

Chapter 7141

Upon becoming the master of Wu Han Palace, Brovnen renovated and reorganized its interior.

First, he ordered the demolition of a nearly 100-square-meter polar laboratory,

Clearing out all its contents and using it as his residence.

While called a residence, it was essentially a place for meditation and cultivation,

Sleep was no longer a necessity for someone of his level of cultivation.

Second, he merged the dormitories of the Japanese expedition team members.

Previously, some leaders had single rooms,

But now all were converted into four-person rooms.

The dormitories closest to his own were completely emptied,

Creating an additional layer of physical isolation between him and the others.

However, Brovnen did not remain immersed in this empty title and the illusion of being worshipped by dozens of people.

After the simple internal renovations,

He had Kikuchi Kohei find the largest and most detailed map of Antarctica and began planning future exploration directions on it,

Searching for the legendary Gate of Ascension.

He instructed Kikuchi Kohei to mark the area within a 50-kilometer radius of all Antarctic research stations on a map using a compass,

Based on human activity in Antarctica,

And then mark the area within a 100-kilometer radius of the South Pole as well.

Looking at the scattered circles on the map,

Brovnen focused his attention on the areas furthest from the circles,

Or areas where no circles appeared at all.

He reasoned that modern humans had been exploring Antarctica for many years,

And these research stations and the area around the South Pole had certainly been explored.

Even if there were any relics of cultivators, they would likely have been discovered long ago.

Therefore, he planned to ignore these areas and focus on those remote, almost unexplored places.

Initially, he considered going alone;

After all, as long as he was on land, this environment wouldn't be a problem for him.

However, he quickly realized a serious issue:

He would have difficulty orienting himself during the polar night in Antarctica.

Besides, with so many free laborers available, why not use them?

So, he used a red marker to circle several areas on the large map,

Then pointed to the nearest one and asked Kikuchi Kohei,

"How long would it take us to drive here?"

Kikuchi Kohei measured the distance on the map with a ruler and calculated it on a calculator, saying,

"Reporting to Master, it's about 300 kilometers from here,"

"But we have to go around some mountains,"

"So the total distance is about 400 kilometers."

"The snowmobiles will need two days to travel."

Brovnen said calmly, "400 kilometers?"

"You don't need two days to travel that far."

"Go and organize a team of ten people, with three vehicles."

"We'll set off in two hours and must arrive within 24 hours."

Kikuchi Kohei didn't hesitate at all and immediately said respectfully,

"Yes, Master, I will arrange it right away."

Two hours later, a team of ten people had already assembled in the courtyard of Wu Han Palace.

They prepared three tracked snowmobiles,

These were very large and could fit ten people in each.

Brovnen himself rode in one, with Kikuchi Kohei as the driver,

And the rest of the team split into the other two.

Three snowmobiles drove out of the camp and headed towards the mountains hundreds of kilometers away.

Brovnen's vehicle was in the middle of the convoy.

He didn't rush to meditate and cultivate,

But sat in the passenger seat, looking at the vast ice-covered continent around him,

And asked Kikuchi Kohei, "Kikuchi, how thick is the ice sheet in Antarctica?"

"Ice sheet?"

Kikuchi Kohei was taken aback and said, "You mean the ice cap, right?"

Brovnen waved his hand, "Same idea."

"I just want to know how thick this ice sheet is from the actual land."

Kikuchi Kohei thought for a moment and said,

"The vast majority of the flat land in Antarctica is formed entirely from frozen seawater."

"And the ice cap is on average over two thousand meters thick."

"Two thousand meters..."

Brovnén was somewhat shocked.

The ancients said that three feet of ice doesn't form in a day,

And three feet is only about one meter.

But the ice sheet here averages over two thousand meters thick.

If the legendary Gate of Ascension isn't on the ice cap,

But on the land beneath it, wouldn't it require venturing two thousand meters into the ice to find it?