

The Lord 281

Chapter 281: Refining Corpses

It was impossible for the other two City Lords not to know about a massive battle between two main cities, but because they all had their own grievances, they didn't act and only watched from a distance.

Upon seeing Flowing Water City's side lose and escape, both City Lords let out a sigh of relief – the situation wasn't irredeemable. They had both thought that the matter was over when a massive amount of energy had suddenly exploded.

This energy was no ordinary energy – it contained a massive amount of Fate and tens of thousands of commoners' aura. They were incredibly shocked and hurried over, as they understood that this was the energy from a Nation Armament.

"Hmph, I hope you'll remember this because you'll pay for your actions today in the future," Zhao Fu coldly harrumphed and could only retreat. He already couldn't defeat two City Lords, and now that another had appeared, it was impossible for him to win.

Even though the third City Lord was on the Chinese side, he didn't intend on helping Zhao Fu. Rather, he wanted to simply observe and collect the rewards after.

Since he would definitely lose, Zhao Fu could only give up on killing H? Ming. It was a pity that he had expended so much Fate – even though he had only used his Nation Armament for a few minutes, the amount of Fate he had consumed was massive.

Back then, Zhao Fu had used his own Fate to awaken the Myrtle Imperial Star and used the Myrtle Imperial Star's True Son of Heaven power to kill Li Mu and take over the Great Shun Town. After devouring Great Shun's Fate, Great Qin's Fate had been restored.

Otherwise, it would have been impossible to recover Great Qin's Fate in such a short period of time, which made Zhao Fu quite wary when using his Nation Armament. At the same time, his own Fate was quite important, so he couldn't recklessly expend it.

He had used his Nation Armament for nothing today, making him feel quite angry. However, since the situation was like this, Zhao Fu could only calm himself down.

When she heard Zhao Fu's threatening words, the young woman looked quite serious, and she understood that she had offended this person and that she would most likely suffer for it in the future. The revenge from someone with a Nation Armament would definitely be quite serious.

However, she had to save H? Ming – not only had H? Ming helped her in the past, but they were also allies on the same side.

"Please, go on! Don't mind me; I'm just here to watch," the elegant-looking young man said as he smiled.

However, how could Zhao Fu believe his words? He coldly gazed at him before looking at the thousands of dead Vietnamese soldiers around him. He had wanted to collect these corpses, but that would expose his motive. Right now, his soldiers were also collecting corpses from outside Whiteleaf City.

If his motive was exposed, these people would definitely obstruct him, and he would lose out greatly. There were roughly 90,000 Stage 1 corpses outside Whiteleaf City, so Zhao Fu could only sigh, let go of the benefits in front of him, and turn into a black blur as he disappeared.

After Zhao Fu left, the remaining people from Flowing Water City and the green-clothed young woman let out sighs of relief. The elegant-looking young man felt quite bored, so he turned into a ray of light and disappeared.

H? Ming had a grateful smile on his face and thanked the young woman before looking in the direction that Zhao Fu had left in. He suddenly felt that his adoptive father's death wasn't as simple as he had thought.

Zhao Fu returned to Whiteleaf City, and there were many people cleaning up the battlefield – there were not only Whiteleaf City's soldiers but also many players. Most of these players were taking equipment and other items. Because there were so many corpses, the value was immense, so almost all of the players in the vicinity were here.

As such, it was very easy for Great Qin's soldiers to blend in and collect corpses. However, they could only take Flowing Water City's soldiers' corpses, as Whiteleaf City had ordered that anyone who touched Whiteleaf City's soldiers' corpses would be immediately executed.

As such, Zhao Fu couldn't be too greedy, and he first took care of Flowing Water City's 50,000 corpses before thinking of how to obtain Whiteleaf City's corpses.

After ten or so hours, Whiteleaf City's soldiers' corpses were all buried in graves. The Chinese side valued taking care of corpses and burying them properly as part of tradition, so this was only natural.

However, the Vietnamese soldiers and players weren't treated as well – their corpses were heaped together, forming mountains of corpses that were ten or so meters tall. Their expressions before they died were quite terrifying, and it was truly a scene of a million corpses.

Even though they were mostly players who wouldn't die true deaths, when the Heaven Awaken World devoured the real world, they would stay dead. What's more, this was only a battle between two system main cities. In the future, battles would be hundreds of times more grievous.

Torches were thrown onto these mountains of corpses, setting them alight and causing black smoke to roll up and cover the sky.

Now, Zhao Fu started to think about how he could obtain the 30,000 corpses from Whiteleaf City and some of the indigenous residents' corpses. There would always be a few hundred city guards at Whiteleaf City Cemetery, as most people were buried there with some of their possessions.

Because there were some valuables within the cemetery, there were city guards stationed around the cemetery to stave off the players who viewed wealth as more important than their own lives. Often, a person would be buried during the day, and people would immediately go to dig the person up at night.

Zhao Fu couldn't order his soldiers to just take shovels and dig up corpses, and because it was likely that they would be discovered, he decided to buy a type of bewildering fragrance. This fragrance was colorless and odorless, and it would cause the soldiers' senses to be greatly weakened.

Following this, they carried out the plan.

Zhao Fu first bought the property next to the cemetery and ordered his soldiers to dig a passage under it. They stored all of the dirt they dug out into spatial rings, making the process quite convenient.

Following this, Zhao Fu lit the bewildering fragrance, making the city guards' senses much weaker, preventing them from detecting Great Qin's soldiers as they stealthily entered the cemetery.

They quickly found where the soldiers were buried because they were all buried together. 30,000 soldiers took up quite a lot of space, so they were easy to find.

Following this, they started to take the corpses and store them into spatial rings. Zhao Fu was quite nervous about this, and he observed from a hidden corner to prevent anything unexpected from happening.

In the end, the plan went incredibly smoothly, and Great Qin's soldiers were able to retrieve most of the corpses without being noticed. Unless Whiteleaf City's people dug up the graves, no one would notice anything.

Chapter 282: Killing Plan

This time, Great Qin obtained 90,300 Stage 1 corpses and 200 A grade corpses from indigenous residents. After hearing about these great gains, Zhao Fu couldn't help but feel delighted.

After wrapping up everything here, Zhao Fu returned to the Great Qin Town and started to refine a large number of corpses.

On the other side, Bai Qi and the other Generals and Commanders carried out their plans in the other five regions, killing players outside the Vietnamese main cities. All of them used different methods.

They killed a large number of Vietnamese players, and what angered the Vietnamese even more was that after killing people, they would leave the corpses in the center of the road and leave messages on cloth strips such as 'The Vietnamese barbarians, a bunch of trash, dare to offend China? This is their outcome. Just sit by and wait for China to conquer you, and you'll soon live as subjects of China.'

When they saw the Chinese players coming into their territory acting so arrogantly, many Vietnamese people were greatly angered. Thousands of Vietnamese players banded together and chased after the Chinese players who had done this, but just as they were about to fight, the Vietnamese players discovered that there were 6,000 or so people ahead who were all well-equipped. The Vietnamese side only had 2,000 to 3,000 people, so they were completely unable to resist. In the end, only a few hundred people were able to escape and spread the news about what had happened.

This caused everyone on the Vietnamese side to become incredibly furious. This time, they gathered tens of thousands of people and went to take down that group of despicable Chinese players.

However, those Chinese people seemed to just disappear, and not a single one could be found. The Vietnamese people had no place to vent their anger, and they felt incredibly wretched.

After the horde of Vietnamese players returned to the main city, the group of despicable Chinese players came out and started killing Vietnamese players again. What's more, they were so arrogant that they would kill Vietnamese players on the main road while trash talking them, angering the army of Vietnamese players enough to cause them to come flooding out again. However, by the time they arrived, they found that the Chinese players had once again disappeared. This caused the Vietnamese players to feel even more incensed, but they had no idea that there were Great Qin spies among them who let the others know ahead of time.

The countless Vietnamese players were almost going mad with anger, but they could do nothing to that group of Chinese players.

At that moment, a group of people from the Vietnamese Guard went out with a few hundred people without making a big fuss of things. Afterward, the despicable Chinese players disappeared and never reappeared.

Soon, news spread that the Vietnamese Guard's people and the thousands of Chinese players had engaged in a massive battle in order to defend Vietnam's honor. All of the Vietnamese Guard's people had been bathed in blood but showed no fear, and they took down the army of Chinese players while also nearly being wiped out.

After hearing about this, the other Vietnamese players almost wept, and adding on how selfless the Vietnamese Guard was, it lit a fire within all Vietnamese players' hearts. At the same time, a saying was spread: The Vietnamese Guard were leading countless people to resist China in the northern region of Vietnam!

From this, it could be seen just how high of a position the Vietnamese Guard occupied in the Vietnamese people's hearts. The entirety of Vietnam was now praising the Vietnamese Guard, and there were even people saying that it was the pride of Vietnam and that every Vietnamese person should learn from it.

Now, the Vietnamese Guard's fame and reputation were on the same level as the other major factions within Vietnam. Its sense of righteousness, order, and selflessness made every Vietnamese person respect and like it greatly.

Many branches of the Vietnamese Guard also started to appear in various other places. Of course, these branches weren't formed by Zhao Fu but by players taking the initiative. Some were strong, and some were relatively weak – some of them had thousands of players, while the smallest had just tens.

Facing such a passionate response from the people, the Vietnamese Guard said that it would continue to abide by its principles and defend Vietnam by selflessly making sacrifices for it. It would continue to fight for Vietnam and not do anything that was outrageous, and it encouraged people to join it.

Those who knew the truth about the Vietnamese Guard felt that this was quite amusing, but apart from Zhao Fu's people, no one else knew about it. This made it seem like it was a glorious event to join the Vietnamese Guard, making it even more attractive to join.

This was exactly what Zhao Fu had wanted, and this would help strengthen the Vietnamese Guard, which would help him take over Vietnam in the future.

What the Vietnamese people didn't know was that after the people from the Vietnamese Guard met Great Qin's soldiers, they all greeted each other as old friends and had lunch together, eating meat and drinking wine. Finally, they splattered some animal blood and guts around to make it seem like a massive battle had happened before going back.

The people who were part of this group were all core members, so there was nothing to worry about.

Later, historians would record that the reason that Vietnam fell so quickly was mainly because of the Vietnamese Guard!

Now, all of the soldiers returned to Great Qin, and Zhao Fu refined the 90,000 or so corpses, obtaining 90,000 or so Blood God Pills. Luckily, they had the energy stone mine, or it would've taken an extremely long time to refine these corpses.

From Zhao Fu's experiments, he had found that a Stage 1 Blood God Pill could raise a Stage 0-0 soldier to Stage 0-4, a Stage 0-5 soldier to Stage 0-8, and a Stage 0-8 soldier to Stage 1-0.

By now, apart from some of the newer soldiers, most of Zhao Fu's soldiers were around Stage 0-7 or 0-8, while most of the soldiers who had followed Zhao Fu from the beginning were Stage 0-9 by now and just needed a bit more to break through.

Right now, they gained roughly 70 or so Stage 1 soldiers every day, most of whom were the older soldiers breaking through. Zhao Fu thought about it and decided not to give them Blood God Pills because they were incredibly close anyways. It would be a bit of a waste to use Blood God Pills when they were so close.

However, Zhao Fu didn't mistreat the older soldiers – he bought Stage 2 medicinal pills from main cities that could help with breaking through and gave these medicinal pills to them. He gave them a few days to rest and focus their minds on cultivating and breaking through.

At the same time, Zhao Fu gave the Blood God Pills to the other soldiers. In just a few days, Zhao Fu had 23,000 Stage 1 soldiers, which was a massive increase. Great Qin's military force had become much more powerful, as the difference between Stage 1-0 and Stage 0-9 was incredibly big.

After obtaining so many Stage 1 soldiers, Zhao Fu smiled and asked Guo Binglin if there was any news about the other four Legatees in the vicinity.

There were five Legatees he knew about within the area that he wanted to conquer, but there were definitely a few in the dark he didn't know about. Now that he had destroyed Great Shun, Zhao Fu wanted to make a move against the other four Legatees as soon as possible to prevent them from developing.

After destroying Great Shun, Zhao Fu had ordered Guo Binglin to collect information on them, but after what had happened to Great Shun, the other Legatees learned to be smarter.

Chapter 283: Inferno Arrow

In order to avoid the same fate as Great Shun, all of them had ordered that no players were to be brought back to the main village, and the players could only operate within the system main cities. All of the people who knew of the position of the village were either killed in the real world or strictly controlled.

What's more, they increased the benefits for the high-ranking members to make them more loyal and got rid of the useless members who were just trying to survive and not actually loyal.

Now, people realized that simply having a lot of members was useless – what was important was how many people were truly loyal and would help in desperate times.

Zhao Fu didn't try to suppress the four Legatees, as that sort of method wasn't very effective and could make them overly alert. Rather, Zhao Fu wanted to attack them out of the blue, which would be more effective.

Right now, the most important thing was to find where their main villages were. If he couldn't find them, Zhao Fu would only be able to forget about this matter for now.

Great Qin returned to its normal operations, and the boost to the number of Stage 1 soldiers greatly increased its ability to conquer other villages and towns. After all, it was almost impossible for villages in the wilderness to have any Stage 1 soldiers. As for the production and business side of things, they also continued to be successful.

Zhao Fu used all of the 292 City Creation Stones obtained from before and established them in the 500-kilometer radius area around Great Qin. Now, Great Qin controlled the 2,000-kilometer radius area around it, and the surrounding 500-kilometer radius area was completely safe.

Zhao Fu left some soldiers in each of the villages and allowed them to operate normally. Seeing that he now had so many villages, Zhao Fu couldn't help but feel excited.

In the next few days, he allowed these villages to develop and grow.

Soon, he received news that a few regions were joining together to hold a super auction in three days at Kong Willow.

Zhao Fu was extremely interested in this auction. Because it was a 'super auction,' it would definitely have many good items, so he started to prepare money.

Three days passed in the blink of an eye. Because most of his Generals were outside conquering villages and towns, Zhao Fu only brought Tuoba Qing and Wang Ergou to one of the system main cities in Kong Willow. This was where the super auction was going to be held.

It was said that the City Lords and grand figures from the surrounding few regions were all coming. Although there were Void Zones, it was quite easy for City Lords to travel through these Void Zones.

This auction attracted many people's gazes, and almost all of the factions within Kong Willow came. Right now, the main city, Azure Willow City, was almost bursting with people.

When Zhao Fu, Tuoba Qing, and Wang Ergou arrived, they saw a massive sea of people, making the scene incredibly noisy and raucous. As such, Zhao Fu quickly took them to a large structure.

This large structure was ten or so meters tall and had four levels, and it was made out of wood. Lanterns hung from the ceiling, and the grand structure covered around 40 hectares and could fit tens of thousands of people. This was the auction hall!

In front of the auction hall, there were hundreds of city guards giving off powerful auras to maintain order. The entrance was already completely filled with people, and anyone who wanted to enter would have to pay five gold coins to enter. Five gold coins were worth \$50,000 in the real world, and that sum wasn't something ordinary factions could afford to pay.

Zhao Fu squeezed up and handed over an invitation. One of the city guards looked at it before calling over an attendant who took Zhao Fu and the two others to a separate room.

The room was exquisitely decorated, and it was a private room. The invitation that Zhao Fu had handed over was something that he had spent a few hundred gold coins to buy. After his last experience at Red Plum, he no longer wanted to squeeze together with others at the bottom.

There were also VIP rooms and Sovereign rooms – the VIP rooms cost thousands of gold coins. Zhao Fu would be able to afford one, but because he didn't see the need for one, he only bought a private room.

As for the Sovereign rooms, they couldn't be bought for money because they were prepared for the City Lords and other grand figures. Normal people couldn't even think about going to them.

Because there was still some time until the auction began, an attendant brought in some tea, fruits, and desserts.

Tuoba Qing peeled a mandarin and carefully picked off the pith before smiling with an embarrassed look on her face as she brought a piece of the mandarin to Zhao Fu's lips and said, "Your Majesty, please eat this."

Zhao Fu smiled and ate the segment of mandarin offered by Tuoba Qing. Seeing this, Wang Ergou felt like this was an opportunity to earn brownie points with Zhao Fu, so he also picked up a mandarin and peeled it. However, he had completely butchered his, and because it was too unsightly to offer, he could only eat it himself.

After chatting among themselves for a while, the auction finally started.

The first level was already completely packed with people, while those on the second, third, and fourth levels opened their windows and looked down at the stage below.

An elderly man with white hair and ruddy cheeks walked up – his aura was quite powerful, and he was most likely a Stage 3 expert.

"Welcome to this auction everyone. The auction will now begin, and the first item will now be brought up." The elderly man's voice was quite loud, and it instantly suppressed all of the voices in the auction hall.

A beautiful attendant brought up a violet ore on a tray!

The violet ore looked like jade, and it was as big as a fist and gave off a fiery light, making it look quite extraordinary.

The elderly man started to introduce it, saying, “This is a Violet Fire Jade! It is a Silver grade material and can be used to craft Superior Silver grade equipment. Because of Violet Fire Jade’s unique attributes, it is much better than normal Superior Silver grade equipment. The reserve price is 5,000 silver coins!”

Zhao Fu had never thought that the first thing to be brought up would be a Silver grade material. Usually, the first item was the most ordinary thing – this meant that many good items would be brought up later.

“6,000 silver coins!”

Those who could enter this auction hall were all somewhat powerful and rich, and because this amount of money was nothing to them, some people immediately started to make bids.

However, they were quickly outbid, and in the end, the Violet Fire Jade was sold for 15,000 silver coins.

The second item was soon brought up – it was a bottle of medicinal pills, and the elderly man started to introduce it, saying, “One Body Pills, a Stage 3 medicinal pill. It has powerful healing properties for external injuries and can erase all scars. There are ten pills in this bottle, and the reserve price is 7,000 silver coins.”

Healing medicinal pills were in just as high demand as cultivation medicinal pills because they could be used to save one’s life in critical situations. These One Body Pills were greatly sought after by the crowd, and an intense bidding war started.

“10,000 silver coins!”

The very first bid already increased the bid by 3,000 silver coins, but that person was quickly outbid. In the end, the bottle of medicinal pills was sold for 24,000 silver coins.

All of the bids so far were from people on the first level, and no one from the second, third, and fourth levels had spoken yet.

Next, the third item was brought up. It was a bottle, but it was unknown what was inside. After the elderly man started to introduce it, Zhao Fu shot to his feet because it was what he had been searching for this entire time – the final thing he needed for the God-Killing Plan.

Chapter 284: Mysterious Treasure Box

After introducing this item, the elderly man stated that its reserve price was 10,000 silver coins. However, it seemed that most people weren’t very interested in this item. If it wasn’t for the fact that Zhao Fu needed this for the God-Killing Plan, it would have been completely useless to him as well.

After the elderly man stated the reserve price, the auction hall fell silent, and no one seemed to want to make a bid. The elderly man looked quite awkward as he announced the reserve price again, but the auction hall remained silent. After announcing the reserve price a third time, the elderly man prepared to have the item taken off the stage to continue on with the auction.

“10,000 silver coins!” At that moment, a soft voice came from the second level. Seeing that no one was bidding for it, Zhao Fu felt quite relieved and calmly bid the reserve price.

Hearing this bid, a smile appeared on the elderly man's face, and he asked if there was anyone else who wanted to make a bid. Of course, the auction hall fell silent again, and the item was sold to Zhao Fu. Zhao Fu immediately gave Wang Ergou the money and told him to go to the back to collect the item.

The auction hall's rules stated that after winning the bid on an item, the purchaser could immediately pay and take the item. Zhao Fu didn't want anything unexpected to happen because this was something that Zhao Fu had searched for for a long time. If he lost it, it would be a long time before he could carry out the God-Killing Plan.

Wang Ergou immediately took the money, and soon, he returned with the bottle. Wang Ergou looked quite confused, wondering why His Majesty wanted this item.

Zhao Fu took the bottle, removed the wooden stopper, and looked at the colorless, odorless liquid inside. After looking at its description, he let out a breath and put it away.

This matter wasn't out of the ordinary, and it didn't attract much attention. Soon, the fourth item was brought up – three talisman papers.

The three talisman papers were white, and there was black writing on them that formed profound-looking inscriptions. The talisman papers were about five centimeters wide and ten centimeters long.

The elderly man quickly introduced them, saying, "Ten kilometer Teleportation Talismans. Using one will allow the user to teleport anywhere within ten kilometers, and they have some unsealing energy in them that allow them to ignore ordinary isolation barriers. These talismans are quite valuable, and one can never have enough of them. The reserve price is 12,000 silver coins."

Ten kilometer Teleportation Talismans were one of the best life-saving items, and many people wanted this item and started to bid.

"13,000 silver coins!"

"15,000 silver coins!"

"19,000 silver coins!"

Finally, the three Teleportation Talismans were sold for 40,000 silver coins – it was someone else from a private room on the second level.

Zhao Fu already had a 10,000-kilometre Teleportation Talisman, so he wasn't very interested in these ten kilometer Teleportation Talismans. What's more, they could only break through ordinary isolation barriers.

More and more items were brought up, all of which were of good quality and very useful. More and more people from the second level started to bid, making the auction hall more lively.

Soon, they were up to the nineteenth item.

The item was a large green hammer that seemed to be made out of stone. There were pictures of demons engraved on both sides, and it gave off a powerful, strange feeling.

“Green Demon Hammer, an Exquisite Silver weapon. Its stats are on an exquisite level, and it has ‘Shattering’ attribute attacks. The reserve price is 250,000 silver coins.”

After the elderly man introduced this item, bids quickly started being made. In the end, it was sold for 600,000 silver coins to a person on the first floor who was wearing a cloak and looked quite tall and muscular.

This made everyone on the first level feel quite shocked because it was difficult for anyone on the first level to spend that much money. Zhao Fu didn’t bid on it because this was only the middle of the auction and many good items were going to come soon.

A few more items were brought up, and now, they were up to the 26th item. By now, all of the items were at least Gold grade, and the 26th item was an arrow.

The arrow was a fiery color, and it seemed to be made out of crystal. It was also quite beautiful, and it gave off a powerful Fire attribute energy.

The elderly man began to introduce it, saying, “Inferno Arrow, a Gold grade arrow. This arrow contains a massive amount of Fire-type energy that can deal an incredible amount of damage. What’s more, this arrow has a homing effect – even someone who doesn’t know how to use a bow and arrow will be able to hit his enemies with it. What’s more, this arrow is reusable and not a single-use item.”

“Inferno Arrow?” Zhao Fu felt that this was quite interesting – it could actually home in on enemies and be reused, making it a good item. The reserve price was 400,000 silver coins. Zhao Fu made a bid but was quickly outbid. In the end, the Inferno Arrow was sold to a person in a VIP room on the third level for one million silver coins.

The 30th item was a white fruit that was as big as a lychee. It had a smooth exterior and gave off an intoxicatingly sweet fragrance.

“Stage 4 Fruit of Life that can raise a person’s grade. It can raise F grade to B grade and C grade to A grade, but it is only effective on those below S grade.”

After the elderly man finished introducing this item, many of the indigenous residents were shocked – evidently, they were shocked by the fruit’s effects because such effects were quite rare. However, players weren’t as interested because players didn’t have grades, so they didn’t particularly care.

Because Zhao Fu had the Heaven and Earth Refining Formation, he wasn’t interested in the Fruit of Life either, but the indigenous residents started an intense bidding war.

The reserve price of the Fruit of Life was 500,000 silver coins, but soon, it reached 1.5 million silver coins.

Suddenly, a kind-looking elderly man walked out from one of the VIP rooms and bowed before saying, “Everyone, I am the family leader of the Deng family in Three River City. I hope that everyone can allow this old man to purchase this fruit; this old man will be extremely grateful. I bid two million silver coins.”

It seemed that this elderly man greatly needed the Fruit of Life. Zhao Fu didn’t know what sort of family the Deng family was; however, it seemed to be quite powerful, as after the elderly man said this, everyone’s expression changed.

What's more, the elderly man's bow was only to the Sovereign rooms above, and his words were primarily directed to those in the VIP rooms. As for everyone else, the elderly man didn't put them in his eyes at all.

Afterward, the Fruit of Life was won by the elderly man for two million silver coins.

The 37th item was brought up by a few big men. It was a creature that looked like a leopard and was as big as a dog. It was completely black, and its eyes were blood-red. The black leopard was just a juvenile, but the aura it gave off was incredibly ferocious. The black leopard threateningly roared from within its cage.

The elderly man introduced it, "A juvenile Stage 3 Lord class Bloodnight Leopard. Needless to say, it has great potential. Its reserve price is one million silver coins."

Chapter 285: Legged Wyvern

This Bloodnight Leopard could be developed into a battle beast and be used as a mount, which was quite good. A Stage 3 Lord grade juvenile did indeed have great potential.

"Four million silver coins!"

This was the first time someone from a Sovereign room had made a bid. It was an elderly woman's voice, and it caused the auction hall to fall silent. No one dared to make a bid – after all, not only was she a City Lord, but this person also outbid the reserve price by three million silver coins. This wasn't something a normal person could contend against.

"City Lord Xu, this must be for your darling granddaughter, right?" a middle-aged man asked from another Sovereign room.

The person who had made the bid was City Lord Xu, and she laughed and confirmed this. None of the other City Lords made a bid, so City Lord Xu was able to purchase the Bloodnight Leopard for four million silver coins.

Afterward, more and more items were brought out, and they were sold for incredibly high prices, making everyone feel incredibly excited and envious.

The 41st item was a 30-centimeter long tooth. It was as white as jade and gave off traces of chilling qi, and after taking it out, the temperature in the auction hall fell by a few degrees.

"This is an Ice Elemental Beast's tooth, and it is a Legendary grade material. It can be used to create Ice type equipment. The reserve price is five million silver coins."

This was the first Legendary grade item that had been auctioned so far that wasn't a reward from a system event. After the elderly man introduced this item, everyone stared at the tooth in shock.

"Heavens! That's a Legendary grade material! It's the first time I've seen one, and it feels so powerful!"

“Hahaha, I got to see a Legendary material today. Looks like I didn’t come for nothing; I’ll be able to boast about it when I get back.”

“Ahh, it’d be great if I had that much money to buy it!”

The auction hall instantly became lively and noisy, and everyone excitedly spoke – the impact left on them by the Legendary grade material was simply too great.

“Six million silver coins!”

People from the Sovereign rooms started to make bids, and everyone else could only watch on. Whether it was power or wealth, they couldn’t compare to these people.

The 12 Sovereign rooms were all full, representing that there were at least 12 City Lords present. All of the grand figures from the surrounding regions were here, and the competition among them was incredibly terrifying. Each bid would be at least one million silver coins higher than the last.

“12 million silver coins!”

“13 million silver coins!”

“15 million silver coins!”

Very soon, the Ice Elemental Beast’s tooth reached 17 million silver coins. A normal Legendary grade material was worth around ten million silver coins, and a price of 17 million silver coins was already quite expensive. As such, there were fewer and fewer people bidding, and soon, only four remained.

“18 million silver coins!” someone said from one of the Sovereign rooms. It was difficult to tell if it was from a man or a woman.

Now that the price had reached such heights, the other three people started to hesitate and consider whether they wanted to continue.

“20 million silver coins!” someone calmly said from one of the unremarkable private rooms, causing everyone present to gasp and wonder which suicidal idiot had made the bid.

Of course, Zhao Fu lacked Legendary grade materials too, but he didn’t have the ability to forge them. However, he could store them for now and wait. After all, Rhode could already forge Gold grade equipment, and because Rhode would be able to forge Legendary grade equipment sooner or later, Zhao Fu wasn’t worried.

The voice from the private room surprised the people in the Sovereign rooms, but that genderless sounding person said in the same tone as before, which was neither calm nor angry, “21 million silver coins!”

“23 million silver coins!” Just as the genderless voice made a bid, the person in the private room once again made a bid in a calm voice.

When the genderless voice bid again, it contained a trace of anger. “25 million silver coins!”

Everyone else in the auction hall gulped – the wrath of a City Lord was terrifying, and the other three people who had been bidding watched on in amusement and stopped bidding.

After the genderless voice bid in anger, the person from the private room no longer made any bids – it seemed that he knew when to retreat, and this disappointed those who were hoping to watch a good show.

Within the private room, Zhao Fu wiped his mouth after sipping his tea. He wasn't afraid of that City Lord; rather, the price was already quite expensive for an Ice Elemental Beast tooth. When he saw that the genderless-voiced person was determined to buy this item, Zhao Fu stopped making bids.

In the end, the Ice Elemental Beast tooth was sold to the genderless voice for 25 million silver coins.

The next item was slowly carried out – it was a box that was 30 centimeters long and seemed to be made out of wood. It was covered with intricate carvings and gave off a violet light, making it seem quite mysterious.

The elderly man smiled as he introduced it, saying, "This is a Mysterious Treasure Box that will give one a Legendary grade piece of equipment when it is opened. The reserve price is eight million silver coins."

This box was quite dependent on luck – it could give a good Legendary grade piece of equipment or a fairly poor Legendary grade piece of equipment. However, since it was guaranteed to be a Legendary grade piece of equipment, it was bound to be sold for a lot.

"Ten million silver coins!" Right after the elderly man introduced it, someone made a bid. Everyone in the Sovereign rooms was interested, and those in the Sovereign rooms started to bid.

The price quickly surpassed that of the Ice Elemental Beast tooth, and it reached 26 million silver coins, at which point some people gave up.

"27 million silver coins!" A gloomy voice sounded out from a Sovereign room.

"28 million silver coins!" A woman's voice sounded out from another Sovereign room.

"30 million silver coins!" A coarse voice sounded out from another Sovereign room.

This price was already quite monstrous, and the ordinary people could only watch these last three people fight it out.

Everyone watched on nervously and excitedly as they continued to raise the price.

"32 million silver coins!" Suddenly, that calm voice from that unremarkable private room sounded out again, causing everyone to look towards that part of the auction hall.

"Fudge, that fellow dares to bid? Does he want to die?" some people muttered.

The people in the 12 Sovereign rooms looked at that private room in interest.

The MC of the auction also looked over at the private room in surprise and asked, "32 million silver coins, going once. Is there anyone else who would like to make a bid?"

The coarse voice sounded out again. "33 million silver coins!"

“35 million silver coins!” That calm voice once again sounded out, shocking everyone. They had thought that he would just give up like last time, or perhaps he just wanted to attract attention. However, no one had thought that he would continue bidding.

At the same time, everyone felt quite curious – did that person really have that much money, or was he an idiot? Could he be some grand figure?

Chapter 286: Azure Bird Blood Crystal

35 million silver coins equaled the price of an Exquisite Legendary grade weapon, and the coarse voice no longer continued to bid and instead laughed. The coarse voice said with an air of appreciation, “Not bad, boy!”

The other City Lords didn’t bother bidding either, so Zhao Fu bought the Mysterious Treasure Box for 35 million silver coins.

This shocked everyone – none of them had thought that the item would be obtained by an unknown figure in a private room. It seemed that this fellow had a powerful background.

The next item was soon brought out. It was a stick of incense that was the width of normal incense sticks but only half as tall, and because of this, it looked like it would only burn for three minutes. It also had five different colors. After being brought out, it gave off a dream-like aroma.

Some of the people in the hall with weak willpower felt like falling asleep upon smelling that fragrance. Seeing this, the elderly man waved his hand and set up a barrier, separating the incense from the people on the first level.

At the same time, the elderly man introduced this item, saying, “Dream Incense, a type of incense created using Stage 5 Fantasy Grass. Anyone who breathes it in will fall into a deep sleep. The effects are slightly weaker against humans, but they are extremely powerful against wild beasts. They are even effective on Lord grade beasts. The incense can be burned for three minutes, and the reserve price is eight million silver coins.”

It seemed that the Dream Incense’s effects would be quite useful in certain times, but it could only burn for three minutes, which made many people lose interest.

However, there were still a few people who were interested in it, and soon, the price reached 13 million silver coins.

Of course, these people were all from Sovereign rooms – no one else had such wealth, and the others could only watch as these big figures battled it out.

“15 million silver coins!” Suddenly, a calm voice once again sounded out from that private room, making everyone quite surprised that he still had money.

The City Lords were also quite surprised, and they had never expected that the person in the private room would have such wealth. What’s more, they were completely unfamiliar with this person, which meant that this person had only recently appeared and was attracted here by this auction.

After hearing the elderly man introduce the Dream Incense, Zhao Fu realized that it would be very important for one of his plans, so he decided to buy it.

“Would anyone else like to make a bid?” the elderly man asked as the hall fell silent.

None of the people in the Sovereign room wanted to pay more than 15 million silver coins, and no one else had the ability to do so. No one made a bid. As such, Zhao Fu was able to purchase the Dream Incense.

The next item was brought up carefully by a few big men. It was an oval-shaped egg that was half a meter long and had a gray shell. It gave off a very powerful aura, and Zhao Fu was familiar with this aura as Zhao Fu had seen something similar at the previous auction. This was a dragon egg, and it was giving off a dragon’s might!

The elderly man started to introduce it, saying, “I’m sure everyone can guess what sort of egg this is. That’s right! It is a dragon egg – a Two-Legged Wyvern. Dragons are one of the most powerful races in the world, and I’m sure that I don’t need to explain just how powerful they are.

“Even though this dragon egg is only a Two-Legged Wyvern egg, it is still a dragon. What’s more, when this egg was found, it had already been incubated for a year. Normally, the more powerful the dragon, the longer the egg will have to be incubated. Normal drakes require one year of incubation, while Two-Legged Wyverns require two to three years.

“However, since this egg has already been incubated for one year, if you are able to buy it and use a mysterious technique, you’ll be able to hatch this egg within one year. The reserve price is ten million silver coins!”

Two-Legged Wyverns were a type of flying dragon, and because they could reach Stage 5 in strength, they were stronger than normal drakes.

After the elderly man’s introduction, the auction hall burst into excitement, and countless people cried out in excitement. Dragons held a special position in Chinese people’s hearts, and even though it was a western dragon, they were still very excited.

“12 million silver coins!” Someone from a Sovereign room quickly made a bid. Everyone wanted this dragon egg, and the competition was particularly intense.

“15 million silver coins!”

“17 million silver coins!”

“20 million silver coins!”

The price of this Two-Legged Wyvern rapidly increased, and soon, it reached 25 million silver coins. There were still eight City Lords making bids.

“30 million silver coins!” The coarse voice sounded out, raising the price by five million silver coins. This was the person who had spoken to Zhao Fu earlier.

Such a high price caused three out of the eight people to hesitate.

“32 million silver coins!” The gloomy voice from a Sovereign room sounded out.

“33 million silver coins!” A woman’s voice from a Sovereign room sounded out.

After a few more bids, the dragon egg reached 40 million silver coins. This terrifying price caused many other City Lords to give up, leaving only three in the running.

“41 million silver coins!” The gloomy voice sounded out.

“42 million silver coins!” The coarse voice sounded out.

“43 million silver coins!” The woman’s voice sounded out.

Now that there were only three City Lords bidding, the price rose slower, and everyone watched on with excited and nervous expressions.

“Please give Coldwind City some face, everyone,” the gloomy voice said from a Sovereign room as he raised the price to 45 million silver coins.

After saying such words and raising the price by two million silver coins, the other two people hesitated. After hatching this egg, it would still require a long time to nurture it until it became mature and obtained Stage 5 strength. By that time, their own cultivation would have reached Stage 5 already, and they would be able to catch their own. A price of 45 million silver coins was already quite steep.

“46 million silver coins!” As the other two City Lords hesitated, that calm voice from that private room once again sounded out, causing everyone to freeze and look over.

“Heavens, just how much money does that fellow have?”

Countless people were incredibly shocked because Zhao Fu had already spent 50 million silver coins.

When Zhao Fu dared to make a bid after what he had just said, the owner of the gloomy voice made another bid, sounding quite angry. “47 million silver coins!”

“48 million silver coins!” Zhao Fu ignored the anger in the gloomy voice’s tone. He had greatly wanted to purchase the dragon egg at the previous auction, but because he didn’t have sufficient money or strength, he had to give up. However, now that he had both money and strength, why would he have to give up?

Chapter 287: Divine Bird Bloodline

After this voice sounded out, everyone else felt scared on his behalf – wasn’t he afraid of the wrath of a City Lord? He was simply seeking death!

The other City Lords smiled and decided to watch on as spectators.

Suddenly, a massive aura exploded out from the Sovereign room that the gloomy sounding person was in, and everyone’s expression changed, feeling as if there was a massive rock weighing down on them.

From how everyone saw it, as someone in a private room, Zhao Fu definitely wasn’t as powerful as a City Lord. They all believed that a confrontation between them would be like dashing an egg against a rock.

The other City Lords didn't care at all because they could detect that the three people within that room all had Stage 1 cultivations. For such a person to dare to offend them, the high and mighty City Lords, that person was simply seeking death.

The City Lords all felt somewhat displeased, but they didn't want to step in either. They wanted that arrogant brat to acknowledge his mistake. They also wanted to show him how brutal and cruel the world was. If one didn't have the strength, one should act low-profile, or one would die without even knowing how one had died.

The massive aura weighing down on the private room was many times heavier than the aura outside, and Wang Ergou and Tuoba Qing did their best to resist the aura. Wang Ergou, who had weaker cultivation, felt his legs start to tremble as beads of sweat appeared on his body.

Seeing this, Zhao Fu frowned and waved his hand, sending a black semicircle out and unleashing his King's Domain. With his King's Domain, Zhao Fu wasn't afraid of that City Lord's aura.

"50 million silver coins!" The gloomy voice once again sounded out from a Sovereign room.

"51 million silver coins!" Just as the gloomy voice spoke, the voice from within the private room immediately outbid him, shocking the crowd and the City Lords.

"As someone with merely Stage 1 cultivation, isn't he afraid?" the City Lords wondered. If that City Lord attacked him, no one would be able to stop him.

The MC felt quite awkward when he saw this. The City Lord was definitely in the wrong, using his aura to suppress others, but their auction hall didn't have the power to retrain the City Lord.

The elderly man could only look towards the private room and try to persuade the person inside. "Respected guest, it's best that you give up on this dragon egg. That City Lord isn't someone you can offend."

Hearing this, Zhao Fu felt quite displeased, but he knew that the elderly man was saying this for his benefit. However, Zhao Fu was determined to obtain this dragon egg, so he didn't back down.

When the person from the private room didn't say anything in response, everyone thought that he had given up. After all, anyone would have to take a step back when facing a City Lord.

"Hmph! An ant dares to act arrogantly in front of me? Normally, I'd crush you in an instant, but since we're in front of so many people, I thought that I'd show you some mercy. Now that I'm angry, you'd better get the hell out here and kowtow to me three times, or I won't let you off today," the gloomy voice said condescendingly.

This was only natural – in these regions, City Lords were the most powerful existences, and nothing could shake their position.

However, the other City Lords frowned when they heard those arrogant and domineering words – they felt that there was no need to bicker with a minor figure like this, as it would only lower their positions.

The countless people on the first, second, third, and fourth levels looked at the private room and waited for that person to get out and kowtow. Even though it was humiliating, it was better than dying.

Within the private room, Wang Ergou and Tuoba Qing looked incredibly furious as they cried out, “Your Majesty!”

Zhao Fu looked at them and signaled that he would take care of things as he calmly said, “Are there no other bids? If there are no other bids, I’ll be taking the Two-Legged Wyvern egg.”

As soon as he spoke, everyone gasped.

Boom!!

A massive explosion sounded out, and it was like that of a table or chair being destroyed as a terrifying might exploded out from the Sovereign room that the gloomy sounding person was in.

Everyone understood that the City Lord was going to kill this person and that the person in the private room was dead without a doubt. The other City Lords all frowned, but they had no intention of getting involved. After all, this was a world where the powerful reigned and the weak could only live on their knees.

Boom!!

At that moment, an overflowing aura exploded out from the private room, completely suppressing the City Lord’s aura. The atmosphere in the auction hall froze, and this horrifying aura caused even the weather to change.

“Do you believe that I won’t kill you?” A voice filled with killing intent sounded out from that private room, and it was icy to the point that the temperature in the auction hall seemed to drop.

The people on the first, second, and third levels collapsed to the ground, unable to bear this power. The people in the 12 Sovereign rooms were greatly dismayed, as this might surpassed their own.

Within one of the Sovereign rooms, a gloomy-looking, long-haired young man looked extremely serious – he was the one with the gloomy voice.

The scene was getting out of control, and the atmosphere became incredibly tense as if an almighty battle was about to erupt.

At that moment, an elderly man wearing green clothes walked out from a Sovereign room and smiled as he said, “This one is the City Lord of Azure Willow; please give this elderly one some face and maintain the peace here.”

The gloomy-looking young man no longer said anything because he knew that he would definitely lose, and Zhao Fu also retracted his aura.

Everyone present let out a sigh of relief and looked at that private room in fear, thinking to themselves that there really was a grand figure in it. This was simply too terrifying – he was even more powerful than a City Lord!

Everyone in the Sovereign rooms started to look quite worried as well because they would suffer greatly if any one of them faced him.

Zhao Fu sat back down within the private room with a cold expression on his face. For some people, if others took one step back, they would take ten steps forwards; if others acted humbly, they would think that those people were easy to bully. Zhao Fu had used a bit of the Imperial Ruler's Seal's power to unleash a powerful aura. He hadn't truly used it, so the Fate he had consumed was extremely small.

In the end, no one dared to bid on the dragon egg, so it was purchased by Zhao Fu.

After what had just happened, the atmosphere within the auction changed, and no one dared to look down on that private room.

Next, a beautiful attendant brought up a round crystal that was as big as a pearl on a tray. It seemed to be made out of blood and was green coloured.

The elderly MC returned to normal – under that terrifying aura, he had been forced to kneel on the ground. He felt incredibly ashamed that he had tried to persuade such a grand figure not to fight against a City Lord, and he felt relieved that the person hadn't held it against him.

"This is an Azure Bird Blood Crystal, a treasure from an Ancient Historical Remnant. After using it, one will obtain a trace of the Azure Bird Bloodline. The Azure Bird is a divine bird, and this item is incredibly rare and precious. The reserve price is 14 million silver coins."

Chapter 288: Desolate Blood Mask

The Azure Bird was a three-legged divine bird. It had the head of a phoenix and a light body. Its color was also incredibly beautiful. It was said to be a lucky and auspicious creature, and the legends said that it was the emissary of the Queen Mother of the West. It was impossible to meet one in the mortal realm and could only be found on Penglai Immortal Mountain. However, there was no path to Penglai, and all correspondence was through the Azure Bird.

Even though there wasn't much detailed information about the Azure Bird in Chinese myths, it was evident that its bloodline grade was definitely not low as it was a type of divine bird bloodline. What's more, it contained an auspicious aura, and the person who fused with this bloodline was bound to have good luck in the future.

"18 million silver coins!"

The appearance of the Azure Bird Bloodline made the City Lords excited, and one of them immediately made a bid.

"20 million silver coins!" Another City Lord immediately outbid the first City Lord and increased the price by two million silver coins.

However, this price was unable to stop the passion of the various City Lords. Very soon, the Azure Bird Blood Crystal's price rose to 30 million silver coins, and none of them showed any signs of giving in.

"50 million silver coins!" It was that coarse voice again, and the owner of that voice suddenly increased the price by 20 million silver coins.

This price caused some of them to start hesitating, but the item's price continued to quickly rise.

“54 million silver coins!” An elderly voice sounded out – this was the voice of Azure Willow City’s City Lord.

“55 million silver coins!” A woman’s voice sounded out.

“60 million silver coins!” One of the City Lords who hadn’t made a bid yet suddenly raised the price by another five million silver coins.

This terrifying figure finally made some of the City Lords give up. Now, there were only five City Lords continuing to make bids.

The people below excitedly watched on and forgot about what had just happened with Zhao Fu, completely immersed in this intense bidding war.

“65 million silver coins!” This price caused another two City Lords to drop out, and only three remained. There was the coarse-voiced City Lord, the Azure Willow City’s City Lord, and the one who had bid for the first time today.

“66 million silver coins!”

“67 million silver coins!”

“68 million silver coins!”

Finally, the Azure Bird Blood Crystal’s price reached 72 million silver coins – this price was from the City Lord who had only just started participating. In the face of this terrifying sum, the other two City Lords had to give in as well.

“72 million silver coins, going once! Is there anyone else who would like to make a bid?” the elderly man asked.

Everyone’s gaze turned to the private room. Zhao Fu was thinking about whether or not to make a bid. He wasn’t hesitating because of the price but because of his bloodline – he had two options, which were to either maintain a pure Royal Bloodline or fuse other high-grade bloodlines.

Each of them had its own benefits – a pure Royal Bloodline meant pure King’s Power. Fusing with high-grade bloodlines would increase his stats, skills, and other aspects, and it seemed to be quite beneficial. However, his Royal Bloodline would no longer be as pure.

Zhao Fu thought for a while, and in the end, he decided to maintain the purity of his bloodline. This was because even if Zhao Fu chose the second option, he would find a top-tier bloodline, and the Azure Bird’s bloodline simply wasn’t good enough for him.

Everyone nervously gazed at the private room, but no voice came from it, disappointing everyone. In the end, the Azure Bird Blood Crystal was sold to that mysterious City Lord.

The final item was then slowly brought up by a beautiful attendant.

The item seemed to be a piece from a mask, and it was black and made of wood. It was about half the size of a palm, and there was some sort of diagram on it. However, because it was just a piece, it was

impossible to tell what the full diagram was. At the same time, the piece gave off an extremely ancient aura.

Feeling this aura, Zhao Fu was shocked.

On the stage, the elderly man started to introduce this item, saying, “Everyone, please look closely at this item because this is something that many may never see in their lifetime. This is a Nation Armament Piece! Nation Armaments represent the Fate of a nation, and I’m sure that everyone can imagine how terrifying that is. It’s incredibly powerful and something that cannot be resisted.

“Even though it’s only a piece, if you can find three other pieces, it’s possible to restore it, turning it into a priceless treasure. The reserve price is 20 million silver coins!”

So this was a Nation Armament Piece – no wonder Zhao Fu had felt so shocked upon feeling its aura. Because Zhao Fu had his own Nation Armament, the aura had felt incredibly familiar.

The appearance of the Nation Armament Piece shocked the countless people within the auction hall, including the City Lords. None of them had expected such a thing to appear.

The auction hall was once again sent into a frenzy.

“My heavens, this is an absolutely priceless treasure! It’s not something that can be bought with money!”

“Hahaha, who would have thought I’d be able to see a Nation Armament today? Today’s such a lucky day!”

“I want it so badly, but I don’t have any money. Even if I sold my body, I wouldn’t be able to buy it. I wonder which grand figure will be able to buy it.”

Even though the elderly man had crafted his words quite well and made it sound like this piece had immense potential, Zhao Fu didn’t believe him.

First, collecting the other three pieces would be incredibly difficult, and it would require immense luck. It was possible that it wouldn’t be achievable within one’s entire lifetime. Moreover, so what if one obtained all of the pieces? If one didn’t have the ability to fuse them and restore the Nation Armament, it would be useless.

This was because Nation Armaments represented the Fate of a nation, and once a Nation Armament was destroyed, it signalled the destruction of a nation. Since the nation had been destroyed, how could a Nation Armament be restored? However, these sorts of things were simply too rare, so Zhao Fu greatly wanted to obtain it.

“30 million silver coins!” Just as the elderly man finished introducing it, someone from a Sovereign room made a bid, raising the price by ten million silver coins. It was evident how much he wanted it.

However, to the many City Lords, 30 million silver coins was nothing. As such, the price quickly rose until it reached 50 million silver coins.

“70 million silver coins!” It was that coarse voice again. It seemed that this City Lord had brought quite a lot of money, but it was a pity that he hadn’t been able to make a single winning bid. Since this was the

last item and something that he wanted, he didn't hold back, increasing the price by 20 million silver coins.

Such a high price caused many City Lords to hesitate, and when the next City Lord raised the price to 75 million silver coins, many of them sighed and decided to give up.

Now, there were five people competing, and by the time the price reached 80 million silver coins, only two remained.

Chapter 289: Demon God

Out of these two people, one was the coarse voice, and the other was Azure Willow City's City Lord. Because this was Azure Willow City's territory, when Azure Willow City's City Lord called out the astronomical price of 85 million silver coins, the coarse voice gave up.

"Is there anyone else who would like to make a bid?" the elderly man once again asked as he looked around.

Everyone's gaze once again fell on that private room.

"86 million silver coins!" a calm voice said from the private room, shocking everyone – this grand figure was simply throwing away too much money.

Zhao Fu had ample money to spend. Even though his businesses in the various regions were earning less than they had at the beginning, each region still brought in 4,000 gold coins per day, and with 31 regions, that was over 120,000 gold coins per day.

One gold coin was worth 100 silver coins, which meant that he earned 12 million silver coins per day. With the money he had saved, Zhao Fu had enough money to buy the Nation Armament Piece.

When Azure Willow City's City Lord heard Zhao Fu's bid, he was quite shocked and decided to go all out. "90 million silver coins!"

When he called out this bid, everyone looked incredibly shocked – 90 million silver coins were worth \$90 billion in the real world, and everyone couldn't help but sigh in amazement. This amount of money would be able to bury them alive.

"91 million silver coins!" However, that calm voice once again sounded out emotionlessly.

Hearing this voice, Azure Willow City's City Lord could only sigh and give up. 90 million silver coins were already all that he had, and it seemed that it would be impossible for him to obtain the Nation Armament Piece.

In the end, this Nation Armament Piece was also obtained by Zhao Fu.

After the end of the super auction, countless people flooded out of the auction hall with excited expressions while Zhao Fu went to the back, paid the money, and obtained everything that he had won in the auction.

The person who received him was the elderly MC. He first apologized for what he had initially said to Zhao Fu before giving Zhao Fu a violet-gold badge. With this badge, he would receive Sovereign-level treatment within this auction hall.

Zhao Fu accepted the badge and felt that he couldn't stay here for long, so he immediately returned to the Great Qin Town.

It was indeed quite dangerous – the long-haired gloomy City Lord had wanted to join with the other City Lords to kill Zhao Fu. After all, he had obtained most of the good items and most likely had an even greater fortune on him that was enough to make even the City Lords feel covetous.

However, most of the City Lords had refused – it wasn't that they didn't want everything on Zhao Fu but because they had many other considerations.

First, they had already confirmed that Zhao Fu was a player and that the aura he had given off was from a Clan Armament. That Clan Armament was simply too powerful, and they weren't 100% certain that they could kill Zhao Fu. Moreover, even if they killed him, he wouldn't die a true death, and they would have to fear his revenge in the future.

With that Clan Armament's power, any of them would lose against him, and overall, although this offer was quite tempting, all of them could only refuse. Seeing that no one was willing to join him, that long-haired gloomy City Lord wasn't stupid enough to try to kill Zhao Fu by himself.

After returning to the Great Qin Town, Zhao Fu prepared a special house for the Two-Legged Wyvern egg and ordered some people to find secret techniques that could speed up the incubation of dragon eggs.

Zhao Fu stood in front of the dragon egg; cut his arm, causing his blood to drip onto the shell; and muttered an incantation. After this, the blood quickly entered the shell.

This was a simple blood pact that was used to subdue most wild beasts and make them recognize the owner of the blood as their master.

Afterward, Zhao Fu went to his room and placed the Dream Incense into a wooden box to prevent any of its smell from leaking out before putting it into his King's Ring.

Zhao Fu then sat on a chair, took out the Nation Armament Piece, and looked at it closely.

Desolate Blood Mask – Piece: The Nation Armament of the Desolate Blood Ancient Kingdom. After the Desolate Blood Ancient Kingdom fell, its Nation Armament also shattered.

"Desolate Blood Ancient Kingdom?" After looking at the description of the piece, Zhao Fu ordered some people to collect information on the Desolate Blood Ancient Kingdom to see if they could find the other pieces.

If Zhao Fu could find all of the pieces and restore the Nation Armament, he would have another Nation Armament. Anyone would feel excited when thinking about this. Zhao Fu knew that although this would be very difficult, there was still a trace of hope.

Afterward, Zhao Fu went to the City Heart and looked at the violet light that the City Heart gave off, as well as the Twelve Metal Colossi and jade Ruler's Seal, which were floating beside the City Heart. He tried to place the piece there to see if there was any effect, and the result only led to disappointment.

The piece also floated around the City Heart, but none of the Fate that the City Heart gave off could enter the piece. This meant that Zhao Fu couldn't use the piece. Zhao Fu didn't put the piece away, and he instead let it stay next to the City Heart to see if it could be nurtured by Great Qin's Fate. Perhaps there would be some changes over time.

After taking care of these things, Zhao Fu returned to his room and suddenly thought of something. He took out an exquisite treasure box that gave off a violet light.

He didn't know what sort of equipment that the Mysterious Treasure Box would give him, but because it was guaranteed to be Legendary grade, Zhao Fu felt a bit excited.

Zhao Fu put the treasure box on the table and slowly opened the lid. A violet light shot out – the depth of the color signified the quality of the equipment. A deeper color usually signified better sub-grades, while lighter colors signified worse sub-grades. Within the treasure box, it was chaotic, making it impossible to see anything.

The violet light alternated between deep violet and light violet, and Zhao Fu could even see that the violet light contained a tinge of orange sometimes. This caused Zhao Fu to feel incredibly hopeful, but the light became a deep violet color before settling.

An item shot out from the treasure box and floated in front of Zhao Fu.

This item surprised Zhao Fu – it was a fishing rod. The fishing rod was two meters long and seemed to be made out of a tree branch that was as thick as a finger. This fishing rod looked quite ordinary, and the tree branch looked just like a normal tree branch.

There was a thin string bound to the fishing rod, most likely the fishing line, and it seemed to be made out of flax. At the end of the fishing line, there was a small hook that gave off a faint silver light.

What was going on? He had been given a fishing rod! Zhao Fu stared dumbly at the fishing rod in front of him, completely flabbergasted. From the depth of the light, this was most likely an Exquisite Legendary grade piece of equipment, but this fishing rod was completely useless to him – he didn't have time to go fishing!

Chapter 290: God Domain

After looking at the fishing rod's stats, Zhao Fu saw the following information:

[One World Rod]: A fishing rod made from the branch of the ancient World Tree, Heavenly Flax String, and Silver Moon Hook. It has three effects:

Effect one: Fishing Proficiency: Learns all skills related to fishing to a proficient level, and one can be called a Fishing Grandmaster.

Effect two: Fishing Blessing: Adds an extra 500% chance of catching fish when fishing and greatly increases the chance of fishing rare types of fish.

Effect three: Fishing Comprehension: This item is quite special and contains a type of source energy. When using it, it will allow one to comprehend the heavens and earth easier.

After looking at these things, Zhao Fu was somewhat shocked – the One World Rod was a special item and not just any normal piece of equipment. It didn't give bonus stats, and while Zhao Fu wasn't very interested in its first two effects, he was still curious about the third effect.

"Master, I want to fuse into this fishing rod!" a voice said in Zhao Fu's mind – it came from the silver ring on Zhao Fu's hand.

Back in East Green, when Zhao Fu unlocked the Gloomy Jungle, he had obtained a silver ring, Celia Klumin, which was also a Legendary grade piece of equipment.

Celia normally stayed in her ring and didn't say much, so she didn't have as large of a presence as his other equipment. Now that Celia had suddenly requested to fuse with this fishing rod, Zhao Fu was quite surprised and asked, "Why?"

Celia obediently replied, "Master, I possess an ancient Elf Bloodline, and I'll receive great benefits from staying in a rod created from the ancient World Tree."

When he heard this, Zhao Fu thought about it and decided that there would be no harm in this, so he agreed.

After receiving Zhao Fu's approval, Celia turned into a silver light that covered the one World Rod before slowly fusing into it. As a result, the light from the deep violet One World Rod became deeper and deeper.

As for the silver ring, it disintegrated into powder and disappeared. It seemed that all of the energy in the ring was stored within Celia herself.

After Celia fully fused with the One World Rod, the One World Rod's light actually became half orange.

Zhao Fu understood that the one World Rod had become Half-Epic grade, and it was only a bit away from entering Epic grade. It was a pity that it wasn't a piece of equipment and therefore didn't give any stats.

After looking at the One World Rod's information again, Zhao Fu found that its three effects had been strengthened. In particular, Fishing Blessing was strengthened, increasing the extra chance to 800%. At the same time, a fourth effect was unlocked.

Azureleaf Raincoat: When it is raining, it will automatically appear to block the wind and rain for you. It also increases your comprehension of the heavens and earth.

This effect didn't seem very useful either.

After looking through all of the One World Rod's information, Zhao Fu was still quite disappointed. After all, he had spent a lot of money and even destroyed a Legendary grade ring to obtain this useless item. 'Comprehension' of the heavens and earth was simply too vague and fantastical.

“Celia, you stay inside there then. I’m going to put it away,” Zhao Fu said to Celia.

Zhao Fu had a good impression of Celia because she was obedient and easy to get along with, so he treated her quite well.

“Mm! Thank you, master!” Celia said happily from within the One World Rod.

Zhao Fu put the One World Rod into the King’s Ring. Now, he had taken care of everything from the auction.

Finally, it was time to carry out the God-Killing Plan that he had planned for a long time. Zhao Fu was quite curious – what would he get from the Heaven and Earth Refining Formation after refining a godly spirit?

His target this time was a godly spirit’s clone, and he wouldn’t dare to think about refining the main body of a godly spirit. With his current strength, such a thing would be impossible. Even though it was just a clone, Zhao Fu still prepared for a few days. Right now, Great Qin’s population had reached 280,000, and Zhao Fu’s military had expanded to 50,000 soldiers.

Zhao Fu decided that the location where they would take down the godly spirit would be underground. The underground region was ten or so kilometers wide, and Zhao Fu didn’t want anyone to interfere with this operation.

In order to prevent the underground region from being destroyed, he had his people set up many Vajra Talismans and Demon Crushing Talismans.

These talismans not only reinforced the underground region, but they would also weaken the godly spirit. Zhao Fu also put various protections around the Heaven and Earth Refining Formation’s altar because it was now an essential part of Great Qin’s plans, and he couldn’t allow it to be damaged no matter what.

Apart from these things, Zhao Fu also spent a lot of money to buy a Flight Stone. The godly spirit had wings and would most likely be able to fly, while Zhao Fu didn’t have such abilities. Therefore, he would have to use a Flight Stone to engage it in the air.

However, the Flight Stone’s effects weren’t that great – the flying altitude and speed were both limited, but this was the best flying-type item that Zhao Fu could find. In the end, it was better than having nothing at all.

After all of this was prepared, Zhao Fu led his 50,000 soldiers down to a large empty area in the underground region where they had moved the blood-red altar from Logue Village. There were also various wooden stakes around the altar on which wild beasts were bound – there were wild boars, goats, deer, and even tigers. Altogether, there were thousands of wild beasts.

There were also hundreds of pillars on which people were bound. Most of them were males, and there were both elderly and young people.

Of course, these people didn’t belong to Great Qin; rather, they were all evildoers and criminals who should have been killed by Zhao Fu’s forces. However, they were kept to be used as sacrifices to summon the demonic godly spirit. After all, to demons, humans were the most delicious.

Right now, whether they were wild beasts or humans, all of them felt deeply unsettled. The wild beasts tried to struggle free, and some of the people loudly cursed, wanting Zhao Fu to release them.

Zhao Fu stood in front of the stakes and pillars and coldly looked at them. He wouldn't show any mercy to these sorts of people.

Now that the sacrifices were ready, Zhao Fu ordered his people to set up the various barriers. First was the Six Wood Absolute Barrier, a high-grade isolation barrier. It was one of the first things that Zhao Fu had obtained, and it would seal the surrounding space to prevent the demonic godly spirit from escaping.

The six white sticks were arranged around the blood-red altar, and they were about 5,000 meters from the altar each.

Apart from this, Zhao Fu had bought another 36 ordinary isolation barriers. They were black tubes of iron that were two meters long, and four of them formed a set. Ordinarily, they would be used in city battles to prevent the use of teleportation channels.

The 36 ordinary isolation barriers were arranged around the six white sticks, forming a super isolation barrier with the Six Wood Absolute Barrier as the foundation.