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Chapter 401: Brutal Battle Armor Upgrade! Prepare for the Great Battle!_2

Even though it's just a small level, it represents more than doubling the strength.

"Not bad..."

Looking at the attribute panel of the battle armor, Su Yu nodded in satisfaction.

The increase in power is always a good thing.

Moreover, the upgraded core can output more energy.

Once he collaborates with Xie Yitian, they can convert this excess energy into a large amount of Data Spirit Power, allowing various creations and even the residents of the Mechanical City to use this Advanced Energy.

"This test was very successful, it seems that even after devouring the Heavenly Punishment Origin, the Brutal Split Mind's control over Ghost Energy is still below mine."

"The upgraded Brutal Core can be used with confidence."

Su Yu muttered to himself again.

Just now, in fact, he had other methods to deal with the Brutality's riot.

For instance, purifying Ghost Energy with the Flame of Truth, or using a powerful attack to exhaust the Brutal Split Mind's energy.

Su Yu could have even reinforced Brutality's seal in advance before "feeding" it, leaving it no chance to riot.

But Su Yu chose not to do so and instead confronted the Brutal Split Mind head-on.

It can be said that the Brutal Split Mind is something Su Yu released on purpose.

He was testing his strength to see if he could face the Brutal Split Mind after obtaining the Evil God Origin.

Now it seems there is no problem at all.

His control over Ghost Energy turns out to be even stronger than that of the Brutal Split Mind!

"Tsk, tsk, this Brutal Split Mind originally wanted to communicate about cooperation, but this guy is very hard to communicate with..."

In fact, Su Yu released the Brutality not only to test his strength but also to try to communicate with it.

After all, the Brutal Split Mind seems to have completely separated from the main body, and it has a fear of death, which presents a possibility for defection.

If he could turn it against the Brutal main body in the future, it would be a tremendous help.

Though the idea of rebelling against an Evil God's split mind to make it fight its own main body seems a bit far-fetched.

But Evil Gods are inherently chaotic and twisted, so a split mind rebelling is not unusual.

However, the Brutality gave Su Yu no chance to communicate, so Su Yu had to give up.

Yet, Su Yu didn't completely abandon the idea of using the Brutal Split Mind against its main body.

With a thought, a new idea quickly formed in his mind.

"If I keep improving, might I be able to reverse the erosion of the Brutal Split Mind and gain complete control over it?"

An unusual thought popped into Su Yu's mind.

He actually considered reversing the erosion of the Brutal Split Mind and forcibly taking full control!

If communication and persuasion don't work, then force it!

This idea is downright outrageous.

But on second thought, it's not entirely impossible!

At this point, Su Yu's control over Ghost Energy has already surpassed the Brutal Split Mind, allowing him to seize its Ghost Energy head-on.

If Su Yu continues to upgrade, further increasing his control.

Then reversing and eroding the Brutal Split Mind wouldn't be strange.

Evil Gods aren't completely uncontrollable, as the City Lord of Heavenly Punishment is a case in point; that guy is now one of Su Yu's believers, tortured and punished to death by Su Yu.

It's because of this example of the City Lord of Heavenly Punishment that Su Yu had such a far-fetched idea.

Previously, no matter how imaginative his mind was, he wouldn't have considered the idea of eroding control over an Evil God.

Evil Gods have always been the ones to erode and pollute humans, not the other way around!

The only possibility to control an Evil God is to be an even stronger and more malevolent Great Evil God.

When Brutality said Su Yu was definitely not human, it wasn't wrong...

After a while of imagining, Su Yu put this thought aside.

For now, eroding control over the Brutal Split Mind is not quite feasible; it can be considered later.

"By the way, Brutality mentioned that even the Ghost Hidden Blade couldn't achieve such a feat..."

Su Yu recalled the words of Brutality when it was sealed.

This statement made Su Yu take it very seriously.

The Brutal Split Mind is aware of the Ghost Hidden Blade profession.

It even knew the ritual of the Ghost Hidden Blade, and when Su Yu fought with it earlier, it guessed that Su Yu was undergoing a ritual.

It's not surprising; as an Evil God who has existed for over ten thousand years, the Brutal Evil God is undoubtedly the most experienced entity on this planet.

Knowing about the Ghost Hidden Blade profession is very normal.

Perhaps ten thousand years ago, Zhang Chenfeng's subordinates included the Ghost Hidden Blade profession, and Brutality had fought against it.

But what is unusual is that it said: even the Ghost Hidden Blade could not...

This intrigued Su Yu greatly.

The Brutal Split Mind seemed to imply that even if Su Yu were a Ghost Hidden Blade, he shouldn't be as strong as he is now, actually able to compete with it for control over Ghost Energy.

After all, Su Yu is only seven stars; how could he have such power?

Yet that's just what Su Yu achieved.

"It looks like my version of the Ghost Hidden Blade differs from the ordinary ones."

"Right, I took the job through the Talent Panel. Perhaps there's some unique transformation."

After pondering for a moment, Su Yu couldn't figure it out.

He could only attribute it to the Talent Panel.

There might also be a possibility that the Ghost Hidden Blade profession has changed in strength over the millennia since Zhang Chenfeng's death.

As for which possibility it is, it will need to be verified in the future.

After pondering for a while, Su Yu suddenly spoke: "Mechanical Spirit, send a message for the combat personnel to prepare to set out for a full-scale war against the City of Heavenly Punishment."

"Yes! Master!"

Soon, the Mechanical Spirit delivered this information to all the residents of the Mechanical City.

Simultaneously, the residents were also informed about the City of Heavenly Punishment.

"What? The Administrator wants us to prepare for war to conquer the City of Heavenly Punishment?"

"That City of Heavenly Punishment is truly heartless, actually destroying human settlements in the name of Heavenly Punishment. It's simply unforgivable!"

"Is Su Yu suddenly launching a war because the City of Heavenly Punishment has its sights set on the Mechanical City?"

"Damn it, do they intend to bring down their so-called Heavenly Punishment on us? Bring it on!"

"We'll fight them to the end!"

Receiving the message, everyone started to discuss.

Even though they're going to war with a city of almost a million people, almost no one felt afraid; instead, they were very angry.

Because after learning about the City of Heavenly Punishment, they assumed it had targeted the Mechanical City to unleash "Heavenly Punishment" upon them.

How could they tolerate this?

They had finally established a peaceful and safe home, the Mechanical City, and would not allow anyone to destroy it!

Soon, a large number of applications were delivered to Su Yu.

They were battle applications.

The combat personnel of the Mechanical City originally numbered only in the thousands, and Su Yu only intended to assemble these people.

But now, combat applications had surpassed ten thousand in a short time.

It seems that Su Yu's earlier scolding had an effect, and the people's enthusiasm for battle was very high.

The City of Heavenly Punishment's deeds had outraged the people, fueling their anger.

Upon seeing this, Su Yu didn't hesitate and immediately ordered: "Mechanical Spirit, select ten thousand individuals."

Given the residents' high enthusiasm for battle, Su Yu decided to "expand the army."

In fact, if Su Yu brought only his Mechanical Creations, there would be no problem, and even Su Yu alone could destroy the City of Heavenly Punishment.

However, considering that the ritual's requirement was war, it might not fit the definition if he destroyed the City of Heavenly Punishment by himself.

Therefore, he needed to take the combat personnel from the Mechanical City.

Seeing their enthusiasm for battle, Su Yu thought about using this opportunity to have a real war against the City of Heavenly Punishment to train the troops.

Quickly, a ten-thousand-person army was selected by the Mechanical Spirit.

These individuals gathered at the gate of the Mechanical City, armed to the teeth, standing tall, looking mighty and impressive.

Yet each of them sported dark circles, which looked somewhat amusing.

Previously, they had been working overtime, and even though Su Yu had scolded them, their bodies hadn't yet recovered.

Seeing them like this, Su Yu couldn't help but shake his head.

Their power was really too weak.

If Su Yu used the battle armor's Ghost Energy Cannon, he could wipe them out in a single blow.

Taking them along was really just for numbers.

"It seems I need to find a way to enhance their strength; otherwise, just feeding them isn't viable."

"The Illusion City model is good, but the residents' main bodies in Illusion City are too weak. I need to find a way to enhance them..."

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Su Yu looked at these people, sensing their aura, and found that most of them were just ordinary people.

Spiritual Users were few, and some were cyborgs, but their transformation level was not high.

Their combat power was really too weak.

Only Feng Tian, Tie Xin... and other four-star and five-star Transcendents had a bit of strength.

But this bit of strength was equivalent to nothing for Su Yu now.

Therefore, Su Yu pondered how to increase their combat power.

At the last meeting, Su Yu advised everyone not to work overtime every day, but to spend time enhancing themselves. It inspired everyone intensely.

But Su Yu knew it was unrealistic to let them rely on themselves to enhance their strength.

Even if these people tried hard, their improvement would still be limited.

Even if one or two geniuses emerged, they could only enhance themselves.

Most people were destined to mediocrity for life.

Therefore, Su Yu had to personally intervene.

Su Yu now could mass-produce mechanical creations at the six-star or even seven-star level.

Next, if various technical means are used, could six-star or even seven-star Transcendents be mass-produced...

Thinking quickly in his mind, Su Yu soon had a rough idea.

Even if seven stars couldn't be mass-produced, creating five or six-star Transcendents, with his current strength, technology, and connections, should be doable.

However, for now, it's just an idea, and Su Yu didn't implement it immediately, as they were about to go out to battle.

Moreover, Su Yu didn't have the specific technology at hand yet and still needed to find ways to acquire it.

"Set off!"

After a moment of contemplation, Su Yu gave the order, and the army departed from the city.

Ten thousand people boarded various vehicles, carrying assorted weapons and ammunition, food supplies, and set out in a grand procession.

Behind them were numerous envious gazes.

Many people signed up to join the battle, but Su Yu only took ten thousand.

After the ten thousand left the city, Su Yu's various mechanical creations also began to emerge from the underground Mechanical Space.

Various models of Cavalry were commonplace and familiar to the residents of Mechanical City.

But those five Assault Tanks were incredibly eye-catching.

"What are these? New mechanical creations developed by the Administrator? So massive!"

"That gun barrel is so thick! It looks really impressive! I wonder how powerful it is..."

"This seems to be a vehicle? I really want to try riding it."

"It's so beautiful, it's like the machine of my dreams..."

Everyone was discussing these Assault Tanks enthusiastically.

The colossal chassis of the tanks was full of the beauty of heavy industry.

At first sight, everyone took a liking to them.

As residents of the Mechanical City, interacting with various machinery every day had changed their aesthetic sense. They loved all sorts of mechanical creations.

Some quirky residents even held beauty rankings for mechanical creations.

Even though those Cavalry models were assembly line products and looked identical.

Yet these people could spot so-called "beauty" from the difference of a single screw or pipeline.

These peculiar thought processes were beyond even Su Yu's understanding.

Now the imposing and mighty appearance of these Assault Tanks had already won over their hearts.

Probably, these folks had already started rating these Assault Tanks in beauty contests...

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After the ten thousand troops and various mechanical creations exited the city, Su Yu returned to the Mechanical Space.

This army still had a long way to go to reach the City of Heavenly Punishment.

Mechanical City was thousands of kilometers away from the City of Heavenly Punishment, and even at full throttle, it would take at least a week to get there.

After all, they couldn't fly, and many vehicles weren't fast, traveling at only seventy or eighty kilometers per hour.

They needed to rest daily and couldn't travel day and night.

Perhaps by the next gathering, these people wouldn't have arrived yet.

It seemed that Su Yu would need to wait a bit longer to advance to War Mechanic.

However, he wasn't in a hurry, as it was only a matter of time.

"There's still time. Since that's the case, let's visit a few other cities..."

After a brief thought, Su Yu soared into the sky, heading toward the distance.

The members of the Transcendent Union previously requested Su Yu to go to their city to investigate potential problems.

With nothing better to do, Su Yu decided to leave immediately.

The first stop, 4500 kilometers north, was Jiguang City!

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Mechanical City was located in the Northern Hemisphere of the Ruins Star, 4500 kilometers north of Mechanical City, already close to the Arctic.

Su Yu propelled his battle armor, flying northward at twelve times the speed of sound.

Very soon, he saw the ground covered with cold snow, an expanse of white, and the temperature plummeted to dozens of degrees below zero, still dropping.

"Tsk tsk, really cold..."

Flying in the air, Su Yu expressed his admiration.

Actually, he just said it casually; it couldn't be cold.

With twelve times the speed of sound and air friction, the high temperature generated was enough to vaporize steel; feeling cold would be strange.

Even if he stopped and took off his battle armor, standing directly in the ice and snow.

Such low temperatures couldn't affect a seven-star physical Transcendent, at most making him feel slightly cool.

After flying for a bit more, the sky gradually darkened.

It wasn't that night had fallen, but that he was approaching the Arctic, in a state of polar night.

Su Yu suddenly looked up at the sky.

In the distant sky, a brilliant band of colored light streaked across.

The ever-changing colors left Su Yu somewhat mesmerized.

On this planet, the sky was always a gloomy gray.

Such a splendid skyscape was indeed rare.

"Aurora..."

Su Yu realized that it was what they called the aurora.

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According to the knowledge that Su Yu knew, this is a natural phenomenon caused by charged particle streams emitted from the sun entering the planet's magnetic field.

He had only heard about it, and now it was the first time he witnessed it personally.

"What a beautiful sight, it was worth coming here..."

Su Yu admired the aurora, clicking his tongue in praise.

However, after a moment, he suddenly focused and noticed that in the distance, the aurora was faintly forming a somewhat distorted pattern as it transformed.

That pattern seemed to be a ferocious human face?

Su Yu was about to observe carefully when the visage disappeared.

"It seems that this place is indeed not very peaceful."

Su Yu knew that with his current strength, what he had just seen couldn't possibly be an illusion.

Something seemed to be hidden within that aurora.

The Jiguang City Lord truly made the right decision in asking Su Yu to come over.

Su Yu flew for a while longer and finally saw a city on the ground.

This city looked similar to an ordinary modern city, with tall buildings and bright lights.

Its scale was about the same as Illusion City.

Quite rare in such a bitter and cold place.

"Jiguang City, Electromagnetic Vanguard..."

Su Yu muttered to himself.

The Jiguang City Lord was a middle-aged man named Zhao Shuangming, with the profession of [Electromagnetic Vanguard], skilled in manipulating electromagnetic energy.

After taking a few glances, Su Yu maneuvered his armor and landed at the gate of Jiguang City, deactivating invisibility and revealing himself.

As soon as he appeared, he was immediately detected by Jiguang City's surveillance equipment.

"Alert! Alert!"

"High pollution energy reaction! Level... eight-star!"

The piercing alarm immediately sounded.

"Jiguang City's defense system, could it be the same design as Illusion City?"

Su Yu listened to the familiar alarm, somewhat amused.

Last time he visited Illusion City, it was the same commotion.

Fortunately, this time, the alarm quickly subsided.

Then a voice came through the speaker: "May I ask if this is Mr. Su Yu?"

Su Yu recognized it as Zhao Shuangming's voice and replied, "It's me."

Shortly after Su Yu spoke, he saw a streak of electric light flicker from the city.

The electric light flickered a few times, approaching the city gate from the city center, and in another flash, it was out of the city, heading towards Su Yu.

Su Yu's eyes focused, seeing within the electric light, the silhouette of a middle-aged man, Zhao Shuangming!

This middle-aged man seemed unremarkable at the previous gathering.

But now he appeared extremely imposing, his body blazing with dazzling flashes, hair standing upright, and eyes blazingly white, like the Thunder God from myths, coming with a storm of sparks and lightning, arriving in front of Su Yu in the blink of an eye.

Crackle... crackle...

The electric light flashed, whipping through the air.

A smell both burnt and fresh came, ozone generated by ionizing oxygen.

"At least four times the speed of sound..."

Su Yu was somewhat surprised in his heart; Zhao Shuangming's speed just now was extremely astonishing, able to run at four times the speed of sound on the ground.

Worthy of being an [Electromagnetic Vanguard].

When Zhao Shuangming reached Su Yu, he immediately dissipated his power, reverting back to that ordinary middle-aged man, and said excitedly, "Mr. Su Yu, you've come, that's wonderful!"

Hearing this, Su Yu frowned immediately: "What happened?"

Su Yu noticed Zhao Shuangming's demeanor was somewhat off, being so anxious; it seemed something had occurred in Jiguang City.

Upon hearing, Zhao Shuangming's face flashed with an expression of terror, as if remembering some unpleasant past.

After a while, he began speaking slowly: "It's like this, after the gathering concluded, I immediately started inspecting the whole city, and then discovered... that there were no longer any living people in Jiguang City..."

Zhao Shuangming's revelation shocked Su Yu.

No living people? What happened?

What followed was a somewhat chilling tale told by Zhao Shuangming.

As the City Lord of Jiguang City, Zhao Shuangming had been ruling this city for over two hundred years.

Although he was not exactly affectionate towards the people, he treated the residents fairly well.

Under Zhao Shuangming's protection, this city had a very flourishing population of over eight hundred thousand in this harsh land.

Usually, Zhao Shuangming didn't manage affairs often, leaving the residents to govern themselves.

He led an isolated life, busy every day enhancing his own power.

In fact, Zhao Shuangming hadn't appeared before the residents for over ten years.

Having ascended to seven-star status for several centuries, with no descendants, and friends long gone.

So he had no deep bond with the ordinary residents, merely fulfilling the duties of a City Lord, quietly protecting this city without interacting with the residents.

Even if strong Radiation Beasts occasionally besieged the city, Zhao Shuangming would suppress them from afar without appearing personally.

Of course, as City Lord, he could always use spiritual power and various equipment to monitor the city's dynamics.

The residents couldn't see him, but he could see them.

To him, over the past ten years, Jiguang City had been running very well.

There were no crises, the residents lived and worked peacefully, and among hundreds of thousands, even fights and disputes were rare.

This gave him great satisfaction.

Having such a harmonious large city, brought a certain pride to his heart.

Relying on his power to shelter so many people and give them a good life, provided Zhao Shuangming immense gratification.

He thought it would continue like this forever.

Until the previous gathering, where Su Yu informed everyone that a secretive force might be targeting major cities.

Only then did Zhao Shuangming wake up and began inspecting.

Then he discovered that the entire city, at some unknown time, had become an empty city, a dead city!

Through surveillance and spiritual sensing, he saw the city residents living, studying, exercising, fighting... everything seemed normal.

But when he approached and interacted with the residents, he was horrified to find that these people were merely illusions.

Upon contact, these people instantly transformed into light and vanished!

The entire city was under an illusion.

All residents were fake!

Even the traces of their lives were fake!

Once the illusion faded, the entire city was empty, with no living people, no traces of life.

Only a dead city remained.

Zhao Shuangming was the only living person in this dead city.

This situation persisted for an unknown duration.

Perhaps for a year or two, or even ten years or more...

While narrating, Zhao Shuangming used equipment to project images.

In the images, Zhao Shuangming walked up to a resident, reached out to touch this person.

In an instant, the person exploded into a mass of light like a bubble, disappearing into the air.

And like a chain reaction, the others around this person also burst one after another, vanishing completely in a short time.

"Mr. Su Yu, can you imagine? I, a seven-star Transcendent, now feel chilled to the bone."

"My city has turned into a dead city, and I don't know why."

"I even suspect if I've gone mad, whether Jiguang City ever had living people, whether it ever existed, or was it all my imagination..."

As Zhao Shuangming said these words, his emotions were somewhat agitated.

Even as a seven-star Transcendent, he couldn't quite control it.

"City Lord Zhao, don't get agitated."

Su Yu consoled him.

He could understand Zhao Shuangming.

If this had happened to Su Yu, discovering that the residents of Mechanical City were all illusions, he would probably be quite startled as well.

"Phew..."

"Please excuse my rudeness, Mr. Su Yu."

"Mr. Su Yu, please follow me into the city to see the current situation."

Zhao Shuangming took a few deep breaths to calm his emotions, then spoke to Su Yu.

Su Yu nodded and followed Zhao Shuangming into the city.

The two quickly entered the city.

Walking on the empty streets, Su Yu looked around, finding that it was indeed as Zhao Shuangming described, without any living people, just an empty city.

There wasn't a single trace of life, and the entire city was so clean, it seemed as if it had just been built.

However, as Su Yu continued observing, his vision suddenly blurred, and the previously empty street suddenly became bustling, crowded with people and vehicles.

Even though the city's temperature was very low, the vibrant atmosphere of life greeted him warmly.

But with another blink, these people disappeared once more, turning into light and dissipating instantly into the air.

Along with them disappeared Zhao Shuangming.

"Interesting..."

After a moment of silence, Su Yu smiled.

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At this moment, Jiguang City turned into a completely empty city, not even the City Lord remained.

Zhao Shuangming had also turned into light when he disappeared, dissipating into the air.

In that instant, Su Yu sensed that Zhao Shuangming had no energy within him, only a vast Nihilism.

This indicates that this City Lord was also fake!

But earlier, when Zhao Shuangming appeared, he was imposing and showed no hint of being false.

"Other residents disappeared after coming into contact with Zhao Shuangming."

"Zhao Shuangming disappeared after coming into contact with me as well..."

"Was this Zhao Shuangming also fake?"

Su Yu murmured.

Initially, when Zhao Shuangming recounted those events to Su Yu, all his emotions felt incredibly real.

Even when Zhao Shuangming first appeared at four times the speed of sound, he was astonishingly imposing with no sign of falsity.

Yet, it seems he was indeed fake!

Moreover, even Su Yu was deceived, which seemed quite incredible!

After a moment of silence, Su Yu's figure abruptly moved, retracing his steps back to outside the city.

At the city gate, where Su Yu had first landed.

Su Yu returned here, looking down at his feet.

"No footprints, no traces."

Earlier, when Zhao Shuangming appeared, he left footprints and scorched marks of lightning in the snow.

But now, they were gone, leaving only Su Yu's footprints, with no trace of Zhao Shuangming's.

In an instant, Su Yu was somewhat bewildered, questioning whether everything before was an illusion.

"This Jiguang City should be called Illusion City, shouldn't it?"

Su Yu looked up at the Jiguang City before him, even doubting whether the city really existed? Was it not just an illusion?

"Nuonuo, Fear Intelligence, did either of you just see Zhao Shuangming?"

Su Yu asked his two major Angel Envoys.

When heading out, naturally, he brought these two major aides with him.

These two Mechanical Apostles both possessed self-awareness and were a seven-star class of special life forms.

Unable to discern the real from the fake himself, Su Yu sought their opinions.

Hearing this, Nuonuo quickly said, "Master, I only saw you talking to yourself just now, I thought you were on a remote call with Zhao Shuangming."

Fear Intelligence also said, "Master, I... I am the same. I didn't see anything just now. Master, what happened to you just now? I am a little scared..."

Hearing this, Su Yu was slightly shocked.

Earlier, even Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence did not notice Zhao Shuangming's existence.

What principle is this?

"Can you both see Jiguang City?"

Su Yu asked again.

"Yes, Master!"

Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence said in unison.

Su Yu nodded, it seemed that Jiguang City should indeed exist, not an illusion.

But then again, perhaps such an illusion could even baffle Data Life?

"Fear Intelligence, can you sense any fear emotions in the city?"

Su Yu asked again.

Fear Intelligence waited for a moment upon hearing this, then responded, "Let me sense... Master, I can't sense any, no fear."

Su Yu nodded slightly, did not continue to ask, but moved forward again, entering Jiguang City.

He walked on the streets, observing everywhere.

He found that the city's infrastructure, like electricity and water sources, were still functioning.

It was polar night, and the streets of the city were illuminated by bright streetlights.

Some plazas even had fountains, using electricity to melt the ice into water and spray it into the sky, reflecting the streetlights and auroras, appearing quite beautiful.

These facilities obviously had no one to maintain them, yet they continued to operate normally.

Bang!

Su Yu suddenly attacked, punching a fountain by the roadside and blowing it up.

Hiss...

Water spouted high into the air, splashing everywhere.

Su Yu gazed at the fountain, waiting for a while without discovering any anomaly.

He turned around, about to investigate other places.

However, he turned back suddenly, looking at the fountain.

That fountain was standing there perfectly fine, reflecting the streetlights and auroras.

Su Yu watched for a moment, then glanced at his own hand, it was this hand that he had used to blow up the fountain.

But now, the fountain was restored in the blink of an eye.

Even the slight water stains on Su Yu's fist had vanished.

With Su Yu's keen awareness, he didn't even notice how it restored in that instant.

"Nuonuo, Fear Intelligence!"

Su Yu called out.

"Master, we didn't see anything."

The two Mechanical Apostles quickly said.

"Not seeing anything, what do you mean by that? You didn't see it when I blew up this fountain just now?"

Upon hearing this, Su Yu's expression stiffened, and he continued to ask urgently.

"Did you strike, Master? No? You were just looking at the fountain for a while."

"Master, what are you talking about, I'm a bit scared..."

The two Mechanical Apostles quickly said.

Su Yu's face darkened even more, and he pondered: "It seems, it might not be the city but my problem."

"Am I influenced? But Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence were not affected, is it a Spirit-based ability?"

Su Yu speculated that perhaps he was under the influence of a Spirit-based ability.

While Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence were special life forms, they didn't have a 'Spirit,' potentially allowing them immunity to such abilities.

However, another possibility was that Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence were also affected, making their words unreliable.

If that were the case, Su Yu's speculation would be incorrect.

The more Su Yu thought, the more he felt he was trapped in a vicious cycle, unable to infer the truth through guessing alone.

"Then stop guessing!"

Suddenly, Su Yu's face turned cold as the Brutal Battle Armor activated, taking off at twelve times the speed of sound, colliding fiercely with various buildings around him.

He intended to dismantle this city, to see if he could glean anything from it.

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Boom! Boom! Boom!

At twelve times the speed of sound, Su Yu didn't use any weapons, but at this supersonic speed, he was the strongest weapon himself.

All the buildings he passed through were directly pierced, then the high temperature from the collision caused massive explosions!

In just a moment, the entire city was engulfed in a sea of fire.

A few minutes later, the entire city had become ruins, without a single intact building left.

Su Yu looked at this fiery ruin, watched for a while, and suddenly closed his eyes, then opened them again.

The entire city was restored to its original state.

"Master, you were lost in thought again just now..."

Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence said worriedly.

Obviously, the destruction Su Yu caused just now was not real.

In the eyes of Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence, Su Yu had just been in a daze for a moment.

Su Yu was silent for a moment, nodded, and called up the monitor of the Brutal Battle Armor.

Indeed, in the monitor footage, there was a period of pause.

During this time, Su Yu hadn't made any moves.

The energy of the Brutal Battle Armor was also not consumed.

It seemed that Su Yu really was just in a daze for a moment just now.

But in Su Yu's memory, the feelings when destroying the city were incredibly real, how could they be fake?

"It seems I'm trapped here."

"Even if I leave, I might suddenly find myself back here again..."

Su Yu's face was grim.

He suddenly looked up, gazing at the aurora in the sky, remembering the face he saw in the aurora before.

Could it be that the mastermind behind all of this is within that aurora?

He suddenly activated his armor and shot into the sky, flying toward the aurora.

But a moment later, Su Yu was stunned to find himself still in the same place, never having flown up at all.

His face grew darker, realizing he was in extreme danger.

He could no longer distinguish reality from illusion, and this state was very dangerous, making it impossible even to leave.

Even if he could really leave, returning to Mechanical City, waiting for the war with the City of Heavenly Punishment to end, completing the ceremony, and ascending as a War Mechanic...

But in the end, he might suddenly find it was all fake, and he was still in Jiguang City and hadn't left.

Just thinking about this possibility, Su Yu instinctively felt a burst of anxiety.

However, soon he calmed down, starting to analyze in his mind.

"This enemy, most likely skilled in illusion techniques, and very powerful, I don't know when I was caught in the trap."

"The previous Zhao Shuangming probably wasn't the real Zhao Shuangming at all."

"To break this situation, brute force likely won't work."

"Since it's a mental illusion, then let's compete with mental power..."

Soon, Su Yu figured out a countermeasure.

"Fear Intelligence, release the Fear Ghost Demon!"

Su Yu ordered.

"Yes, Master!"

Fear Intelligence immediately followed orders and released its small avatars, the "Fear Ghost Demon," outward.

These low-intelligence little things, once released, scrambled around chaotically.

Of course, they existed in the form of data, and their chaotic actions were all within the data world.

With their appearance, a strong emotion of fear spread throughout Jiguang City.

This was the fear from the Brutal Split Mind, the fear of an Evil God.

Su Yu knew that at this moment, Jiguang City was likely enveloped under some kind of spiritual power.

So he was using the fear of the Evil God to counter this spiritual power, to see which was stronger.

Indeed, as the Fear Ghost Demons scurried around, the whole Jiguang City wavered like rippling water, becoming faintly visible.

This city was like a curtain, the truth concealed behind it.

Now it seemed it was about to reveal the mysterious veil.

However, just as Jiguang City was about to completely disappear and the truth behind it to be revealed.

Su Yu suddenly returned to his senses, finding that there was no change around.

The Fear Ghost Demons also vanished into thin air.

Su Yu was shocked in his heart and quickly sensed.

But he found that those Fear Ghost Demons were well kept within the Brutal Battle Armor's chip, seemingly never having been released.

"Master, why were you lost in thought again just now?"

"Master, what happened..."

Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence hurriedly spoke.

As it turned out, Su Yu releasing the Fear Ghost Demons was also fake.

"Fake, all fake..."

"Even now, Nuonuo and Fear Intelligence talking to me, could also be fake."

"Are all my past experiences real?"

This time, Su Yu was really somewhat baffled, truly unable to distinguish.

He remembered what Zhao Shuangming said earlier: I even doubt, am I insane, has there never been a living person in Jiguang city, has it never existed, are they all my delusions...

Now Su Yu also had this feeling, is he insane, is everything just a delusion.

Although Su Yu knew, this might all be the work of some spiritual power.

But how to prove it? Maybe it's just that Su Yu is insane?

This raises a very philosophical question.

How to determine that one's thoughts, one's perception, the world in front, are real.

Su Yu thought for a bit and knew this question was almost unsolvable.

Normal people wouldn't be bothered by such a question, or they might become crazy sooner or later.

But now, the enemy behind Jiguang City seemed to be forcing Su Yu to struggle with this question, trying to drive him insane.

"Is this your plan? To make me doubt myself?"

Su Yu muttered to himself, contemplating how to break the situation.

As he thought, his eyes began to turn indifferent.

An extremely calm and indifferent aura spread from him as its center.

He was fully activating his Evil God Origin.

The emotion his Evil God Origin controlled was calm and forbearing.

But under his full force, this emotion was rapidly turning extreme, becoming indifferent and deathly still.

His emotions were disappearing rapidly.

In the end, even his whole being began to vanish, turning into a state of nihilism.

In a short time, Su Yu disappeared, and the whole Jiguang City could no longer see his existence.

Only that extremely calm aura remained.

But soon, this aura vanished as well.

The entire Jiguang City fell silent, without residents, without Zhao Shuangming, and without Su Yu, a deathly stillness.

This dead silence lasted for an unknown amount of time until finally, a change occurred.

Several secret voices were conversing: "Where is he? How did he disappear?"

"The spirit and emotions vanished too, how is that possible?"

"Could it be he doubted himself and then died by suicide?"

"No, even if dead, there should be a body, right?"

These voices conversed for a while, unable to figure out what happened to Su Yu.

These secretive voices came from unknown places.

They existed in a spiritual form, neither real nor illusion, completely indiscernible by outsiders.

"Let's wait, maybe he used some kind of invisibility, his armor's invisibility is strong, now probably using a more advanced invisibility."

"Such level of invisibility, I don't believe he can sustain it forever."

"There will be a time when he shows himself!"

These secretive voices conversed for a while and made a decision: wait!

This wait lasted for a whole three days.

After three days, a secretive voice hesitantly said: "Did that Su Yu really come here? Was it that he never existed in the first place?"

"Shut up! Keep waiting!"

Then, another day passed.

"I say, are we really having hallucinations, did that Su Yu ever really exist?"

"...Let's wait a bit longer."

Another day passed.

"We might really be having hallucinations, thinking carefully, that Su Yu's sudden rise has all sorts of unreasonable places."

"Could it be, this Su Yu has always been our hallucination? Have we gone mad?"

"..."

Another day passed.

The tone of those secretive voices became very confused:

"Does Su Yu really exist? The most important question is... do we even truly exist?"

With these voices, the entire Jiguang City trembled, bursting like a bubble to reveal its true appearance.

Jiguang City no longer existed, with only an icy plain left in its place.

The ice plain was as smooth as a mirror, reflecting the aurora in the sky.