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Chapter 331 - 1: Power Melting Furnace

City Center, Pedestrian Street, Central Mansion.

In the blink of an eye, it had been nearly half a month since Li Hao began his part-time job here.

Thanks to Li Hao, the "big shot," Xiang Chong's originally struggling small store gradually gained some recognition.

At least in terms of online orders, Xiang Chong had accumulated quite a few regular customers.

This was evident from Xiang Chong sending out packages every day.

Besides, Xiang Chong himself was not idle, always following Li Hao to learn various knowledge related to design and modeling.

With Li Hao's patient guidance, Xiang Chong didn't exactly become a true expert, but he was no longer a novice.

As long as the models weren't too complicated, Xiang Chong could now handle them independently.

Even when encountering tricky problems, having Li Hao around meant it was no big deal, as he could easily solve them.

In fact, Li Hao's attention was focused more on the "Power Melting Furnace" these days.

Yes, after completing the metal 3D printer, Li Hao experimented with building a "Power Melting Furnace," something that would only appear in science fiction.

The materials for the "Power Melting Furnace" weren't complex, mainly the principle was high-end.

It was an experimental prototype Li Hao tinkered with, combining the technology of the Burrowing Insect Civilization and available open-source data.

Li Hao wanted to see if he could successfully replicate the technology tree of the Ascension Area without using extraordinary abilities.

"Boss, what are you doing?"

Curiously approaching, Xiang Chong looked at the octagonal shell just taken out of the 3D printer and asked.

It was an all-metal octagonal shell with a faintly visible intricate internal structure.

As Li Hao gently rotated the shell's extension, Xiang Chong could hear the crisp sounds of the rotating axles.

"Is this some new anime cosplay artifact?"

"Kamen Rider? Or some tokusatsu artifact?"

In Xiang Chong's mind, such artifacts only appeared in tokusatsu films.

"No, this is a... Power Melting Furnace that I designed myself."

"Um, you could simply understand it as a small power device, similar to an engine."

With these words, Xiang Chong remembered that making cosplay props was just his hobby.

The Li Hao before him was a real genius, capable of independently creating various tech products.

"A power device, like Iron Man's heart?"

Not hiding his excitement, Xiang Chong turned and asked Li Hao.

"Can I touch it?"

Shrugging slightly, Li Hao handed the Power Melting Furnace to him.

"It's not as exaggerated as Iron Man's. It's more like the motor from the four-wheel drive cars we played with as kids."

Evidently, Xiang Chong found it hard to believe Li Hao's words.

No one knew better than Xiang Chong what a motor was.

This thing was evidently more advanced than a motor; at least Xiang Chong didn't see any battery wires or magnets.

"How do you use this Power Melting Furnace? Does it need a battery?"

After scrutinizing it several times, Xiang Chong could only see the intricate gear-bearing structure inside.

"It's not that complicated, just a cup of water will do."

Under Xiang Chong's surprised gaze, Li Hao lightly tapped a part of the octagonal shell.

The next second, the shell split open from the middle, revealing a ring-like component inside.

Then Li Hao picked up a nearby disposable cup and poured the water inside into the circular structure.

"That's it."

Putting down the disposable cup, Li Hao closed the Power Melting Furnace.

Beep beep beep!

With a shrill whistle, the outer octagon of the Power Melting Furnace began spinning at a speed visible to the naked eye.

Its rotation was so fast that Xiang Chong even saw red at the edges due to air friction.

"That's really over the top!"

Though unaware of the Power Melting Furnace's horsepower, just seeing its high-speed rotation astonished Xiang Chong.

Moreover, what Li Hao poured into the core wasn't fuel but just ordinary pure water.

"This thing can run on water? Isn't that a bit too incredible?"

Nodding with satisfaction, Li Hao took the initiative to explain.

"Explaining the principle is a bit complex..."

"Simply put, it decomposes water into hydrogen and oxygen, using hydrogen as fuel to rapidly spin the Power Melting Furnace."

"During this process, the decomposed oxygen also acts as an oxidizer, maximizing energy utilization."

Listening with a puzzled expression, Xiang Chong, who wasn't knowledgeable about technology, asked a straightforward question.

"Is this your invention, boss?"

Raising an eyebrow, Li Hao nodded with a smile.

"Yes, and it's an exclusive invention that can be patented."

Ignoring the dumbfounded Xiang Chong, Li Hao carried his patented Power Melting Furnace over to the second metal printing device he had crafted.

"What is this?"

Staring blankly at Li Hao's actions, Xiang Chong instinctively asked.

"This is what gives the Power Melting Furnace its real value..."

"Like before, you could simply understand it as a generator."

As Li Hao spoke, he placed the Power Melting Furnace on top of the generator.

There was an octagonal indentation that fit the Power Melting Furnace perfectly.

Buzz buzz buzz...

When the Power Melting Furnace started moving, this special generator began emitting electric light.

As the electricity transmitted through the wires to the transformer, and from the transformer to the 3D printer, the printer started operating even without being plugged in.

"This... this... this..."

Jaw nearly dropping, Xiang Chong couldn't speak for a long time.

At this moment, his mind had only one thought—how much electricity was he saving this month?

Thinking of this, Xiang Chong turned again to Li Hao and asked the question pressing on his mind.

"Boss, how long can this Power Melting Furnace run?"

"I mean, how long can a cup of water power this generator?"

Gently stroking his chin, Li Hao replied uncertainly.

"About an hour?"

"If the power is limited, running for more than an hour shouldn't be a problem."

"Of course, running at this power won't last an hour."

What Li Hao didn't mention was that this was not something from the Fallen Area dimension.

If not for his identity as the Creator, such a thing defying the law of conservation of mass wouldn't be possible.

The reason Li Hao made it was simple.

He wanted to test if high-dimensional techniques could be achieved using near-realistic means.

The final result proved that Li Hao's current identity was inherently high-dimensional, and nothing he created was normal.

—You are responsible for pondering, and I for realizing it. Wishes come true, nothing more, nothing less.