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Chapter 312 - 3: Innate Ascender (3/3)

The matters over at Huo Dou and He Bo's side will be put aside for now; let's redirect our attention back to Li Hao.

Besides his daily summer job, Li Hao has been living quite leisurely during this time.

If it weren't for the occasional incidents of Li Yun grabbing his computer to play, Li Hao might have thought this was his most relaxed period in the past year.

Unfortunately, this leisurely time did not last until the day of college enrollment.

Because Li Hao's Mountain and Sea Realm gave birth to a rather special race.

A Chosen Race that even the Creator, Li Hao, couldn't help but be amazed by — the Longbo Clan.

The Longbo Clan wasn't a naturally born race, but an artificial life created under a certain coincidence.

The current Mountain and Sea Realm is a world revived from an Apocalypse, so traces and relics of ancient civilizations can be found everywhere.

Some Mountain and Sea People, led by the Skeletons, are very keen on excavating those ancient relics.

However, excavating those ancient relics is a very dangerous task, even for today's Mountain and Sea People, it requires utmost caution.

In such circumstances, quite a few Immortals became the vanguard in excavating those ancient relics.

Relying on their fearless nature, these Immortals cooperate with the Skeletons, entering and exiting different relics across the world, attempting to unearth potential histories.

Unexpectedly yet expectedly, they caused an accident during one of their relic excavations.

From that relic, a special virus similar to spores spread out, possessing strong parasitic and assimilative abilities.

Any organism parasitized by the spores will have its best genes extracted and integrated, evolving into more powerful individuals and abilities.

Only when they have determined that their current form has evolved to the utmost limit will they decisively abandon the current form to choose a new host to parasitize.

Moreover, no matter what form they evolve into, they can inherit the previous generation's memories and abilities, reaching a state of "innate knowledge" to a degree.

Simply put, these spore viruses are always a living virus.

Their external forms are mere temporary constructs for better survival.

Once they've acquired superior genes, these spores will evolve into new forms, new abilities, seamlessly inheriting traits from the former generation.

It is a virus with self-awareness, capable of immortality, and constant evolution.

Theoretically, this special spore virus would continually change hosts, strengthening itself until it causes devastating disruptions and impacts to the entire ecosystem of the Mountain and Sea Realm.

Sadly, this theoretical scenario did not occur.

Because the first being these special spore viruses parasitized upon emergence turned out to be an Immortal who also couldn't die?

Thus, this theoretically host-changing spore virus couldn't fully assimilate the Immortal, hence couldn't proceed with its subsequent parasitism.

After all, without the host dying, the spore virus couldn't emerge and nurture even more powerful individuals.

In the end, it was the Immortal who couldn't tolerate the feeling of life nurturing within him, decisively removing his head and leaving the body to the spore virus.

Therefore, the first Longbo Clan member in the Mountain and Sea Realm was born.

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"Is it using my body to nurture life?"

The Immortal named "Long Bo" scratched his head with his hand.

Since his body had newly regrown, the Immortal was still in the adaptation phase, so his movements seemed a bit uncoordinated.

However, compared to the headless corpse across from him, the somewhat uncoordinated Long Bo seemed pretty normal.

"Long Bo, do you think we could step back a little further?"

Cautiously perched on Long Bo's shoulder, a peculiar creature resembling a rat but with a set of wings spoke quietly.

He is the Innate God of the Mountain and Sea Realm, also the Blessing God governing fortune and disaster.

Though Feishu's faith isn't widespread in the Mountain and Sea Realm, with dedicated idols and altars only in some small towns.

But Feishu is indeed registered within the Celestial Tao System.

His outstanding intuition and crisis foresight have helped Long Bo evade numerous dangers.

This time, Feishu sensed a similarly extreme oppressive atmosphere and aura on the parasitized headless corpse opposite.

"Is it very dangerous?"

Glancing knowingly at Feishu, Long Bo did not hide his curiosity and eager experimental spirit in his eyes.

This is a trait of all Immortals, and Long Bo is, of course, no exception.

"Dangerous! Extremely dangerous!"

Hearing this, Feishu immediately blinked his mouth in distress.

How could he have forgotten, this guy never cared about danger?

Or rather, the more dangerous something is, the more it piques Long Bo's curiosity and exploratory instincts.

"Don't forget, there's an exploration team and a bunch of engineering machinery outside the relic."

"If you mess this up again, do you believe Balian will lock you up for another thousand years?"

With these words, the previously eager Long Bo immediately raised the white flag; he definitely didn't want to stay in the dreary Brilliant Realm for another thousand years.

"Never mind, you're my guardian after all..."

Long Bo's words hadn't finished when suddenly the headless corpse on the opposite side jerked slightly.

In the next second, the chest of the headless corpse burst open, revealing the bloody, horrifying structure of its organs inside.

Watching his own corpse explode was also a rare experience for Long Bo.

The crucial point was that after the chest burst, a baby, bathed in blood, suddenly extended its tiny hand.

"Ah! Ah! Ah!"

Laughing heartily without a care, the infant slowly floated out from the corpse's chest.

The whole process seemed as if dragged by some invisible force, stable and leisurely.

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Feishu and Long Bo silently watched this bizarre scene, the shock in their hearts lingered for a long time.

"Am I seeing this right? Is this guy an Ascender?"

"Born as an Ascender? Even for you Immortals, that's pretty ridiculous, right?"

Feishu's words successfully brought Long Bo back to his senses, but his focus appeared slightly different from Feishu's.

"Normally, the procedure of birthing a baby by caesarean is called a caesarean section ..."

"Then what do you call the process of birthing a baby by cutting through the chest? A thoracotomy delivery."

As always, focusing on odd and irrelevant topics, Long Bo's comments left Feishu speechless.

"Is that the point here?"

"Shouldn't the crucial point now be that this baby unexpectedly comes with an 'Ascension Ladder' and is a naturally born Demigod?"