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Chapter 71: Chapter 68 Infighting Among the Beasts?

Listening to Yang Lie's sigh.

Zhang Wu, Li Mao, and the others couldn't help but show expressions of mutual understanding.

As they watched Su Yu walk over, their eyes were full of deep admiration.

Many of the more impulsive members of the Ninth Squad couldn't help but eagerly ask Su Yu, "Brother Su, where should we go hunting next?"

However, Su Yu's answer brought them back to reality.

"The supplies we brought out this time are almost depleted, it's time to return."

Su Yu said with a smile.

"What? So soon?"

Upon hearing Su Yu's arrangement.

Zhang Wu and Li Mao felt a little reluctant.

Yang Lie was also somewhat surprised.

After all, if they were to return now, it would mean that their hunting expedition lasted less than a week.

Isn't that a bit too early?

Seeing Yang Lie's puzzled look, Su Yu shook his hand slightly and said softly, "Uncle Yang, don't forget, the situation in the wilderness is completely different now!"

Hearing Su Yu's words.

Yang Lie's expression immediately turned serious.

Zhang Wu and Li Mao, who initially wanted to persuade Su Yu to hunt for another day or two, also realized Su Yu's intention.

In the past three days of hunting, the harvest of the Ninth Squad along with Su Yu was indeed plentiful.

Especially for Su Yu.

Although the experience points gained from the battles over these three days did not enhance his skills much,

they did allow him to smoothly upgrade his [Battlefield Mechanic] profession level from lv13 to lv15, with the experience bar at 71% towards lv15.

Even with just one or two more days of hunting, no—

even with just one more day,

Su Yu was confident he could upgrade to lv16.

But Su Yu still resolutely decided to return and not risk greed for more.

Because, while the hunting over these three days was rewarding, it also made Su Yu clearly notice that

the wilderness, or more accurately, the wilderness around the Sanctuary, had become significantly more dangerous than a month ago!

Previously, around the Sanctuary, even when hunting during the deep night under normal circumstances, it would take two or three days, or even longer, to encounter a three-star Radiation Beast King leading a horde of beasts.

But in the past three days alone, the Ninth Squad encountered no less than five!

Not to mention the hordes led by two-star top-tier and two-star high-tier Radiation Beast Kings, which were even more numerous!

In the past, hunting squads returning to the Sanctuary only needed to reserve enough supplies and ammunition for about two or three small confrontations, which would be enough to handle unexpected situations.

But now, with such a powerful concentration of Radiation Beast hordes lurking around the Sanctuary,

the supplies needed for the return journey can no longer be as scant as before.

At least enough ammunition must be reserved for two to three fierce battles.

After all,

a significant part of the Cavalry Squad's combat strength relied heavily on heavy machine guns and flamethrowers.

While the chain saw blades for close combat were also quite deadly, once engaged in melee, even with Nuonuo as the Battlefield Vanguard, it would be hard for repair speed to keep up with the Cavalry's expenditure.

Initially, Yang Lie and the others hadn't thought of this.

But with Su Yu's reminder, they realized the situation and stopped urging Su Yu to continue hunting, beginning instead to assist Su Yu in preparing for the return journey.

The three days of hunting not only brought Su Yu substantial improvements but also served as significant training for the Ninth Squad in battling numerous three-star beast hordes.

Even if they served mainly as auxiliaries, they still gained valuable battle experience.

The logistics personnel, too, benefited.

Upon receiving the orders to return, everyone quickly sprang into action, clearing the battlefield shortly.

The convoy, significantly heavier than before setting off, traveled across the wasteland, with the wheels creaking under the load of various Radiation Beast materials emitting a strong blood scent, causing weaker Radiation Beast hordes to willingly retreat upon catching a whiff.

This was a specific tactic Su Yu had arranged.

Normally, on a hunting team's return journey, these materials, particularly those radiating a strong blood odor, would be carefully sealed away by the team members to prevent spreading too far and attracting more Radiation Beasts.

However, considering this return trip planned with sufficient supplies and ammunition, Su Yu purposely left some of these pungent materials exposed.

First, to intimidate weaker Radiation Beast hordes.

Second, as a means of selection.

Any Radiation Beast hordes daring enough to approach despite the blood scent from previous kills surely possessed significant strength which, when downed, would add to their haul.

As for attracting Radiation Beast hordes beyond their ability to handle, Su Yu wasn't worried.

Radiation Beasts from one-star to three-star are still at the fledgling stage; their intelligence is low, but their primal instincts are intact.

With increased strength, their sensitivity to Spiritual Energy becomes sharper.

Essentially, Radiation Beast Kings at three-star high and beyond instinctively avoid the Sanctuary area.

Not out of fear of the Sanctuary itself,

but of the Life Forbidden Zone near the Sanctuary, the [Steel Jungle].

With the "protection" of the [Steel Jungle], Su Yu felt emboldened and carefree about returning.

Only to feel disappointed when;

whether because the materials left behind from the strong Radiation Beast Kings were too overwhelming or, perhaps, most of the three-star Radiation Beast Kings had already been eliminated,

with half a day's journey remaining, they still encountered no Radiation Beast hordes approaching the Ninth Squad!

"Well, a peaceful journey is a blessing too."

Su Yu shook his head, comforting himself with these words.

As the Ninth Squad gradually approached the Sanctuary,

simultaneously, within a nearby patch of dry grass not far from the Ninth Squad's position,

"Such a strong blood scent... What's going on?"

A member of another hunting team lifted his head, peering towards the Ninth Squad's direction with slightly narrowed eyes filled with intrigue.

On his hunting team uniform was the emblem of a bat with spread wings, which seemed particularly eerie in the evening sunset.

This emblem was the mark of the Night Slayer Team!

"What's wrong? Supposed to be scouting Radiation Beast hordes, what are you looking at?"

Another scout from the Night Slayer Team asked impatiently, but midway through speaking, his voice froze as he couldn't help but glance towards the Ninth Squad's direction, eyes likewise filled with curiosity!

"It truly is... with such a strong blood scent, could it be that two different Radiation Beast hordes are battling each other?!"

Chapter 72: Chapter 69: Toppling the Decay with Ease!

The two scouts from the Night Slayer Team were both newcomers.

This time, to establish his prestige among the new recruits, Li He personally led the team, taking the entire Night Slayer Team into the wilderness for a hunting expedition.

However, Li He quickly realized that his actions were somewhat hasty.

After several expansions, the Night Slayer Team's membership had reached three digits.

Such a large hunting squad, almost comparable to a small army, entering the wilderness to hunt, even those radiation beast packs led by three-star Beast Kings did not dare approach for an attack.

Moreover, the excessive number of people severely hampered the Night Slayer Team's mobility.

Even though Li He was strong enough to suppress beast packs led by three-star advanced Beast Kings,

the mobility of a hundred-member hunting squad greatly paled in comparison to radiation beast packs.

After several fruitless pursuits of radiation beast packs, Li He finally had to decide to divide his forces.

He only retained a dozen elite confidants from the veteran Night Slayer Team.

The remaining veteran members were split into two sub-teams led by Lei Wu and Mo Yun, each accompanied by a few of the new recruits with average strength, patrolling the area near the Sanctuary individually.

Li He himself took the remaining members deeper into the wilderness to hunt and establish his prestige.

At this moment, the sub-team that discovered the traces of the 9th squad was led by Lei Wu.

This sub-team, although not large in number,

consisted mainly of veteran Night Slayer Team members, over a dozen of whom were star-level Transcendents.

Only two scouts were new and a bit weaker in strength.

Lei Wu, who was leading the team, had recently advanced from two-star junior to two-star mid-level.

He was at the peak of his spirits.

However, he hadn't anticipated being left behind by Li He this time, tasked with patrolling near the Sanctuary, awaiting their return for support, which left Lei Wu feeling quite stifled.

Upon hearing the scouts' discussion,

Lei Wu stepped forward, his eyes lit up.

"Signs of radiation beast packs fighting? Are you sure?"

Upon hearing Lei Wu's words,

the two new members of the Night Slayer Team hesitated slightly.

How could such news be confirmed without seeing it firsthand?

Upon hearing Lei Wu's words, the two veteran scouts of the Night Slayer Team also hesitated slightly.

Such news couldn't be confirmed directly without witnessing it firsthand.

"In that case, let's go take a look directly!"

Lei Wu decisively concluded, startling the two scouts.

"But, Vice Captain Lei, isn't this too hasty? The Captain ordered us to just patrol near the Sanctuary, after all!"

The two scouts couldn't help but voice their concern.

But hearing their words only made Lei Wu more agitated.

"Are you teaching me how to do my job?"

He didn't say much, merely coldly stared at the two newcomers, the chill in his eyes making them gulp involuntarily, voicing nervously, "No, we are listening to you!"

"Then if you're listening, move quickly!"

With that,

Lei Wu waved his hand to urge the other veteran Night Slayer Team members to move, the fierce light in his eyes flickering.

"If there really is a battle between radiation beast packs, it would be a great opportunity!"

During a fierce fight between two radiation beast packs, leading his team to wipe them out in one stroke.

Then, in front of the Captain, he would have some face, and in similar situations in the future, he wouldn't be assigned to patrol around the Sanctuary with a bunch of weaklings!

Thinking about this, Lei Wu's eyes flashed with excitement.

His pace quickened a bit more!

The sub-team led by Lei Wu moved swiftly without being slowed by any trailers.

In less than half an hour, guided by the two scouts, they reached the vicinity of the 9th squad with speed.

Upon reaching this point, even Lei Wu and his team sensed the heavy scent of blood in the air.

The two new scouts were somewhat nervous.

But the veteran Night Slayer Team members, upon smelling the blood, displayed not only fighting spirits but also a bit of sickly frenzy and ferocity.

Especially Lei Wu.

The bloodthirst in his eyes even overshadowed the excitement of making a contribution, as he licked his lips subconsciously, like a wild beast, making the two new scouts feel chilled!

However,

the mystery lay in that,

as they gradually approached the area, the air's bloody scent grew thicker.

Even they felt an unspeakable heat rising, making them want to kill something to alleviate this inexplicable heat!

"What's going on?"

While the two new scouts were in shock,

suddenly,

"Vice Captain Lei! Come quickly! The source of the bloody scent isn't from radiation beast packs!"

One veteran Night Slayer Team member exclaimed excitedly, keeping his voice low but filled with delight!

"Not from radiation beast packs, then what is it..."

Lei Wu couldn't help cursing under his breath, while still looking in the direction indicated by the teammate, parting the dry grass.

In an instant, his eyes were filled with excitement!

"This is truly... an unexpected surprise!"

At the end of Lei Wu's gaze,

the 9th squad's trailer was slowly moving along the road towards them.

On the trailer, carcasses of radiation beasts emitted a strong bloody scent.

The source of the bloody scent they noticed along their way was evidently the spoils of this squad!

But this was not the point.

The point was, even from a distance of nearly one kilometer, Lei Wu, who had advanced to two-star mid-level, saw Yang Lie standing alertly in front of the trailer as soon as he parted the grass, making his eyes instantly flush with bloodlust!

"I say, how about we do this right here?"

Lei Wu did not turn around, but lowered his voice and spoke calmly, his words making the old Night Slayer Team members behind him breathe suddenly become heavy!

"Vice, Vice Captain Lei?"

The two new scouts, sensing the change in their companions, were almost scared senseless.

Initially, upon seeing the members of the 9th squad and realizing the bloody scent wasn't from radiation beast packs but from the 9th squad's spoils, they felt stifled by the unrelieved heat.

But this frustration was still bearable for them.

Yet what they never expected.

Was that Lei Wu would be bold enough to harbor murderous intent against the hunting squad members of the same Sanctuary!

What startled and frightened them even more,

was that the other veteran Night Slayer Team members, for some unknown reason, seemed inclined to side with Lei Wu!

"What... what's going on with the Night Slayer Team!?"

Chapter 73: Chapter 70: The Slaughter

The two new members of the Night Slayer Team were both startled by Lei Wu and the others' decision.

Although they knew that the Night Slayer Team had always acted recklessly,

openly attacking other hunting teams within the Sanctuary was still somewhat beyond their imagination.

One of the new scouts couldn't help but cautiously say, "Deputy Captain, shouldn't we wait and see first? After all, those are other hunting teams, not Radiation Beasts. Even if we really want to attack, we should get the captain's approval first..."

"Pfft!"

Before he finished speaking, his throat was directly pierced by a war knife, blood splattering and staining the hand Lei Wu held the knife with!

"Gurgle...gurgle"

The new scout's eyes widened in disbelief as he looked at Lei Wu, who showed no expression on his face. His hands reached futilely towards his neck, trying to pull out the knife stuck in his throat.

But he ultimately failed, blood spraying everywhere as his artery was completely severed, causing his pupils to rapidly dilate. Within seconds, his body staggered backward and he fell, dying instantly on the spot!

"Dead...he's dead!"

The other new scout was utterly terrified and broke down at the sight before him.

It wasn't until Lei Wu looked at him expressionlessly that he snapped back to his senses, his voice trembling, "Deputy Captain, I have no objections, none at all. I will do as you say..."

"Pfft!"

He frantically pleaded for his life, retreating constantly, afraid that Lei Wu would also slash his throat.

Luckily, after killing that scout, the fanatical bloodthirstiness in Lei Wu's eyes subsided a bit. He didn't move forward anymore but coldly looked at him: "No objections, huh? Then get over there and pick a suitable ambush point! Be quick, understand?!"

"Yes, yes!"

The scout quickly trembled his way into the withered grass, squeezing out his potential under immense fear.

Soon, he found an excellent vantage point for Lei Wu and the others.

It was a small hill. While not high, it was enough for Lei Wu and his small team to hide.

As long as the ninth team passed by, they could round the hill from the back and attack from above, catching the ninth team off guard!

After setting up the ambush.

Lei Wu held his breath, his eyes scanning over the withered grass, listening intently, waiting for the ninth team to approach. As time passed, the bloodthirsty intent in his eyes became more intense.

"Don't panic. Once the ninth team is within range, aim at Yang Lie first. Once he's dealt with, the rest will be easier to handle, got it?"

Lei Wu instructed in a low voice.

Behind him, the old members of the Night Slayer Team nodded silently, one by one imagining the scene after their assault, picturing the members of the ninth team being easily slaughtered by them, their eyes filled with a sick excitement growing more pronounced.

Even that new scout, under such an atmosphere, lost his initial fear, gripping the gun in his hand tightly, and in his eyes, a pathological and strange bloodthirsty gleam, akin to the other veteran members, began to shine!

Just then.

From the other side of the withered grass.

"Rustle, rustle, rustle—!"

A strange sound suddenly arose, the noise of something moving through the grass, catching Lei Wu and the others, whose nerves had been taut, off guard for a moment.

"Radiation Hyenas?"

"Why would a pack of hyenas suddenly appear around here..."

A member of the old Night Slayer Team couldn't help but mutter while looking in the direction of the noise, eyes filled with confusion.

He had been in the hunting team long enough. Although not a professional scout, he could distinguish the sound of Radiation Beasts moving through dense grasslands.

This rustling sound, even a Radiation Wolf couldn't make it; only radiation beasts as small as Radiation Hyenas would produce such a noise.

"Send a few people to check it out, don't let those creatures alarm the ninth team!"

Lei Wu's face also turned grim as he coldly ordered.

"Yes!"

Immediately, a few of the older members of the Night Slayer Team stood up excitedly.

To them at this moment,

whether it was killing Radiation Hyenas or killing other people, as long as they could slaughter, it was a good thing!

Watching them get up,

Lei Wu felt a bit relieved himself and couldn't help but also glance toward the source of the noise, eyes showing a hint of agitation.

He too wanted to deal with those disturbing Radiation Hyenas, to relieve the inexplicable surge of bloodthirst in his heart.

But the hatred for Su Yu, for the ninth team, became at this moment a sedative that helped him maintain calm, forcing him to suppress that bloodthirst and stay behind the hill.

Compared to killing Radiation Hyenas,

being able to see Su Yu and Yang Lie fall in their ambush and personally kill them would be the greatest pleasure.

As Lei Wu thought, he retrieved his gaze from the patch of withered grass, but just as he was about to turn his head, reinforced by the strength of a Level Two Intermediate Extraordinary Physical Body, his vision, far surpassing that of an ordinary person, caught an unusual reflection under the sunlight.

Reflection?

Even the strongest Radiation Hyena Lord would not develop such things as scale armor...

Lei Wu's mind whirred, and the next second, he finally reacted. No longer caring if he would expose his team's location, he shouted loudly, "Get back here! That's not Radiation Hyenas—"

"Rat-a-tat-tat-tat-tat-tat!!!"

The next second.

On the back of the hill where Lei Wu and the others were ambushed in the withered grass, one by one, cavalry units had already sneaked within a hundred meters behind them, and at this moment opened fire simultaneously, under the heavy fire coverage, immediately turning those few Night Slayer members, who were ordered by Lei Wu to investigate the noise, into sieves on the spot!

"Pfft, pfft, pfft, pfft!!"

Clouds of blood mist continuously exploded from their bodies, rendering the remaining Night Slayer Team members momentarily stunned in place.

Until Lei Wu's roar reached them, they came back to their senses, each looking at the cavalry rising from the withered grass, eyes flickering between terror and bloodthirst, ultimately under Lei Wu's furious shout, they all followed Lei Wu, launching an assault on those cavalry!

However, a combat swarm composed of ten cavalry units could encircle and kill even a Radiation Beast King of the three-star level.

Let alone now, with the element of surprise.

Even if Lei Wu and the others, under that bizarre bloodthirsty influence, had their strength escalated, it still couldn't change the endgame of this battle!

And off in the distance, the ninth team's cart, with gunfire erupting, also suddenly accelerated.

Yang Lie, Zhang Wu, and Li Mao, the three Transcendents, directly jumped off the cart, advanced on their own, rushing to the forefront of the team, witnessing the scene that was almost one-sided, almost like slaughter, left them at a loss for words!

Chapter 74: Chapter 71: Annihilation!

At the same time.

Deep in the wasteland.

"Squelch!"

A dull sound of flesh being torn apart echoed.

A Radiation Beast Lord, as strong as a three-star beginner, was pierced through by Li He with a single, expressionless thrust.

This Radiation Beast Lord, from start to finish, did not put up the slightest resistance.

And this scene fell into the eyes of those new members of the Night Slayer Team behind Li He, making them feel as if it was a miracle!

A three-star beginner Radiation Beast Lord, with strength so formidable, that even a typical three-star Extraordinary of the Physical Body, would not be its match.

Even squad deputies like Wolfpack and Mountain Mist, need the support of teammates to have a hope of defeating it, and even then, successfully hunting it is not assured!

But their new captain?

Upon encountering this Radiation Beast Lord, with just one action, he controlled the spirit of this Radiation Beast Lord.

Afterwards, in the eyes of these new members of the Night Slayer Team, this Radiation Beast Lord stood there dumbly like a lamb waiting to be slaughtered, allowing Li He to walk up and pierce its heart with a single thrust!

"Roar!"

Only after Li He withdrew his blade and retreated to a safe distance of over ten meters from the Radiation Beast Lord did his hypnosis cease, and by then, the strength of the Radiation Beast Lord had already dissipated along with the copious amounts of blood flowing from its heart.

It could only let out a futile and bewildered howl, and moments later, it breathed its last!

"Is this the true strength of our Night Slayer Team's captain?"

Watching Li He easily slay the Radiation Beast Lord, no harder than slaughtering a chicken.

The new members of the Night Slayer Team present, whose reverence for Li He had diminished due to Su Yu's rise, witnessed a massive surge at this moment!

Thus.

In Li He's spiritual world, the blood pool with a ten-meter diameter, which evolved from the Blood Puppet Meditation Method he practiced, was now boiling over.

In the outer regions of the blood pool, approximately two to three meters had shown signs of fading and dimming as Li He led the Night Slayer Team out to hunt.

But now.

As these new members once again revered Li He.

The spiritual imprints quietly planted in their minds by Li He reactivated, causing his spiritual energy to rise again.

Along with the prestige he gained over the past few days.

The parts of the blood pool that were originally fading and dimming, ready to dissipate at any moment, solidified once more, and even showed faint signs of expanding outward!

This discovery thrilled Li He immensely!

The blood pool with a ten-meter diameter is the limit Li He could reach at present.

Once surpassed.

Even just a one or two-centimeter increase signifies Li He stepping past a boundary, truly reaching the level of a four-star Spiritual Telepathist.

By that time.

Even if all his current subordinates and puppets were to die.

His spiritual level would not fall below four stars, at most he would only be weakened for a period!

Of course.

By that time.

In Li He's view, no one in Shelter No. 73 could threaten him, or cause his meticulously accumulated subordinates over the years to perish entirely.

Of course, such enormous gains come with considerable sacrifices.

What Li He sacrificed were the lives of the members from the two squads he dispatched.

To be precise.

The lives of the new recruits he deliberately selected from those two squads!

As Li He was pondering.

"Squelch!"

In his spiritual world, the blood pool manifested by his spiritual energy suddenly boiled, and a thumb-sized, blood-colored human-shaped puppet emerged, then abruptly shattered.

With the shattering of this human-shaped puppet.

The blood pool, which had shown signs of breakthrough, settled considerably.

This indicated that just moments ago when Li He slayed that three-star Radiation Beast Lord.

One of his subordinates, marked with a spiritual imprint, had died.

However, Li He was not surprised by this.

In recent days, to maintain and elevate his prestige among these new members.

Li He almost always overextended his spiritual energy whenever he acted, extracting spiritual energy from the bodies of those veteran Night Slayer Team members under his control, resulting in miraculous displays like today's scene of hypnotizing and controlling a three-star Radiation Beast Lord with just a glance.

Yet this overextension did not come without cost.

Without his spiritual energy restraint, the bloodthirsty desires within those veteran Night Slayer Team members would amplify, making them more deranged and bloodthirsty.

Under such emotional influence.

His veteran Night Slayer members could alleviate the bloodthirsty urges by hunting Radiation Beast hordes alongside him.

But Lei Wu and Mo Yun, spearheading their respective squads, were not afforded such luxuries.

Hence, before dividing the forces, Li He deliberately "carefully" selected a batch of new members from the Night Slayer Team to remain with Lei Wu and Mo Yun's squads.

Once the bloodthirsty urge could no longer be controlled.

These newcomers became their best pressure relief valves!

Now, it was merely that the relief valves finally came into play.

In fact, Li He found it somewhat surprising that Lei Wu's team managed to last until now before using the "relief valve".

"Seems like Lei Wu's emotional control is quite commendable..."

Li He clicked his tongue in admiration.

He was preparing to rise and lead the remaining members to choose other areas for hunting.

Yet, at this moment.

"Gurgle gurgle gurgle—"

Li He's spiritual world, the blood pool manifesting from his spiritual energy, suddenly began to boil and churn violently, causing Li He's figure to abruptly stiffen!

"What... what's happening!?"

A sudden panic seized Li He's heart, leaving him standing still in place, focusing intently inward on his spiritual world and the blood pool, then, under his nearly terrified gaze.

In his blood pool, puppet after puppet surged up from the bottom, each one thereafter shattering and breaking apart!

One puppet! Two puppets! Three puppets... until finally.

A total of seventeen puppets perished under Li He's shock and fury!

With the collapse of these seventeen puppets.

Li He's blood pool, which had completely recovered and was ready to attempt another breakthrough to the four-star spiritual level, then abruptly collapsed!

At this moment.

Even if Li He had been slow to react, he understood what had taken place!

"Lei Wu's Team... was annihilated!?"

Chapter 75: Chapter 72 Whispers and Alarming Sounds

Li He was both shocked and furious.

When he split his forces, he had mentally prepared for many scenarios.

But among them was definitely not the complete annihilation of Lei Wu's team or Mo Yun's team!

Yet now, the cold hard truth was right in front of him.

The diameter collapsed from ten meters to less than eight meters.

Don't even talk about a full three-star status; even reaching the threshold of top-tier three-star Spirit Power seemed out of reach, leaving Li He no room for self-deception!

"Who is it... who exactly did this!?"

He took several deep breaths, forcibly calming himself down.

Li He racked his brains, trying to find the culprit.

But this kind of thinking clearly couldn't yield any results.

In Li He's view.

Whether it was the wolf pack, the mountain mists, or even the management, they all might have seized this opportunity to strike.

After all, both Lei Wu's and Mo Yun's squads were in very special situations now.

If the management found out about the existence of these two squads, just arranging some personnel to provoke them casually...

Li He had no doubt that both Lei Wu and Mo Yun would decisively lead their members to launch an attack on the management.

And once that happened.

The management, conducting a righteous retaliation, would leave Li He with no choice but to swallow his grievances silently.

Of course, there were not only bad news.

Both Lei Wu and Mo Yun were all former Night Slayer Team members.

The spiritual imprints in their minds were deeply ingrained, with comprehensive spiritual suggestions left by Li He.

Upon realizing they couldn't escape, they would not reveal any information about themselves and would fight to the death, never surrendering.

Therefore, even if Lei Wu and his team were truly overwhelmed by a murderous intent and initiated an attack on the management, Li He was not worried that he would become a target of their provocations.

There would be no proof, and thus no substantive issue.

"But it's necessary to have a backup plan..."

Although Li He thought, given the management's earlier displays of weakness and compromise, unless Lei Wu's Team directly attacked the management or the Sanctuary, they would likely smooth things over as before.

But anything could happen.

So after a brief contemplation, Li He decisively summoned his confidant, He Xiang, the strongest of his three vice-captains.

He Xiang's strength had already reached a high two-star level.

And as the Night Slayer Team expanded during this period.

The Spiritual Energy Li He could command had also recovered significantly. He allocated a portion to enhance He Xiang, allowing him to break through to a top-tier two-star level.

This power not only stabilized He Xiang's mental state significantly, but also enabled him to be sent back to the Sanctuary to gather information. After acquiring intelligence, his two-star top-tier strength would allow He Xiang to safely deliver the news back to Li He, who was still in the wilderness.

That's right.

After Lei Wu's team was annihilated,

Li He, originally planning to hunt for two or three more days before returning to the Sanctuary, changed his mind.

"When you return to the Sanctuary, first contact Li Yao to see if there's any news within the Sanctuary, especially to find out who killed Lei Wu's team. Report to me with the findings, and if you can't find out, quickly inform me about the situation in the Sanctuary. Understood?"

Watching He Xiang nod and leave.

Li He was also determined.

Until he received a reply, he would not hastily return to the Sanctuary!

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Meanwhile, as Li He decided to delay his return to the Sanctuary,

The ninth squad, having wiped out Lei Wu's squad, was itching to hasten their pace, eager to return to the Sanctuary and report Lei Wu's team attacking them to the high-ups!

"These Night Slayer Team members have truly gone mad, directly attacking us, who are also a Sanctuary hunting squad! When this news is reported, the management, along with other high-ups, will certainly decide to deal with the Night Slayer Team!"

"That's right, after today's events, there's absolutely no way the Night Slayer Team can continue to be based at the Sanctuary!"

The members of the ninth squad were all exhilarated.

Even Yang Lie was quite excited.

But as the captain, he had to be more composed than the other members, and quickly noticed that Su Yu's expression remained rather calm.

"Brother Su, is there anything wrong with the situation?"

Yang Lie couldn't help but ask quietly.

Upon hearing Yang Lie's words, the surrounding ninth squad members also glanced over, only then noticing Su Yu's serious expression, all of them stunned.

"The annihilation of Lei Wu's team, for now, should not be revealed."

Feeling the gazes of others, Su Yu turned back, his expression serious, speaking in a deep voice.

Yang Lie and the others had guessed correctly.

Lei Wu's team dared commit the Sanctuary's taboo, proactively attacking them, the ninth squad.

Once this incident was publicized, the Night Slayer Team would be left with no place in the Sanctuary.

Even if Li He refused to admit it, the Sanctuary's residents and members of other hunting squads would likely find it difficult to tolerate the Night Slayer's presence there.

At that time, even if the management suppressed the matter, public outrage would be insurmountable.

But the problem was.

If the management's strength was sufficient, taking this chance to eradicate the Night Slayer Team along with Li He would be ideal.

But as it happened, the current state of the management was such that,

Once it truly escalated to public indignation and a standoff between the management and the Night Slayer Team,

The victors would likely only be the Night Slayer side!

No one knew the management's dire situation better than Su Yu!

So, the annihilation of Lei Wu's team couldn't be publicized, at least not now!

Yet the true reason couldn't be stated outright by Su Yu, so he deflected: "You know Li He's nature well, Uncle Yang."

He pointed to the lifeless Lei Wu and others.

"These members of the Night Slayer Team refused to surrender unto death. Without survivors or witnesses, even if we announce this news, Li He could stubbornly deny it, perhaps even counterclaim that we attacked Lei Wu's team, turning the situation around and claiming innocence. Since they die with no proof, how is it not just a matter of words?"

"And you all know the old man's character in management; he's always been exceedingly stubborn and hesitant to act against the Night Slayer Team without evidence!"

Listening to Su Yu's analysis.

Yang Lie and others calmed down.

Especially the last point about the management's character, which completely convinced them.

Su Yu was secretly glad that, due to health reasons, the old man had always used rules as an excuse for inaction over the past few years.

Otherwise, he might not have been able to dissuade Yang Lie and the others so easily!

Chapter 76: Chapter 73: Return

"It's just a pity that we caught the Night Slayer Team's weakness but couldn't take them down this time!"

A member of the ninth team couldn't help but sigh.

Yang Lie and others nearby nodded in agreement, looking as though they felt the same way.

Listening to their words, Su Yu couldn't help but smile and waved his hand, "Why is it a pity? The loss the Night Slayer Team suffered this time may be more serious than everyone imagines!"

Su Yu had already analyzed before that Li He's meditation technique was likely tied to the number of members in the Night Slayer Team.

And this time, Li He's decision to split his forces and personally lead a hunt by bringing newcomers along further solidified Su Yu's suspicion.

Of course.

What ultimately made Su Yu come to a definite conclusion was the last desperate fight by Lei Wu and others.

In these wild lands, loyalty is a rare quality.

Su Yu was not naive enough to think that everyone could have this quality, but neither was he so narrow-minded to believe that this planet no longer had such loyal people.

But the issue stands.

One person being loyal, two people being loyal, three people being loyal, all these are possible.

But for Lei Wu's small team, more than ten people, including a new scout who had just joined the Night Slayer Team recently, all fought "bravely" to their very last breath.

Their loyalty warranted a question mark.

For this reason, after dealing with Lei Wu and others, Su Yu specifically diverted some spiritual energy into the corpses of Lei Wu and others for investigation.

Although the spiritual imprints left by Li He in them dissipated quickly after their deaths, the remaining trace was extremely apparent to Su Yu, whose spiritual ability level had reached the top of two stars, like a candle in the dark.

This realization made Su Yu instantly aware that Lei Wu and others had long become puppets secretly manipulated by Li He.

"I am unsure how many puppets Li He has that can fight to the death for him, but judging by the fact that Li He hasn't even broken into four stars yet, the number of such Night Slayer Team members cannot be too many; having thirty to forty would be the utmost limit."

"A transcendent like Lei Wu, at only the two-star level, is even rarer."

Don't just look at their numbers this time; they only took down over ten members of the Night Slayer Team.

But this batch of casualties is definitely enough to make Li He grasp for breath in heartache!

However, this kind of analysis involves Li He's secrets.

Revealing it now would inevitably make Yang Lie and others uneasy.

So Su Yu just briefly explained that Li He's strength came from the number and loyalty of those he controlled.

As for Li He's ability to control minds and turn ordinary people into puppets, Su Yu kept silent about it.

After all, with myself in the ninth team.

Even if Li He could act secretly, leaving tricks on them.

Su Yu would be able to detect it immediately.

The spiritual energy condensed by the Steel Meditation, although not particularly combat-effective, was an extraordinary power on the spirit level, so it could counteract Li He's spiritual imprint.

After listening to Su Yu's analysis, Yang Lie and others were visibly relieved.

After that, the ninth team did not delay any further.

They quickly burnt Lei Wu and others' corpses to prevent Li He from tracing back that Lei Wu's small team was eliminated by the ninth team from this battlefield.

Then, Su Yu arranged for the logistics members to repack the radiation beast materials originally used to attract other radiation beast herds.

The battle with Lei Wu's team, though overwhelming and almost a one-sided massacre, consumed a lot of ammunition.

Moreover, it's hard to say whether Li He, upon knowing Lei Wu and others were killed, would come for revenge.

If pursued, knowing his strength had grown enough to easily obliterate Lei Wu's team, the possibility of Li He directly turning hostile to eliminate this future threat is quite high.

Just in case.

Su Yu naturally did not wish to stay in the wasteland any longer.

Besides, although Lei Wu and others were few in number, their strength was generally high; in the area near the sanctuary, they had collected quite a lot of radiation beast materials during these days, which also counts as extra income.

"When I return to the sanctuary, I'll first collect some parts, try to build some mechanical equipment to enhance my physical combat capability and safety while also elevating my technical level another notch."

"After that, I can attempt to create a new cavalry!"

Su Yu schemed in his heart.

Gazing at the gradually emerging outline of Shelter No. 73 on the distant horizon, his eyes were filled with anticipation.

Back at the sanctuary, Yang Lie and others, following Su Yu's instructions, did not publicize their defeat of Lei Wu's team, and even their return was very low-key.

It only stirred a bit of commotion when Yang Lie brought the radiation beast materials they acquired during this mission to the management office, exchanged them for contribution points; aside from that, nothing else happened.

Regarding the ninth team's return with so many rewards, there wasn't much of a wave that caused a stir throughout the entire sanctuary either.

This is all thanks to Su Yu, who completed eighteen sanctuary orders in just half a month before.

With Su Yu's achievement and reputation preceding.

In the eyes of the sanctuary's residents, with Su Yu serving as the permanent mechanic for the ninth team, their combat power, even if not as formidable as the Night Slayer's, still places them easily within the top five ranking of the sanctuary's hunting teams!

Such a hunting team achieving these results, while somewhat rare, is not so shocking!

For Su Yu, this situation was naturally welcome.

But soon, he could no longer take it lightly.

After exchanging contribution points, Yang Lie, following Su Yu's instructions, paid off next period's payments to various hunting teams, then proceeded to purchase mechanical parts they had recovered during this time.

Even at the management office, Yang Lie specifically went to inquire and exchange for a batch of mechanical parts.

Yet ultimately, the quantity and quality of the mechanical parts brought back were disappointing.

Especially the quality.

According to Su Yu's plan, for the mechanical equipment he wanted to create, even if advanced or superior mechanical parts weren't to be used.

At the very least, those materials should be salvaged from intermediate-level or higher discarded machinery, right?

But the harsh reality told Su Yu, "You are already quite blessed physically; don't wish for the skies!"

"The amassed mechanical parts total only these five boxes, and from intermediate or higher discarded machinery, just these seven precarious big guys could be recovered."

Looking at the lined-up, barely-standing seven gigantic pieces.

Even one as optimistic as Su Yu couldn't help but sigh at this moment.

Chapter 77: Chapter 74 Unexpected Gain

The seven pieces of junk machinery don't look small in size.

But unfortunately, they are so decayed on the inside.

Even if all of them are disassembled, the parts recovered might not even fill half a container.

With so little, forget about crafting the external mechanical equipment Su Yu envisions.

Even for the cavalry, it's barely enough to create two!

"Brother Su, I'm sorry, it's my incompetence..."

Yang Lie noticed Su Yu's frustration and felt quite apologetic himself.

But Su Yu just waved his hand: "It's not Yang Uncle's fault, nor is it Captain Wang Jian's problem."

During the last purchase of mechanical parts, Su Yu had almost emptied the reserves held by hunting captains like Wang Jian, Luo Wang, and Hu Yueshan.

The situation in the management office is similar.

He took on eighteen orders in one go, and many of the parts used were generously provided by the management office.

These eighteen orders consumed nearly half of the management office's stored mechanical parts.

Additionally, whether it's due to changes in the wasteland environment or the Night Slayer Team's secret interference,

the groups of Radiation Beasts appearing near the sanctuary have been steadily increasing in strength.

This back and forth process further reduced the quantity of mechanical parts that each hunting team could recover.

"Why not, I could make another trip to the management office, offer a higher price, and see if I could purchase some extra stock."

Yang Lie suggested.

There must still be mechanical parts at the management office.

But those parts are reserved by the management office for the direct sanctuary, including the few combat teams led by Bai Hong, for the maintenance and improvement of their equipment.

They are not easily sold off externally.

But if the price is high enough, that's a different story.

Listening to Yang Lie's suggestion, Su Yu pondered for a moment and then nodded.

Although he felt a bit pained about the contribution points and didn't want to be exploited,

the current situation was clear, there was no way out of it, even if he wanted to avoid it.

However, Su Yu didn't immediately instruct Yang Lie to take action.

In any case, those stock parts would remain there; whether exchanged a day earlier or later, their numbers wouldn't diminish too much.

Su Yu planned to finish the mechanical recovery on hand first.

Furthermore, Su Yu had another thought.

"Instead of spending a lot of contribution points to exchange, why not directly contact the manager old man?"

If the manager approves,

would he still worry about not getting parts?

"Let me think of some ways first, if all else fails, then Uncle Yang can take action."

Yang Lie nodded, seeing that Su Yu was ready to get to work, he said no more and just closed the door and left the repair room.

After Yang Lie left,

Su Yu and Nuonuo resumed the repair work.

Besides recovering useful parts from old machinery,

after the cavalry had hunted outside for so long, while they had not suffered irreparable damage due to the vanguard Nuonuo's presence,

many of their armors and weapons required reconditioning, or even overhauling, to restore them to their peak state.

In summary, there was much work to be done.

Fortunately, with Nuonuo's assistance,

Su Yu's efficiency remained as high as ever.

The maintenance and overhaul of the cavalry had been entirely delegated to Nuonuo by Su Yu.

His focus was now entirely on recovering these seven old machineries.

Two hours later, the seven pieces of old machinery had been mostly disassembled by Su Yu.

Unfortunately, the result of the recovery was just as Su Yu had expected.

The collection of high-quality parts couldn't even fill half a parts box.

"It seems I really need to visit the old man... Hmm? What's this?"

Su Yu shook his head, preparing to stand up to visit the manager.

But just as he stood, a sudden glance caught his eye, a small electric furnace tossed aside into the junk pile, caught his attention immediately.

It made the mechanical gears formed by the Steel Meditation in Su Yu's mind tremble abruptly!

This electric furnace is only of basic grade.

And its internal structure is quite ancient, requiring more time to disassemble than the average mid-level Mechanical Creation.

So Su Yu simply tossed it into the scrap heap, intending to dismantle it when he had time later.

But unexpectedly, such a situation occurred.

"Could it be, there's something good inside this electric furnace?"

Su Yu's eyes showed a glimmer of intrigue.

He had never encountered something like this that resonated with his Spiritual Energy.

But no matter how Su Yu looked at it, that electric furnace was just a dilapidated basic machinery!

Curious, Su Yu approached, picked up the electric furnace from the parts pile, and then closed his eyes.

The gears turned, Spiritual Energy diffused, and in the darkness, Su Yu opened his "eyes" once again.

"Boom!"

Before him, the electric furnace glowed weakly, like a firefly.

But as Su Yu held his breath and focused,

he saw a stubbornly bright spot of light, brilliant and mystical, like a star!

At this point,

Su Yu did not hesitate any longer.

He forgot about seeing the manager for now and sat back at the workbench, starting a new round of dismantling!

Carefully dismantling for over an hour later,
the electric furnace was finally completely dismantled by Su Yu.
One by one, small components were cautiously placed by Su Yu into a parts box on the table.

In the end, only a chip roughly two to three centimeters square remained with Su Yu!

The chip was covered with dust,
but in Su Yu's Spiritual Energy perception.

This was the chip with the shining, bright, and stubborn light!

"This is..."

Su Yu took a deep breath, focusing on the chip, and after a moment, lines of information appeared before his eyes.

[Intelligent Chip Set·Universal]

[Type: Intelligent Chip]

[Grade: Advanced]

[Description: Universal Intelligent Chipset, widely applicable, usable for production, repair, combat, and can be used in the creation and improved upgrade of intelligent mechanics]

"Phew..."

Reading the detailed description of the chipset in his hand,

Su Yu's eyes were filled with uncontrollable joy!

"This is really an unexpected harvest!"

An advanced chipset!

And it's a universal one!

With this, whether to craft more advanced cavalry or to develop new external equipment for himself, it's more than adequate!

Taking a deep breath to suppress his excited heart,

Su Yu solemnly put away the chip, then decisively stood up, ready to visit the manager old man to apply for parts support.

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"Su Yu wants to see me?"

The manager's residence.

Upon Bai Hong's report, the manager was momentarily stunned, then had a flash of surprise in his eyes.

"Could it be that the kid is ready?"

Chapter 78: Chapter 75: Leaving the Electron Furnace, Outstanding Creation Reward (Seeking First Subscription)

Upon receiving the news of Su Yu's arrival, the manager's first reaction was that Su Yu had already prepared everything he needed to start the repair work for him. He immediately agreed to Su Yu's request, which was a pleasant surprise for Bai Hong.

But thinking about the manager's previous care for Su Yu.

Bai Hong wasn't surprised for long, quickly adjusted his mindset, and brought Su Yu to the manager's residence.

Unlike the luxurious and exquisite residences of other high-ranking members of the Shelter.

The manager's residence was much simpler, and instead of various decorations, the place was filled with all kinds of weapons.

From firearms to melee gear, it was all there, and their quality was not low, at least of mid-level quality. Su Yu couldn't help but feel envious.

"If you can repair my current body, I can give you all these equipments without any issue."

Seeing the eagerness in Su Yu's eyes, the manager gestured to Bai Hong to leave first. After Bai Hong left, he looked at Su Yu and said solemnly.

"But it seems like you are not ready yet?"

Although the manager was already old and his mechanical parts were decaying.

He had once reached the level of a four-star Transcendent.

He could tell at a glance that Su Yu's strength had improved compared to their first formal meeting but not to the point of a significant breakthrough.

This small progress was clearly not enough for Su Yu to undertake the task of repairing and maintaining the mechanical components on his body.

Being seen through instantly by the manager, Su Yu was a bit surprised.

However, he had not intended to hide this point, so he nodded openly: "Sir, you see correctly. I indeed cannot repair your current physical condition right now, but if you can provide me with another set of components to practice with, I can surely bring you satisfactory results!"

"Mr. Su, last time we met, you said to let me wait ten days at most to see results. But now, I don't see your results, only you coming again, seeking my help."

"You make it very hard for me to trust you again."

The manager stared at Su Yu, his eyes aged but not cloudy, with a gaze as sharp as a long blade, making it difficult for anyone to look directly at him.

"In this regard, sir, you can rest assured."

Su Yu smiled slightly, with no hint of fear or guilt in his eyes, looked directly at the manager, and said in a deep voice: "Since I have come here, I will not leave empty-handed. I am just not accustomed to boasting. While I cannot repair the Prosthetic Components you currently have equipped, I am not without some achievements to show!"

As he spoke.

Su Yu pointed to the manager's chest.

The Power Core of the manager's chest armor had a wear degree as high as 82%.

But in this area, aside from the Power Core.

There was also a small component, similar to the Advanced Universal Intelligent Chipset's Electric Furnace that Su Yu had previously recovered.

That was Su Yu's target.

This electric furnace-like thing was like the heart of the manager's Prosthetic Armor.

But its wear degree was the highest among all the Prosthetic Components of the manager, reaching a staggering 96%.

It was primarily because this Electron Furnace was nearly scrapped, rendering it incapable of providing the power support needed, causing the wear degree of the manager's other Prosthetic Components to accelerate, increasing the physical burden on the manager as well.

Su Yu currently could not completely repair this Electron Furnace.

But, by doing some detailed adjustments and repairs.

Bringing its wear degree down to below 60%, allowing it to provide around twenty percent of output was achievable!

And if he could reach this goal.

The side effects currently suffered by the manager could be reduced by at least thirty percent. Even if his strength wasn't restored much, he wouldn't be weakened to the point of needing to fight for his life even when facing a three-star Extraordinary Life!

"You can repair this Electron Furnace?"

Seeing Su Yu's gaze fall on his Electron Furnace.

The [Electron Furnace] was something, in terms of its preciousness and the level of technology involved, that wouldn't be an exaggeration to say the entire Shelter No. 73 had only two production lines for Antivirus Potion and Antiradiation Potion that could compare to it.

His Prosthetic Armor was entirely maintained by this Electron Furnace till today.

This was genuine, Empire-inherited technology.

Looking across the current Ruins Star, being able to repair such technological creations, even among large settlements, a Mechanic with such skill would undoubtedly be incredibly valuable!

Now, Su Yu actually said he could repair this Electron Furnace?

The manager's eyes were full of astonishment.

"Not repair, just some brief maintenance and adjustment. To truly repair it..."

Su Yu estimated.

At the very least, his Battlefield Mechanic skill needs to reach the maximum level.

His technical level and Spiritual Energy strength could then support him to undertake the repair work on this Electron Furnace, and it still wouldn't be a complete repair, at most reducing its wear degree to about 30%.

To fully repair it.

Su Yu estimated at least a Tier 2 awakening in a mechanical profession would be necessary to achieve that.

"That would be enough!"

The manager didn't care about Su Yu's inner struggles.

In his view, even if Su Yu just did some brief maintenance and adjustments on the Electron Furnace, as long as his maintenance and adjustment were truly effective, it would be enough to dispel his doubts!

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"Just like we said before."

"As long as you can produce results, I can agree to your request!"

The Administrator spoke in a deep voice, staring into Su Yu's eyes with a burning gaze!

Feeling the eagerness in the Administrator's eyes, Su Yu couldn't help but smile.

The reason he chose the Electron Furnace as an introduction was that, under the blessing of the Steel Meditation, he immediately saw the importance of the Electron Furnace.

"So, is it a deal?"

"It's a deal!"

As he spoke, the Administrator stood up, removed the Electron Furnace from his chest, and handed it to Su Yu.

This Electron Furnace had a wear rate that exceeded 95%, making it nearly pointless to have it. Leaving it there as decoration held more value than its actual significance.

But when handing it over, the Administrator hesitated and couldn't help but remind, "Mr. Su, when you repair it, please be careful. If it can't be done, it's better not to repair it than to damage it further."

Su Yu understood this caution from the Administrator and nodded solemnly, "Don't worry, I won't take it back. I can repair it right here."

"Hmm? Repair it right here?"

The Administrator was taken aback and instinctively looked around, "But won't the conditions here be a bit too basic?"

In the Administrator's residence, although there was a workbench with repair equipment, the tools and parts on that workbench were only the most basic.

In the Administrator's view, repairing his own Electron Furnace warranted using all the Mechanics from the entire Shelter, and that wouldn't be too much.

Su Yu intended to use only such a basic workbench?

Seeing the Administrator's surprised expression.

Su Yu simply smiled slightly.

This was exactly the effect he wanted.

Even though he had already established a cooperative relationship with the old man.

Just like the Administrator's previous words, the foundation of cooperation between the Administrator and Su Yu was still very fragile.

A slight disturbance could shake it, mainly affecting the Administrator's confidence in Su Yu.

So, since there was an opportunity.

Su Yu naturally didn't mind making a big scene, acting a bit exaggerated, to build some confidence with his ally, the old man!

"After all, it's just some detailed adjustments and maintenance, no precious materials are needed, and basic tools are already enough."

Su Yu said as he took the Electron Furnace, walked straight to the corner of the living room's workbench, and carefully placed the Electron Furnace in the center of the fixture, then closed his eyes.

"This... Su, do you want to reconsider, or should we change the place of repair..."

Seeing Su Yu about to start working.

The Administrator felt uneasy and couldn't help but want to persuade Su Yu, but before he could finish his words.

"Boom!"

In Su Yu's spiritual world, steel gears quietly turned, the door from Subspace slowly opened, spiritual energy was released, filling the area around the workbench and even the entire living room in an instant, causing the Administrator's voice to abruptly stop, and his eyes to widen suddenly!

"This is..."

"Three-star level Spiritual Energy? No... it's slightly weaker than a three-star fluctuation, but such condensed and pure spiritual power is really only two-star level!?"

The Administrator couldn't help but hold his breath, watching Su Yu at the workbench not far away.

In his eyes, there was an undeniable shock!

As a former four-star top-level Transcendent, the Administrator's perspective was far broader and higher than that of all the members of Shelter No. 73 combined.

Otherwise, he couldn't have equipped his body with a prosthetic device that could accommodate such high-grade items like the Electron Furnace.

But even from the Administrator's standpoint.

The purity and condensation of the spiritual energy that Su Yu exhibited at this moment were somewhat beyond imagination.

Let alone three-star level.

From the Administrator's perspective, even if compared to the former four-star spiritual Transcendent he once served.

The difference between them and Su Yu in terms of spiritual energy was only quantitative.

On the qualitative level, Su Yu was on par, almost indistinguishable!

"This little guy named Su Yu, what kind of Meditation did he awaken?"

The Administrator's mind was full of shock.

As he was shocked.

Over there, at the workbench, Su Yu, aided by spiritual energy, was already wielding his tools with great speed.

Within a few minutes, he had completed the preliminary maintenance work on this Electron Furnace.

But afterward, Su Yu slowed down, starting to carefully adjust and replace the tiny parts inside the Electron Furnace.

Although Su Yu spoke confidently in front of the Administrator.

He also held great importance for this Electron Furnace.

After all.

This Electron Furnace was definitely the highest-grade mechanical creation he could currently access.

On par with the Electric Sniper Rifle left by Su Yu's master, both of the Excellent grade.

However, compared to the Electric Sniper Rifle whose components were mostly decayed and could only provide Su Yu with inspiration from parts like the sighting mirror.

This Electron Furnace, although severely worn.

Had its internal structure still intact!

Such a mechanical creation could offer Su Yu more good things than the Electric Sniper Rifle!

Such a fine item.

If not for helping the Administrator to build confidence in his ally.

Su Yu would love to take it back to his repair room and study it thoroughly.

Shaking his head to dispel the distractions.

Su Yu focused his attention entirely on the internal structure of the Electron Furnace in front of him.

At the moment he focused.

[Ding!]

The notification from the Profession Panel sounded again, followed by lines of prompt messages appearing, causing Su Yu's eyes to widen suddenly!

[Detected that the host obtained an Excellent-grade mechanical creation "Electron Prosthetic Set·Electron Furnace," preserved intact, through disassembly, simple maintenance, simple care, simple repair, routine repair, overhaul... and other methods, a large amount of professional experience (Battlefield Mechanic), skill experience (Battlefield Repair), random equipment blueprints, random professional skills can be obtained...]

With the appearance of this prompt message.

A temporary progress bar labeled [Excellent Creation Reward] appeared within Su Yu's vision range.

As long as Su Yu performed effective maintenance work on this Electron Furnace.

He could fill this progress bar.

Once the progress bar was full, it would provide Su Yu with a random reward!

"Does an Excellent-grade mechanical creation really have such surprises?"

Looking at the progress bar in front of him.

Su Yu's eyes were filled with unconcealed joy!

Taking a deep breath to calm his excited heart.

Su Yu focused wholeheartedly, devoting himself to the maintenance of the Electron Furnace in front of him.

As time passed.

The progress bar kept filling up.

Twenty minutes later, Su Yu successfully filled the first progress bar and obtained a reward of five thousand points of professional experience.

In the next half-hour.

Su Yu filled the progress bar again.

This time, he gained twelve thousand points of skill experience, successfully leveling up Su Yu's skill level from Lv7 to Lv9 in one go, making up for the lack of skill upgrades in recent times.

But Su Yu wasn't too joyful in his heart.

After all.

Compared to skill experience and professional experience.

What Su Yu wanted more was technical blueprints and such rare items that cannot be obtained from everyday life!

However...

Su Yu's eyes looked at the progress bar, which was slowing down to a crawl, with some concern.

As time went on.

The repair effect his current techniques could produce on the Electron Furnace was also diminishing.

The progress bar filled up slower and slower, naturally.

If it continued at this pace.

"At most, I can fill one more round of the progress bar and claim one more reward, and that'll be it!"

Even though this Electron Furnace won't disappear in the future.

When he levels up a bit and returns for repair, he should be able to exploit another round of valuable creation rewards.

But failing to get skill blueprints or professional skills after three rounds is always a disappointing matter.

Seeing the progress bar about to fill again.

Su Yu took a deep breath and watched the progress bar intently!

[Ding!]

[Progress met, congratulations to the host for obtaining an Excellent-grade creation reward X1, would you like to open it?]

"Open!"

Chapter 80: Chapter 76 External Prosthetics·1000 Hands (Requesting First Subscription)

In Su Yu's mind, a thought emerged.

The next second, there was a light of undisguised delight in his eyes!

[Ding!]

[Congratulations to the host for successfully obtaining the design blueprint: External Prosthetic Body·Thousand Hands (Tier One), would you like to accept it?]

"Accept!"

Without hesitation, Su Yu directly chose to accept.

Instantly.

A massive amount of information appeared in his mind!

The general production principles of external prosthetics, technical ideas, and casting techniques for optional materials flooded his brain.

Besides.

The design ideas and complete blueprints for the external prosthetic named [Thousand Hands] were also imprinted deep in Su Yu's mind.

With Su Yu's current brain capacity expansion, it took him several minutes to receive all this information.

Once he regained his senses.

The pleasure in his eyes only grew stronger!

"This blueprint really came just in time!"

Ever since he returned from the last hunt, Su Yu has been pondering his own exclusive mechanical equipment.

This [Thousand Hands] prosthetic device perfectly meets Su Yu's needs.

The shape of the [Thousand Hands] prosthetic is somewhat reminiscent of Doctor Octopus's appearance from the films in Su Yu's memory.

However, the number of mechanical arms it can be equipped with is far greater than Doctor Octopus's.

If Su Yu had a sufficiently advanced set of intelligent chips, even if he couldn't achieve the exaggerated "Thousand Hands" mentioned in its name.

Equipping a two-digit number of mechanical arms wouldn't be an issue.

Moreover, even without considering the weaponry paired with each mechanical arm, the impact force of each arm alone is quite considerable.

Furthermore, in necessary situations, the [Thousand Hands] prosthetic can encircle the mechanical arms to form a perfect barrier, protecting Su Yu himself.

This aspect is particularly important to Su Yu.

A large reason he wants to create new mechanical equipment is to enhance his own defensive capabilities.

However, the material shortage for creating the [Thousand Hands] prosthetic is also quite significant...

While Su Yu was pondering this.

A voice from the manager was heard nearby.

"Mr. Su, how's the repair coming along?"

Hearing the manager's words, Su Yu came back to his senses, calmed his excitement a bit, quickly stood up, and handed over the Electron Furnace, which he had initially maintained, to the eagerly waiting manager next to him.

"Not too bad, glad to be of service!"

Su Yu said with a smile.

The manager hastily took the Electron Furnace, and a light wave, almost invisible to the naked eye, flashed across his eyes.

Instantly.

Information related to the Electron Furnace flooded his view.

[Core of the Prosthetic Armor-Electron Furnace]

[Current Decay Level: 81%]

From a decay level of 96%, improved to 81%.

Though it only improved by 15%.

But don't forget, the technical level inside this Electron Furnace isn't something other Mechanical Creations can compare to!

Being able to repair this Electron Furnace's decay level by 15%.

Indicates that Su Yu's current technical level can definitely help the manager repair the mechanical parts in his other areas to 70% or even 60% level!

By then.

The manager's ability, even if it doesn't return to the four-star level.

Returning to top-tier three-star combat capability wouldn't be a problem!

"So, old man, do you now have faith in my abilities?"

Seeing the excited manager, Su Yu couldn't help but smile and ask.

The manager snapped out of it, nodding repeatedly, "I believe! Of course, I believe!"

Looking at Su Yu, his eyes were filled with undisguised admiration!

If he hadn't seen it with his own eyes, he wouldn't have believed that such a level of Mechanic could emerge from his small-managed Shelter No. 73!

After calming his inner excitement a little.

The manager gazed at Su Yu, speaking in a deep voice, "Although I know this request might be a bit presumptuous, but if Mr. Su has the time, could you first help me with some preliminary repairs and consolidation of the other prosthetic devices?"

"Of course, if Mr. Su has other important matters coming up, I can wait a little longer, anyway, Mr. Su's schedule comes first!"

The manager is now fully convinced of Su Yu's abilities.

But he couldn't help but add another word: "However, Mr. Su, please don't delay too long, after all, you should also be aware of my physical condition."

The manager now resembles a car about to be scrapped but still traveling on a highway.

His condition is not much better than Yang Lie who was previously poisoned by Ant Poison.

At most, he may have a few more years of lifespan than Yang Lie.

But if proper handling isn't achieved during this period.

Even if he could survive a few more years.

When the final moments come.

There's no need for Li He and others to battle with the manager.

The prosthetic devices attached to his own body would be enough to crush his physical frame!

Su Yu naturally understood this, so he directly gave the manager a reply.

"Rest assured, old man, within as short as a month, no longer than two months, I will give you a perfect answer."

"As for what you mentioned, about first helping to maintain some other prosthetic parts..."

Su Yu scratched his head, showing a troubled expression.

"Though I really want to agree, I genuinely don't have suitable parts on hand right now!"

Hearing Su Yu's hint.

The manager smiled understandingly, "Mr. Su, there's no need to hint at it indirectly, just like I said, after today, whatever materials you need, feel free to ask! As long as I can provide it, I will do my utmost to prepare for you!"