

Strongest As 541

Chapter 541: Important information

There were 3 people fighting. Ye Mo didn't know any of them. Although they were all ancient martial artists, they were really weak. The highest-leveled fighter among them was at the yellow level primary stage. The other two were a man and a woman. The man was at most barely at the yellow level. The woman wasn't even at a proper ancient martial arts level.

Those two fought against that yellow level primary stage fighter. The three were all covered in injuries. The reason those two could fight with the yellow level primary stage martial artist was because he was more injured. Despite that, they were still on the losing side.

Ye Mo walked over.

The three saw Ye Mo as he suddenly appeared and all stopped fighting and looked at Ye Mo. They were all injured and now that Ye Mo just came waltzing over, in the middle of nowhere in Shen Nong Jia, there was no way they wouldn't feel threatened by Ye Mo.

No ordinary person dared venture here. Plus, this young man didn't even have a speck of grass on him.

"Who are you? We are resolving private matters, please don't intervene," The yellow level primary stage man said.

Ye Mo wasn't interested in who was right or wrong. He was interested in what they were fighting for. It was very easy to think of spirit items in the area of Shen Nong Jia. If it was something that could be of interested to him, he wouldn't mind interfering.

Ye Mo wasn't leaving, and so the three just stood there. No one wanted to attack first and let Ye Mo reap all the benefits in the end.

Seeing this, Ye Mo asked, "I don't care about your private matters. Why are the three of you fighting, though? Did you find something good here in Shen Nong Jia?"

The three heard Ye Mo's words and knew he wanted to watch them fight it out and reap all the benefits afterwards. They immediately felt contempt towards Ye Mo.

The yellow level primary stage man saluted with his fist and said, "Friend, we're not fighting for something we found here. It's because these two are going against everyone's interests that I must capture them. This is a gang matter."

Gang fights? Ye Mo immediately lost his interest and waved his hand, clearly about to leave.

"Please wait a moment," the woman suddenly called out.

Seeing this, the yellow level primary stage guy immediately tensed up. He feared that Ye Mo would stay and help them attack him. If Ye Mo was an ordinary person, it wouldn't matter, but if Ye Mo was an ancient martial artist, things would get troublesome. Even he didn't really believe Ye Mo would be an ordinary person, however.

"Hmm, what is it?" If this woman was going to ask for his help with some gang affairs, he would leave without hesitation.

The woman didn't seem to see Ye Mo's impatient face and took out a bag from her waist, throwing it at Ye Mo, "This is a new element I discovered: Qiang-265. It has strong nuclear fission capabilities. It can definitely be used for nuclear bombs, but for now my information is still incomplete. If you give it to the Chinese government, they will give you a large sum of reward money for sure."

"Lu Na, how dare you give this to some random stranger!" That yellow level primary stage fighter's face changed drastically as he witnessed this.

He then looked at Ye Mo and said, "Friend, please give me this thing, it belongs to our organization. If you take it, it will be a disaster for your family."

A new element for making nuclear bombs? Ye Mo was shocked. What gang was this powerful? Even all the countries together had only discovered uranium and plutonium to make nuclear bombs with. This organization was actually able to discover a new one?

Seeing how Ye Mo didn't say anything, the yellow level primary stage man got more and more worried. He tried to persuade Ye Mo again, "Friend, what is in your hand is the result of many years of work by tens of scientists. If you give it back to me, I will definitely give you a satisfying price for it."

"Li Dayi, you're so shameless! This is the research result of my teacher and his colleague. How dare you say you want it 'back' as if you invented it. Bullsh*t!" Lu Na cursed.

Ye Mo looked at Li Dayi and suddenly asked, "Which organization are you from? How come you have the power to research such things?"

Li Daiyi knew that if he didn't name his organization, this young man wouldn't give a sh*t about him, so he said, "I'm Li Dayi, and my organization is called Northern Sand. These two are traitors of Northern Sand. Please don't intervene in our matters friend. We will pay you back for this."

Northern Sand again? Ye Mo shook his head. Although Northern Sand was powerful and full of resources, wasn't this organization's management a bit too chaotic? There were always people running away left and right. Even if he didn't do anything, this organization wouldn't last long.

A truly good organization wouldn't have people deserting it all the time, high level personnel at that.

"Friend-" Li Dayi still wanted to say something.

Ye Mo stopped him and said, "No need for your bullcr*p, if you were from some other gang I wouldn't care, but you're actually from Northern Sand. I happen to have some small conflicts with Northern Sand, and this thing happens to be of some use to me too."

Hearing this, Li Dayi was shook, "Who are you? Why are you going against us?"

"I'm Ye Mo. I believe you wouldn't be unfamiliar with my name being from Northern Sand, right?" Ye Mo smiled.

"You're Ye Mo?!" The three cried out in shock almost at the same time.

Ye Mo's name was too big in Northern Sand. He had used an extreme energy stone to get 10 billion USD, yet that energy stone had disappeared and Northern Sand had then lost another one as well.

Li Dayi woke up. Although he hadn't seen Ye Mo, he knew clearly about how Ye Mo had killed 27 of their elites and 4 black levels in Luo Cang. Chen Zhui and Peter had been there at the time as well, but even they hadn't been able to stop him. Then he moved his corporation to Sai Na and changed its name to Luo Yue, declaring independence. Who wouldn't know about him?

Li Dayi took a step back subconsciously. He didn't dare ask for anything from Ye Mo at all.

"You're Ye Mo? Ye Mo from Luo Yue City?!" Lu Na asked in excitement.

Ye Mo looked at her in confusion and nodded, "Yes I am."

"Ye-Qianbei, I apologize for being rude before. I will leave now..." Li Dayi wanted to run. He didn't dare try to capture people in front of Ye Mo. As for the bag in Ye Mo's hands, it was out of his capabilities to take it. First and foremost, he had to report back.

"Ye-Qianbei, you can't spare him. He knows the information is in your hands, and he will report back to Northern Sand," the other man suddenly said.

"I won't-" Before Li Dayi could finish talking, a wind blade was flying over already.

Chapter 542: 3000 Worlds, 3000 Dao

"Thank you for saving us, Brother Ye. My boyfriend and I appreciate it greatly," Lu Na said as she saw Ye Mo kill Li Dayi.

"So why did Northern Sand start hunting the two of you?" Ye Mo studied the two and asked.

Lu Na rubbed her eyes, "My sister Lu Lin and I were working for Northern Sand when suddenly, they wanted my sister to be the scapegoat for someone else, and she was taken away. It's unlikely that she's still alive. What a catastrophe! My sister did so many things for Northern Sand yet had to take the blame for someone else. I wanted to get revenge, but since I didn't have the ability to, we ran away from Northern Sand.

Lu Lin? Ye Mo suddenly thought of the woman called 'Sister Ling'. Could it be her? If it was, then Ye Mo could partially be blamed for her death. Ye Mo studied Lu Na and found that she actually looked like Lu Lin.

To be fair, Ye Mo wasn't guilty at all. Everyone had simply acted out of their own interest.

Ye Mo raised the bag with the element, "This is your newly discovered element, Qiang-265?"

Lu Na shook her head and said, "I was just an assistant. The main researchers were my teacher and two other chemistry professors. Two months ago, the research was pretty much over, and my teacher fell ill due to overworking himself, and the two other chemistry professors went to the US and Bai Lin Sea respectively. That's when I found an opportunity to escape."

"What is the professor at the Bai Lin Sea doing there?" Ye Mo wondered and asked.

Lu Na didn't mind Ye Mo's question and replied casually, "I heard people say that Northern Sand's biggest base and research lab are somewhere in the Bai Lin Sea. That base also seems to be called Yang Wan Base."

Ye Mo rejoiced - this was good news for him. He had been planning to go find the Black Sun Empire when Luo Yue City was stabilized, but he didn't expect some Yang Wan Base would also be there.

"Qiang, huh? This name is good - I truly hope it's 'qiang' (strong) indeed," Ye Mo looked at the bag and said. Since cultivation alone wasn't enough to destroy a country, he would use both technology and cultivation.

Hearing this, Lu Na suddenly said, "My teacher named it that way. If he hadn't died, he might have received the Nobel Prize for chemistry for this fission element..."

As Ye Mo heard Lu Na's sorrow, he was sent into a daze. He felt as if he was very close to grasping something. Suddenly, the word 'fission' flashed across his mind, and he thought of 'One leaf, one world - one world, 3000 leaves.' He had gotten two pages of gold paper. If the word 'leaf' was changed a bit, the sentence would be 'One page, one world.' Leaf and page in Chinese were homonyms! Could it be that the Lian Hang Jing Sect had passed down 'One page, one world,' but because so much time had passed, the inheritance was wrong? Or perhaps that ancestor had been wrong?

Buddhists also liked to use flowers, grass and things like that to represent sophisticated things all the time. He had just never heard of pages being represented by something.

Ye Mo felt his guess was right.

If he was right, then his two gold pages represented two worlds. So 'two pages, two worlds.' But the numbers of Dao were either 3 or multiples thereof, like 6 or 9.

So that meant that he couldn't see the full secret of the gold pages because the set was still incomplete! There was probably a third page left.

Ye Mo was shocked. If his conjecture was right, then the woman who went to Lian Hang Jing Sect must have taken the middle one out of the 3 pages.

If he was right, then wouldn't these pages be absurdly powerful? Such huge treasure wouldn't easily be found even in the cultivation realm. The objects that could form small worlds all surpassed spirit artefacts in level. Since when did earth have such a thing?

"'One leaf, one world - one world, 3000 leaves.' Usually, everyone who cultivated the Dao knew that there were 3000 great Daos which corresponded to the 3000 great worlds.

If it was 'One leaf, one world - one world, 3000 leaves,' then if he had 3 pages, that could be 3 worlds, each having 3000 daos. Together that would be 9000 Daos?

God, Ye Mo was getting more and more confused. He rubbed his head. He felt that there was so much meaning to these words that he couldn't digest it all now.

No matter what secret it involved, these golden leaves were definitely significant. He might be missing only one, and it was probably taken by the woman who slaughtered Lian Hang Jing Sect.

Thinking about 3 worlds being contained within that paper, Ye Mo's heart was burning with intensity. He had to get that third page no matter what!

A woman, and she was half-step great heaven? Ye Mo rubbed his head. Since when was there such a strong female cultivator? He thought of Luo Yin's martial aunt - could it be her?

The more Ye Mo thought about it, the more he thought it had to be her. If it was, then everything would be explained. However now, she might have been able to find the gold page in the Dao De Sutra, but she wouldn't find it in the ones Luo Xuan gave her. What would she think then?

She would suspect Luo Xuan and go interrogate her. Ye Mo immediately began to worry for Luo Xuan.

"Ye-Qianbei?" Lu Na's boyfriend saw Ye Mo's face change constantly and called out.

Ye Mo came back to his senses and realized those two were still there. He smiled awkwardly, "Sorry, I was thinking about something just now. Thank you for this research, it is very useful to me. What are you planning on doing now?"

Ye Mo wanted to invite Lu Na to Luo Yue City after finding out that she had been involved in the research for the new element.

"Ye-Qianbei, after I graduated from the University of California, I joined Northern Sand and met Lu Na afterwards. We were planning on going to Luo Yue City after running away to join Qianbei but were

chased here instead. We also had one more martial brother who escaped, but he died by the Northern Sand people's hands." The man's tone was still careful and sad as well.

Ye Mo wouldn't have expected that they had wanted to join Luo Yue all along. But it seemed obvious - if you were being hunted by Northern Sand, there was no better place to go than Luo Yue.

"You're welcomed greatly! What is your name? Also, don't call me Qianbei anymore, we're about the same age, right? Your martial arts are also quite good for a technical guy, by the way." Ye Mo wouldn't reject such talent coming to Luo Yue.

"My name is Liang Jun, and my martial arts were passed down by my ancestors. After my father left, I was all by myself, so I sold everything I had and went to the US. Other than that, if I hadn't met Lu Na, I would probably still be in Northern Sand," Liang Jun replied.

Ye Mo nodded, "Okay, go to Flowing Snake for now, that is Luo Yue's land too. After you go there, find CEO Yu. She will get people to send you to Luo Yue. I will call her later."

After Liang Jun and Lu Na left, Ye Mo immediately called Yu Miaodan so she would send the two to Luo Yue as soon as they arrived. As for the data, it was better to keep it on himself.

After the two left, Ye Mo sunk into worry. He was worried for Luo Xuan of course. With that old woman's means, she wouldn't give Luo Xuan an easy time. But he couldn't leave Luo Yue now, either, as Luo Yue was still under construction. What if something happened during his leave?

Chapter 543: Blue Diamond Ring

Although he was worried, there was nothing Ye Mo could do. He couldn't just leave put Luo Yue aside and go to the small world - who knows what could happen while he was gone? Leaving before Luo Yue could protect itself would put in danger those who followed him in the case something happened.

The gold leaf was also very important to him. If his guess was right, finding the three gold pages might lead to a miracle. Furthermore, Ye Mo was sure that the old woman wouldn't kill Luo Xuan before making sure she had the right information.

If she did find out the truth, he had no need to go find her, she would just go to Luo Ye and look for him. It all depended on whether she would find out the secret of the blank page, Ye Mo was sure that she wouldn't be willing to burn it like he did.

Casting these thoughts aside, Ye Mo had just arrived to the cave at Nan Lu Peak. It smelled bad and there was a huge stone blocking the door.

There were two rooms inside, one seemed to be meant for cultivation and sleep and the other was probably used for cooking. It seemed like the grey-clothed man had really lived like a primitive, hiding in a cave and cultivating by himself; he had been quite perseverant.

Ye Mo didn't go to the kitchen, the smell of meat in there was unbearable. Ye Mo's spirit sense scanned and soon found a lot of herbs, but they were all dried. Some of them were valuable, yet still useless for concocting pills.

Ye Mo went into the man's cultivation room and just saw a simple bed lying in there. Ye Mo picked up the book beside the bed, it was written in ancient characters and it showed the use and effects of different herbs.

Ye Mo finally understood why the man knew herbs that well.

The book was useless to Ye Mo, so he threw it away casually. Ye Mo soon realized that there was nothing he wanted in there, he shook his head in disappointment. He really wondered how anyone could call these things a "treasure".

Just when Ye Mo was about to leave, his spirit sense found a wooden box covered in dust under the bed.

Ye Mo opened it and saw something familiar: a yin yang fish and an eight trigrams shard.

While holding these objects, he thought of the jade box he got from Guo Taiming, in which there was a purple coral inside and a map. He had used that map to find the Upside Down Gourd Island, and in there he had found a shard too.

He put the two pieces together, but it still wasn't complete, a few other shards were missing.

Ye Mo couldn't find out what that thing was anyway, so he threw out the wooden box and placed the two shards into the same jade box.

He left the place and continued searching in Shen Nong Jia. That night, he managed to find a few Lan Su. After that, he returned to Luo Yue immediately.

After giving the Qiang data to Ye Xing, he started making pills. Because his yellow essence was limited, he only made one cauldron of essence chi pill.

The pill was no use for foundation establishment levels in chi recovery, but for chi gathering middle stage and primary stage it was quite good. In a way, he had saved plenty of lives thanks to these two pills.

Thinking about the things he did, Ye Mo walked out of the cultivation room full of satisfaction. Suddenly, he felt chi pulses from next door.

Ye Mo scanned his spirit sense in and found that Ning Qingxue had just reached stage three. While feeling happy for her, Ye Mo sighed - he couldn't help thinking that his talent really wasn't such big of a deal.

Ning Qingxue definitely didn't cultivate as hard as he did, nor did she have the resources he did, but she still had reached stage three. It was time to make a flying sword for her, but he was short on materials.

He wanted to go congratulate her, but he changed his mind after realizing that that she was still reinforcing her state. Hence, he decided to immediately return to the cultivation room, he wanted to help Ning Qingxue and Tang Beiwei by making two storage rings for them.

Luckily, he had only used a third of the Space Abyssal Rock last time and had gotten more at the auction. However, he didn't have enough supplementary materials, so he could only make one. Because he still needed to go to the US, he chose to make a larger storage ring and give his to Ning Qingxue.

Ye Mo made up his mind and started working. He was at stage five by then, so he could set more stable space formation. With more stable space formation, he could make storage rings with greater capacity.

Three days later, Ye Mo breathed at ease. He had used three essence chi pills and three times the Space Abyssal Rock to make this new ring.

The new storage ring had around 15 meters of circumference. Ye Mo knew it was still too small, but his power was too low. If he was at foundation establishment level, he would be able to make a storage ring with 120 meters of circumference.

Ye Mo also improved his old ring. He made it a little bigger and added a blue diamond to it. He didn't care about the aesthetics, but Ning Qingxue was a girl and the ring couldn't look too ugly.

After finishing it, Ye Mo got up. Just when he was about to go out, Ning Qingxue pushed the doors open and came in.

"I've been waiting for you outside for three days, but you were cultivating, so I didn't dare to come in. I reached stage three!" she had brusted inside to tell Ye Mo that she had broken through because she knew that Ye Mo would be very happy to hear that.

Ye Mo looked at Ning Qingxue's face, it was getting prettier and more exquisite. She looked a little skinny; he knew she had been recently very busy because of Luo Yue and his heart ached for her.

"Qingxue, you've been very busy. Why don't you hire some people to help you with your work?" Ye Mo didn't want Ning Qingxue to work that hard.

Ning Qingxue shook her head, "No, I like my days busy and full of stuff to do. Moreover, I'm not the only one who's busy. Luo Fei and Ye Ling are both helping me, Mumei also came."

"Did Zifeng come too?" Ye Mo was only worried about those few people. If they were all in Luo Yue, he could be at ease.

Ning Qingxue nodded, "She came 3 days ago. Ye Ling came by a few times but she didn't want to disturb you since you were cultivating. Ye Ling doesn't seem to be able to cultivate. Although I tried to teach her, she can't gather chi."

Ye Mo sighed. The thing he was worried about happened indeed. Not everyone has a spirit root. If Ye Ling couldn't cultivate, it meant she didn't have a spiritual root. There was nothing he could do about that.

In the cultivation realm, people without a spirit root could use unique spirit treasures to develop it; but on earth that was impossible.

Ning Qingxue tried to comfort him, "Once Luo Yue City is built, this will be a very safe place. Even if she can't cultivate, she'll be fine."

Ye Mo didn't bother explaining. Ning Qingxue didn't know about the purpose of cultivation, she thought it was just to stay healthy. He took out a ring and gave it to Ning Qingxue, "Qingxue, this is for you. Do you like it?"

"Such a pretty ring!" Ning Qingxue grabbed it immediately, her eyes were already filled with sparkles.

No woman could resist such a beautiful diamond ring, much less when it was given to her by the man she loved.

After Ye Mo helped her put it on, she could no longer resist the love in her heart and embraced Ye Mo tightly. It was the first time Ye Mo gave her a ring, and it was such a pretty blue diamond ring. Was he proposing to her?

Chapter 544: How to Earn Money

Ye Mo held Ning Qingxue, sensing the faint aroma on her body as the fire in his heart burned. He kissed Ning Qingxue's lips and even forgot to tell her that it was a storage ring.

As Ning Qingxue wore the ring she thought to be an engagement ring, she was already beginning to lose herself. She was getting more and more lost in Ye Mo's arms. How could she resist it when Ye Mo kissed her? She forgot that the door wasn't closed and deeply kissed him back. She felt as if her body were soft like jelly.

One of Ye Mo's hands reached inside her clothes and grabbed the proud bulge at her chest.

Suddenly, a desperate trod of footsteps woke the two up. Ye Ling saw that the room was unlocked and knew that her brother must have stopped cultivating. She charged in without hesitation.

But what she saw was her brother embracing Qingxue, and when she saw where Ye Mo's hand was, she blushed and said, "Brother, you're really bad, aren't you! You didn't even close the door."

Ning Qingxue also recovered from the fire in her heart and remembered where they were. She quickly left Ye Mo's arms and sorted out her clothes, but she was too embarrassed to talk to Ye Ling.

Ye Mo smiled awkwardly, "Ye Ling, you're back! How is Beijing?"

Ye Ling immediately forgot about what had just happened and started rambling on about Beijing. Ye Mo found out from her that although Ye Zifeng had settled in the Ye family, he was still too inexperienced. Within the convoluted power factions of Beijing, the Ye family was off far worse than before. Many people didn't dare do anything over the top for Ye Mo's sake, but if it wasn't for Ye Mo's reputation, perhaps the Ye family under Ye Zifeng's lead would have been left out of the center of power.

"Brother, Second Brother said that the Ye family is far from what it was before. He plans on coming to Luo Yue, but grandpa said he can't come yet. Grandpa said that the Americans are interested in Luo Yue and told you to be careful, Brother. And even if Luo Yue stabilized, it would be best not to move away the factories in Flowing Snake," Ye Ling said.

Ye Mo nodded. What they said about old ginger being the spiciest was true indeed. Ye Beirong always looked very far ahead.

Many people knew what the American's had planned for Luo Yue. It wasn't hard to tell, since even though they wanted the place, they still hadn't made a move.

Ye Mo frowned. Since other people could see the problem, if he dragged on for too long, the Americans would also understand that he knew what they wanted. If that happened, would they try to completely destroy Luo Yue?

Ye Mo looked at Ning Qingxue and Ye Ling and smiled. What did he have to be scared about? He would deal with the situation accordingly, why be afraid up front?

Thinking about the current situation, Ye Mo gathered everyone again to discuss their countermeasures. Because they were short on time, Ye Mo couldn't drag things on. He needed to think of a plan quick.

After everyone heard Ye Mo's words, they knew that they couldn't rush things too much, though. Luo Yue had only just been built, even a normal country wouldn't be able to become a militarily strong power in a such short time.

"Martial Brother, I looked at the data you brought back. I'm confident that I can invent the new type of intercontinental nuclear bomb within a year. But we have too little technical people staff. If we had some more, I'm sure we'd be able to research different projects faster," Ye Xing stood up and said.

"Then, let's start hiring people from all over the world. If we offer more money, I'm sure people will be willing to come work," Ye Ling said without thinking.

Xu Yuehua shook her head, "Although we earn a lot of money, facing the increasingly huge military expenses and construction, we're actually only barely making it. We already hired large amounts of people when we first came here. Otherwise, we wouldn't have been able to build our defensive system that rapidly. If we hire more people, I'm afraid we will go bankrupt."

Xu Yuehua didn't say that if Ye Mo hadn't made 10 billion USD recently, Luo Yue would have perhaps gone bankrupt already.

Ye Mo sunk into silence. His Immortal Hospital made a lot for every patient it had, but there were too little patients. And on earth, he couldn't even sell his face preserving pill properly.

Hearing Xu Yuehua's words, Ye Xing also nodded, "Yes, Sister Yuehua is right. And if we get some money, I suggest investing in our naval power, including motherships. We also need to build ship factories and large docks. Luo Yue faces the sea on three sides, we absolutely must have naval power."

It all came down to money, huh? Ye Mo sighed. How could he earn large amounts of wealth in a short time?

"If only we had something like that largest diamond mine in Russia - there's about 1 trillion carats worth of diamonds there! If you changed that into USD, it would be enough to fill this entire island," Ye Ling said.

Ning Qingxue subconsciously looked at her ring and wondered when Ye Mo would marry her.

"How much money would that be?" Ye Mo asked subconsciously.

"If they were all decent quality then about 10.000 trillion USD, but that's impossible. If diamond was that easily excavated, then it would've all been dug out already," Xu Yuehua said.

Ye Mo thought, 'It might be hard for others, but it's not hard for me.' Now that he was stage 5, he could move through earth. He could even use his spirit sense in the earth to look for diamonds.

As for the toughness of diamonds, that would spell no problems for his flying sword. Ye Mo believed that everything would be like dust beneath the sharpness of his flying sword. Besides, he knew the hardness of diamond already - he had just made one for Ning Qingxue. There was no problem at all.

The only challenge was that because he had only just reached stage 5, it would be hard to use his spirit sense to search for diamonds while he moved through the earth. After all, earth that could form diamond would be rather hard. He couldn't just rely on his own chi.

No one spoke seeing that Ye Mo was considering something in silence.

After quite a while, Ye Mo slammed the table and said, "Sister Yuehua, immediately spread the message across the world that we're recruiting technical staff. As long as they come, their salary will be multiple times their original salary. Especially military technological staff. Ye Xing, as soon as they come, immediately get them to join your research on the military products we need.

Also, buy large amounts of weapons, be it cannons, bullets, planes or construction lines. As for money, I will handle it."

Ye Mo figured that since he couldn't just rely on his own chi, he would just make charms. He would make large amounts of earth travel runes and traverse the earth without a problem.

Ye Mo didn't expect himself to find 200 million kilograms of diamonds randomly, but it would be a huge harvest already if he found just 1 ton. With all those mechanical beds and production lines, Ye Xing's inventions would come out much faster.

Although most countries kept their most talented scientists under control, some didn't. If he couldn't get enough scientists, he would just abduct them like the Black Sun Empire did.

At the moment, the US hadn't found the Black Sun's base yet, but when they did, wouldn't all those abducted scientists come under their control? That would be dangerous.

He couldn't let that happen. He had to go to the Bai Lin Sea immediately. He had to find the Black Sun Empire before the US, so Ye Mo quickly left Luo Yue. He even put the earth mobility charms and diamonds aside.

Chapter 545: High-tech Fishing Boat

An hour later, Ye Mo got to the island he had gone to find Ning Qingxue in the past. Last time he had been there was a wooden house in the middle, but now that wooden house was gone and so were the four dead bodies.

It seemed that people had been here. He had marked the Black Sun logo last time, but that mark had to be within range to be detected.

Ye Mo walked around and didn't find anything.

Ye Mo gave up on the island and kept searching. Although his spirit sense had a radius of 800 m, it was still hard to find a hidden place in the vast ocean.

Ye Mo didn't want to give up, though. The Black Sun Empire had been established many years ago, and who knows how many scientists the Japanese pirates had taken. Moreover, who knows how many scientific discoveries had they found. To Ye Mo, this was more valuable than diamonds.

If he got hold of those research findings, it would take ten year less from Luo Yue's development process.

For Luo Yue City's sake, Ye Mo searched the seas day and night, but he didn't find anything for three consecutive days. On the 4th day, when Ye Mo was about to approach a small group of islands, he felt he was being locked by something. Ye Mo knew it wasn't good, so he switched places and turned invisible.

Soon, Ye Mo saw a small patrol ship on the sea. Looking at the flag, he knew they were Americans.

Ye Mo didn't do anything to it and looked around first. It was quite odd to see a single patrol boat there, much less such a small one.

When he got closer to them, around 100 kilometers away from the patrol boat, he saw a ship without any flags. There were a few Japanese men on it and he immediately could tell that they were the Black Sun Empire's men.

Ye Mo rejoiced, and at the same time also realized why the US ship was following them. They hadn't found the Black Sun Empire's base either.

No matter how long the US ship had been following it, Ye Mo decided to end the ship's chasing game and take for him the results.

With this in mind, Ye Mo flew above the US ship and got ready to attack.

At the same time, a few officers in the command center looked at the radar with confusion. They had clearly found an unidentified object a moment ago, but why had it suddenly disappeared?

"It appeared again! It's 1000 meters above the ship," a small bearded man claimed.

"Lock on immediat-" before the captain could finish, the small beard screamed again.

Everyone looked at the direction he was pointing at. A white flash crossed the radar screen. What kind of attack was that?

"Return fire!" the captain ordered, he had reacted much faster than the Indonesian navy.

Ye Mo stopped being invisible. The flying sword in his hand turned into a white ray and sliced the ship below. After reaching stage 5, his flying sword could turn into a ten-meter long and three-meter wide sword ray.

Rumble- Ye Mo's flying sword had cut the ship right in the middle from top to bottom.

"What's going on?" everyone felt the ship shake, it seemed to be slanted.

"Water is coming inside!" a marine yelled. Their ship hadn't even had time to attack and it was sinking already. This was too absurd.

Ye Mo took back his flying sword and stared at the ship sinking slowly. He shook his head. He was still too weak - if he had been stronger, he could have sliced the ship in half. That would have been more shocking.

However, it was impossible to remedy the cut and the ship was falling apart. Life rafts had gotten released already.

Ye Mo was angry. He had attacked already, but he couldn't see these people escape. Before they got onto the life rafts, he changed directions and sliced the boat again. This way, the ship sunk fast and it soon disappeared into the endless sea.

After making sure that no one could survive, Ye Mo chased after the small boat. The Japanese boat had sped up a lot. Because they had known they were being followed, they moved slowly in order to think of a countermeasure. But the ship that was following them suddenly disappeared for some reason, so they sped up quickly.

More US ships soon appeared where their patrol boat had sunk, but nothing was left there.

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After following the Japanese boat for five days, it stopped on an island. It was a coral island, smaller than the one before.

Ye Mo really didn't know what the Japanese were doing at the island, neither did he know why so many of their bases were located on these islands..

The island also had a small wooden house, but this time there were two of them. Eight Japanese marines got off the boat carrying large wooden cases. After the men got off, one of them stayed outside and the remaining seven went inside. They all had a Black Sun necklace on them.

Ye Mo scanned his spirit sense in the wooden box and suddenly realized that they were all full of gold. Looking at the size of the box, each weighted about 150 kg, which meant that there were more than 500 kg of gold there. That would be about 20 million USD. Although it wasn't a small amount, it wasn't much for Ye Mo.

Ye Mo scanned the island carefully with his spirit sense. From his previous experiences, he knew that there were large amounts of alarms and a few radar systems.

After the Japanese men went into the wooden house, they started talking, but Ye Mo couldn't understand anything, so he could only stay invisible and mark the island with multiple spirit sense marks.

After this, Ye Mo left the island. He knew that they had poison for committing suicide. And even if he could subjugate them before they did it, he didn't understand Japanese, so he couldn't interrogate them. He might as well wait on the side, he didn't believe they wouldn't go back.

After leaving, Ye Mo went to another coral island 10 kilometers away. He believed that as long as he wasn't in the air, the radar wouldn't notice a person in the ocean.

That 10 km distance was just the distance he needed to still sense the spirit sense marks.

For a moment, it seemed like the Black Sun men had decided to stay there long-term. They hadn't left in many days nor given any signs of going somewhere.

Just when he was getting impatient, Ye Mo's spirit sense mark moved. He flew above the island and found a fishing boat parked next to it. He didn't even know where it came from, it had made no sound at all.

Ye Mo carefully landed behind a rock and scanned his spirit sense. He was dazed with what he found - a few days ago there had been only four boxes of gold but now, there were 40.

How did so many suddenly appear? Ye Mo scanned his spirit sense out and immediately found that there was an underground bunker behind the wooden house. The Japanese men had gotten the gold from somewhere and stored it underground. He hadn't even noticed it last time.

It seemed that they were preparing to leave after loading the boat with the gold. As Ye Mo expected, the 40 boxes were soon carried onto the fishing boat.

Then, the fishing boat's engine started and left the island.

What shocked Ye Mo was that the fishing boat was much faster than their previous ship. It almost made no sound at all, what kind of engine was that? It was clearly a high-tech boat.

Chapter 546: Laser Tunnel, Gold Safe

Ye Mo really wanted to kill the eight guys that were staying on the island but eventually didn't do anything. He didn't want to alarm the enemy, so he chose to follow this ship instead.

By the time it was dark, Ye Mo understood that this ship was almost faster than normal cars, even though it looked heavy and wasn't something that could be compared with jet skis.

Ye Mo landed on one corner of the fishing boat and found that it was armed with cannons and missiles. What shocked Ye Mo the most was how little sound the engine made. One could only hear the waves and barely the engine.

Ye Mo was interested in this. This definitely had to be the latest product of the Black Sun Empire. This wasn't even a battle ship, so perhaps their actual warships were much stronger than the US's already. If he could move all of that to Luo Yue...

Ye Mo was deep in thought as this boat kept going for the entire night. The next day, it entered a narrow port. Ye Mo scanned the surroundings with his spirit sense. This was an island, a private island.

There were guards around the island. Ye Mo couldn't sense how big the island was with his spirit sense, but he saw it very clearly. It had large groups of buildings, green mountains and lakes, and there were all sorts of entertainment facilities on the beach. This was clearly a luxury private holiday resort.

Ye Mo refocused his gaze as the ship went into the island, stopping at a simplistic port.

There were four Japanese men guarding at the pier. Two of them out in the open, and two hidden out of sight. Of course, to Ye Mo's spirit sense, there was no difference. Then there was also a cargo truck waiting by the port. Seeing the fishing boat arrive, two Japanese got off the cargo truck.

They quickly brought the gold onto the cargo truck, and it started driving immediately. During the whole process, Ye Mo didn't hear a single word. Clearly, this wasn't their first time doing this.

After the cargo ship left, Ye Mo immediately killed the 4 people remaining on it, as well as the 4 guards. Then, he followed the truck further into the island.

Soon, the truck entered a valley. In it, Ye Mo practically found another world. There were large amounts of expensive mansions and a coulme of large laboratories, blocked by all the trees.

Ye Mo checked the place with his spirit sense. The security around the valley was very tight.

This was one of the Black Sun Empire's bases indeed! He wondered if all their scientists were here. The truck stopped outside what seemed to be a vault, and so did Ye Mo. There were cameras and automatic trigger response weapons everywhere.

In order to prevent himself from being spotted, Ye Mo put an essence chi pill inside his mouth to maintain the chi level needed for his invisibility mode.

There were 4 armed guards inside the vault. After checking the truck driver's documents and the contents of the car, the 4 guards retreated. Ye Mo's spirit sense found that behind the door of the vault was a long tunnel. There were constantly lasers crossing around the whole area.

So thorough! Ye Mo was astonished. With such serious security, Ye Mo was sure that even he wouldn't be able to break in through there. Who knew if he could stop these lasers? With his current power, it would be very hard.

But of course, even if the vault was heavily guarded, it wouldn't stop Ye Mo from going in if he really wanted to. After all, he didn't have to go through the tunnel.

Other places may have many meters of steel protection, but that was no problem for Ye Mo.

After the guards retreated and the door to the vault was opened, Ye Mo saw the lasers disappear.

The truck drove into the vault. Upon gazing at the vault filled with wooden crates, Ye Mo was dazed. How many wooden crates were here - there had to be at least 3 to 4 thousand! That meant that there was around five to six hundred tons of gold.

He didn't expect the Black Sun Empire to be this rich. Why would they keep this much gold? Why would they not turn it into money? Why store it and guard it so heavily instead?

Although gold was worth money, the gold here would only amount to a couple tens of billions of USD. That might be quite a lot, but for modern scientific research, it wasn't that huge.

After the truck was unloaded, Ye Mo didn't follow it out but stayed in this vault instead.

The vault walls were made of steel boards and were indeed rather thick. Ye Mo's spirit sense couldn't penetrate it. Ye Mo found one steel board and started digging into it with his flying sword.

After digging for about 30 centimeters, there some sparks appeared, but that was nothing to the flying sword. Soon, it dug through the sparky layer and after digging for another meter, a hole appeared.

Ye Mo immediately knew that the sparks must have been caused by an electrified layer in the wall. If someone tried to pierce the steel layer with tools and touched the electricity, they would die for sure. But Ye Mo's flying sword could be called a super resistor. If his flying sword were conductive, then when he fought with lightning cultivators, he'd be in for some suffering.

Ye Mo kept digging the hole until he had dug through. He thought that when he reached the electrified layer, he would trigger the alarm, but even after waiting for a while, nothing happened. Soon, Ye Mo understood that his flying sword was not only non-conductive, it was also so sharp that there were no metal shillings touching the electrified layer. There was no loss of electric current, and thus the alarm wasn't triggered.

After leaving the vault, Ye Mo found himself standing in a small room with a man staring at him in daze. He was shocked seeing where Ye Mo came out from. He didn't know what was inside the metal wall, but he knew that he couldn't touch it. Yet now, a person came out of it.

The man reacted rapidly, though, but just as he wanted to press the alarm, Ye Mo burned him to a crisp with a fireball.

After killing this man, Ye Mo looked around the room carefully. It was full of surveillance equipment. Ye Mo suddenly saw a faint shadow on the main monitor.

This shadow was so faint that if one didn't look carefully, one wouldn't even be able to see it, but Ye Mo was shocked. He knew that this was his shadow. He didn't think that the camera would still be able to capture him even when he was invisible. Was he too weak or was this surveillance camera just too high tech?

Ye Mo cut some wires and planned on taking away the hard drive, but he found that there was no hard drive, only monitors.

Ye Mo thought for a moment and decided to simply start slaughtering away. He had to take away that gold, but he had no means to like that. His storage ring was too small.

After leaving this room, Ye Mo started looking for the control center.

But Ye Mo didn't understand Japanese, so he searched for a long time and killed tens of men but didn't find one who knew Chinese.

Ye Mo was getting impetuous. If he couldn't find anyone who did, then he might as well kill everyone. Ye Mo also didn't feel like there was an airport there, so he didn't think the scientists would be there. If they weren't, then at the worst he had at least earned some money.

Right when Ye Mo was doubting what to do, a bulky man accompanied by two guards walked over. Ye Mo killed the two guards without thought and grabbed the bulky man, asking his usual question, "Do you know Chinese?"

Chapter 547: Annihilation of an Island

The first thing the bulky man did when he realized the situation was to bite hard on his teeth, but Ye Mo was experienced and stopped him.

Ye Mo sighed. These Japanese were really cruel to themselves.

Ye Mo pressed on the Japanese guy's forehead and asked, "Do you know Chinese?"

"I do."

Ye Mo rejoiced at that answer and asked a series of questions.

"Reply to everything in Chinese. What is it you do here? What authority do you have?"

"I'm the Guard Captain here, responsible for security."

"How many people are active here? How well-defended is this place? What valuable things are here? Are there any captured scientists?"

The man answered all the questions very precisely.

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After an entire hour, Ye Mo got what he wanted and casually got rid of the man.

Ye Mo found out that this island was called Black Star Island, and it was one of the main scientific research islands of the Black Sun Empire. Although it wasn't very large, there were 739 people guarding it. There were also all sorts of anti-missile systems and radars.

A total of 242 scientists was held captive here, 89 of whom were world-renowned scientists. Those high-level mansions were the scientists' research facilities. There was no airport, so all of their seized planes were kept on another island 1000 nautical miles from away.

There were 537 tons of gold stored there, being half of the Empire's gold storage.

After knowing that, the first place Ye Mo went to was the control center. He cut off all the communication devices, but Ye Mo knew that even if he destroyed the whole room, some wireless signals would still be able to go out. But he only needed some time.

Then, he started killing. Ye Mo didn't hold back and killed everyone he saw. In the end, Ye Mo was sure he had killed everyone as no one could escape from his spirit sense.

Then, Ye Mo went to the research facilities.

They were also heavily guarded, but the environment was really something. It was truly like a holiday resort except for the place being rather small.

There were a lot of offices and laboratories, and everyone was focused on doing their own thing. The place was made up of 10 faculties, and each one worked individually but all in the same area. After coming here, Ye Mo felt like he had come to university again.

When Ye Mo rushed into the largest faculty, a few foreigners looked at him in shock immediately. According to them, although they were free inside the faculties, no one would usually be allowed to come in. Although they could go out a bit, they had limited time and space when doing so. At most they would be able to have a glance at the beach.

Seeing them look at him, Ye Mo frowned. He didn't know English. He could understand some simple conversations, but he couldn't speak.

"Does anyone here know Chinese?" Ye Mo looked around.

Then, one man stood out hesitantly, "I'm Chinese, who are you?"

Ye Mo rejoiced, but before he could talk, his spirit sense caught onto a guy with an alarm. Ye Mo threw a wind blade over before he could press it, and the man was cut in half immediately.

The bloody scene scared the researchers.

Ye Mo looked around carefully and realized that that person must have been undercover. Other than him, everyone else was normal.

"The person I just killed was a Japanese member hiding amongst you to keep watch on you. Now, anyone who wishes to leave with me, please come forward. If you don't want to leave, you can stay here." Ye Mo didn't really mean that. He knew that no matter how good this place was, no one would want to be kept in custody.

"You're here to save us?" an old white man said in disjointed Chinese.

Ye Mo nodded, "You could say that, but I do have my conditions. I can get you out of these people's custody, and you will be free men, but you will have to work at my place for five years before being allowed to leave. During your working period, however, you're free to roam anywhere on my land."

"You're from another organization?" That white man immediately didn't seem too willing. From one place to another, they would still be kept in custody. There was no difference.

Ye Mo smiled, "No, we are openly building a city. My company is called Luo Yue Pharmaceuticals. It's not a place like this that lurks in the shadows."

"Luo Yue Pharmaceuticals?" that Chinese man repeated in shock and immediately said, "I'm willing to go. I've heard of your corporation. It's said that a few months ago you took over Sai Na and changed its name to Luo Yue and then declared independence."

It seems they weren't restricted from TV access.

In that case, it would save him a lot of explaining. The foreigner also knew about Luo Yue and explained it to the other scientists there. After hearing that it was a proper city, they all expressed their willingness to leave.

They could only get true freedom after 5 years, but the city was thousands of times larger than this place. That was enough to make them want to leave that cage.

Ye Mo was very happy that they all wanted to leave. If there had been someone who didn't want to go, Ye Mo would kill them before he left. He couldn't leave any evidence behind.

Then, Ye Mo told them to gather all their research findings and computers for him.

The Chinese man was an American-Chinese materials researcher called Huang Siyou. He helped Ye Mo quite a bit.

Ye Mo used the same method to convince all the other faculties and killed 12 more undercover enemies in the meantime.

Under Ye Mo's command and with Huang Siyou and that old white man's help, they spent an entire day loading all the things onto the ship. Although the fishing ship was large, it wasn't like it was a cargo ship, so it could only carry 2 to 3 thousand tons. The gold took up a few hundred tons alone, so many things couldn't be taken, but Ye Mo could only leave them behind.

As the ship left the port, two helicopters finally came over. They landed on the island. They only came because the surveillance data seemed abnormal and because they received no replies to their queries, but they had come too late.

After Huang Yousi and the old white man called Pete's introduction, Ye Mo knew that most of the scientists here were military-related.

Even Ye Mo couldn't help but sigh at the Black Sun Empire's capability to acquire so many talented people over the years. One could see their ambitions from that.

After some more years of hard work, perhaps they really would be able to build a militarily powerful country. Ye Mo really didn't know where their money to support such high-cost scientific research could have come from. That Northern Sand seemed to be the same, just what was it they all wanted to achieve?

Was there some correlation between the Black Sun Empire and Northern Sand?

Just as Ye Mo was thinking about this, there was some loud rumbling, and four battle jets appeared above the fishing boat.

The researchers on the boat immediately had their faces turn pale. Although they had been held captive on the island, at least they had kept their lives, but if these battle jets rained bullets on them, they wouldn't even be able live, let alone be freed from captivity.

Chapter 548: Luo Yue Becomes Wealthy, the Whole World is Anxious

While everyone was nervously watching the fighter jets, no one discovered that Ye Mo had disappeared.

The jets kept flying in front of the boat, even clueless people would understand that they were forcing the boat to stop. Although there were missiles and cannons and the boat, no one there was some professional operator.

The four fighter jets were like four sheep in front of Ye Mo. They couldn't stop Ye Mo's flying sword. Ye Mo sliced out four consecutive times.

Rumble- Fire sparks were visible as the four jets fell into the cold sea with a huge splash.

Everyone looked at the falling jets in shock. They couldn't comprehend what had happened. Why would the jets that were supposed to be stopping them suddenly fall into the ocean?

Ye Mo reappeared on the ship. He glanced at everyone who was still in a daze and just told Huang Siyou that he needed some rest and that no one was to disturb him without any major happenings. Then, he went into a private room.

Ye Mo knew that even though he had annihilated four planes this time, there would still be more ships trying to stop them coming up. There was quite some distance from the Bai Ling Sea to Luo Yue. Ye Mo didn't mind the ships chasing behind as with their speed, it would be very hard to catch up to them. Ye Mo only worried that the fleet not that far ahead of them was most likely a US fleet.

They had lost a ship a few days ago, so they would've increased their Pacific naval power. Who knew if they wouldn't suddenly block their route. The shortest way back to Luo Yue was through the Pacific. And the North of the Pacific was America's backyard.

So Ye Mo didn't stay on the fishing boat's deck for now and just told Huang Siyou the direction they had to take, while he kept scanning the path ahead. He didn't want the US and Luo Yue to fight yet, so if he couldn't annihilate them all, he wouldn't do anything.

What shook Ye Mo was that the first fleet to stop them wasn't the US fleet but a Japanese fleet. It was as though they knew where the fishing boat would be passing by and had positioned themselves there. The fleet contained one guard ship, two vanguards and two nuclear-powered submarines. Ye Mo attacked those ships without second thought.

Under Ye Mo's flying sword attacks the two vanguards and the guard ship started to sink. But this time, the Japanese did find the opportunity to retaliate. Even then, after all three ships started to think, they could only fire with their cannon once.

As for the two nuclear submarines, Ye Mo sliced them open without hesitation. The people inside wouldn't be able to survive unless they were cultivators like Ye Mo.

In a short while, the entire Japanese fleet had sunk. It was so fast that no one had even been able to react. The Japanese command center only received news that they were being attacked, and by the time they arrived at the place of the incident, there was nothing left.

After the fishing boat passed by Japan, patrol boats of a few other countries also found them, but none of them could catch up.

In order to take the quickest route, the fishing boat passed straight by the Philippines and Indonesia. During this time, Ye Mo annihilated two more planes from Indonesia and three more ships. The Philippine military saw those planes and ships sink for no reason, so they didn't dare approach too closely and just watched the fishing boat go passed them into the Indian Ocean.

After that, Ye Mo knew that they were completely safe. Even so, he still turned back and destroyed the two planes following them. What Ye Mo felt strange about was that he had annihilated planes and ships from a few countries, but he hadn't seen any from the US.

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While Xu Yuehua, Xu Ping and everyone else were shocked at the amount of technical staff and gold Ye Mo had brought back, the entire world was in even greater shock.

The US once again announced the existence of aliens, because they had lost an entire fleet in the pacific ocean, and according to the report they got, a UFO was responsible for the sinking. There had been white flashes of light before the devastating attacks, and the ships hadn't even been able to retaliate at all.

After that, the US urged the Commonwealth Union to join them in the Earth Protection Plan. Japan also released large amounts of information, saying that one of their fleets had also completely seized to exist. They found the shipwrecks somewhere near them, and it seemed they had been done in by the same means as the US ships. It was as though they had been cut by a sword. There were no modern weapons that could cause such damage. The ships could only have actually been hacked by a sword, but who could cut a ship in half with a sword?

Then, the Philippines and Indoneisa also declared they had seen a fishing boat go faster than 60km/h with Indonesia also having suffered losses. Their planes following the ship had also fallen into the sea for no reason.

It was confirmed that all these planes and ships had been damaged by the same type of weapon.

Knowing that the fishing boat had been sighted, Xu Yuehua immediately ordered for its breakdown.

Ye Mo had brought back so many technicians, many of which were renowned internationally, which eased the pressure on Xu Yuehua and Ye Xing greatly.

From Xu Yuehua Ye Mo heard that the gold could be used as the basis for building a country, so Ye Mo gave up the thought of selling it for now. Firstly, although Luo Yue wasn't a country, it was an independent city. Who knew if they wouldn't have their own currency, so they needed to store a certain amount of gold. Secondly, if Luo Yue started selling large amounts of gold, then the Black Sun Empire would obviously immediately suspect them.

Ye Mo sighed. He thought that the money problem would've been solved after getting this much gold, yet he still had to go make money.

All that technical staff was sent to a top secret location. Ye Mo and Huang Siyou had explained that before Luo Yue could lock down completely, they could only be hidden for now.

Huang Siyou and Pete were basically Luo Yue's people now, so they didn't feel any pressure and went to join other researchers in their work instead.

With the addition of these scientists, Luo Yue's research power had increased by manifolds.

Ye Mo also started to make those Earth Travel Charms in preparation for his diamond digging in Russia.

Meanwhile, on the island that Ye Mo had slaughtered clean, there was a rampage going on. An old man in his 60s was roaring, "Find it, no matter what!" They had lost almost 80% of the Black Sun Empire's gold. That was a decade's worth of their efforts.

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A month later, Ye Mo had made almost 1000 Earth Travel Charms.

With that, Ye Mo left Luo Yue and went to Siberia, going to the Amber Craters. He had heard there were tens of thousands of carats of diamond there.

Chapter 549: Can't Find Diamonds So Steal Gold

This place was so cold! Ye Mo was at the middle-eastern part of Siberia. This was near the Arctic Ocean. Ye Mo looked at the big Amber Crater that looked like a dried up riverbed. The frozen earth was extra hard.

Construction workers were busying about as they seemed to be building some living houses or facilities. Ye Mo estimated that they were about to start digging this place.

Ye Mo used an Earth Travel Charm to go down but felt the charm get exhausted very quickly. The hardness of the earth here had far exceeded his expectations. And his spirit sense could only reach out a little more than 10 meters.

It would seem that diamonds weren't that easy to get, after all. 300 meters underground, Ye Mo already felt it was getting too hard. Even with Earth Travel Charms, he couldn't continue going down.

But before he had gone there, he had looked carefully at where and how diamonds were formed. He knew that there were some usually a few hundred meters within the digging site, but that was only a small amount. Diamonds were usually thousands or even tens of thousands of meters underground. Unless he cultivated to the golden core stage, he wouldn't be able to go down that deep.

Ye Mo searched for an entire day at a few hundred meters deep and used up more than half of his charms only to find 7 kg of diamond. Ye Mo was disappointed. After wasting another 100 charms, he left the diamond pit. This way wasn't working.

He had wasted that many charms only to find 7 kg of diamonds. The amount he invested wasn't equal to his return at all.

Perhaps this amount of diamond would be a huge fortune for others but to him, it was too little. The only thing he could feel happy about was that he had found one piece that was half a kilogram heavy.

Ye Mo found a quiet place and rested for a day. Using his spirit sense in such dense earth had made him feel very fatigued. Ye Mo recovered only after a whole day of resting.

Although there were supposedly large amounts of diamonds there, he had found very little the first day. He would find even less on the second day. Moreover, he used up a lot of charms which he had taken a whole month to make. He couldn't continue like this.

He had access to neither spirit beast blood, nor proper charm making materials. With his power, he could at most make low level charms. He could barely make level 2 charms if he got lucky, but there was still no use in that.

As Ye Mo stood in the cold Siberian air, he felt that the road he had chosen wasn't that easy.

If America didn't exist, creating Luo Yue would be so much easier.

'America?' Ye Mo suddenly laughed, 'Shouldn't they also have large amounts of gold deposits? Why don't I go take all I need from them. That'll be better than doing labor in this place.'

Thinking like that, Ye Mo really felt like laughing. He wondered how the US would react after finding out that their gold deposits had disappeared.

Since he couldn't find diamonds, he would go steal gold. After the gold was all taken, he would go take USD from the US banks. 'Since you guys want to wait for me to build Luo Yue for you and I'm short on money, it should be fine to go borrow some from you!'

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Ye Mo soon found out from Xu Yuehua that the US had their gold stored in two locations she knew of. One place was 24 meters under solid bedrock in southern Manhattan. There was around 8.300 tons of gold stored there with a market worth of about 165 billion USD.

But from what Xu Yuehua said afterwards, this wasn't even where the US stored the bulk of their gold. It was at most 5% of their gold, while most of the gold there belonged to international banks and some other countries.

The US mainly stored their gold 50 km to the southwest of Kentucky, Louisiana. There was a US army base there, and this place was said to be the safest place in America. There was not only large amounts of gold deposited there, but also large amounts of confidential files and national treasures.

This base-fort was made of granite, steel rods and cement and took up an area of about 1.180 square meters. The gold vault door weighed about 20 or so tons. And the passwords to the door were kept by many different staff. One could only enter when all the passwords were entered at the same time. The walls outside were also reinforced with steel boards. The roof had of course received special reinforcement as well. There were patrol stations around the gold vault and stops on the road, with guards blocking anyone from coming too close.

There were also 23.000 troops and 300 tanks stationed nearby the area. The place had its own emergency power supply, water system and other facilities. It was protected very well and naturally any touristic visits were out of question.

"Isn't that very precise!" Ye Mo was very satisfied with Xu Yuehua's intelligence.

Ye Mo was sure that no matter how safe this base was, it couldn't be safer than the Black Sun Empire's gold vault. To Ye Mo, it would be much easier to break into the Manhattan gold vault than into the one in Kentucky, but he still decided to go to Kentucky.

There was not only gold there but also things important to the US there. This attracted Ye Mo. Furthermore, the gold in there truly belonged to the US.

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Ye Mo was very careful when he approached the fort, since the US's radar and surveillance systems were very advanced. To him, the hard part was getting in and not bringing out the gold.

With his previous experience, Ye Mo turned invisible as soon as he arrived above American waters. As he started reaching the fort, he had still not been found.

Ye Mo stood in the distance. The fort looked like a square governmental building. It didn't seem all that peculiar. It was about 12 meters tall and 30 meters long and wide. But he could see the armored vehicles and soldiers' training base not far away.

Ye Mo didn't try to enter from the main door. He didn't feel like putting his invisibility to the test. Ever since finding out that his invisibility under special lenses still revealed a faint shadow, he had become very careful.

He got off the highway and went next to the fort and then with the help of the Earth Travel Charm, he went into the earth as fast as possible.

Chapter 550: The Drastic Incident at China Town

After Ye Mo entered, he knew that although the walls of the fort were very hard, the fort was much easier to break into than the steel vault with that layer of electric alarm system had been.

Was this the place they called the safest place in the US? Ye Mo shook his head as his flying sword easily pierced through the underground layer, into the underground room of the fort.

To Ye Mo, no matter how many tanks or soldiers there were outside, they might as well all be show.

Ye Mo stood in a convoluted maze, in the underground of the base. He sighed. It had been too easy to get in there. The Americans might not even find it out after he took the gold.

Although the surveillance system here was also mere decoration to Ye Mo, He didn't act carelessly. He didn't want to be caught, because after this job, he still wanted to go for a spin at the US banks.

Ye Mo pierced through room after room. Here and there, Ye Mo also saw all sorts of strange bodies and heads, as well as some historical documents. They were nothing but garbage to Ye Mo, but he did take some crowns and jewels.

After breaking open a ton of rooms, Ye Mo finally saw the gold. He didn't even bother counting it as he put everything into his ring.

As Ye Mo ravashed room after room and took all that gold, he took so much that eventually he got sick of taking it. After taking about 300.000 ingots, Ye Mo finally didn't feel like looking for more gold anymore. Who knew how much was still left. He probably took around 4.000 tons, though.

After Ye Mo had left the fort, the guards were still patrolling it with great severity, not knowing at all that the place they were guarding had had 90% of its gold stolen.

Although Ye Mo had a big harvest at the fort, he only found a couple hundred million USD robbing the banks. The security systems at the banks were far more threatening to him than at the fort. Ye Mo lost interest in trying to move large amounts of USD from the banks, because it was just too hard.

He didn't even know what place had the greatest amount of USD. Furthermore, he truly couldn't get himself exposed. If he did, neither his own power nor Luo Yue's would be a match for the US. If he couldn't beat the US, he could run, but what about other people?

Now, he only needed to let Xu Yuehua find some place to sell all that gold. Gold was a solid currency, so they only needed to be a bit careful.

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Ye Mo once more appeared in China Town in San Francisco. He had planned this before.

It wasn't dark yet, but the Ming Yun Tower was closed early. Ye Mo scanned his spirit sense inside and found that there was no one there - even that Old He and the waiter were gone.

Ye Mo visited Peng Yueji's old base but found the place empty too, and it looked like it had been desolate for a while already. Ye Mo had a bad feeling arise in his heart. He went to Hong Martial Gang's dojo but - it was in ruins. Ye Mo went to Zhu Hongsheng's turf but still didn't see anyone.

What had happened there? Why hadn't Shi Kaigen reported to him? Ye Mo then realized that he had changed his phone ever since going to Luo Yue. He could only go back to Ming Yu Tower with a frown on his face.

As Ye Mo was being very confused, his spirit sense suddenly picked up on a person in an alleyway a few hundred meters away. Finally someone he knew! He had given Sister Yan's picture to Luo Xin, and he still hadn't left.

The next moment, he appeared in front of Luo Xin. Luo Xin, who was walking with his head down, was fraught upon being stopped, but he soon recognized the man standing in front of him. It was a being that the entire Hong Martial Gang had to look up to.

"Ye-Qianbei!" Luo Xin recognized Ye Mo and greeted him.

Ye Mo nodded and said, "Luo Xin, I didn't expect you to still be here. Why do I not see anyone from the Tang Gang? Shi Kaigen is nowhere to be seen either, but why can't I even see anyone from your Hong Martial Gang?"

Luo Xin subconsciously looked around. Ye Mo saw this and immediately said, "You don't have to look, there is no one around. Did something happen to Shi Kaigen?"

Luo Xin shook his head, "Brother Shi is fine. The thing is, something happened to Gang Leader Peng. After we fought with the Mountain Gang, we both had our power much weakened. But then, they teamed up with the San Francisco Gang and planned on annihilating us."

It seemed that the Hong Martial Gang had been annihilated. Otherwise, their bases wouldn't be so tattered.

Luo Xin continued, "Gang Leader Zhu knew that they were no match for them, so he asked the Tang Gang for help. However, Gang Leader Peng knew that even if the Tang Gang helped, they would still be no match for the San Francisco Gang."

"So Peng Yueji rejected?" Ye Mo asked casually.

Luo Xin said sadly, "Before he could even reject, the Mountain Gang and San Francisco Gang already attacked. But what was strange was that even though the fighting that night was extremely intense, no police ever arrived. The Tang Gang weren't as strong as the San Francisco Gang in the first place, so being ambushed like that, eventually..."

Ye Mo's eyes went cold, "Eventually what?"

Luo Xin said dejectedly, "The Tang Gang was almost completely annihilated. Our Gang Leader Zhu was also killed. Those brothers fighting also almost all died. I was to do some business outside, and so I managed to live."

"How are Shi Kaigen and Tong Zhu?" Although he didn't have much of a connection with the Tang Gang, Shi Kaigen and Tong Zhu were his men. They were different from Peng Yueji. Peng Yueji had just used him to revive the Tang Gang.

The reason he left Shi Kaigen and Tong Zhu to help Peng Yueji was mainly for them to find Sister Yan.

Seeing that Ye Mo wasn't asking about the wellbeing of Gang Leader Peng, Luo Xin was surprised, but he quickly reacted. He immediately replied, "I don't know about Tong Zhu, but I heard Gang Leader Peng was heavily injured and was saved by a brother from the gang. It was said that Brother Shi was also injured, but that he was saved by someone with one arm. That one-armed person was very strong and killed many of the San Francisco Gang members before saving Brother Shi. By the time Dick had arrived though, he had left."

"Dick?" Ye Mo felt like this name was really familiar somehow.

Luo Xin quickly explained, "He's one of the two masters of the Grey Alliance and was called the Gun and Knife Duo together with Johnson. At the time when the Grey Alliance and Johnson were annihilated by

Qianbei, he wasn't in America. After he came back and found out what had happened, he wanted revenge.

The Mountain Gang and San Francisco Gang just so happened to be collaborating against the Hong Martial Gang, so Dick joined the San Francisco Gang.

Ye Mo finally understood! So this was related to him. He didn't expect some minor character he didn't care about to have almost killed Shi Kaigen.

Who was the one-armed person who saved Shi Kaigen, though? And why did he help him?