

Eternal Heart 291

Chapter 291: Beast Tide Attack

"Er, we had an agreement beforehand. You better hurry and scavenge around; maybe you'll find quite a bit of resources. Seven for you, three for me, I will not go back on my word!"

Chen Yu said shamelessly.

Fu Beiling and the youth in black focused on Chen Yu for a while and then had no choice but to relent.

They indeed had an agreement beforehand, and Chen Yu had not violated it in any way.

Afterward, the three of them began to meticulously scavenge the sand bandit's lair.

Some time later, all the resources and treasures were sorted out, far fewer than they had imagined.

At this moment, it was deep into the night.

Chen Yu and people like Fu Beiling all temporarily stayed inside the sand bandit's lair to rest.

Far away from this place, deep beneath the Gobi desert, there was a mysterious ancient palace.

On the palace floor, a sea of fiery red, flames roared as if it were the hell of blazing fire.

In the center of the grand hall, an elder robed in dark red sat cross-legged amidst the inferno, completely unaffected by the flames.

In front of him, there was a whirling mass of red, searing fire, emitting a terrifying aura that made one's heart tremble.

Suddenly.

The mass of flames in front of him pulsed.

"Dead, this is already the second one!"

The red-robed elder seemed to sense something and furrowed his brows.

Based on related intelligence, the red-robed elder could guess that these two strongholds had both been destroyed by outsiders.

After all, around the periphery of the Red Earth World, there were only weak tribes that didn't have the strength to confront the Fire Demon Sand Bandits.

"These damned outsiders, meddling at such a critical moment... If that's the case, let's just initiate the plan!"

The red-robed elder suddenly stood up, a trace of madness flashing through his profound gaze.

He slowly spread his arms, releasing a strange fire elemental power that surged into the mass of red, scorching flames in front of him.

Gradually, the flames on the entire palace floor roiled ominously.

Boom boom boom!

Before long, the whole palace shook slightly with the roiling flames, as if some terrible force was trying to break out.

Hummm!

Centered around the ancient palace, the entire Gobi desert began to shake slowly.

Many volcanoes within the Gobi thundered, belching thick smoke skyward.

The demon beasts of the Gobi, as if sensing something, panicked and fled towards the distant greenery.

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Inside a rather luxurious room in the fort.

Whoosh whoosh!

The Fire Scale Beast's body emitted a searing bloodline aura, making the temperature in the room extremely high.

During the previous battle, the Fire Scale Beast had devoured a large quantity of fire cores, and though they were of low quality, the quantity was substantial.

At this moment, the Fire Scale Beast's cultivation had reached the Peak of Refining, just one step away from the Qi Transformation Realm.

Ao ao!

The Fire Scale Beast bellowed repeatedly, demanding fire cores from Chen Yu.

"I'll give you fire cores after you sign a spirit pet contract with me!"

Chen Yu suddenly said.

The Fire Scale Beast, with its exceptional intelligence, understood Chen Yu's intent. It backed away several steps, a look of wariness and anger on its face.

Once it signed a spirit pet contract, its life and death would be controlled by another, and it would have to obey any command from Chen Yu.

With a trace of Fire Qilin blood flowing in its veins, why would it willingly let a mere human control its life and death?

However, it both hated and feared Chen Yu.

"If you're unwilling, then I'll just kill you. I can easily train another spirit pet with the fire cores in my hands!"

Chen Yu's expression was icy cold, and his presence intimidating.

The evil qi in his eyes vaguely formed two Sha Qi Swords, pressing against the Fire Scale Beast's mind and increasing its fear.

Whoo-sh!

Unable to help itself, the Fire Scale Beast summoned its bloodline power, its presence rising, with red fiery light swirling around its body, majestic and commanding.

"Bloodline?"

Chen Yu couldn't help but smile.

Whoo-sh!

Bloodline power also radiated from Chen Yu's body, a layer of blood-red scale patterns gradually appearing on his body. He looked regal and commanding, his potent bloodline power pressing down.

Under the array of methods employed by Chen Yu, the Fire Scale Beast ultimately submitted.

In truth, the quality of Chen Yu's dragon scale bloodline might not be superior to the bloodline within the Fire Scale Beast, but what Chen Yu had drawn was the Blood Dragon Beast Bloodline of Guiyuan Realm Level; the Fire Scale Beast's current cultivation was simply too low.

Buzz buzz!

Chen Yu and the Fire Scale Beast's blood formed a complex blood pattern in the void.

The blood pattern fluctuated, gradually fading and merging into the bodies of Chen Yu and the Fire Scale Beast.

Suddenly, Chen Yu felt a new connection between himself and the Fire Scale Beast. Through this connection, he could greatly influence the Fire Scale Beast, even directly kill it.

"Finally done!"

Chen Yu breathed a sigh of relief.

Had it been a fully grown ancient beast, it would've been nearly impossible to sign a spirit pet contract with it. Those proud ancient beasts would rather die than have their life and death controlled by someone else.

After signing the contract, Chen Yu took out a Postnatal Stage fire core and fed it to the Fire Scale Beast.

Gulp gulp!

Sounds of flames swirling came from inside the Fire Scale Beast; its body grew a bit brighter, seemingly inflating slightly.

Not long after, the Fire Scale Beast digested the power of the fire core, its aura instantly grew, reaching the Qi Transformation Realm level.

Yet, that wasn't the end. Changes were still occurring on the body of the Fire Scale Beast.

For example, the hair on its head and tail ignited with red flames; patterns of flame emerged on its scales; its limbs grew even thicker...

Meanwhile, Chen Yu took out the Demon Bone Stone and fed it to the Iron Moon Strange Insect.

Though the benefits it gained from the battle with the Fire Beasts were not as great as those of the Fire Scale Beast, it still reaped significant advantages.

It had reached the Postnatal Peak and, following this battle, broke through to the Innate stage.

Hiss hiss!

The Iron Moon Strange Insect quickly bored a hole into the Demon Bone Stone, burrowing into it, devouring the essence within.

Right at that moment.

Thud, thud! Thud, thud!

Chen Yu's heart began to beat violently without any warning, giving him a sense of an impending crisis.

"Is there some danger approaching?"

Chen Yu immediately stepped out of the house.

He completely trusted the warning from his heart.

The ground trembled slightly.

Boom!

In the distance, within the pitch-black night sky, a burst of firelight suddenly erupted.

"A volcanic eruption?"

This place was some distance from the volcano; even if it erupted, it wouldn't affect Chen Yu.

But the warning from his heart had not dissipated, and Chen Yu's sense of crisis grew stronger. He suddenly felt that there seemed to be an extremely powerful energy beneath the ground.

"What's going on?"

Fu Beiling and the young man in black also came out of the house.

"What's that?"

The eyes of all three were drawn to the distant volcano.

Below the volcano, they saw one fire beast after another emerge, massive in size, and sprinting towards them.

Those with keener senses could clearly see that these fire beasts were bursting out of the volcano alongside the eruption.

In the dark night, there was a small sea of flames, glaringly bright, painting everything it passed a fiery red.

"A pack of fire beasts!"

The three looked slightly startled.

Unexpectedly, in addition to the sand bandits' den harboring fire beasts, the volcano behind also concealed fire beasts.

"Could it be that the true habitat of the fire beasts is the volcano!"

Chen Yu suddenly thought of something.

The Black Iron Tribe, natives of this area, were unclear about the hiding places of the fire beasts and only knew that the fire beasts were somewhat more numerous near the volcanoes outside the Gobi.

It was indeed very difficult to detect the fire beasts living inside a volcano.

Moreover, the Black Iron Clan Chief had said that fire beasts rarely appeared and had only started to show up more frequently recently.

But now, why were all these fire beasts rushing out of the volcano?

"We need to get out of here fast, these fire beasts are much stronger than the ones we faced before!"

The young man in black was somewhat panicked.

The fire beasts coming out of the volcano were not numerous, even less so than the pack the three had faced before. But they were generally larger, with at least all of them having reached the Postnatal Stage, a level stronger than the previous pack they encountered.

Moreover, within that pack of fire beasts, some had an exceptionally strong presence, having reached the Innate stage, equivalent to the kings of the entire pack of beasts.

With this, the danger level of the entire pack had increased again.

Facing such a pack of fire beasts, not to mention the young man in black, neither Fu Beiling nor Chen Yu had any intention to fight.

"Let's go!"

The three immediately made a decision.

Chen Yu retracted the Iron Moon Strange Insect and the Fire Scale Beast, then started to hurry on his way.

Just then, he saw more crimson flames spewing out in another direction.

Without a doubt, that was another volcanic eruption, accompanied by an outpour of fire beasts.

"What is happening?"

The young man in black felt a chill on his scalp.

Simultaneous volcanic eruptions and a large number of fire beasts emerging—everything was too abnormal.

Thump! Thump! Thump!

Without giving it another thought, the three of them hurried on their way.

On the way, Fu Beiling and the young man in black didn't say much before parting ways with Chen Yu.

After all, there wasn't much friendship between them, and Chen Yu had also tricked them once.

The sand bandits' den was a considerable distance from the tribal area, and when Chen Yu had come over, even riding a fiery horse had taken half a day.

Thinking of this, Chen Yu took out the Fire Scale Beast from his storage bag.

As the Fire Scale Beast's strength had increased, so had its size; now, it could just manage to carry one person.

Sitting on top, Chen Yu urged the Fire Scale Beast to make haste.

Having advanced to the Qi Transformation Realm, the Fire Scale Beast was quite fast.

Along the way, Chen Yu found many demon beasts also fleeing.

The Fire Scale Beast exuded a powerful pressure unique to ancient beasts, causing these demon animals to avoid it from afar, not daring to offend it.

In less than half a day, Chen Yu returned to Green Forest.

As Chen Yu had predicted.

At this moment, warfare had erupted between the tribes and the demon beasts.

"What's with these demon beasts? They are attacking our tribe like they've gone mad today!"

"Hold the line, we absolutely cannot let them invade our tribe!"

Along the way, Chen Yu saw many smaller tribes already at war with the demon beasts.

The Black Iron Tribe was located deeper in and had not yet encountered this situation.

"Sir, you've returned!"

The Black Iron Clan Chief personally greeted Chen Yu.

"What is this?"

The Black Iron Clan Chief looked towards the Fire Scale Beast beside Chen Yu, and feeling that strong bloodline pressure, showed a look of surprise.

The rest of the tribe members also turned their gaze to the Fire Scale Beast, with most of them being Fire Dao Practitioners, they could sense the powerful fire-oriented bloodline within the Fire Scale Beast.

"This is an Ancient Beast Spirit Pet I snatched from the Fire Demon Sand Bandits!"

Chen Yu told a lie.

Ordinary people would not have the chance to acquire such a Spirit Pet. If Chen Yu did not explain the origin of the Fire Scale Beast properly, his identity might be called into question.

Therefore, Chen Yu attributed the origin of the Fire Scale Beast to the Fire Demon Sand Bandits.

After all, the power and terror of the Fire Demon Sand Bandits had deeply penetrated the hearts of these tribal folks.

"Things are a bit turbulent right now, Brave Chen, please go inside and rest!"

The Black Iron Clan Leader immediately invited Chen Yu inside.

He had already received numerous calls for help from other tribes.

This beast tide was more severe than any before, and it probably wouldn't be long before the Black Iron Tribe would also face an assault by the beast tide.

Thus, he hoped to retain Chen Yu.

Chapter 292: High Mountain Tribe

The Black Iron Tribe was originally a big tribe nearby, and with Chen Yu stationed there, even if a beast tide attacked, it would essentially be no trouble at all.

So the Black Iron Clan Leader wanted to retain Chen Yu.

"Wait!" Chen Yu didn't move.

"Does Brave Chen have any other needs?"

The Black Iron Clan Leader anxiously asked.

In his view, Chen Yu might be leaving, but he was willing to pay a certain price to keep Chen Yu here.

"The beast tide is coming now, and it won't be long before the Fire Beasts will also swarm over. The Black Iron Tribe should prepare early!"

Chen Yu informed him of all this.

"What?"

The Clan Leader's face showed shock.

A normal beast tide was alright, but if it was a tide of Fire Beasts, that would be terrible. Just thinking about it made the Clan Leader shudder.

"Brave Chen, you rest for now, and feel free to make any requests!"

The Black Iron Clan Leader solemnly said.

If there truly was a tide of Fire Beasts, even the Black Iron Tribe would have no power to resist and would be easily overrun.

Even if they were to relocate now, it would probably be too late.

Thus, Chen Yu became his only hope.

"Yes, I do indeed need some things!"

Chen Yu was straightforward.

He was alone and didn't need to worry. Even if a horde of Fire Beasts came, he could escape, so staying temporarily in the Black Iron Tribe was not a problem.

Later, Chen Yu requested Fire Spirit Ore and Fire Spirit Crystal Ore, along with high-quality Fire Spirit Ginseng.

"My Black Iron Tribe occupies a Small Fire Spirit Mine. Fire Spirit Ore is manageable, but higher-grade Fire Spirit Crystal Ore is only found in those large Fire Spirit Mines

The Clan Leader said with a slight apology.

Chen Yu didn't concern himself much, as Fire Spirit Ore and Fire Spirit Crystal Ore were just items required for a mission.

Extracting twenty pounds of high-quality Fire Spirit Ore counted as completing the basic mission, but obtaining a piece of Fire Spirit Crystal Ore would double the mission rewards.

Back at his dwelling, not long after, the Black Iron Clan Leader sent people with Fire Spirit Ore and Fire Spirit Ginseng.

The amount of Fire Spirit Ore exceeded the mission requirements.

There were six stalks of Fire Spirit Ginseng, four of them three hundred years old and two four hundred years old.

Chen Yu concocted some Ice and Fire Body Tempering Liquid and began refining his Copper Statue Gang Body after taking it.

The earlier skirmish with the Fire Beast horde had tempered Chen Yu's Copper Statue Gang Body to some extent, and now after taking the concoction, he found the refining effect to be very good.

After absorbing the medicine's effects completely, his Copper Statue Gang Body had significantly advanced.

He then began cultivating the "Yuan Sha Divine Skill."

Compared to the cultivation chambers of the No Demon Academy, the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in the Red Earth World was exceedingly barren, making cultivation progress extremely slow.

This was also why the top experts in the Red Earth World had low cultivation levels.

"This place is good for body refinement, but cultivating techniques is very slow!"

Given that, in the Red Earth World, Chen Yu decided to focus on Body Refinement, leaving the cultivation of techniques for when he returned to the No Demon Academy to enhance his cultivation.

However, Chen Yu had not cultivated for long before he was interrupted.

"Brave Chen, the Clan Leader requests your help to resolve the beast tide crisis!"

A tribe member's voice came.

"Okay!"

Chen Yu was slightly surprised; the beast tide had arrived so soon, and the Black Iron Tribe seemed unable to resist.

Having accepted their hospitality, Chen Yu naturally agreed to exert some effort.

Stepping outside his dwelling, he immediately heard the roaring and clashing sounds from outside.

He saw a massive horde of beasts crazily attacking outside the Black Iron Tribe.

"Brave Chen, you finally came!"

Seeing Chen Yu, the Clan Leader immediately showed a look of relief.

He had underestimated this beast tide, which, in the past hundred years, was arguably the strongest.

Nearby small tribes had already been overrun and moved into the Black Iron Tribe.

Otherwise, with the strength of the Black Iron Tribe, it would also have had difficulty resisting the onslaught of the beast tide.

"Is this person the honored guest of the Black Iron Tribe?"

"He's only in the Postnatal Late Stage; has the Black Iron elder gone senile?"

The warriors from other tribes, upon seeing Chen Yu, all revealed a skeptical look, then shook their heads, disappointed.

If the Black Iron Tribe fell, they could only flee for their lives under the onslaught of the beast tide, heading to stronger tribes and requesting refuge.

Whoosh!

Chen Yu quickly dashed forward to a stone wall in front of him.

"What's he trying to do?"

"Does he plan on going up alone?"

People from other tribes could not help but scoff.

At first, they all thought the honored guest of the Black Iron Tribe was a powerful warrior who would command their armies and lead them against the demon beasts.

This young man clearly didn't seem to understand these aspects, so what was he planning to do?

Buzz! Whoosh whoosh!

He slightly squatted down, archaic copper patterns emerging on his body surface, took a long breath in, his abdomen swelling like a small water jug, wind swirling around him.

The people behind him gradually returned to normal faces, as they all felt that a very powerful force was brewing in Chen Yu.

Thump thump! Thump thump!

Chen Yu's heart concentrated power, unleashing his body's potential, and his explosive strength increased multiple times.

"Scram!"

Suddenly, Chen Yu roared.

A thunderous roar that shook the mountains reverberated through the wilderness, like an ancient gigantic beast's fierce roar.

Visibly, a gray and distorted wave of sound swept forward, its range gradually widening.

"This is

Behind Chen Yu, a group of people felt a slight stinging pain in their organs and eardrums.

Those with lower cultivation levels even cried out in pain, collapsing to the ground.

Of course, this was because they were behind Chen Yu.

Directly in front...

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Countless demon beasts, swept by a layer of twisted, dim light waves, were flung into the air and exploded, blooming like blood-red flowers.

Chen Yu's full-powered "Copper Lion Roar" was too much for even Innate stage experts to bear, let alone these lower-cultivation demon beasts.

However, this "Copper Lion Roar" had a broad range and its power was somewhat diffuse.

Even so, it was enough to handle the situation at present.

Everywhere he looked,

Beasts exploded, those on the sides and rear suffering lesser injuries, most of the beasts bleeding from ears and nose, their minds somewhat dazed.

After the roar faded, the air was filled with a layer of blood mist, reeking of blood.

"This

Behind him, people from many tribes, witnessing this, were terrified!

Merely a roar had such power, it was like facing a monster.

"What are you waiting for, attack now!"

Chen Yu yelled, jolting the people awake.

With one "Copper Lion Roar," he had only killed some of the demon beasts, most had only been hit by the aftereffects.

"Yes, attack now!"

"Kill, don't miss this opportunity!"

Everyone rallied, throwing stones or shooting arrows.

Then, groups of soldiers charged out, clashing with the horde of demon beasts.

The tide of battle swiftly turned.

Within the tribe, everyone's gaze towards Chen Yu changed once again, no one underestimated him.

"Brave Chen, you just killed so many demon beasts, we will tally everything shortly and offer you the demon cores!"

The Black Iron Clan Chief said respectfully.

Chen Yu had displayed mighty fighting power, and they needed to offer significant rewards to keep such a powerful figure with them.

"Exchange the demon cores for precious materials for me!"

Chen Yu said.

Gradually, the Black Iron Tribe took the upper hand and pushed back the demon beast horde.

Everyone cheered joyfully.

Only Chen Yu remained calm, while the Black Iron Clan Leader looked somewhat grim.

At the moment, only the two of them knew that the Fire Beast horde was approaching.

Just then.

Swoosh, swoosh, swoosh~

A troop of men, tall and strong with eyes gleaming, hurried from behind, thirty in total, including two at the Innate Middle Stage, three at the Early Innate stage, and the rest all at the Postnatal Late Stage.

"These are... people from the High Mountain Tribe."

The people of the Black Iron Tribe recognized the origins of this troop of men.

The High Mountain Tribe, the number one tribe of the Red Earth World, numerous other tribes both large and small relied on the High Mountain Tribe for survival.

"What's going on? Why have the High Mountain Tribe come?"

Everyone was quite puzzled; they normally couldn't make contact with the powerful figures of the High Mountain Tribe.

Even if a stampede happened, the High Mountain Tribe wouldn't normally come to aid proactively.

Even the Black Iron Clan Chief was bewildered, he had indeed sent out a distress call, but only to the larger tribes above them, not to the High Mountain Tribe.

"Eh? You actually managed to hold off the demon beast horde."

A middle-aged man in black armor surveyed the scene outside the Black Iron Tribe, his expression slightly surprised.

"The Fire Beast horde is coming, and from now on, all of you are under my command!"

The armored middle-aged man declared from atop the earth wall, overlooking the people with a loud and authoritative voice.

"What? Fire Beasts?"

A stir went through the crowd.

The terror of Fire Beasts was deep-seated in their hearts, it was unimaginable what a Fire Beast tide would look like.

However, with the High Mountain Tribe sending people to the front lines to fight, they might be able to fend off the Fire Beast tide.

"That's great, the High Mountain Tribe has sent help against the Fire Beast horde!"

The Black Iron Clan Chief instantly breathed a sigh of relief.

"It seems the High Mountain Tribe is stronger than I imagined!"

Chen Yu speculated.

He had rushed back from the outside just in time for the Fire Beast outbreak, but the High Mountain Tribe, being in the center of green lands, had also perceived this.

Then, under the command of the armored middle-aged man, the entire defensive measures were rearranged.

To avoid revealing his identity, Chen Yu also followed along.

Those not skilled in combat, like women and children, began organizing and moving towards the rear.

Before long, a fiery red shadow appeared in the distance.

Boom, boom!

The ground trembled, and a scorching hot breath rushed towards them.

Watching the sea of fire in the distance, everyone's mind was startled; had it not been for the High Mountain Tribe's assistance, they would have already fled in desperation.

The arrival of the Fire Beast horde made the demon beasts even more frenzied, as they weren't from the same faction.

When the Fire Beast horde reached a certain distance.

"Catapults, crossbow beds, attack!"

The armored middle-aged man bellowed, his voice echoing between heaven and earth, calming the spirits.

Suddenly, a group of strong men pulled together the crossbow bed, launching several giant crossbows at once.

On the other side, catapults were triggered, hurling large stones flying into the distance.

Atop the dirt wall,

"So many Fire Beasts!"

Chen Yu's eyes gleamed.

He had nearly exhausted his Primordial Stones and No Demon Points, and had come to the Red Earth World to gather resources.

The value of a Fire Core was many times higher than that of a demon core of the same level; collecting more would ease his concerns about Primordial Stones when he returned to the academy.

Moreover, the enhancement of the Fire Scale Beast's strength also required a large amount of Fire Cores.

Swoosh, swoosh!

In the sky, flying Fire Beasts arrived first.

Chen Yu smiled slightly, picking up a large javelin beside him, weighing it in his hand.

This type of javelin, used for tackling large ferocious beasts, required several men to operate.

For him, the weight was manageable.

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The Fire Birds were naturally fast, and the vast sky granted them even more freedom, allowing them to approach the Black Iron Tribe first.

Just then, five or six enormous Fire Birds, carrying a wave of heat, swooped in.

Among them, a wholly crimson Iron Eagle, with the aura of an Innate being, swooshed its massive steel claws, leaving several streaks of red flame.

Sss-pfft!

The red flame marks fell, tearing three or four warriors to shreds.

"Attack now," shouted a middle-aged man clad in black armor.

The Fire Birds in the sky proved more troublesome than the terrestrial Fire Beasts, as those in the Qi Transformation Realm couldn't fly, making it hard to hit the Fire Birds.

Whiz-whiz-whiz!

Numerous archers drew their longbows, firing a volley of fiery red arrows.

But the Fire Birds circled in the sky, creating a strong scorching windstorm, which greatly interfered with the arrows and drastically reduced their hit rate.

And arrows of lesser might, if not striking the weaknesses of these Fire Birds, were unlikely to inflict any damage.

"Die!"

Chang Mu of the Black Iron Tribe drew a large bow to its full extent and released a massive arrow.

This was a specially crafted arrow with immense penetrating power, unaffected by the wind, but beyond the capability of most to shoot.

That arrow pierced through the layers of fiery waves, nearly obliterating one of the Fire Birds.

Ding-dang!

A flash of vicious light in the Iron Eagle Fire Bird's eyes, it darted forward, shattering the massive arrow with a swift sweep of its iron claw.

The eagle squawked triumphantly after its success.

But just then.

Whoosh!

A dull rushing of air approached swiftly, carrying with it a lethal chill.

The Iron Eagle Fire Bird's feathers bristled, sensing impending doom.

It flapped its wings rapidly, trying to make a swift escape.

But it was too late. The javelin's force and speed were terrifying.

Boom!

A thick javelin slammed into the Iron Eagle Fire Bird's body, impaling it through and through.

"Nicely done!"

"Who threw that?"

Many nearby exclaimed in shock.

Their target had been the other Postnatal Stage Fire Birds, but unbeknownst to them, someone had killed an Innate Stage bird with a javelin, a truly exhilarating feat.

As they watched the blackened corpse of the Iron Eagle Fire Bird fall.

Swoosh!

Chen Yu leaped into the air, smashing the body of the eagle with a punch and extracting its fire core.

He had his sights set on this Fire Bird from the start, refraining from action at first to adjust his angle.

His goal was to ensure that after taking down this Fire Bird, he could obtain its fire core.

If the javelin's force carried the Iron Eagle's body into the Fire Beast horde, then obtaining its fire core would be much more challenging for Chen Yu.

"It's him!"

Many exclaimed in surprise.

The scene of Chen Yu roaring and wiping out numerous Demon Beasts was still fresh in their minds.

And now, Chen Yu had astonished the crowd once again by taking down an Innate Stage Fire Bird with a single javelin.

"Huh, the kid's got some skill!"

The middle-aged man in black armor glanced at Chen Yu, displaying a look of approval.

"But this kid's too rash, isn't he?"

Another onlooker chuckled, shaking his head.

Peew—

The other Fire Birds circling in the sky saw Chen Yu leap up and immediately screeched, attacking Chen Yu en masse.

"Not good!"

Many gasped at the sight.

To be surrounded by Fire Birds in the sky meant certain death.

"Heh, blissfully unaware," Chen Yu chuckled lightly, activating his Copper Statue Gang Body, his body surface suddenly revealing a layer of radiant secret patterns and generating an invisible field of Gang force.

Whiz!

The sharp beak of a Fire Bird lunged at Chen Yu, as if to impale him.

Boom!

Unexpectedly, at the moment it struck Chen Yu, the Fire Bird's body violently exploded, reduced to a burst of shattered flame.

"What happened?"

One person cried out in disbelief.

"His body is enveloped by a powerful Gang force field, which reflects the enemy's attack back at them. The Fire Bird just now had a lower cultivation and weaker defenses, dying to the rebound!"

The middle-aged man in black armor watched Chen Yu with penetrating eyes.

Meanwhile, the rest of the Fire Birds' attacks also fell on Chen Yu.

Those with weaker cultivation, just like the previous Fire Bird, were directly killed by the rebound force.

Even those with stronger defenses or higher cultivation suffered greatly. Iron claws and beaks, as if striking an impregnable wall of copper and iron, vibrated violently, unable to penetrate at all.

Thud!

Chen Yu landed safely, his hands now holding several more fire cores.

Many looked on at Chen Yu with envy and jealousy.

Rumble!

Just then, the ground-dwelling Fire Beasts surged forward.

Compared to the Fire Birds, there were more terrestrial Fire Beasts, and among them, more reached the Innate realm.

"Kill!"

Around the Black Iron Tribe, numerous squads charged into battle.

The three Innate Strong People of the High Mountain Tribe, along with some of the Innate stage Clan Leaders, went on to tackle the Innate level Fire Beasts.

"Go!"

Chen Yu released the Fire Scale Beast from his storage bag.

Although the fire cores could directly enhance one's cultivation level without apparent side effects, Chen Yu wasn't in a rush to increase the Fire Scale Beast's cultivation. He hoped that by experiencing numerous battles, the Fire Scale Beast would improve its strength and hone its combat skills.

"Is that... the ancient creature, the Fire Scale Beast!"

Several people from the High Mountain Tribe suddenly looked sideways, their eyes flashing with sharpness.

In the Red Earth World, ancient beasts were already scarce, and those who could tame one into a Spirit Pet were even fewer. Among these beasts, the Fire Scale Beast was a top existence.

Whoosh!

A heavy black shadow flashed by, stirring up astonishing black winds that pierced through a Fire Bird.

Every time Chen Yu struck, he basically killed a bird, which would fall within the tribe, allowing Chen Yu to easily obtain its fire core.

Gradually, the Fire Birds in the sky became more cautious and dared not launch attacks recklessly.

This reassured the people of the tribe.

If they had to face the Fire Beasts on the ground and watch out for the Fire Birds in the sky, it was too easy to get distracted. In battle, any small detail could be decisive, not to mention being distracted.

Unburdened by rear concerns, the people fought even more fiercely and managed to hold off the Fire Beasts for a time.

However, these Fire Beasts seemed tireless, attacking day and night.

Humans did not have such stamina, nor could their vital energy support them for so long.

Therefore, the entire tribe had to rotate shifts.

This weakened the people's combat strength greatly and put them in a passive situation.

Nighttime.

Inside a house, Chen Yu rested for a while and then began to cultivate.

"It won't be long before this place is breached."

Chen Yu's expression was calm.

He stayed here for two reasons: first, to collect resources, and second, to understand "Yuan Sha Divine Skill" and "Shocking Evil Sword Technique" through a considerable amount of fighting.

Even if this place fell in the end, he could retreat safely.

"In the end, I can only follow the people of the High Mountain Tribe to the High Mountain Tribe!"

Chen Yu thought to himself.

He felt the High Mountain Tribe might know something; otherwise, they wouldn't have known about the Fire Beast tide and sent support ahead of time.

Moreover, as the number one power in the Red Earth World, the High Mountain Tribe was probably the safest place.

Chen Yu took out Fire Spirit Ginseng, Ice Snow Lotus, and Moon Spirit Ore, and began to prepare the Ice and Fire Body Tempering Liquid.

After consuming it, Chen Yu started his Body Refining.

Furthermore, he even summoned a strand of Blood Crystal Flame to temper his body externally.

When the effects of the medicine were fully absorbed, Chen Yu ended his Body Refinement.

But the Blood Crystal Flame in his hand had not yet completely disappeared.

With his other hand, Chen Yu took out a fire core from his storage bag.

Buzzing!

Then, Chen Yu brought his two hands slowly together, a wisp of blood-red glaze flame creeping up, enveloping the fire core.

Using the fire core as nourishment for the Blood Crystal Flame was an idea the Flame Spirit had mentioned back at the sand bandits' den.

Now, Chen Yu began to practice it.

"Master, this fire core has a certain effect on the Blood Crystal Flame!"

The milky voice of the Flame Spirit came.

As an Innate Spiritual Flame, the Blood Crystal Flame was extremely powerful, and not just anything could serve as its nourishment, which showed the exceptional nature of the fire core.

Of course, only high-quality fire cores had a slight effect; ordinary ones were not very noticeable.

After refining the Innate fire core completely, Chen Yu stopped.

At present, the potency of the Blood Crystal Flame was just right for him; if it were stronger, it would be hard to control.

Chen Yu cultivated for a day and then joined the battle the next day.

He killed off the last few flying creatures.

Afterward, he joined the battlefield against the Fire Beasts.

With the Xuan Heavy Sword drawn, Chen Yu charged into the Fire Beast horde, practicing the Shocking Evil Sword Technique.

Boom!

A black evil wind howled as an astonishing evil qi sword fell from the sky, shredding five or six Fire Beasts.

The surprising evil qi, like a black mist, enveloped Chen Yu, an invisible deterrence.

"What an astonishing evil qi!"

Many people looked at Chen Yu, showing fear.

Even the Innate Strong People of the High Mountain Tribe sank in spirit.

Before, they had almost all coveted Chen Yu's Spirit Pet, but now that Chen Yu was truly fighting, they temporarily put aside this thought.

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The battle continued.

The Fire Beasts seemed endless, their numbers not noticeably diminishing, and increasingly more powerful ones appeared.

Half a month later, the Black Iron Tribe finally couldn't hold on any longer and was breached by the Fire Beast horde.

"Retreat!"

The black-armored middle-aged man immediately issued an order.

With the tribe breached, without defensive measures, it became even more disadvantageous for them.

Chen Yu mounted the Fire Scale Beast, running at the front of the large group. Through half a month of fighting, he had completely made a name for himself, his prestige on par with the captain of the High Mountain Tribe's squad.

After half a month of fighting, the Fire Scale Beast's cultivation approached the Postnatal Middle Stage, and it had grown larger in size, finally having the semblance of an ancient beast.

"Retreat to the High Mountain Tribe; once there, these Fire Beasts won't think of progressing any further!"

The black-armored middle-aged man shouted loudly.

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In the desert, within an ancient, mysterious temple, a dim dark-red glow flickered.

The ground, once raging with fire like hell, now only had faint flames burning.

With the flames dimmed, one could clearly see the smooth, mirror-like ground, etched with complex, precise patterns resembling array lines.

At the center of the great hall, a red-robed elder sat peacefully, a small flame burning before him.

"It won't be long before we can attack the High Mountain Tribe, and then you will be able to come out!"

The red-robed elder spoke with a respectful and devout face.

The small flame flickered, and a deep, hoarse voice came from within: "Hmm, once I am out, I will take you with me and leave the Red Earth World!"

Hearing this, the red-robed elder's face surged with excitement.

"I've used up too much power, I need to sleep for a while. Hopefully, when I wake up, you'll have good news for me!"

The flame flickered, and a voice sounded.

"You won't be disappointed!"

The red-robed elder said with a faint smile.

Then.

The flame before him disappeared, and all the lights in the palace vanished, returning to darkness and desolation.

Chapter 294 Secrets

Black Iron Tribe had fallen, and all personnel began to retreat.

Along the way, when passing by certain large tribes, they found that there were hardly any people left, almost evacuated.

"The attack of the Fire Beasts is all-encompassing, and the personnel from these large tribes have also been dispatched to various regions to participate in battle

The middle-aged man in black armor said.

Among them, only half of the team he led consisted of members from the High Mountain Tribe, with the rest being powerful figures from other large tribes.

Upon hearing this, everyone shuddered.

Many thought that only this area was facing the onslaught of the Fire Beast tide.

It turned out that the tribal region, in all directions, was facing the assault of the Fire Beast tide.

Moreover, the tribes in other directions not only faced the Fire Beast tide but also sand bandits who participated and included those who could command the Fire Beasts in these attacks.

The attacks these tribes faced were even more intense and the battle situations were brutal.

Some tribes didn't have the chance to evacuate their women and children in time before they fell, continually retreating, some of whom had already retreated to the High Mountain Tribe.

Black Iron Tribe was the place that had guarded for the longest time.

So, this all turned out to be Chen Yu's credit.

Had it not been for him and Fu Beiling and others who first annihilated the sand bandits' den, then killed the withered-faced old man, and finally slaughtered the Fire Beasts there, the Black Iron Tribe would have ended up like the other regional tribes.

"These Fire Beasts, there must be someone controlling them!"

"And also, the Fire Demon Sand Bandits are actually colluding with the Fire Beast horde

Many were deeply worried.

The Fire Demon Sand Bandits were originally incredibly formidable, although they had been crushed once by the tribes years ago, yet now, they had joined forces with the Fire Beasts, declaring war on all tribes.

In less than half a day, the people finally arrived at the High Mountain Tribe.

Surprisingly, the Fire Beasts stopped chasing them midway.

The High Mountain Tribe, like a nation situated atop a high slope, was majestic and awe-inspiring.

"Thirteen teams, return!"

The middle-aged man in black armor called out loudly.

"Open the city gate!"

In front of the city wall, the huge city gate gradually rose.

After entering the High Mountain Tribe, everyone's emotions inevitably relaxed.

After arranging accommodations for the group, the middle-aged man in black armor and others left.

Chen Yu roamed around, observing the first tribe of the Red Earth World.

This was no longer like a tribe, more fitting to be called a small nation; Chen Yu estimated that even if all other tribes combined, they could not compare to the High Mountain Tribe.

Walking into the trade market of the High Mountain Tribe, high-year Fire-related precious materials could be seen everywhere.

Due to the special period, the prices of these materials were high, but still much cheaper than in Kunyun Continent.

"Buying Fire Cores, Postnatal Late Stage Fire Cores, 100 jin of Fire Iron Stone!"

"Buying Postnatal Early Stage Fire Cores!"

Moreover, the hottest items were the Fire Cores, whose value was soaring.

After all, Fire Cores could directly enhance the strength of Fire Dao Practitioners, and in such a special period, increasing one's strength even slightly increased the chances of survival.

"Prices are this high?"

Chen Yu was slightly tempted.

However, he resisted the urge, believing that as the war started, the value of the Fire Cores would continue to rise.

After strolling around, Chen Yu returned to his residence.

"Brave Chen, the Clan Leader would like to see you!"

A man from the High Mountain Tribe had been waiting for quite some time.

"Oh?"

Chen Yu was somewhat surprised.

Being summoned by the High Mountain Tribe's Clan Leader was no small matter and called for caution.

Following the man's lead, Chen Yu went to the core area of the High Mountain Tribe.

"Come in!"

As Chen Yu approached the grand hall, a loud and aged voice came from inside, causing a slight stir in Chen Yu's heart.

Entering the grand hall, Chen Yu saw, seated at the top-most position, a white-haired old man dressed in a white robe, looking dignified and commanding, his eyes shining bright; he must clearly be the Clan Leader of the High Mountain Tribe.

"Guiyuan Realm!"

Chen Yu sensed the aura emanating from the person.

In addition to the High Mountain Clan Leader, there were quite a few others present, mostly in the Late Innate stage, and the least being in the Innate Middle Stage.

Among them, the young man in black armor who had helped the Black Iron Tribe resist the Fire Beasts was seated at the lowest position.

Unexpectedly, Chen Yu not only saw Fu Beiling but also some unexpected "acquaintances."

Next to Fu Beiling, there were a young man in white and a young man in a green robe, both of whom were Dou Nanhua and Jiangling Yuan from No Demon Academy.

Though surprised, Chen Yu soon understood.

These two must have learned that he came to the Red Earth World and followed him.

"Hehe!"

Jiangling Yuan and Dou Nanhua were both staring at Chen Yu, faces filled with smiles.

They were commanded by Luo Haotian to come to the Red Earth World, solely to kill Chen Yu.

Unfortunately, they hadn't encountered Chen Yu thus far.

They would have preferred that Chen Yu died in the attack of the Fire Beast tide, sparing them the trouble.

Seeing Chen Yu now, although it shattered their hopes, they were also very pleased.

Killing Chen Yu with their own hands was even better, not to mention Chen Yu had a fair amount of treasures on him.

On the other side, Fu Beiling looked at Chen Yu, showing an unnatural expression.

"Chen Yu, over here!"

The middle-aged man in black armor called out.

Chen Yu moved over and took a seat next to him.

"Clan Leader, this man is the one who contributed the most in resisting the Fire Beast tide!"

The middle-aged man in black armor respectfully said.

"Good, I did not expect that amidst such a disaster for our tribe, we also accomplished many valiant fellows. You folks, if you perform well in this war, once the war is over, you'll be able to directly join the internal ranks of the High Mountain Tribe!"

The High Mountain Clan Leader said with a smile, speaking earnestly.

"Directly join the internal ranks of the High Mountain Tribe?"

Many present were inwardly shocked.

For individuals from other tribes wanting to join the High Mountain Tribe, it was incredibly difficult, let alone becoming a member of the internal High Mountain Tribe.

"Thank you for the Clan Leader's generous love, we will certainly exert our utmost effort!"

Dou Nanhua said with a humble smile and gentle demeanor.

He was not interested in these matters at all; this gesture was merely to avoid detection of his true identity.

Next, the high-ranking leaders of the High Mountain Tribe discussed wartime strategies, such as the distribution of combat power.

Chen Yu was surprisingly assigned to Dou Nanhua's team.

Soon, the meeting ended.

"Chen Yu, why do you look so unhappy to see your senior?"

Dou Nanhua came over with a smile.

"Now that the Red Earth World is in chaos, we are all from the same academy. Helping each other is the only way to survive!"

Jiangling Yuan also said with a smile in a low voice.

Ignoring the two, Chen Yu returned to his residence.

"There is only one Ice Snow Lotus left!"

Chen Yu took out Ice Snow Lotus, Moon Spirit Ore, Fire Spirit Ginseng, and other rare materials to craft a batch of Ice and Fire Body Tempering Liquid.

After swallowing it, Chen Yu began his Body Refinement process.

Right after that, he summoned a trace of "Blood Crystal Flame" for Body Refining.

After some time, the effects of the potion were depleted.

Feeling his Copper Statue Gang Body, Chen Yu's eyes shone brightly, "My Copper Statue Gang Body has reached its peak. It won't be long before I can advance to the True Copper Statue."

Half a month passed.

Woooo~

Within the High Mountain Tribe, the howling sound like fierce beasts roaring erupted.

"Get moving, the battle has started!"

"Sand bandits and Fire Beasts are attacking!"

All the combatants in the tribe sprang into action.

Upon reaching the city walls, Chen Yu saw an uncountable number of Fire Beasts and sand bandits surrounding the entire High Mountain Tribe.

Fortunately, the High Mountain Tribe had a geographical advantage for defense.

"Chen Yu, this is where we will defend!"

Not far away, Dou Nanhua shouted.

At a glance, besides Dou Nanhua and Jiangling Yuan, the hooked-nosed man and the beautiful woman from the Dark Night Exchange Meeting were also present.

The battle was intense. However, for the elites from the No Demon Academy and others, it was relatively easy to handle.

Chen Yu did not hide his Fire Scale Beast either, setting it loose to assist in the fight.

By the end of the day, Dou Nanhua and the others hadn't found an opportunity to deal with Chen Yu.

After all, the main strategy was defense at this time; they couldn't overtly attack Chen Yu.

"This kid is really lucky; I heard he got a nearly ruined hatching egg at the Dark Night Exchange Meeting, and it hatched a Fire Scale Beast!"

Dou Nanhua stared enviously at Chen Yu's mount.

"Hmph, once he is dead, the Fire Scale Beast will be ours!"

Jiangling Yuan snorted softly.

Half a month quickly passed, and the High Mountain Tribe and the Fire Beast horde continuously fought, with countless deaths and injuries.

Among the Fire Beasts, many had swallowed a large number of fire cores, continuously evolving their power.

On the tribe's side, people rapidly enhanced their strength through the fire cores they obtained.

While defending the city, Chen Yu honed his Shocking Evil Sword Technique through combat, and during rest, he cultivated his Copper Statue Gang Body.

Having no Ice Snow Lotus left, Chen Yu could only create other potions for refinement. Though they were less effective, it was better than nothing.

One day, Chen Yu also found that crushing fire cores into the potion significantly enhanced its Body Refinement effects.

With this, Chen Yu was confident that he could cultivate the Copper Statue Technique to the True Copper Statue realm before leaving the Red Earth World.

The war grew more intense.

Boom!

In the distant horizon, dark red clouds churned, and a searing wave of fire surged towards the High Mountain Tribe.

"What's happening?"

Chen Yu, who was refining, was disturbed and stepped outside his house.

He barely caught sight of a red figure within the dark red clouds, exuding an awe-inspiring aura.

"The Guiyuan Realm!"

Chen Yu's expression tightened.

At the same moment, two figures flew out from the High Mountain Tribe, both in the Guiyuan Realm; one with pale red hair and the other was the High Mountain Clan Chief.

"Ha ha, brother, we meet again."

From afar, the red-robed elder laughed sinisterly, looking at the High Mountain Clan Chief.

"Gao Tianyun, you've colluded with the Fire Beasts!"

The clan chief's face was filled with anger.

"I've told you before, he was beyond saving. If you had been ruthless back then, this wouldn't have happened!"

The pale-haired elder said to the clan chief.

Previously, Gao Yunshan had colluded with the sand bandits to attack the High Mountain Tribe and failed.

In the end, the High Mountain Clan Chief had shown mercy and spared his life.

"This time, I will definitely kill him!"

The clan chief's gaze was deep as he stared at the red-robed elder.

High Mountain Tribe.

"What a sin!"

"Gao Yunshan was originally the clan chief's own brother, yet he chose a completely opposite path!"

The high-ranking members of the High Mountain Tribe sighed.

Chen Yu was also stunned; he hadn't expected that the leader of the Fire Demon Sand Bandits used to be from the High Mountain Tribe and was the clan chief's own brother.

What exactly caused the red-robed elder to take an opposing stand? To become an enemy of the High Mountain Tribe and his own brother?

"Since you are so stubborn, don't blame me then!"

The face of the red-robed elder turned stern as he looked at the High Mountain Clan Chief, a flicker of reluctance in his eyes.

Whoosh whoosh!

Beside him, the fire waves churned, and suddenly, a Fire Beast appeared.

This Fire Beast was huge, with a face like a lion-tiger, covered in golden mystical markings on its fiery red body, and its tail was a long red snake, flicking out its tongue.

It was only at the Late Innate stage, but the ancient beast's imposing presence it emitted was not inferior to the Guiyuan Realm's.

"An ancient beast, the Snake-tailed Lion!"

The High Mountain Clan Chief's eyes widened.

Roar!

The Snake-tailed Lion let out a thunderous roar, turning into a golden-red shadow, and pounced towards the pale-haired elder.

On the other side, the red-robed elder and the High Mountain Clan Chief attacked simultaneously, engaging in fierce battle.

In an instant.

An entire section of the sky was engulfed by the surging fire waves, with roaring sounds inside, shaking the heavens and earth.

Chapter 295 True Copper Statue

The battle at the Guiyuan Realm was about to break out.

From a great distance.

The flames from the battle zone sent shivers down the spine of the many people on the city walls.

Suddenly, dozens of fireballs flew out from the storm, heading towards the tribe and the tide of Fire Beasts.

"Quick, dodge!"

Chaos erupted on the city walls.

Where the fireballs landed, a fiery storm erupted, obliterating all living things.

This flame would kill any Postnatal Stage fighter upon touch, even those in the Innate Stage dared not get close.

The battle went on for a long time, causing severe losses to both the tribes and the Sand Bandits as well as the Fire Beasts.

Eventually, both sides in the Guiyuan Realm were wounded, and the battle came to a temporary end.

One month later.

The two sides in the Guiyuan Realm entered into battle again, this time the High Mountain Tribe launched a massive Array, driving back the red-robed elder.

From that moment, the Fire Demon Sand Bandits fell into a disadvantage.

The High Mountain Tribe transitioned from defenders to attackers.

The High Mountain Clan Chief and another power from the Guiyuan Realm personally pursued the red-robed elder.

Additionally, the tribe deployed large troops to slaughter the Fire Beasts and the sand bandits, intent on wiping them out completely.

In the Gobi, the wind and fire roared, blocking out the sun and sky.

"You've cornered yourself!"

The elder with gray hair said with a light chuckle.

"Gao Yunshan, this time I will personally take your life!"

The High Mountain Clan Chief maintained a righteous demeanor.

The red-robed elder glanced at them, and suddenly a smile crept across his ragged face: "Haha, do you really think you've won?"

Hearing this, the High Mountain Clan Chief and the elder with gray hair furrowed their brows, sensing a bad omen.

"You should know that beneath this world lies a massive seal, and the location of the High Mountain Tribe is right at the heart of that seal!"

The red-robed elder inquired.

"So what? You will never be able to breach the High Mountain Tribe, and now you don't even have the chance!"

The High Mountain Clan Chief spoke calmly.

What Gao Yunshan referred to was the greatest secret of the entire Red Earth World, known only to the Clan Leader and a few elders of the High Mountain Tribe.

"Haha, are there not others among the elders who share my visions?"

The red-robed elder laughed heartily.

"What?"

The High Mountain Clan Chief and the elder with gray hair were visibly shocked.

According to Gao Yunshan, there must be a traitor in the High Mountain Tribe.

At the moment, the tribe had almost fully mobilized to exterminate the Fire Beasts, the sand bandits, and Gao Yunshan.

Inside the tribe, only one elder remained, with very few soldiers.

And all of this seemed to be a part of Gao Yunshan's calculation; perhaps that elder was the turncoat.

"Stop them!"

Gao Yunshan shouted lowly, as he and the Snake-tailed Lion attacked at the same time.

Before, they had only feigned weakness to draw over the two great powers from the Guiyuan Realm of the High Mountain Tribe.

Now, he and the Snake-tailed Lion were going all out, confident they could hold off the two Guiyuan Realm powers completely.

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High Mountain Tribe.

"It's finally over!"

Chen Yu exclaimed.

The war had been ongoing for nearly three months, and it was finally coming to an end.

During this time, Chen Yu had elevated his "Shocking Evil Sword Technique" to the Great Success Realm through the battlefield struggles, and his "Copper Statue Technique" also reached its peak, just a step away from the highest level of the "True Copper Statue."

Furthermore, over the course of three months, the price of fire cores had soared extremely high.

Chen Yu took the opportunity to sell a batch of fire cores, acquiring many high-quality fire-related resources, and even traded for a piece of "Fire Spirit Crystal Ore."

"Tonight I'll break through to the 'True Copper Statue,' then prepare to leave this place."

Chen Yu made his plans.

At night, the High Mountain Tribe was unusually quiet.

Chen Yu took out two Innate-stage fire cores at once, ground them into powder, and mixed them into a potion.

Upon consuming the potion, Chen Yu felt as if a fire had been lit within him, infinite fierce flames burning his viscera, meridians, and bones.

At the same time, he deployed his “Blood Crystal Flame,” attaching it to the surface of his body, coordinating with the potion.

The last bit of medicinal effect from the Ascending Dragon Pill in his body was also stimulated.

Humming!

The ancient bronze patterns on Chen Yu’s body vibrated continuously, extending with new lines.

And the layer of qi on his body’s surface began to shrink, merging into the surface of his skin.

At this moment, Chen Yu was at the final stage of breaking through to the “True Copper Statue.”

His body swelled continuously, creating a sensation of tearing pain.

At a certain moment.

Chen Yu felt that his spiritual consciousness seemed even more closely connected to his body.

A layer of bronze light blossomed from his physique, accompanied by a spiritual pressure.

At that moment, Chen Yu appeared like a true copper statue, emanating a dignified and solemn presence.

Boom!

An astonishing physical power radiated from Chen Yu’s body, swelling violently, his body covered with even finer copper patterns, exuding an imposing aura from within, like a living Buddha statue.

"I've done it!"

Chen Yu opened his eyes, ancient yellow light flashing within them.

After achieving the True Copper Statue, Chen Yu's most direct feeling was that his spirit could connect with his body, mutually enhancing each other.

Previously, his spiritual power had already reached the Innate Middle Stage. If combined with the True Copper Statue, he could almost rise another level, approaching the Late Innate Stage.

"This is truly miraculous!"

Chen Yu was pleasantly surprised.

"I wonder to what extent my strength and defense have reached now!"

Chen Yu was slightly excited and felt the urge to try it out.

Just at this moment, a commotion came from outside.

"Second team, sixth team, twelfth team... assemble!"

Just coming outside, he saw a high-ranking member of the tribe shouting from a high spot.

"Fire Beasts are digging tunnels beneath the ground in an attempt to infiltrate the High Mountain Tribe. All the troops remaining in the High Mountain Tribe, come out and exterminate them!"

A purple-faced elder announced loudly.

This person was an elder of the High Mountain Tribe, at the Late Innate Stage.

After the Clan Leader and some elders broke out to fight, this elder held the highest position within the tribe.

"The beasts are actually underground? It seems that the Fire Demon Sand Bandits were preparing to ambush us, but unfortunately, they were discovered!"

"The power of the Fire Demon Sand Bandits has diminished. This time, the Clan Leader and his troops will surely annihilate them completely!"

Everyone discussed among themselves.

Finally, five teams were assembled and immediately set out.

The teams arrived at the mining entrance behind the tribe's mountains and entered.

Once underground, the people reached an exceptionally spacious mining cavern space.

They didn't proceed far.

Boom bang!

The wall in front of them suddenly burst open, and from within, fire beasts adept at tunneling charged out.

"Kill!"

The five teams immediately launched their attack.

"If there's a chance later, kill Chen Yu!"

Within the team, Dou Nanhua communicated with other members.

They had never caught the opportunity before, but perhaps this chaotic underground battle might present one.

Jiangling Yuan, the man with the hawk-nosed, and others nodded, keeping an eye on Chen Yu's movements.

However, just at that moment.

At the rear of the team, the purple-faced elder and several other elders suddenly launched a deadly attack on the tribal troops.

"Ah

Instantly, more than a dozen people screamed and lost their lives.

Additionally, another team also suddenly attacked the remaining four teams.

With fire beasts ahead and betrayal behind, everyone instantly found themselves surrounded.

Moreover, the traitors were an elder and several other elders, with profound cultivation and formidable strength.

The fire beasts on the other side were also extremely powerful.

"Elder, how could you

"Ah, why

Tribe member after tribe member died with their eyes wide open.

"What is going on?"

Dou Nanhua and the others were stunned, how could things have turned out this way?

Chen Yu's expression darkened slightly.

He faintly felt that the war had not truly ended.

"Hehe, we'll leave these people to you to deal with!"

From behind the group of fire beasts, several red-robed elders emerged.

They did not join the battle but instead hurried to every corner of this space, taking out many array crafting tools from their storage bags, evidently setting up an array.

"Boy, prepare to die."

A grey-robed elder launched a surprise attack on Chen Yu.

Chen Yu had gained a not-insignificant reputation in this battle, especially with a Spirit Pet like the Fire Scale Beast, making him a prime target.

Swoosh!

The grey-robed elder wielded a long sword, its blade surrounded by hot flames, forming layers of red sword shadows, and fiercely thrust it.

"Eat my fist!"

Chen Yu activated his True Copper Statue technique, instantly transforming into a copper figure, his body emanating a faint ancient copper glow, inspiring a sense of solemnity and divinity.

"Seeking death!"

The grey-robed elder chuckled disdainfully, Chen Yu was actually meeting his sword with a fist.

Clang!

Fist and sword collided, the grey-robed elder immediately felt a tremendous force, his arm trembled violently, the webbing of his hand ached, and his long sword dropped to the side.

In contrast, only a sword mark remained on Chen Yu's fist, which healed in an instance.

"How is this possible?"

The grey-robed elder couldn't believe it.

As someone of the Innate Middle Stage, his sudden attack on Chen Yu was thwarted with a single punch.

"Eat another one of my punches!"

Chen Yu, with a smile on his face, fiercely charged at the grey-robed elder.

The grey-robed elder, too late to dodge, could only circulate his True Qi to resist Chen Yu's punch.

He no longer underestimated Chen Yu, fully circulating his True Qi to form a Fire Pattern Light Shield around his body.

"Break!"

That coppery fist, shining with an ancient copper glow, struck the Fire Pattern Light Shield.

Boom crack!

Almost instantly, the Fire Pattern Light Shield shattered, and the punch landed on the grey-robed elder's chest.

Boom bang!

The grey-robed elder was thrown against the wall like a cannonball, coughing up several mouthfuls of fresh blood.

His chest clothes were torn, including his inner armor, which was completely destroyed.

"What?"

The other elders and the purple-faced elder, witnessing this scene, showed expressions of shock.

"Hehe, not bad!"

Chen Yu chuckled softly.

With the strength of his True Copper Statue body fully unleashed, his power reached that of the Innate Middle Stage.

"Let's go!"

Chen Yu, having repelled an elder, swiftly looked for a way out.

"Hmph, no one is escaping!"

The purple-faced elder's figure flickered, blocking Chen Yu's path.

He extended his palm, which unveiled a ball of purplish-red flame, emitting a faint light and a heart-palpitating aura.

"Late Innate!"

Chen Yu's expression became stern, the copper glow on his body intensifying.

Evil Qi takes form!

The Evil Qi within him circulated outwards, transforming his glowing coppery arm into a black giant serpent with scales that shimmered with a dark yellow luster, giving a metallic feel.

Boom bang!

Fist and palm struck each other, producing a dull boom, and a burst of flame and black wind exploded.

Chen Yu and the purple-faced elder each took several steps back.

"This kid!"

The purple-faced elder's face showed disbelief as he stared at Chen Yu.

Though he hadn't attacked with full force, the strength bursting forth from Chen Yu's fist left his palm tingling with numbness.

Chapter 296 Torture and Kill

The purple-faced elder showed a look of surprise and stared at Chen Yu with astonishment.

When they first exchanged blows, although he hadn't used his full strength, the power bursting from Chen Yu's fists, who was merely at the Postnatal Late Stage, made his palms feel numb and tingling.

On the other side, Chen Yu waved his hand to extinguish the purple Yin Fire on his fists.

"What?"

The color deepened on the elder's surprised face.

Even among peers, anyone stained by his purple Yin Fire wouldn't be able to dispel it so easily.

"Hehe!"

Chen Yu cracked a smile.

Having broken through to the True Copper Statue in Copper Statue Technique, his strength and defensive power had both greatly improved.

Especially on the defensive side, he possessed immense resistance to all things ghostly and demonic.

"Kill."

"Break out!"

Chaos reigned all around, the two factions clashing fiercely.

Everyone was desperately fighting to break through the encirclement.

Not many noticed Chen Yu's clash with the purple-faced elder.

Nor was anyone aware that down in the depths of the earth, a pair of eyes watched everything that was happening above.

"Eh? This little fellow is not bad, with such formidable strength and defense power, it'd be great if his cultivation level was a little higher!"

"Pity, pity, his cultivation is too low, and he's a Body Cultivation practitioner, unfit to be this king's vessel!"

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"Hehe, you have no way out!" an elder laughed.

With the betrayal of the veterans and elders, who held an advantage in cultivation and strength, compounded by the attack of the formidable Fire Beast.

The tribe's forces found themselves in a disadvantageous position, one by one being mercilessly killed.

"What do we do?"

The man with the hooked nose looked toward Dou Nanhua.

No one had expected such a thing to happen; facing the combination of traitors, sand bandits, and Fire Beast, even as elites of the No Demon Academy, it was difficult for them to escape.

"We surrender, we are willing to submit to the elders!"

Dou Nanhua looked at the others, blinked his eyes, and then shouted loudly.

"I surrender too!"

Jiangling Yuan, the man with the hooked nose, and others immediately followed Dou Nanhua's lead, giving up resistance and choosing to surrender.

As long as they could temporarily save their lives, once they left this place, they could find chances to leave the Red Earth World. There was no need to fight a momentary impulse and lose their lives in vain.

Chen Yu was also stunned, not expecting these people to lack integrity so greatly.

"Hmph, cowards!"

Many warriors from different teams looked at Dou Nanhua and the others with scorn and disdain.

"Oh? You want to surrender? But how do I know if you are truly surrendering or feigning it?"

The purple-faced elder and several other elders looked on with interest at Dou Nanhua and the others.

Dou Nanhua's eyes flickered.

Instantly.

Swoosh!

He burst forward, his long sword appearing in hand and carving a magnificent arc in the air, the sword trace flying out like the wind.

Puff!

An unsuspecting Postnatal Late Stage resistor had his neck slashed by the wind-formed sword trace, blood spurting out as he fell dead to the ground.

"Kill!"

The rest of them quickly reacted, unleashing their techniques and attacking the resisting team members.

"Haha!"

The elders and other traitors burst into laughter.

Dou Nanhua and the others were powerful, and their betrayal significantly worsened the situation for the tribe's forces, nearly leaving them without an escape.

"Dou Nanhua, if you kill Chen Yu, I will acknowledge your sincerity and grant you a path to life!" the purple-faced elder shouted, staring intently at Chen Yu.

"Alright!"

Dou Nanhua and the others exchanged glances, immediately agreeing.

They had wanted to deal with Chen Yu for a long time but never found the chance.

And now, the purple-faced elder was offering them the opportunity.

"Attack together!" Dou Nanhua secretly conveyed.

Through their time together, they had gained a clearer understanding of Chen Yu's abilities.

None of them could defeat Chen Yu in single combat.

But they believed that if the six of them attacked at once, Chen Yu would undoubtedly die.

"Kill!"

The six of them moved swiftly, positioning themselves in six different directions and advancing on Chen Yu.

Among them, there were three at the Innate Middle Stage and three at Early Innate.

Additionally, their strengths had all greatly increased after spending time in the Red Earth World.

"Oblique Wind Sword Technique!"

Dou Nanhua's long sword danced, slicing out several elusive wind-shaped sword traces.

Jiangling Yuan, on the other hand, drew a snow-white long sword, thrusting out hundreds of snowflake sword shadows to envelop Chen Yu.

The man with the hooked nose's eyes sparkled with concentration as his metallic Iron Claw tore through the air, producing chaotic, dark magic traces.

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For a time, the formidable signature moves of the six converged from all sides, closing in on Chen Yu.

There was no way out!

"Die, Chen Yu!" Dou Nanhua sneered.

"You six fools think you can kill me?" Chen Yu scoffed.

These six wanted to eliminate him, and Chen Yu had the same intention towards them.

True Copper Statue!

Chen Yu fully activated the Copper Statue Gang Body; the intricate and ancient bronze patterns on his body shone with a solemn, bronze radiance.

And at that moment, the attacks of the six simultaneously came crashing down.

Boom!

A tremendous and terrifying storm exploded, engulfing Chen Yu.

"Hmph, he's dead now," Dou Nanhua snorted coldly.

"You're all so boring, sending six Innate fighters against one Postnatal."

A long-robed elder setting up an Array snorted in disdain.

However, just then.

Hum!

From within the dusty explosion, an even more dazzling ancient bronze glow erupted.

Suddenly.

A gigantic ancient bronze arm thrust out from the dust, smashing toward the man with the hooked nose.

"What is this, no

The man with the hooked nose was terrified; he had never seen such an immense arm. What in the world was happening?

Boom!

With a punch, the man with the hooked nose's body was sent flying, bursting into pieces, flesh blurred with blood.

One punch, killing an Early Innate instantly.

Boom!

The dust ferociously spread outwards, dissipating into nothing.

There stood a gigantic bronze statue, radiating a divine and majestic glow, becoming the most dazzling presence, an infinite source of oppression.

And the visage of this Buddha likeness was identical to Chen Yu.

"What kind of monster is this?"

Jiangling Yuan's eyes bulged as he swallowed hard.

At this moment, Chen Yu's stature had at least tripled in size, his body as tough as bronze and iron, his aura dignified, imparting a sense of helpless resistance.

"I'm going, where did this Buddha statue come from!"

"That kid... transformed?"

The many people nearby gaped at the scene, stunned as if turned to stone.

"Die!"

The transformed giant Buddha, Chen Yu, uttered a single word.

After breaking through to the "True Copper Statue" with the Copper Statue Technique, he possessed a special ability to enlarge his body, enhancing his defensive power and strength once again.

At the same time, the enlarged bronze Buddha image exerted tremendous deterrence with every move, suppressing and intimidating the enemy both physically and mentally.

Boom!

He threw a thunderous punch, targeting two other Early Innate members of Dou Nanhua's team.

Seeing the enlarged bronze Buddha, the two men were engulfed in endless fear, their bodies trembling uncontrollably, unable to even muster the thought of resistance.

Crash!

Chen Yu's enormous palm flew towards them, directly flinging them into the wall, resulting in two human-shaped indentations.

"It's your turn now!"

Chen Yu's gaze suddenly fell upon Dou Nanhua, Jiangling Yuan, and the elegant woman.

"This

Facing Chen Yu's eyes, Jiangling Yuan's mind trembled, feeling as if he were being overlooked by a giant.

And in that moment, a flash of yellow light, and Chen Yu's fist came crashing down.

Jiangling Yuan inwardly cursed at the danger, his white sword dancing, unleashing layer upon layer of icy sword shadows.

Clang clang bang!

The massive fist, undeterred by Jiangling Yuan's attacks, shattered all sword shadows and struck at Jiangling Yuan.

"How can this be?"

Jiangling Yuan's mind was filled with even greater fear as he switched from offense to defense.

Boom!

A slap from Chen Yu sent Jiangling Yuan flying to the side.

Seeing that he wasn't dead, Chen Yu circulated the energy of Devilish Evil, violently smashing his fist down.

Kaboom!

The wall cracked, blood spattering out.

Jiangling Yuan, dead!

Killing an Innate, so simple!

Just then, the ground trembled slightly.

"The Array is complete!"

An Array Master proclaimed.

The ground was overlaid with countless interconnections, forming a complex fiery Array, enveloping everyone within.

As the Array formed, the surface of the ground suddenly burst open, revealing layers of scorching flames.

"Eh?"

Chen Yu looked down at his feet, slightly surprised.

After the ground erupted, he found an unusually smooth, mirror-like floor beneath his feet, covered in intricate black Array patterns, exuding a mysterious and transcendent feeling.

Beneath the black Array, a sea of fire raged, its details obscured from view.

"Haha, soon, I will be free!"

Strange laughter came from within the sea of flames, but the people above the ground could hear none of it.

Within the fire pattern Array, the flames roared fiercely, emitting scorching heat.

Around, the corpses on the ground, along with their vital blood and flesh, rapidly drained away, eventually turning into piles of charred bones and skin.

"Kill, slaughter them all!"

Several Array Masters shouted in unison.

Suddenly.

The slaughter became even more brutal, leaving only a dozen resistors.

"Together, execute this man!"

A white-haired elder, clutching a red fire staff, leading a few Fire Beasts, charged at Chen Yu.

"Kill Chen Yu, and you guys will have a way out!"

A man with a purple face looked towards Dou Nanhua and the others.

Hearing this, Dou Nanhua and the remaining woman's eyes instantly turned fierce.

There was only one way left if they wished to survive.

"Hehe, elder, is it good to deceive these children like this?"

A red-haired elder laughed as he sent a telepathic message.

"Hmph, a bunch of outsiders, isn't it good to have them slaughter each other?"

The elder with the purple face hummed lowly.

It turned out, after some contact over time, the High Mountain Tribe's elder layer had determined that Dou Nanhua and others were outsiders. The High Mountain Clan Leader had decided that after the war, they would personally execute the outsiders.

Although the purple-faced elder belonged to the traitors, they also detested the outsiders.

Therefore, this time leaving the tribe behind, he intentionally left Dou Nanhua's team behind, wanting to take the chance to kill off these outsiders.

"Kill!"

Dou Nanhua and the elegant woman immediately broke out in attack.

Behind them, the red-haired elder and a few Fire Beasts pounced out, surrounding Chen Yu for the kill.

Suddenly.

The enlarged Chen Yu, his body flickering with copper light, quickly shrank in size, returning to his normal stature.

Because of his sudden reduction in size, he avoided most of the attackers' blows.

Roar!

A gust of wind roared around Chen Yu's body, transforming into a swift black shadow, rushing towards Dou Nanhua.

"Die!"

Chen Yu's arm flashed with copper light, wrapped in a layer of black True Qi, forming a dark serpent.

"No

As Chen Yu approached, Dou Nanhua was petrified with terror, his soul nearly flying out of his body.

With the breakthrough in the Copper Statue Technique, Chen Yu could execute the Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow even faster. At close range, Dou Nanhua had no chance to dodge.

Boom!

A dark shadow fiercely collided with Dou Nanhua, the black evil wind tearing through the air.

Dou Nanhua's body violently crashed backward, blood spewing wildly, and then there was silence.

Chapter 297 Slaying a Late Innate

With just one strike, Dou Nanhua, a well-known figure at the academy and in the middle stage of Innate, was killed by Chen Yu.

Having reached the True Copper Statue through the Copper Statue Technique, coupled with the amplification provided by his mysterious heart, Chen Yu's physical strength was equivalent to the attack of an average warrior in the middle stage of Innate.

And when he utilized his powerful Sha Qi, unleashing it in the form of Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow, the might of this strike increased even more.

After all, Chen Yu had already understood Sha Qi True Intent, making the power of the Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow stronger than before.

With the surge provided by the Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow, this strike caused even those in the late stage of Innate to take notice.

Dou Nanhua's death was surely not unjust!

After the death of Dou Nanhua, among the six seniors who had come here, only a beautiful young woman remained.

Deep under the earth.

"This kid is somewhat extraordinary, but hurry up and die, all of you. Only then can I break free sooner!"

Curses echoed through the sea of fire.

Beneath the entire Red Earth World was an enormous seal, and right under the High Mountain Tribe was the core of that seal.

These Array Masters were extracting the power from the dead through an Array, enhancing the Array's might to shake the underground seal.

The more who died, the stronger the Array became, and the faster the seal broke.

"If it weren't for these idiots who wasted so much of my power, I would've broken through the seal already!"

The cursing continued.

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"Kill them all, kill these outsiders!"

The purple-faced elder roared.

Dou Nanhua and the others were truly useless; so many of them had banded together and yet they couldn't handle Chen Yu.

At this point, fewer than ten rebels remained within the Array.

And their enemies had almost no casualties; four elders and nearly ten others in the Innate and Postnatal stages, as well as more than twenty Innate Fire Beasts.

As soon as the purple-faced elder's words fell, almost everyone and the Fire Beasts charged forward.

The majority of them targeted Chen Yu, his status as an outsider attracting too much hatred.

Of course, the beautiful young woman also became a target, cornered and attacked by several Innate Fire Beasts.

"A bunch of ants!"

Chen Yu stood at the center, his gaze sweeping around him, fearless.

Hum!

His True Copper Statue was once again pushed to the limit, the esoteric patterns on it emanating an ancient, bronze brilliance that illuminated the surroundings.

Within this glow, Chen Yu's form expanded once more, turning into a small giant.

Hu!

Chen Yu inhaled sharply, and winds howled around him as his abdomen swelled like the belly of a Buddha statue.

Unlike a Buddha's compassion, however, his face was ferocious.

Thud! Thud! Thud!

His mysterious heart suddenly burst forth.

"Kill!"

Chen Yu bellowed, and a titanic roar erupted.

The might of this Copper Lion Roar was unprecedented.

At this moment, Chen Yu was enormous, and his belly had sucked in a huge amount of air. Moreover, he infused it with killing intent.

Kill! Kill! Kill!

A dim, twisting sound wave swept out, carrying a wind of Sha Qi, shaking everything around.

Thump! Thump! Thump!

The strong fighters and Fire Beasts that were attacking from all sides fell to the ground, bleeding from every orifice, their minds and souls injured.

Boom! Boom!

All in the Postnatal Stage exploded, their organs bursting, dying in agonizing terror.

"Ah

An enemy in the early stage of Innate also vomited blood and fainted.

Several elders in the middle stage of Innate, despite promptly activating their True Qi to protect their ears, nose, and internal organs, still felt their blood and Qi roiling like a tsunami, suffering immensely.

On the fringes, several weaker Array Masters all perished.

Most Fire Beasts, being of a stronger constitution, didn't fare much better, collapsing to the ground, writhing and howling.

Moreover, allies who were closer to Chen Yu also suffered greatly, collapsing to the ground.

Rumble rumble!

The ground beneath them shook with Chen Yu's roar, and giant stones fell.

"Kill!"

The enormous Chen Yu swung the Giant Ruler Sword, fiercely attacking.

The Giant Ruler Sword, already immense and now with a layer of Sha Qi Sword on its surface, resembled a giant sword, matching the enlarged Chen Yu perfectly.

At the same time, Chen Yu released the Fire Scale Beast from his pet bag.

Now that the Fire Scale Beast's cultivation had reached the middle stage of Postnatal, and as it was an Ancient Beast with a decent Holy Beast Bloodline, its strength was even greater than that of an average Innate.

Boom!

Chen Yu leaped forward, his black sword sweeping through the air, unleashing a terrifying wave of Sha Qi Sword that pierced into two elders.

Puchi!

Just recovering from the Copper Lion Roar, they were unable to respond before Chen Yu bisected them, their blood spurting wildly.

And when Chen Yu landed, his vast copper foot, surrounded by True Sha Qi, stamped down fiercely, crushing a Fire Beast beneath.

On the other side, the Fire Scale Beast pounced on a Fire Beast, biting ferociously.

From its mouth, a blazing light shot forth, penetrating the Fire Beast's wounds and blowing it apart inside out, leaving behind a charred corpse.

"Sword Qi everywhere!"

Chen Yu rapidly wielded the Giant Ruler Sword, creating vast waves of Sword Qi.

Whoosh whoosh!

Layers of terrifying Sha Qi Sword Wind spread out, injuring many.

Master and pet darted under the earth, claiming lives.

And the surrounding Arrays, weakened by the death of their Array Masters, were easily destroyed by Chen Yu.

Deep beneath the ground.

The sea of fire fell silent, then suddenly roiled and boiled over.

"Boy, don't ruin my great plan! How can you, a warrior in the Postnatal Stage, slay so many Innate Strong People? Can't you just be normal for once, you... stop it!"

A voice, far from calm, bellowed from within the sea of fire.

With the Array Masters dead and the Array broken, it was impossible for him to remain collected.

Unfortunately, Chen Yu, above the seal, could not hear him.

"Stop, Chen Yu!"

The purple-faced elder roared and rushed toward Chen Yu.

He never expected that giving Chen Yu an opening would allow him to flip the situation in an instant.

Whoosh whoosh!

Around the purple-faced elder swirled a terrifying purple flame.

He waved his hand, and a massive purple flame palm struck towards Chen Yu.

"Good timing!"

Chen Yu turned to face the Purple-faced Elder, swinging the Sha Qi Giant Sword in his hand, annihilating the purple flame palm strike.

At this moment, facing off against a Late Innate opponent, Chen Yu was fearless.

"This child must not be left alive!"

The Purple-faced Elder was deeply shaken inside.

The monstrous ability of Chen Yu ignited a fear in his heart.

Boom! Bang! Bang!

The Purple-faced Elder continuously struck out with his palms, unleashing endless waves of purple fire, rolling over on top of one another like tumultuous ocean waves crashing towards Chen Yu.

"Such formidable flames!"

Chen Yu's face became slightly stern.

Though he had achieved the True Copper Statue, the Purple-faced Elder was at the Late Innate stage and had delved deeply into the Fire Dao, making his attacks extremely fearsome.

If they clashed head-on for a prolonged time, even his True Copper Statue would not be able to endure it, feeling a sense of corrosion and burning.

Whoosh!

Chen Yu's other hand stretched out, and suddenly, a burst of blood-colored crystalline flame leaped forth.

At the moment this flame appeared, the Purple-faced Elder's spirit was startled; the fire he had released trembled slightly.

Suddenly, the sealing array beneath Chen Yu's feet burst into flames.

"Innate Spiritual Flame! It's the 'Blood Crystal Flame.' If this king could devour this flame, after seizing the body, my recovery rate could increase by quite a bit."

In the sea of fire below the seal, that voice was filled with excitement.

The hand that Chen Yu held the "Blood Crystal Flame" with suddenly grasped onto the Xuan Heavy Sword.

Roar!

Instantly, a layer of dark blood-colored flame ignited upon the pitch-black sword.

"Kill!"

After using the “Blood Crystal Flame,” Chen Yu swung his sword, hacking out a dark blood-flame sword aura.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The layers upon layers of purple flame sea before him were split in two by this single slash of dark blood-flame sword aura.

The remaining power of the sword aura flew toward the Purple-faced Elder.

"Not good!"

The Purple-faced Elder showed a look of fear.

He immediately took out an ancient-looking shield from his storage bag.

He activated it, and a layer of dark red, heavy light wall expanded, like a towering wall, positioned in front of the Elder.

Boom!

The light wall shattered, and the Purple-faced Elder was forced back dozens of steps.

At this moment, the clash between Chen Yu and the Purple-faced Elder was nearing the Guiyuan Realm, so nobody else could get close.

Additionally, the entire underground was collapsing, and those who were still alive hurriedly evacuated.

The Fire Scale Beast retreated to the edge, watching Chen Yu's battle.

"Kid, let's see how long you can last!"

The Purple-faced Elder did not rush to attack.

He deduced that Chen Yu, currently displaying extraordinary combat power, would not be able to keep it up for long and would plunge into a state of weakness afterward.

He guessed correctly.

The substantial increase in size of the True Copper Statue placed an immense burden on the body, and in addition, Chen Yu was wielding the heavy Giant Ruler Sword and activating the spiritual "Blood Crystal Flamenone of these could be sustained for an extended period.

"You won't have the chance to see how long I can last!"

Chen Yu's gaze sharpened.

Suddenly.

Transparent blood-colored scales started to form on Chen Yu's bronze body, exuding an Ancient Dragon Authority that was awe-inspiring in all directions.

At this moment, his bronze body was covered with a layer of blood-colored scale patterns that flickered continuously, looking bizarrely like an evil statue.

"This... this is actually the power of Bloodline!"

The Purple-faced Elder's blood trembled within him.

As there were no powerful bloodlines in the Red Earth World, this was why the Elder was so astonished.

"Die!"

Chen Yu bellowed, thrusting his Giant Sword fiercely.

As it was a secret realm, Chen Yu didn't have to worry about exposing his trump cards and went all out.

Boom!!

A massive dark flame sword aura roared out, accompanied by faint dark red dragon patterns and the sounds of a dragon's cry.

"This

The Purple-faced Elder lost his voice in shock.

Chen Yu's strike reminded him of the Guiyuan Realm High Mountain Clan Chief and made him feel the threat of death.

He trembled all over, picked up his shield, and activated it.

Crash! Crack!

A light wall had just unfolded when Chen Yu's ferocious sword strike hit, shattering it instantly.

"No

The Purple-faced Elder's eyes widened with rage and unwillingness.

Their plan, unnoticed even by the Clan Leader, was just one step away from success.

But now, because of Chen Yu, it was all ruined—he could not die in peace!

Boom!

A blast of blood flame evil wind exploded, destroying the Purple-faced Elder and the nearby corpses, leaving nothing remaining.

The entire underground shook more violently, with countless stones raining down.

Beneath the underground seal.

Rumble!

Infinite flames continuously assaulted the seal above.

"Just a bit more, just a bit more and this king could have gotten out!"

"No... Has all the power I spent, all the planning for this, been destroyed just like that?"

"You little bastard, if this king gets out, I will surely skin you, drink your blood, and use your skull as a cup

That voice was filled with extreme anger and excitement, continuously roaring.

"No, there's still hope. This Fire Lin Beast has absorbed a lot of this king's power, and there's also the 'Blood Crystal Flame' on that kid. If I can trigger these two forces

In the sea of fire, a semi-transparent little fireball appeared.

"Success or failure, this is it!"

"Fire Resonance!"

From the transparent little fireball, a profound and unfathomable wave of fire resonance spread out.

Finally, an extremely small part managed to penetrate the black seal.

And that semi-transparent little fireball shrunk a little and dimmed.

At the same time.

Chen Yu suddenly felt that the "Blood Crystal Flame" in his hand uncontrollably twitched.

Elsewhere, the Blood Scale Beast also suddenly erupted with a burst of intense fiery power.

Chapter 298 Body Seizing

After killing the purple-faced elder, Chen Yu thought everything had finally ended.

But suddenly, the "Blood Crystal Flame" in his hand uncontrollably twitched.

To know, this "Blood Crystal Flame" had already been completely refined by him. Chen Yu did not activate it just now, yet it acted on its own.

"Not good, master, a great power is using a secret technique to manipulate the power of the 'Blood Crystal Flame'!"

The voice of Flame Spirit immediately came.

"What?"

Chen Yu looked slightly shocked.

The Flame Spirit of the "Blood Crystal Flame," which had wide knowledge and vision, even it referred to the other as a great power, the opponent would not be simple.

At that time, a scorching flame power suddenly burst from the body of the Blood Scale Beast nearby, rampaging out.

Roar!

The Fire Scale Beast cried out in panic.

Obviously, it was very scared at this moment, as the power within its body erupted uncontrollably.

Boom~

The flame power inside the Fire Scale Beast exploded again, violently erupting and forming a massive fireball that smashed into the black seal on the ground.

"What happened?"

Chen Yu looked towards the Fire Scale Beast.

Through the contract, Chen Yu could feel that the Fire Scale Beast was extremely scared.

He had spent a lot of effort on the Fire Scale Beast, and now that it seemed to have gone mad, Chen Yu naturally cared a lot.

"Master, don't get distracted!"

Flame Spirit exclaimed.

However, it was slightly late.

Boom whoosh!

The "Blood Crystal Flame" in Chen Yu's hand uncontrollably sprang out, turning into a stream of fire that rushed to the ground.

The "Blood Crystal Flame" and the fire erupting from the Fire Scale Beast intertwined, forming a fire vortex on the ground and continuously assaulting the smooth, mirror-like black seal.

At the same time.

Boom bang!

The ground beneath violently trembled as if hit by something, with infinite red flames seeping out from it.

Under the assault of the internal and external flames, the smooth, mirror-like seal finally cracked.

Boom whoo whoo!

Endless fierce flames burst out from that crack, inside which a semi-transparent small fireball was faintly visible.

"Haha, success, I am free!"

A chaotic, unclear soul voice sounded from the midst of the fire.

"Little bastard, you almost ruined my plan!"

Inside that semi-transparent fireball, a pair of vague eyes appeared, staring intently at Chen Yu.

Previously, he had channeled all power through Gao Yunshan to create numerous Fire Beasts and waged a war on the High Mountain Tribe, just to weaken the seal and break out.

The appearance of Chen Yu almost caused his plan to fail.

To know, his power had been drained, and it would have been much more difficult to get out once he failed.

At the last moment, he fought hard, grasping a thread of life...

"What's happening?"

Chen Yu suddenly felt as if something was watching him, a nameless sense of crisis.

Upon careful scanning with his Spiritual Sense, Chen Yu identified a vague small fireball emitting a strong spiritual aura.

How could a fireball have a spiritual aura?

"This bastard, he killed everyone, the bodies I had chosen for body seizing are all gone!"

Angry curses emitted from within the fireball.

Previously, he had been watching the battle from the outside, carefully observing everyone and selecting a few suitable bodies for seizing, but those people had all died at the hands of Chen Yu.

"Now, I am too weak, spirits shouldn't be exposed for too long, no matter, I'll make do, I'll use this kid's body!"

The gaze inside the fireball stared at Chen Yu with a greedy expression.

A disembodied spirit could not exist alone for extended periods, especially since his power was exhausted, and he had even risked using a secret technique a moment ago, now he was exceedingly weak, his Soul Power only at Innate Perfection.

"Not good, master, someone wants to seize your body!"

Flame Spirit sent an anxious voice.

"Body seizing!"

Chen Yu was startled.

He had read in ancient texts that some peerless strong individuals, even though their bodies died and their spirits could still survive might consume other's souls and take over their bodies, reviving themselves, a method referred to as "body seizing."

Once seized, the person is essentially dead.

Whoosh!

The dim firelight flashed faintly, the transparent small fireball rushed toward Chen Yu at high speed.

Thud thud! Thud thud!

The mysterious heart suddenly beat, signaling a strong premonition of danger.

"How did I encounter such a thing!"

Chen Yu broke out in a cold sweat, terrified.

Being body seized meant he would die, and his body would belong to someone else, everything he held becoming the other's.

Chen Yu would not allow this to happen.

Hum!

Chen Yu fully activated the True Copper Statue form while maintaining its enlargement, his bronze Buddha-like body radiating even brighter yellow Buddha light.

At that moment, Chen Yu's spirit and body almost merged, amplifying each other, enhancing defensive power.

"This kid, just a Postnatal Late Stage, but his soul became so strong after using the secret technique?"

The fireball paused slightly, an amazed soul voice coming from within.

However, at this moment, only Chen Yu remained here, and he had no other targets for body seizing.

And he was confident, in a battle at the soul level, he could defeat Chen Yu's soul.

"Flame Spirit!"

Chen Yu shouted loudly.

Whoosh whoosh~

He summoned all the “Blood Crystal Flame” from within his body.

Instantly, a layer of Blood-Red Glaze flame ignited on Chen Yu’s copper statue body.

At this moment, Chen Yu seemed to transform into a Blood Flame Buddha statue, eerily unusual.

"This kid

The small fireball saw this scene, revealing a panicked tone.

It could be seen that he was slowing down, but it was already too late.

Boom!

The semi-transparent small fireball struck Chen Yu, got smeared with some “Blood Crystal Flame,” and was instantly repelled back.

"Ah... ah, it hurts me to death!"

From within the fireball, screams and cries of alarm could be heard.

The “Blood Crystal Flame” ranks among the top hundred on the True Fire Spirit Flame List, a rare flame that can attack both the physical and spiritual realms.

The soul inside the small fireball was already weak, and the assault by the “Blood Crystal Flame” inflicted further damage.

"Damn it, this little bastard actually used this method

From inside the fireball, panicked curses spilled out.

Spreading Blood Crystal Flame all over the body to block soul seizing was not something an ordinary person could think of.

Moreover, ordinary people wouldn't dare to do it, for fear that before being taken over by soul seizing, they would be burned to death themselves.

"Damn it, the soul is so weak. If this continues, even seizing a body at the Early Innate stage might fail

Inside the fireball, the voice sounded slightly tense and panicked.

So far, everything that had happened had exceeded his expectations.

"There's no other way, I'll have to borrow the body of this ancient beast!"

From inside the fireball came a voice full of conflict and helplessness.

Whoosh!

The semi-transparent small fireball instantly reached in front of the Fire Scale Beast and with a "whoosh" sound, entered the body of the Fire Scale Beast.

At that moment.

A huge black seal beneath Chen Yu twisted and rose.

"What's going on?"

This scene shocked Chen Yu immensely.

Hum!

The massive black seal emitted an oppressive, forbidden aura. Numerous black lines twisted rapidly, shrinking to form a small seal symbol that floated out.

Whoosh!

The black seal symbol instantly surrounded the Fire Scale Beast, enveloping it completely.

In an instant, countless black lines spread out, completely enveloping the Fire Scale Beast.

Moments later, the complex and obscure lines faded away.

"Ah... this is the 'Soul Sealing Technique', you actually had this trick up your sleeve

An unfamiliar roar of fury emanated from inside the Fire Scale Beast.

Roar~

The Fire Scale Beast itself was also frantically roaring and struggling.

"Fire Scale Beast!"

Chen Yu looked at the Fire Scale Beast, his face filled with concern.

What exactly had happened?

Suddenly, Chen Yu felt the Spirit Pet contract with the Fire Scale Beast becoming blurry.

At this moment, Chen Yu could still feel the soul of the Fire Scale Beast rapidly weakening.

Just as Chen Yu rushed to the side of the Fire Scale Beast, the link between him and the soul of the Fire Scale Beast was completely severed.

"Could it be that someone has seized the body of the Fire Scale Beast?"

Chen Yu's expression turned blank.

At that very moment, the Fire Scale Beast gave Chen Yu a fierce glare, then immediately dashed away.

"Stay!"

Chen Yu shouted loudly.

The Fire Scale Beast was something Chen Yu had nurtured at great risk and cost.

At this moment, Chen Yu's Fire Scale Beast, having been seized by someone else, was no longer his Spirit Pet.

Whoosh!

The Fire Scale Beast's body released a layer of flame power that, under exquisite control, caused the Fire Scale Beast to burst forth at an astonishing speed.

Roar!

A black sinister wind roared around Chen Yu's body as he transformed into a shadowy figure, chasing immediately.

Fortunately, the cultivation level of the Fire Scale Beast was not high, only at the Postnatal Middle Stage, and Chen Yu kept closing the distance.

"You, a mere child, dare to chase this king?"

The Fire Scale Beast suddenly spoke.

At the same time, it emitted a terrifying flame pressure from within its body, forming a giant flame beast in the sky that overshadowed the clouds and looked down upon everything.

In that moment, Chen Yu was genuinely shaken by the terrifying aura erupting from inside the Fire Scale Beast, his mind slightly trembling.

But he quickly recovered. The Fire Scale Beast was only at the Postnatal Middle Stage. Even if it had a powerful soul, its physical strength remained at the Postnatal Middle Stage. How much power could it exert?

"How dare you seize control of my Fire Scale Beast! You deserve to die!"

Chen Yu was extremely angered and dashed forward, clenching his fist and smashing it toward the Fire Scale Beast.

Hush!

Instantly, the terrifying atmospheric phenomenon in the sky disappeared.

"Young man, you dare offend this king."

The Fire Scale Beast shouted, but quickly fled and dodged.

Chen Yu relentlessly pursued, deploying “Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow”, like a black whirlwind following closely behind the Fire Scale Beast.

Boom!

He punched out, sending the Fire Scale Beast flying several meters away, smashing into a wall and creating a dent.

"How dare you harm this king, I will definitely not let you off!"

The Fire Scale Beast looked furiously at Chen Yu, its eyes fiercely glaring.

He had once been tremendously powerful; now reduced to such a state, he was being bullied by a mere Postnatal Stage youth.

"King my ass!"

Chen Yu cursed.

The value of an Ancient Beast Spirit Pet, even secondary clan powers would fight over it desperately.

Moreover, the Fire Scale Beast also contained the bloodline of the Holy Beast Qilin, which placed it among the top in ancient beasts. If exposed, even the super families and the top ten Ancient Clans would be tempted.

With such a precious Spirit Pet taken over by someone else, how could Chen Yu not be furious?

Boom!

Chen Yu punched again, hitting the Fire Scale Beast on the head.

His Spirit Pet had been seized, no longer belonging to him; in that case, it might as well kill the damned seizer outright.

"Impudent, dare you strike this king's face

Chen Yu disregarded the words of the Fire Scale Beast and kept hitting accurately.

Boom!

"I will definitely not forgive you

...

"Little friend, let's talk nicely, you are being too rough

The Fire Scale Beast cried out in pain, begging for mercy.

At this moment, it was bruised and battered all over, its aura weak and powerless to resist.

"How about you become my Spirit Pet?"

Chen Yu suddenly had an idea and blurted it out.

Chapter 299 Return to the Academy

"Why not, become my Spirit Pet?"

This idea had suddenly popped into Chen Yu's head.

After all, the Fire Scale Beast was not dead, it had merely changed souls, and it was still an Ancient Beast. Why couldn't it become a Spirit Pet?

However.

Upon hearing these words, the expression of the Fire Scale Beast stiffened, and after a long period of stupefaction, its face suddenly turned deep red, veins in its eyes spreading as if it were about to breathe fire.

"You little bastard, what did you say? You want this King to become your Spirit Pet?"

The "Red Flame King" glared with bulging eyes, staring at Chen Yu as if to tear him apart and devour him alive.

He had lived till now and had never suffered such verbal insult.

Chen Yu also felt a bit embarrassed; it seemed that the one who had possessed the beast was quite formidable at its prime.

"Hmph, the Fire Scale Beast was originally my Spirit Pet. You've seized the body of my Spirit Pet, I thought you admired me as your master and wanted to become my Spirit Pet!"

Chen Yu said shamelessly.

Hearing this, the Red Flame King almost passed out in anger.

Originally, he had no choice but to attempt seizing Chen Yu's body, which failed, and there were no other creatures nearby, so he chose the Fire Scale Beast.

Of course, what he had not expected was that the person who sealed him had set up a second layer of the seal.

Once he broke through the seal and seized a new body, the second layer of seal would activate.

The second seal was the Soul Sealing Technique.

Originally, he had only planned to temporarily use the Fire Scale Beast's body, waiting for a chance to seize a more suitable one. But after being affected by the Soul Sealing Technique, it became difficult for his soul to leave the Fire Scale Beast's body.

Unless his cultivation reached an extremely high level to break the seal.

"Will you or will you not?"

Chen Yu shouted loudly, threatening.

He didn't care anymore about what was appropriate.

All he knew was that if he let the Fire Scale Beast go, it would be a huge loss.

Moreover, the peak cultivation level of the Red Flame King was hard to estimate. If his power were restored, he might come back to kill him.

Chen Yu had made up his mind; either the opposite party would submit to him, or he would kill the Fire Scale Beast.

"You little bastard, you're courting death... You dare insult this King like this

The Red Flame King cursed loudly.

The mighty Red Flame King was being asked by a small fry at the Postnatal Late Stage “will you or will you not.”

He had even considered fighting Chen Yu to the death, but unfortunately, he was injured all over and completely unable to fight.

"You talk about ‘this King, this King,’ but now you are just a Demon Beast. Even if you don’t follow me, if others see you when you go out, you will not have a good end either

Chen Yu started to reason.

After all, if he could really persuade the Fire Scale Beast, it was a no-lose situation!

"Hmph, let them dare. Give this King some time

The Red Flame King said proudly.

Boom!

Chen Yu’s fist smashed down on the Red Flame King’s head.

"Stop the nonsense. I only ask you, are you willing to become my Spirit Pet? Otherwise, I would rather kill you than leave a future threat!"

Chen Yu said angrily.

The gaze of the Red Flame King slightly darkened.

He knew that even if he promised not to seek revenge in the future, Chen Yu would certainly not believe him.

At the same time, he also realized that Chen Yu was running out of patience.

If he firmly refused, there was a great possibility that Chen Yu would kill him.

"You have only two choices now. The first is to obey me, and the second is to face death!"

"Think carefully, for your current plight, you surely have enemies. If you choose the second option, there's still a chance to return to your peak

Seeing the Red Flame King calming down a bit, Chen Yu said seriously.

"Hmph, this King would rather die with eyes unclosed than humor you as a Spirit Pet and be humiliated by you!"

After pondering for a moment, the Red Flame King spoke with pride.

At his peak, Chen Yu's cultivation was nothing but an ant in his eyes.

Even if he wanted to survive and had things he must do, he also had pride. How could his life and dignity be controlled by a mere ant?

"Fine, I do not require you to sign a Spirit Pet contract with me. We only need to sign an equal and mutual contract!"

Chen Yu thought it over, noticing the possessor's extreme pride, so he lowered the terms.

Forcing an unparalleled powerhouse to become one's obedient Spirit Pet and controlling its life and death was something even Chen Yu himself wouldn't agree to, let alone the Red Flame King.

"Oh?"

The Red Flame King glanced at Chen Yu.

He didn't expect Chen Yu to propose such a demand.

This kind of equal and mutual contract didn't specify a clear master-servant relationship, meaning that the Red Flame King could refuse some of Chen Yu's requests.

Also, this kind of contract involved certain risks, and the Red Flame King could even employ some means to secretly harm Chen Yu.

So, the Red Flame King found it somewhat surprising that Chen Yu suggested it.

"This is my bottom line. If you don't agree, I'll kill you!"

Chen Yu's expression hardened, his fist surrounded by Evil Qi.

With one blow, given the Fire Scale Beast's current condition, it would certainly die.

"Fine, an equal and mutual contract!"

Grinding his teeth, the Fire Scale Beast nodded.

Then, Chen Yu signed the contract with the Fire Scale Beast once again.

At the spiritual level, a connection was instantly established between them.

"Even though it's an equal contract, if I find you have any malicious schemes, I won't let you off easily!"

Chen Yu's gaze sharpened.

If the contract was a Spirit Pet contract, he could rest easy as the Red Flame King grew stronger, which would benefit Chen Yu more.

But with an equal contract, he had to restrict the Red Flame King's growth and be vigilant.

He believed that even if the Fire Scale Beast had a powerful soul inside, its cultivation growth would not defy the natural order.

Without resources, its cultivation would be difficult to increase rapidly.

"Hmph!"

The Red Flame King snorted disdainfully.

"Let's go quickly. With such a commotion, if the main force of the High Mountain Tribe comes back, we're done for!"

Chen Yu picked up the Red Flame King, ready to toss him into the pet bag.

With his identity as an outsider exposed, if caught by a Guiyuan Realm powerhouse, he would be doomed without a doubt.

Moreover, having achieved his goal in the Red Earth World, it was time for Chen Yu to leave.

"You actually want this King to enter a pet bag?"

Red Flame King glared fiercely at Chen Yu.

He had just broken free from his seal and now he was craving freedom; moreover, he had a strong aversion to pet bags.

"If you don't go into the pet bag, and we return to my academy, other people will see you and they will definitely try to snatch you away. There will be dire consequences if you fall into the hands of those large family powers. I don't need to explain that!" Chen Yu glanced sideways at Red Flame King.

The Fire Scale Beast was too valuable; back at the academy, Chen Yu had never revealed its existence.

"It's a minor matter. This King can handle it himself!" said Red Flame King after a moment of thought.

"Oh?" Chen Yu was somewhat curious.

The Red Flame King closed his eyes. His fiery red and translucent body gradually dimmed. The pressure emitted by his Ancient Beast Bloodline also began to fade.

A little while later, the Fire Scale Beast in front of them looked sickly, a far cry from the majestic Qilin imagery, and on closer inspection, its bloodline seemed not very strong either—in short, it appeared to be of the lowest class among the ancient beasts.

Of course, this was just a surface judgment.

Chen Yu nodded, no longer concerned with the Red Flame King. He quickly gathered the spoils of war from the surroundings and left the area swiftly.

After leaving the High Mountain Tribe, Chen Yu traveled by memory.

Before heading to the No Demon World, Elder Long-bearded had said that to return, he should go to the starting position and activate the Array Plate.

"Youngster, what is the name of the world you come from?" asked Red Flame King.

"Kunyun Continent!" Chen Yu replied.

"Never heard of it. It must be a small place!" declared Red Flame King arrogantly.

"Oh, from what you've said, you seemed quite remarkable before. What was your cultivation level at your peak?" Chen Yu was somewhat speechless at Red Flame King's arrogance, but at the same time, he was curious.

"Hmph, at the peak of this King's power, a single breath could have killed you countless times. Not that you'd understand boasted Red Flame King, feigning a lack of interest in engaging with Chen Yu further.

Two hours after leaving the High Mountain Tribe, pursuers caught up to them.

However, Chen Yu and Red Flame King joined forces, and unless they faced a Guiyuan Realm powerhouse, no one could touch them.

After a battle, the pursuers were routed and suffered heavy losses, with the remaining dozen or so fleeing in disarray.

One day later.

Chen Yu arrived at the point where he had initially been transported to this place.

Taking out the Array Plate, he poured his True Qi into it, activating the Array Plate.

"Once we return, don't speak!"

Chen Yu gave a word of caution.

"Are you even restricting this King's speech?" Red Flame King was highly dissatisfied.

"You are now an Ancient Beast!"

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No Demon Academy.

Inside the Foreign Adventure Hall, a transporting array suddenly lit up.

"Returnees from the Red Earth Secret Realm!" Elder Long-bearded's eyes twinkled.

Due to the high mortality rate, the Red Earth Secret Realm had been closed.

But before it closed, only seven members of the academy had entered, among whom Chen Yu was the one favored by the vice president, while the other six were all at the Innate Stage.

Three months had passed without any sign, and he even suspected that all seven had perished.

"It looks like those six have returned!" Elder Long-bearded speculated.

After all, Chen Yu was alone, which was too dangerous.

He tapped continuously with his fingertips, activating the Array Formation Platform.

Humming resonated!

A spatial vortex appeared on the Array Formation Platform, gradually enlarging until it formed an unstable spatial passage.

Swoosh!

The next moment, two figures stepped out.

"Chen Yu?" Elder Long-bearded's expression showed a hint of surprise; the outcome was somewhat unexpected.

He then turned his attention to the more striking Fire Scale Beast and was even more stunned.

Even though the Fire Scale Beast had been disguised by Red Flame King using a special Secret Technique, it was still incredibly surprising for an ordinary Postnatal Stage student to own an Ancient Beast Spirit Pet.

Red Flame King glanced at Elder Long-bearded with a look of disdain and then looked elsewhere.

"Chen Yu, this is Elder Long-bearded was quite dissatisfied with Red Flame King's attitude.

"Ha ha, it's a useless hatching egg I got at the Dark Night Exchange Meeting; I was lucky to hatch it successfully. But this fellow is still a bit unruly!" Chen Yu explained with a smile.

After speaking, Chen Yu even patted Red Flame King on the head.

"Glad to have you back. Did you encounter any other students from No Demon Academy?" Elder Long-bearded paid no further attention to Red Flame King.

"None!" replied Chen Yu indifferently.

After responding, he prepared to leave.

"Hold on, we still need to verify your identity!" Elder Long-bearded called after Chen Yu.

Chen Yu was slightly surprised but nodded.

To verify his identity, if he was not the real Chen Yu, he feared it would spell certain death.

Otherwise, the natives of the Red Earth World wouldn't hate outsiders so much.

Elder Long-bearded first checked Chen Yu's Identity Token, then took out a special device to examine Chen Yu's body and even his soul, and finally inspected Chen Yu's pet bag.

"All clear, no problems!" Elder Long-bearded declared after the check.

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"This is an imperial command issued by the Yun Zhao Royal Family, the specifics of which I am not clear on,"

The bearded elder pondered before saying.

"Yun Zhao Royal Family?"

Chen Yu showed a hint of surprise.

He hadn't expected that even the Yun Zhao Royal Family would intervene in the management of the academy's secret realm.

Without further questions, Chen Yu left the place.

"Heh heh, to you people from the Kunyun Continent, those small spaces and small worlds are akin to a slave world. How could someone from a slave world possibly go to a higher world without permission!" the Red Flame King communicated with a laugh.

"Slave world?"

Chen Yu looked shocked.

He hadn't expected that there was such a relationship between the Red Earth Secret Realm and the Kunyun Continent.

"That's right, for all you know, your Kunyun Continent might also be a slave world!"

Continued the Red Flame King.

"That's impossible."

Chen Yu didn't believe it; the Red Flame King was known for boasting without drafts, which was unreliable.

Next, Chen Yu went to the mission commissioning office to delegate his task from the Red Earth World.

Twenty jin of Fire Spirit Ore was just enough to complete the basic task. If he could secure Fire Spirit Crystal Ore, the reward for the task would double.

Therefore, Chen Yu received thirty thousand No Demon Points and three thousand low-grade Primordial Stones.

"These No Demon Points and Primordial Stones are nowhere near enough. I need to find an opportunity to trade the resources I have." In the Red Earth World, Chen Yu had obtained a large number of fire cores, along with high-grade fire ores and ancient fire materials. In the last battle, he had also scavenged quite a few storage bags.

Most of these items were very precious; it would be better to trade them at a special time to make more.

Afterward, Chen Yu returned to his cultivation cave.

He immediately began closed-door cultivation.

The world energy in the Red Earth World was thin, making cultivation inefficient. With Chen Yu's talent, progress was especially hard to come by.

Therefore, while in the Red Earth World, he was always refining his body.

Now back at the academy, he had to catch up and raise his cultivation level.

Circulating the Yuan Sha Divine Skill, Chen Yu's spirit and body released a terrifying surge of Evil Qi.

In the Red Earth World, most of Chen Yu's time was spent in battle. The number of Fire Beasts that died by his hand was countless, and the Evil Qi grew even more immense.

Hum-hum!

Within the cave, the immense Evil Qi twisted and churned violently.

Ten days later, the Evil Qi transformed into a fierce giant python, coiling and twisting, looking utterly terrifying.

Compared to before, Chen Yu's Evil Qi was now more condensed and posed no harm to his body or spirit.

Furthermore, the condensation of Evil Qi boosted his Evil Technique.

After refining and condensing the Evil Qi, Chen Yu began to absorb the vast world energy within the cave.

Nearby,

The Iron Moon Strange Insect burrowed within the Demon Bone Stone, drawing the essence of its demonic aura.

Currently, the Iron Moon Strange Insect primarily fed on Demon Bone Stone. Its cultivation was nearing the Innate Middle Stage, and it had become even more savage and frenzied than before, with a stronger aggression.

As for the Red Flame King, although he seemed to be sleeping and resting, he was actually cultivating too.

Around his body, a world energy vortex even larger than Chen Yu's had formed, with a tremendous amount of world energy continuously flooding into his body.

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Demon Fire Peak.

Swoosh!

A figure swiftly darted in and entered a room.

"What's the matter?"

Inside the room, a well-built youth opened his eyes.

"Senior Brother Luo, Chen Yu is back."

The person bent over and said.

"What!"

Luo Haotian immediately stood up, an overbearing and tyrannical aura emanating from his body, making the whole space oppressively tense.

"Have those idiots not come back yet?"

Luo Haotian's face turned grim. He had sent three at the Early Innate Stage and three at the Innate Middle Stage into the Red Earth Secret Realm to kill Chen Yu.

Yet, now, Chen Yu was back, alive and well.

How could Luo Haotian not be enraged?

"Not yet. The death rate in the Red Earth World has been extremely high recently. If they don't return within a month, they are likely dead."

"You may go now."

Luo Haotian waved his hand dismissively.

Logically speaking, even if the death rate in the Red Earth Secret Realm had increased, the chances of a six-person team at the Innate Stage falling were still quite low.

Considering the size of the Red Earth Secret Realm, Dou Nanhua would have found Chen Yu within three months.

So there seemed to be only one other possibility—Dou Nanhua and the others had encountered Chen Yu and, ultimately, Chen Yu had emerged alive while they had perished.

Another place.

No Demon Academy, Demonic Qi Pool.

Around the peripheral of the Demonic Qi Pool were students at the Postnatal Late Stage or Early Innate Stage, each tightly gripping their roots, drawing in the demonic aura from within the pool.

The closer to the center, the more violent the demonic Qi became in the black liquid, and fewer students approached.

It was evident that near the center, there was only one person.

His face chiseled, his demeanor cold and icy.

The boiling black liquid around him formed streams of black water, which whirled up and covered his body, making him appear like a nefarious and ruthless Demon Lord.

This person was none other than the top student of the Wind Demon Academy, known as mad demon Ren Han.

"Senior Ren, Chen Yu has returned!"

Not far away, a student from the Devil Wind Institute called out softly.

With his Postnatal Middle Stage cultivation, he dared not move any closer to the center.

"Oh? He's back?"

Ren Han opened his cold and pitch-black eyes, a faint smile curling at the corners of his mouth.

At the same time, many instructors also received the news.

After all, Chen Yu was the top newcomer of this term and a key person of interest.

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Chen Yu returned and immediately began his retreat.

His cultivation had always been his shortcoming, and this retreat lasted three months.

In his cave abode.

Woom, woom!

The spiraling Evil Qi python twisted around Chen Yu as its center, gradually disappearing as if it were burrowing into his body.

"Postnatal Peak now, just one step away from Innate!"

Chen Yu opened his eyes and exhaled a turbid breath.

Perhaps after staying in the Red Earth World for too long, upon returning to the No Demon Academy, where the vital energy was so abundant, Chen Yu found his cultivation particularly smooth and advanced by leaps and bounds.

If he wanted to, he could retreat for a while longer and was fairly confident that he could advance to Innate.

But Chen Yu decided to hold off for now.

"Eh, this fellow is nearly at the Postnatal Late Stage!"

Chen Yu glanced at the Red Flame King.

You must realize, this was the No Demon Academy's Blood Slaughter Peak, the training environment suited for cultivators of the Blood Path and Evil Path.

Yet the Red Flame King, who cultivated the Fire Dao, in such an environment, managed to improve his cultivation at a pace that was no weaker than Chen Yu's.

"That's good, it saves me a batch of resources!"

Chen Yu curled his lips.

"What did you just mutter, you little brat?"

The Red Flame King heard what Chen Yu just said, stopped his cultivation, and spoke in a low voice.

"Hand over all the fire cores you obtained in the Red Earth World, and let this king quickly advance his cultivation. Then, with this king covering for you in this academy, you will have nothing to be afraid of!"

The Red Flame King stood up, speaking rather arrogantly.

All the Fire Beasts in the Red Earth World were transformed from demon beasts by absorbing the power of the Red Flame King.

Thus, the fire energy within the fire cores was essentially the power of the Red Flame King.

Should the fire cores be handed over, the Red Flame King could virtually directly absorb them and rapidly increase his cultivation.

Naturally, Chen Yu would neither believe the Red Flame King's words nor allow this to happen.

"Aren't you very capable? Find a way to quickly enhance my cultivation strength. Only when my cultivation is high will I feel reassured to let your cultivation advance."

Chen Yu said with a smile.

The Red Flame King, at his peak, was certainly very powerful. His memory was a treasure trove.

"With that Spiritual Body aptitude of yours, reaching the Guiyuan Realm in this lifetime would be a gift from the heavens."

The Red Flame King bluntly jeered.

If it were before, Chen Yu might have nodded in agreement, but not now.

His Master, Mao Qiuyu, once said that with his aptitude, aspiring to reach the Qi Transformation Realm was wishful thinking, yet now Chen Yu not only advanced to the Qi Transformation Realm but was also only a step away from Innate.

He believed that everything was up to human effort.

Without dwelling on it with the Red Flame King, Chen Yu ended his retreat and left the cave abode.

The Copper Statue Technique had reached the True Copper Statue level, and the fourth Ice and Fire Body Tempering Formula was basically useless now. He needed a higher-level formula.

The fifth formula listed, primarily using the power of thunder and lightning to temper the true body, Chen Yu dubbed it the “Thunder Lightning Formula.”

The main ingredients for the Thunder Lightning Formula were Thunder Stone, Electric Fluid, and Thunder Iron Claw.

Among them, the Thunder Stone was the most important ingredient. Due to its rarity, it could be substituted with the somewhat more common Thunder Light Grass.

But to Chen Yu’s surprise, he obtained a piece of Thunder Stone from the hands of Puppet Master Kong Zhong.

And the Thunder Iron Claw could also be replaced with other hard parts from thunder-attribute demon beasts.

Chen Yu did not have any of the ingredients listed in the fifth formula, and the ingredients were a level more valuable than those of the fourth.

He planned to check the Wumo Sub-Hall to see if he could collect some.

Just having left his cave abode, Chen Yu saw a figure not far away.

The person had an ugly face and a bent left leg; it was Yan Boqing of the Blood Eagle Leg.

"Chen Yu, you hiding turtle, you've finally dared to come out!"

Yan Boqing snorted coldly.

"Who is hiding from you?"

Chen Yu sneered in disdain.

His trip to the Red Earth Secret Realm was to avoid Ren Han.

"Heh, won't admit it? If you have the guts, settle it with me on the Life and Death Platform!"

Yan Boqing laughed loudly.

From the newcomer competition to now, he had not caught a single opportunity. He firmly believed Chen Yu was deathly afraid of him and so constantly dodged him.

But Chen Yu just wouldn't admit it, making Yan Boqing think Chen Yu was too cowardly.

"Fine, then I'll just play with you!"

Chen Yu said expressionlessly.

"Eh?"

Yan Boqing suddenly paused.

He had mentioned the Life and Death Platform offhandedly, thinking Chen Yu was afraid of him. Chen Yu's denial meant he wanted to force an admission from him.

Being at the Innate Middle Stage, he couldn't possibly push a Postnatal Stage student to the Life and Death Platform, as news of that would only invite ridicule.

Unexpectedly, Chen Yu took his casual remark seriously and even agreed to it.

"Alright, you said it!"

Yan Boqing's face lit up with joy.

"Let's talk about it tomorrow, I'm busy today!"

Chen Yu said, still expressionless.

"Fine, kid, you said it yourself. I'll be waiting for you tomorrow!"

Yan Boqing was quite pissed off by Chen Yu's attitude, but the thought of Chen Yu already agreeing to face him on the Life and Death Platform made it alright.

This time, Yan Boqing left in a good mood without lingering.

"You little rascal, always bullying others."

The Red Flame King glanced at Chen Yu.

"He's asking me to bully him, look how happy he is!"

Chen Yu spread his hands.

He and Blood Eagle Leg actually had no real conflict.

It was solely the Blood Eagle Leg, pushing and pestering over a trifle matter. The more Chen Yu gave in, the more persistently he was chased, so if that was the case, Chen Yu decided to oblige Blood Eagle Leg.

Afterward, Chen Yu hurried to the Wumo Sub-Hall.

After looking around, Chen Yu only managed to buy some of the ingredients for the Thunder Lightning Formula.

Even just a small part caused Chen Yu to almost deplete the thirty thousand No Demon Points and three thousand Grade Essence Stones he had just acquired.

"Right, going through the Ten Thousand Demon Tower yields plenty of No Demon Points, last time I only reached the twentieth floor!"

With this in mind, Chen Yu hurried toward the Ten Thousand Demon Tower.

The last time he only reached the twentieth floor, he acquired nearly fifty thousand No Demon Points.

Now, short on No Demon Points, he decided to give it another try.

