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Accompanied by the Spiritual Energy Field, covering the thirty-two Mechanical Creations in front.

The amplification from the Steel Resonance, and the amplification of the core ability Heart of Steel, simultaneously covers the thirty-two Superior Intelligent Machines.

Under the blessing of both.

These thirty-two Superior Intelligent Machines, which were originally four-star top-level, have once again risen a notch. In Su Yu's eyes, the comprehensive combat power of these thirty-two Superior Machines has now reached the five-star primary level.

A total of thirty-two units of five-star primary combat power, even if the Ghost Tribe possesses a six-star Transcendent, in Su Yu's view, these thirty-two five-star primary combat forces are also adequate to handle them.

And that Steel Defender, after Nuonuo's Mechanical Fusion, reached the five-star top-level. Although it hasn't reached six-star, in Su Yu's eyes, its combat power is already infinitely close to six-star.

Then, Su Yu looked at Huang Ying, who was already somewhat in awe, and said, "Captain Huang Ying, do you want to try these Intelligent Machines' combat power?"

"See if, as I said, these are the four-star or above combat forces that the Sanctuary possesses."

Huang Ying's eyes lit up, and the shock in her heart was beyond measure.

The thought of joining the Sanctuary was unprecedentedly firm.

At that moment, Huang Ying found herself in front of a Steel Defender, assuming a stance with both hands.

And at this moment, the Steel Defender's eyes lit up with a red light.

In the next moment, the Steel Defender raised the giant shield in its hand and just stood there quietly, waiting for Huang Ying's next move.

Huang Ying was also not polite at all, quickly stepping forward with stout arms clenched into fists, trying to bypass the giant shield and directly attack the Steel Defender itself.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

All of Huang Ying's attacks were easily blocked by the Steel Defender's two massive steel shields.

"How could this Mechanical Creation be so strong? Is this really a four-star combat power? In my opinion, even the four-star top-level Extraordinary Physical Body from the small Settlement Federation doesn't give me as much pressure as this mechanical monster in front of me."

Inwardly shocked, Huang Ying quickly had an unimaginable thought.

"It can't be that the management's mention of four-star and above combat strength refers to five-star combat power, can it?"

"How could that be possible, there are more than thirty of these mechanical monsters."

Huang Ying didn't dare to think further. Even facing such terrifying combat power against the Ghost Tribe, the outcome was uncertain.

Yu Ping'an tightly stared at the Steel Defender in front of him, feeling a sense of delight. He thought, "Indeed, this batch of powerful machines can be mass-produced. In this way, given a little time for the management lord, what does the Ghost Tribe even count for?"

"I finally see hope for revenge."

And behind Huang Ying, the people belonging to the Settlement Federation also gradually had a change in their eyes.

Although their strength was not as good as Huang Ying's, anyone at this moment could see that this massive steel monster was toying with the four-star level Huang Ying, not even taking her seriously, just casually deflecting a few attacks.

The six Chain Saw Blades behind the Steel Defender remained unused, and no one thought they were just for show.

Even Huang Ying's attacks couldn't leave a mark on the Steel Defender's steel shield.

"Phew." Huang Ying took a long breath, then stopped moving.

The shock in Huang Ying's eyes was beyond measure, and she thought, "If only the Management Lord's Mechanical Creations alone can achieve five-star combat power, what about the Management Lord himself?"

"I've already sensed from the Management Lord a powerful pressure before, at least a five-star or above Transcendent in the spiritual series..."

Huang Ying silently returned to the Settlement Federation's ranks, taking a while to calm down. Looking at Su Yu, she said, "Honorable Management Lord, regarding the conditions you proposed earlier, I cannot give you a direct answer. Even if I agree now, it would be meaningless."

"The Settlement Federation is composed of seven small settlements. I can only say that the Wind City settlement where I belong can agree to the Lord's requests. As for the others..."

Huang Ying didn't continue. She just glanced at the people from the other settlements behind her.

Su Yu wasn't surprised to hear this. The small Settlement Federation wasn't a genuine organization; it was just a loose alliance formed under the pressure from the Ghost Tribe.

Now, with the strength Su Yu had shown, it was enough to confront the Ghost Tribe head-on. Seeing it this way, Su Yu's demands were not excessive and even somewhat lenient.

Those people from the Settlement Federation behind Huang Ying also stayed silent at this moment.

The strength Su Yu showed had far exceeded their imagination.

How was this kind of power level only considered a small settlement in their records?

The people from the Settlement Federation just wanted to firmly curse the source supplying information about the Sanctuary.

They could never have imagined that the strength of the Sanctuary today had only developed to this extent in less than just two months because Su Yu became the manager.

At this time, a man stepped forward from behind Huang Ying, the one who had previously recognized Yu Ping'an's identity.

This man said, "Dear Management Lord, I need to contact our Iron Heart Tribe's leader and, through our leader, consult with the other settlement leaders for their opinions."

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Speaking of which, the man took out a device similar to the personal terminal of a Sanctuary, except that the antenna on this device was extremely long.

The man pressed the device in his hand dozens of times. Accompanied by a beeping signal, it seemed that he had sent information about the Sanctuary back.

"Interesting, the alliance of these seven settlements truly brought me a little surprise. The device in the man's hand obviously has the capability of long-distance information transmission.

Moreover, it can be seen that the small settlement behind this man has a very mature grasp of information processing technology. This kind of technology is also somewhat useful to me," Su Yu thought after seeing the device in the man's hand.

The various mechanical technologies Su Yu mastered were all about weapons and intelligent machines. Although Su Yu had also mastered some information technology, he was not proficient in it.

Just like the Core Terminal of the Sanctuary, at this time, with the increase in the number of people in the Sanctuary, it was already somewhat slow, and the range of the personal terminal could only be used within a few kilometers around the Sanctuary.

Therefore, Su Yu also secretly paid attention to the technology mastered by the Iron Heart Tribe behind the man, planning to find an opportunity to acquire it.

Soon, the device in the man's hand emitted another series of beeping sounds, and as the beeping sounded, a look of hesitation appeared on the man's face.

Quickly, the man spoke, "Administrator, the leader of our Iron Heart Tribe is willing to agree to your request, and the remaining settlements are the same, except they need to witness the power of your intelligent machines firsthand."

Su Yu nodded, not surprised.

It was excellent that these small settlements were willing to agree to his conditions. If they weren't willing, it would merely be an auxiliary for Su Yu.

After all, the straight-line distance between Sanctuary 73 and the Ghost Tribe was a full two hundred kilometers, and the positions of these seven small settlements were even closer to the Ghost Tribe.

If these small settlements want to survive under the threat of the Ghost Tribe, meeting Su Yu's requests is their only choice.

Afterward, Su Yu turned his head and instructed Yu Ping'an, "Captain Yu Ping'an, you are the most familiar with the terrain near the Ghost Tribe, so please accompany the members of these small Settlement Federation to visit their settlements."

"Also, Captain Zhang Xiao, accompany Yu Ping'an and make sure to stay safe."

"If those settlements agree to our terms, you can also conveniently bring back the Intelligent Chips they have accumulated over the years."

"Yes, Administrator." Yu Ping'an and Zhang Xiao knelt on one knee and respectfully agreed.

With the strength shown by Su Yu and his astonishing speed of improvement, Yu Ping'an realized that the day of seeking revenge against the Ghost Tribe was not far away.

"Father, Mother, your child will soon avenge you," Yu Ping'an thought to himself.

Meanwhile, Su Yu reflected that the Settlements Federation seemed to be inclined to accept his terms, except they wanted to witness the strength in Su Yu's hands that could contend with the Ghost Tribe.

"Since that's the case, let them see for themselves."

Thinking of this, Su Yu selected one Steel Defender and one Shadow Hunter from the thirty-two Superior Intelligent Machines.

Then informed Yu Ping'an, "The temporary authority to use these two Mechanical Creations is given to you, and in addition, you can take one hundred Cavalry from the Sanctuary to maintain order."

Su Yu considered and then told Yu Ping'an in a voice that only the two of them could hear, "Also, I know you are eager for revenge, but don't let hatred cloud your judgment. If you encounter someone from the Ghost Tribe, unless necessary, do not provoke them."

After instructing Yu Ping'an about everything, Su Yu intended to return to his residence with the remaining thirty Superior Intelligent Machines.

However, he was stopped by a burly figure.

It was Huang Ying who, learning from the mannerisms of Yu Ping'an and Zhang Xiao, knelt on the ground and spoke, "Administrator, I wish to join the Sanctuary, and I can make an effort to persuade the City Lord of my Wind City, that Four-Star Junior Mentalist, to join our Sanctuary as well."

"In fact, as long as you agree, Administrator, it wouldn't be impossible for the entire Wind City to integrate into our Sanctuary either."

Hearing this, Su Yu found it a bit amusing as he recalled how quickly Huang Ying agreed to his terms earlier, thinking, "No wonder Huang Ying was so quick to agree before, she must have already intended to join the Sanctuary."

However, while thinking this, Su Yu showed no expression on his face.

He simply nodded.

"Very well, Envoy Huang Ying, I have no objection to you joining Sanctuary 73. However, you still need to take the envoy group back, and if you can truly persuade Wind City to join the Sanctuary, then it will naturally be welcomed, and at that time, you may return with Captain Yu Ping'an and Captain Zhang Xiao."

After saying this, Su Yu ignored everyone and led the mechanical legion back to his residence.

After Su Yu left, Huang Ying immediately found Yu Ping'an.

"Captain Yu Ping'an, let's go now. The sooner we go, the sooner we can come back and serve the Administrator," Huang Ying already considered herself part of the Sanctuary, and based on her previous expressions, this behavior was clearly serious.

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At this, Yu Ping'an and Zhang Xiao exchanged a glance and nodded. With Huang Ying, the insider, leading the way, it would be easier to demonstrate their strength in front of the seven settlements.

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Quickly, three days passed swiftly.

On this day, Su Yu once again received a message from his personal terminal.

On the personal terminal, a message from Yu Ping'an appeared.

"Administrator, we are back. The seven small settlements have all agreed to our demands. Moreover, two of the settlements, Wind City and Iron Heart Tribe, their leaders have come back with us."

"From what I can tell, it seems they want their entire settlement to join the Sanctuary."

"However, the population of their settlements is too large, so they haven't all relocated for now. Nevertheless, I have brought back all the intelligent chips accumulated by the seven settlements."

"A total of four hundred eighty-four, among which four hundred twenty-three are primary chips."

"There are only fifty intermediate chips."

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Upon seeing Yu Ping'an's message, Su Yu's eyes showed some delight.

"Indeed, although intelligent chips are considered scarce resources in the wilderness, the accumulation of these seven settlements over the years is no small sum."

"Four hundred twenty-three primary chips are fully enough for me to create four hundred twenty-three elite two-star Cavalry!"

"In this way, even if some Cavalry must stay in the Sanctuary to maintain order."

"The number of the Cavalry Legion could still reach five hundred. This is a truly formidable mechanical force!"

Su Yu grew increasingly thrilled, quickly arranging the use of these intelligent chips.

"Intermediate intelligent chips can also forge three-star elite intelligent mechanics capable of coordinating and commanding the Cavalry Legion."

"The mechanical army, fearless of death, and under my control, can receive amplifications. Thus, a mechanical brigade formed by five hundred Cavalry can certainly face the Ghost Tribe's two thousand Wolf Riders."

Then, Su Yu looked at the last part of Yu Ping'an's message.

On the personal terminal, it was clearly written: "There are also ten advanced chips and one special grade chip."

"Ten advanced chips are enough to increase the number of Steel Defenders and Shadow Hunters further. Yet, due to the carapace limitations of the Crystal Giant Scorpion and Steel Giant Scorpion, the number of Steel Defenders and Shadow Hunters can each only reach up to thirty."

"However, for me at this point, even without using rare materials for manufacturing, advanced intelligent chips are sufficient for creating four-star advanced intelligent mechanics."

On this thought, the delight in Su Yu's eyes became increasingly intense.

"In this way, the entire mechanical army lacks nothing: five hundred Cavalry for the basic composition, fifty elite Cavalry to lead squads, and in the Cavalry Legion, ten four-star advanced intelligent mechanics can be added as the backbone and leaders of the corps."

"Additionally, led by me, sixty exceptional four-star elite intelligent mechanics will form a Special Operations Brigade."

Su Yu's heart was moved: "In this way, the entire mechanical army lacks nothing, no, that's not right, there's still one crucial piece missing."

Su Yu looked at the last line of Yu Ping'an's message.

"Special grade intelligent chip, is it? This is only the second time I've seen one. If this level of intelligent chip is invested in precious materials, it could create a five-star elite intelligent mechanic. Under Nuonuo's mechanical fusion, this intelligent mechanic could exhibit at least six-star combat power."

Su Yu thought about it but rejected the idea.

"However, in this way, my own strength would be somewhat lacking. I can completely use this special grade intelligent chip to forge a tailored mechanical battle armor. Coupled with Nuonuo's mechanical fusion and my own physical power, which has already reached five-star beginner level, I could exert at least six-star intermediate combat power."

"If positioned within the legion, under the resonance effect of the Steel Resonance Melody, wearing this armor, my power could reach six-star advanced, or even six-star elite level!"

"In this way, the final weak link for me as a corps commander is filled, and it can even be said that I am the strongest aspect of the entire mechanical army."

Su Yu deemed that creating the battle armor was much better than building a five-star elite intelligent mechanic.

"If, during a confrontation with the Ghost Tribe, they attempt a decapitation strategy against me, then..."

Su Yu put away his personal terminal.

He walked toward the conference hall of the Sanctuary, where the leader of the Iron Heart Tribe and the Lord of Wind City were already waiting.

Soon enough, Su Yu arrived at the conference hall.

Inside the conference hall.

At this moment, everyone in the Sanctuary looked at each other oddly because, at this moment, the pair sitting together in the hall—a man and a woman—were too peculiar.

The woman was unusually brawny, the Four-Star Junior Extraordinary of Physical Body, Huang Ying.

But the man was slender, contrary to conventional masculinity, even leading those in the Sanctuary to see his frame as somewhat gently feminine.

This frail man was the Lord of Wind City, named Feng Tian, a Four-Star Junior Mentalist Transcendent.

Huang Ying was hugging Feng Tian and was saying, "Little Feng Feng, didn't I tell you ages ago that sticking to Wind City is a dead end? Protecting those ordinary people is a waste of effort. How long has it been since your spiritual star level increased?"

"I'm telling you, joining Shelter No. 73 is the way forward; the Administrator obviously manages the Sanctuary better, and ordinary people at Wind City can live better here."

In response, Feng Tian nodded, yet a slight inexplicable blush appeared on his face, a look that seemed to everyone in the Sanctuary as rather shy.

"..." Su Yu saw this scene, paused slightly, then continued toward the central seat of the conference hall, all the while thinking, "No wonder Huang Ying was so confident in getting Wind City's Lord and the entire Wind City to join our Shelter No. 73. It turns out this is the relationship between the two."

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Seeing the somewhat unusual combination of men and women, Huang Ying and Feng Tian, Su Yu, after a brief moment of surprise, stopped thinking about it.

Instead, he sat in the center of the council hall, on the seat that symbolized the manager of the Shelter.

Su Yu silently looked at Feng Tian. For this second four-star spiritual Transcendent he encountered, apart from Li He, Su Yu was also quite curious.

Although the number of awakened spiritual Transcendents is small, there are still a few one-star and two-star ones in the Sanctuary. But someone like Feng Tian, who has reached four-star level, is quite rare.

At this moment, Feng Tian also stopped flirting and began observing Su Yu. Even after just a brief contact, Feng Tian felt a deep-sea-like profound pressure emanating from Su Yu.

"So this is the manager of Shelter No. 73, indeed, just as Sister Ying said, his power is immeasurable," Feng Tian thought to himself, startled. He is the City Lord of Wind City, and Wind City is the most powerful of the seven small settlements.

With a population of ten thousand, on one hand, because Feng Tian, as a spiritual Transcendent, possesses the unusual power to control the winds, his strength is also the strongest among the seven small settlements.

Moreover, Feng Tian is the only one among the seven small settlements willing to accept and protect ordinary people as the settlement leader, which relates to Feng Tian's background as he grew up.

Feng Tian looked at the people in the Sanctuary, their strange expressions, but he didn't care.

He and Huang Ying form a man-and-woman duo that's rare across the Ruins Star; such peculiar glances, Feng Tian has seen countless times.

However, each time he saw such peculiar looks, Feng Tian felt even more pity for Huang Ying.

"If it weren't for me, Sister Ying wouldn't have ended up like this," Feng Tian leaned against Huang Ying's strong body again, looking at Huang Ying's shoulders, which were much broader than a normal man's, he thought in his heart unwillingly.

Su Yu's gaze had moved away from Feng Tian and was now looking towards the leader from the Iron Heart Tribe—an elder, from whom Su Yu could not sense any Transcendent power.

In terms of Spiritual Energy or Physical Body Power, this elder had none, completely just a normal person.

"Iron Heart Tribe should be the tribe mastering information technology processing. This elder, being a normal person yet able to be a leader of a settlement, even if a small one, must have something extraordinary."

Su Yu did not look down on the elder just because he was an ordinary person, instead, he paid even more attention to this elder.

Then, Su Yu slowly spoke.

"Everyone, did you come to the Sanctuary this time, intending to join us?"

"Tell us your thoughts."

Upon hearing Su Yu's words, the elder from the Iron Heart Tribe was the first to stand up.

The elder said, "Manager, my name is Tie Xin. I am the clan leader and the chief of the Iron Heart Tribe."

"You may not know, Manager, our Iron Heart Tribe, although a small settlement, is a tribe-formed settlement with not many people, just over three thousand, and they are all united."

"For us, joining a powerful force like Shelter No. 73 to receive better protection would naturally be without objection. Shelter No. 73, aside from the Ghost Tribe, is the most powerful force on this Dead Silence Wilderness."

"Our Iron Heart Tribe's combat strength isn't strong; the combat personnel is only two hundred, the rest are mostly the elderly, women, and children without combat capabilities, surviving daily reliant on an advantage in mechanical weapons."

Tie Xin paused, then continued: "Additionally, there's another reason why I choose to join Shelter No. 73. Our Iron Heart Tribe, in itself, masters certain mechanical technology, and we survive by creating mechanical equipment for various small settlements, even providing some mechanical devices for large settlements."

"Large settlements?" Su Yu asked, slightly surprised upon hearing this.

Seeing Tie Xin nod, he said, "Yes, large settlements. That is a caravan from War City, which is a large settlement located behind the Ghost Tribe on this piece of Dead Silence Wilderness."

"The strength of War City is exceptionally strong, with a resident population allegedly of four hundred thousand, often dispatching caravans for trade in various settlements. Originally, our Iron Heart Tribe, due to mastering unique information processing technology, was a mainstay trading partner of War City's caravans, but recently, the trade has been interrupted."

Su Yu nodded, not surprised by the transaction interruption.

The Ghost Tribe's location is wedged between two major restricted areas, Steel Jungle and Radiation Ghost City, with War City situated behind the Ghost Tribe, intending to trade with small settlements like the Iron Heart Tribe in the Dead Silence Wilderness, only possible through the Ghost Tribe's territory.

If it were before, War City being a large settlement, coupled with the Ghost Tribe's madness yet basic rationality, would allow the passage of War City's caravans.

Now, however, with Su Yu having eliminated a group of Ghost Wolf Riders and the mark left by the unknown entity worshiped by Li He, the Ghost Tribe has become incredibly frenzied, leading them to massacre surrounding small settlements.

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Such Ghost Tribe, for the most part, will no longer allow trade caravans from War City to come through.

And as a large settlement, War City is also not very keen on provoking enemies like the Ghost Tribe. After all, the Ghost Tribe possesses Ghost Energy technology, and their weapons, as well as Transcendents, all have powerful pollution capabilities.

Although War City can defeat them, the ghostly pollution, akin to maggots on bones, is incredibly disgusting.

"Therefore, our Iron Heart Tribe, after losing War City as a trading target, is living quite miserably. And, Master Administrator, the mechanical technology you possess, along with those powerful Intelligent Mechanics in Shelter No. 73, is a deadly attraction for the people of the Iron Heart Tribe."

"So, our Iron Heart Tribe hopes to join your Sanctuary, Master Administrator."

Then Tie Xin continued, "We hope to gain your protection, Master Administrator, and in exchange, our Iron Heart Tribe will work for you. Our people all have good mechanical skills, especially in information processing technology."

After hearing this, Su Yu nodded. Su Yu was also tempted by the information processing technology mastered by the Iron Heart Tribe. The growing number of people in the Sanctuary means the data handled by the Core Terminal and the receiving range of personal devices need to be improved.

The arrival of the Iron Heart Tribe could be considered timely, but Su Yu still wants to grasp the Tribe's technology in his own hands.

"Looking at Tie Xin, it's clear they're unlikely to hand over the technology they depend on for survival just like that, but no matter. Since they love mechanical technology, we can use a subtle approach."

Thinking of this, Su Yu turned to Yang Lie, who was sitting beside him, and said, "Uncle Yang, you handle the communication with the Iron Heart Tribe, and remember to give a personal device to our Iron Heart leader as a gesture of our sincerity."

Yang Lie stood up, nodded. He understood the implication in Su Yu's words.

These days, Yang Lie has been in charge of the management office's work. Although not very strong, Yang Lie manages the work of the office extremely well. The Sanctuary's ability to avoid turmoil after expanding to so many people is inseparable from Yang Lie's efforts.

"Isn't it just using the mechanical technology on the exchange list to attract the Iron Heart Tribe, to make them voluntarily submit their core technology? I've done this more than once." Yang Lie nodded, familiar with this routine.

Then, Yang Lie came to the side of the Iron Heart elder, took out a new personal device, and handed it to the elder.

The Iron Heart elder took the personal device and unconsciously fiddled with it a bit, quickly realizing that although the mechanized technology on this personal device was good, its information processing speed was not as good as their Iron Heart Tribe's.

Yang Lie, in turn, brought the Iron Heart elder to the corner of the conference hall to sit and then helped the elder open the exchange list on the personal device.

"Clan Leader Tie Xin, this exchange list is special to our Sanctuary..." Yang Lie introduced to Tie Xin.

At this point, Tie Xin was no longer paying attention to what Yang Lie was saying. Looking at the invaluable mechanical technologies on the exchange list, all it required was a contribution to redeem them.

"Shelter No. 73 is actually this generous? Then if I'm still hiding the information processing technology, isn't that inappropriate?" Tie Xin hesitated for a moment, but quickly, looking at those precious and tempting mechanical technologies, made a decision in his heart that betrayed his ancestors.

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Inside the conference hall.

Su Yu once again turned his gaze to Huang Ying and Feng Tian, who were leaning against each other.

"What are your thoughts, you two?"

Huang Ying just wanted to stand up and respond, but was stopped by Feng Tian patting her thick shoulder.

"Sister Ying, let me do it." Feng Tian silently stood up, and the people in the conference hall, hearing the words "Sister Ying" from Feng Tian's mouth, all glanced at Feng Tian.

Su Yu also thought to himself, "These two people indeed seem to have genuine feelings for each other."

And Feng Tian began to speak.

"Master Administrator, you may not know but Wind City is just a small settlement I established, and I don't want to be any sort of settlement leader. My original intention was simply to protect ordinary people on this Dead Silence Wilderness."

Feng Tian seemed worried that Su Yu wouldn't believe him, so he continued, "In my childhood, I was a member of a small settlement, still an ordinary person, and Sister Ying was three years older than me and took great care of me. Though life was hard then, but under the care of my parents and Sister Ying, it was still relatively comfortable."

"But later on, the small settlement was destroyed, and my parents also died in that battle. The original residents of the settlement, if they had any fighting ability, were okay, and could completely survive in the wilderness, but someone like me, an ordinary person, could only follow the fleeing crowd, relying on fate in the wilderness."

Hearing Feng Tian's words, Yu Ping'an, standing aside, also looked gloomy. When the Wandering Village was destroyed, he had come through the same way.

"Because at that time, Sister Ying and I were both children, so even ordinary people in the fleeing crowd took care of us. But later, as food became scarce and danger arose, more and more people wanted to get rid of us children, these burdens, from the team."

"In extreme hunger, humans are hardly better than beasts. We children were, in some ways, much more appetizing than adults."