, the latter wouldn't pass him two pieces of equipment. That stone statue wasn't much, but that star was very important to him. It was the controller of the strongest battle beast in Thousand Beast Villa. Five people in the villa had it. Each star was needed when controlling the strongest mutated lifeform; if not, they wouldn't be able to control it.

Apart from their strategy being good, this fellow helped a lot in their operation to kill the level nine mutated lifeform. It was Thousand Beast Villa's trump card.

But now, Mr Wen was not only his good friend, he was also doing everything to ensure this event would continue.

Mr Wen even used more precious purple equipment as collateral, which embarrassed Li Daqian and made him feel that he was not showing trust.

Thus, Li Daqian passed the two gold pieces to Mr Wen and told him that he trusted him and that there was no need for collateral. However, he continued to hold the Heaven Fixing Needle.

If Li Daqian had really pushed back the purple equipment while still handing his two gold pieces away, he wouldn't have been able to achieve his current achievements in the apocalypse.

Mr Wen didn't mind and just smiled. He walked to the other side of the field with two pieces of equipment. Los Alamos had sent a middle-aged man, who managed the two pieces of equipment along with Mr Wen.

Seeing that the problem was solved, everyone looked forward to the third battle. But when Ye Zhongming looked at the two pieces of gold equipment and Li Daqian's playing around with the needle, he was deep in thought.

Everyone knew they had to win the third battle. If they lost, they would lose everything they had gotten. To Guancheng Chun, this meant death and defeat.

He gathered all his people. They didn't modify the ape right away and discussed something.

On the other side, Los Alamos lab did something similar. Their words were very intense; it was as if they didn't have a unified opinion.

Others looked at them nervously and looked forward to the skills they would bring out.

After a while, both sides finished their discussion. They proposed something similar at the same time.

They wanted to have a small-scale team fight!

When Li Daqian heard that request, he squinted his eyes. He stared at their faces and wanted to see something. But apart from the determination on their faces, he only saw care.

“Sure, but the evolution level needs to be lower. Our Thousand Beast Villa doesn’t have that many level four lifeforms and we can only provide level three. If you agree, I will ask people to send them over. If not, then sorry, we can only continue to use the few level four apes.”

“Okay!”

Guancheng Chun and David agreed.

Li Daqian nodded, “How many do you need?”

David was first, “I need at least thirty!”

Guancheng Chun didn’t show weakness, “I don’t need so many, just twenty. I have confidence in this number that they will wipe out their thirty!”

Li Daqian didn’t say anything else and instructed people to get ready. He used this chance to contact and network with the other guests.

Thousand Beast Villa was very efficient. Quickly, 50 apes were shifted over. Some had scars that showed that Thousand Beast Villa was either trying to tame them or were experimenting on them.

Both sides took what they needed and began their tests based on the number needed.

Ye Zhongming decided to continue watching to see what would happen. Maybe he was overthinking.

At the same time, he was interested in the skills of both sides. He even regretted not bringing Liu Zhenghong here. If she were here, she would be eager to head down and battle them with Cloud Peak's gene lab.

If the two labs were only as strong as what they had shown, Ye Zhongming was certain they wouldn't be their match.

But his thoughts were interrupted by some shrieks. He looked toward Los Alamos lab and saw them knock all the apes out. They then started to pour some stimulating liquid onto their bodies!

Chapter 1389: Both with their ultimate moves

When these liquids were poured, the fur of the level three mutated apes corroded. The liquid landed on their skin, leaving a pungent, burning smell.

Many careful people closed their noses and feared the scent was poisonous.

David held a few buckets of liquid and waited on the side.

Since the mutated apes were unconscious, everything was calm. The only sizzling sound was when the liquid corroded the flesh and blood.

Parts of the ape's flesh corroded very quickly. Their bones were revealed, and the organs inside could be seen.

It was only because of their strong life force. If they were ordinary lifeforms, they would have already died.

David immediately used brushes to carefully rub the liquid in his bucket onto the bones of the black apes. At the same time, he observed their life signs and reported. If one ape were in a bad situation, the old man would inject some nutrient fluid to keep them alive.

When they wiped the 30 apes with the second liquid, that old man walked to these experimental bodies and took out a black crystal.

They had announced this to Thousand Beast Villa. It was a potion that could be crafted. They even took out a few others to prove this could be mass-produced.

The old man crushed the crystal, and some gas flew out. They scattered. As if they were being attracted by something, they split into 30 parts and into the bodies of the mutated apes.

The second liquid was the one that attracted them.

“Damn---”

“What is that?”

“They are growing so quickly? They aren’t regenerating!”

“Can you sense it? That darkness ability is comparable to Captain Xia Bai’s aura?”

“Xia Bai is only giving off this aura in her normal state; if she went full-on, her aura would be much stronger.”

“That is already decent. If she were really Captain Xia Bai, then she would be at least seven stars. These black apes are giving off a similar aura to her; that should be very amazing.”

“Let’s see what Thousand Beast Villa says.”

As everyone discussed, the mutated apes, who were only left with bones, stood up. Their bodies were covered in black armor, with holes inside where spikes protruded.

It looked as if these apes became strong lifeforms wrapped in armor.

“Weird. They are still level-three lifeforms, and the crystals on their forehead haven’t changed. But the feeling they give people... Very strong.”

Deacon Water was very sensitive to energy. She was probably the only person who confirmed that Xia Bai was eight stars. Although she looked very casual when she talked to Ye Zhongming, she was actually very shocked.

The various super faction leaders were working hard to reach eight-stars, and only some factions completed that mission. Organisations had few conflicts, and the entire country was stable mostly because of this.

Everyone was busy hunting, and that used a large portion of their strength. Even if some people reached eight stars, the factions suffered huge losses to do so.

Not every faction was like Cloud Peak that could hunt a level eight lifeform without any losses.

Organisations needed to kill a few dozen level-eight lifeforms when they were lucky. If they were unlucky, they might need a few hundred. A few hundred intense battles would definitely cause losses.

Of course, those who were unlucky were still gathering level-eight crystals.

Deacon Water was shocked that Cloud Peak had a second eight-star evolved. But in her heart, she felt that it was normal. After all, Ye Zhongming also had a few advanced battle beasts that could battle

against eight-star lifeforms. With some luck, it was understandable that he could create another eight-star evolved in a short time.

But what about these mutated apes? They used a liquid and another item to give off a very strong aura. That didn't make sense!

Deacon Water observed closely and knew that the aura the mutated apes gave off was very close to level six!

What kind of technique could allow something to go from level three to six? Wasn't this technique too overpowered? Cloud Peak's gene lab wasn't able to do that, right?

David completed their modification, so everyone looked toward Guancheng Chun's lab.

They also completed.

They didn't knock out the apes. They placed metal racks behind the apes, and there were bottles hanging, which they infused into the apes.

When the apes that were resisting intensely were injected with such potions, they became very well-behaved and stopped moving, which surprised everyone.

Guancheng Chun's lab members showed everyone a plaster.

It was similar to those in peacetime. Black and circular. They took out 20 pieces at once.

A hole was sliced in all twenty of their heads, and this plaster was placed on it. Guancheng Chun indicated they were ready and needed a short while for the potion injections to complete.

Everyone was stunned.

This third battle concerned two gold pieces of equipment. The equipment belonged to Thousand Beast villa. Was it good for Guancheng Chun to cheat people like this? Did they want to die here?

Even if they did well and lost, things would already be hard to explain. They were now just pasting plasters?

Everyone looked and saw that Li Daqian's face was very black.

"Zhongming, did you notice something?" Deacon Water didn't understand and looked at Ye Zhongming.

Ye Zhongming didn't turn. He looked at the head of the apes where the plaster was and found it familiar. After a few seconds, he realised that it was a similar spot to where the tumours of the tumour zombies grew.

Chapter 1390: Fireworks

Was it because Guancheng Chun had grasped the technique of controlling the zombies? Or was all this the predecessor?

Ye Zhongming continued to think, but he was not a scientist and could not judge the similarities between the techniques.

But he felt very uncomfortable. His sensitive nature also raised a lot of alarm bells.

He was not someone who would freak out because of the rustling of trees. He was just a very careful person. His hand moved, and he made very slight movements.

The eyes of Xia Bai and the others constricted when they saw that hand movement.

They didn't sense anything!

But they believed Ye Zhongming more than they did themselves.

"I request to begin!" David raised his hand to signal they were ready and could begin the third battle.

Li Daqian scoffed and looked at Guancheng Chun.

This dark lab chief was slightly awkward, but he still told Li Daqian to relax. His lab was also ready.

“Are you sure?”

Li Daqian knew that even if Guancheng Chun lost the third battle, he wouldn't agree to hand the two gold equipment over. His good friend might be looking over the two pieces, but they were friends, and the purple equipment was also in his hands.

But if he went against his word, it would be bad to his reputation. No matter what he did in the future, he would be affected by this.

If possible, he would rather win this battle and take his equipment back.

But what Guancheng Chun did didn't give him much confidence. This fellow was so sure he could win, but he only used that unassuming plaster?

He used his open reminder method to ask Guancheng Chun.

The four-legged chief nodded, “Sure.”

Li Daqian resisted the urge to curse and announced the start of the third battle.

David ordered his thirty experimental bodies forward. Their orderly steps and heavy armor made them look like a well-trained army.

Guancheng Chun lab's apes that had finished the potions moved forward, too. But their movement was messy. They also gave scoffs when they moved as if they were in huge pain.

Many people from the country felt embarrassed and covered their faces.

They could accept failure, but such a lack of effort made them angry.

They disrespected the elites of the country and cheated their feelings.

Ye Zhongming still sat there. He didn't look at the 30 Los Alamos apes and just looked at Guancheng Chun's side. He looked at their heads...

"Guancheng Chun lab's apes, their heads..."

"Damn, what is that!"

"Is something growing from them?"

“Is there a stench? It seems like it is coming from them.”

“Look, some plasters fell!”

“So disgusting!”

Very quickly, others noticed the twenty apes change. The places with the plaster suddenly protruded as if something was growing. Some plasters fell to the ground, and a giant tumor appeared. They were dark red with purple blood vessels. They were twitching with a rhythm. As they twitched, some green liquid would drip on the floor. The grass it touched withered, which showed that the liquid was poisonous.

Ye Zhongming stood up. He was sure the black apes were like the tumor zombies in his last life.

He was uncertain previously about the truth of the legends, but he was sure what the tumors were and where they grew from. He personally saw them, so his memory won't be wrong.

They were just too disgusting.

Ye Zhongming stood up emotionally because he understood the tumor zombies. After his battle squad received the mission, they used a period of time to study them. Ye Zhongming knew that the tumor zombies could be controlled to execute tactics; they were also very poisonous.

Ranged people were good, but he just needed to fire from afar. But even so, he wore a poison mask. He saw those warriors that entered the city through his scope and saw them die from pain.

Not to mention the low-level evolved, even the higher level evolved couldn't handle the poison. Ye Zhongming had seen a seven-star evolved dying in the poison.

If these black apes were really another tumor zombie, didn't this mean that this place would be covered in poison? People here would be implicated?

But Ye Zhongming wasn't sure. Did Guancheng Chun lose his head and not remind everyone, or was he doing this purposefully? If it was the latter...

"Chief Guan, there is a bad smell. Is it poisonous?"

Ye Zhongming was famous in the country. He stood up. Even if the battle was about to begin, he attracted attention.

Ye Zhongming suddenly asked Guancheng Chun.

Although they felt his expression change was too much, it was better to be careful in the apocalypse. Everyone also smelled something, so hearing Ye Zhongming say that, they looked toward Guancheng Chun.

“It is poisonous but don’t worry, it won’t affect evolved.”

Guancheng Chun was unhappy with Ye Zhongming’s sudden question. But due to his status, he still had to explain.

Hearing Guancheng Chun say that, Li Daqian and Deacon Water relaxed. They also smelled that smell, and it didn’t affect them. Now that the person who caused it said so, they didn’t really think much.

Ye Zhongming nodded calmly. He was satisfied with that reply. He then raised his hand and fired a firework.