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Chapter 546 - 16: Prototype God·No. 1 Machine

North Pole origin, beneath the glacier.

Here, a massive secret base is in operation.

Inside this base, large engineering machinery is everywhere, and the staff, primarily comprised of Skeletons and Burrowing Insects, are busily working.

As the two most outstanding intelligent species in the Mountain and Sea Civilization, the research capabilities of the Skeletons and Burrowing Insects are beyond doubt.

The former possesses abundant knowledge accumulated over long ages and strong practical abilities...

While the latter is the legacy of a civilization that has developed mechanical and biological technology to its peak...

Throughout the entire Mountain and Sea Realm, there are only a few projects that could unite the Skeletons and Burrowing Insects and compel them to invest in research regardless of cost.

Among those projects, the one being conducted at this secret base is undoubtedly of utmost importance.

"Has the project team started considering 'mass production'?"

With wings tightly folded behind it, Bone Chant's serpentine and colossal body weaved through the base.

This is the northeast corner of the base, a vast underground space supported by a steel skeleton framework, large enough for the massive Serpent Race to roam and move freely.

At the same time, to ensure the stable operation of the entire experiment, the energy for the entire northeastern area is independently segregated.

Even if the entire base encountered an unexpected incident, the northeastern area would still be able to maintain normal operation to the greatest extent.

"Yes, I've heard there's been a breakthrough in materials."

Standing on Bone Chant's snake head, Luo Fu nodded excitedly.

"Apparently, this material breakthrough is related to the 'Qi' from the Celestial Human Realm..."

"The materials group immersed some steel skeletons in liquid 'Qi' and discovered that those soaked in 'Qi' developed characteristics similar to 'Immortal Bones'."

As the two conversed while proceeding, they finally arrived at the true core of the northeast zone.

This is a massive underground space divided into over a dozen warehouses.

Each warehouse here represents a research direction of the "Artificial God Plan."

After multiple layers of verification and numerous tests, Bone Chant and Luo Fu finally traversed the enormous warehouses and arrived at the end of this area.

There was an oversized warehouse with "No. 1·Prototype" written on its door.

Compared to the other warehouses, the area and precision of this warehouse were evidently of a different league.

The security personnel traversing between floors and tunnels were all fully armed, battle-hardened elite Skeletons.

Clank—Boom!

When Bone Chant slowly spread its wings, allowing the identity recognition mechanism to scan its ecological sequence, the massive warehouse door slowly began to open.

It was evident that the security system of this warehouse employed the mechanical technology of the Burrowing Insect Civilization.

Yet, as the warehouse doors opened, the first to come into view were various large bone mechanisms with a distinct Skeleton style.

These bone mechanisms operated with an autonomy like living organisms, continuously transporting and decomposing various materials into structures needed for the experiments.

Without much hesitation, Bone Chant and Luo Fu, who were long accustomed to this, directly headed towards their destination.

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At the innermost part of the "No. 1·Prototype" warehouse.

The destination for Bone Chant and Luo Fu was a gigantic scaffolding over a hundred meters high.

Regularly and densely, the steel materials crisscrossed, making it look like a large construction site for a building.

However, what's being constructed here is not a skyscraper but a gigantic four-armed humanoid machine.

The slender form presented a posture full of explosive power...

With the metallic exoskeleton armor on its body surface, it looked more like a mecha...

Even if it stood there quietly and motionless, a sense of beauty combining mechanics and biology emerged spontaneously.

Yes, this seemingly mechanical humanoid figure was not purely mechanical.

In fact, the Mountain and Sea Civilization has never been one that revered mechanics; machinery is just one of the elements constituting this civilization.

Rather than purely mecha, the Mountain and Sea Civilization is more inclined to create hybrids combining the organic and inorganic.

This four-armed giant before them is the most perfect embodiment of this concept.

The high-intensity alloy covering the four-armed giant's surface is a high-dimensional entity manufactured through high-dimensional expansion.

This high-dimensional entity presented as alloy form is derived from the Godslaying Mecha of the Mithra World and locks its microscopic structure at the atomic level into a special form.

Theoretically, the atoms inside this alloy are entirely solidified, making it impossible for even the highest-powered High Frequency Vibration Blade to shatter its atomic sequence and structure.

Underneath these high-dimensional alloys is the artificial muscle fiber made by the Mountain and Sea People using technology from the Pandora World.

Like the high-dimensional alloys, those artificial muscle fibers only outwardly appear organic.

In essence, they embody the light quantum information left behind by Omega, the Guide of the Godslayer Civilization, representing "light" on the material level.

With the empowerment of these special "light cells," the massive four-armed giant possesses reaction speeds far beyond ordinary organisms.

The light signals traveling at the speed of light are even faster than the nerve systems and nerve nodes typically evolved by organisms.

Moreover, the circulatory system within the four-armed giant is also composed of "light cells," capable of overloading and granting it terrifying power.

This means that once the four-armed giant moves, the force generated could surpass a nuclear explosion.

And the energy source driving the four-armed giant?

That is a technological product of the Mountain and Sea Civilization, a technological marvel unique to the Mountain and Sea Civilization.

From long ago, the Mountain and Sea Civilization has always sought to make entire cities take to the skies, creating a series of [Sky City] plans for this cause.

Although, based on current results, the Mountain and Sea People's [Sky City] plan still has a long way to go.

However, the central system capable of providing vast energy for the entire city has been developed; it is the Mountain and Sea Civilization's most powerful energy source—[Imaginary Number Core].

Interestingly, the final creation of the [Imaginary Number Core] has some ties with Li Hao.

Because the Mountain and Sea People used the [Space-Based Telescope Array] to peek into the [Void Divine Hall] outside the world.

Only then could they mimic the structure of the [Void Divine Hall] to create the [Imaginary Number Core] capable of drawing energy directly from the void.

Though in terms of power, it is far inferior to a true [Void Divine Hall].

In a certain sense, the "perpetual motion" achieved by the [Imaginary Number Core] is indeed a source of infinite energy.

The four-armed giant installed with the [Imaginary Number Core] also has unlimited stamina.

This is the No. 1 experimental product of the "Artificial God Plan"—Prototype God·No. 1 Machine!