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Chapter 331: Water of Life

Zhao Fu went to the Dragon-Sealing Well and found that it was quite big, about 100 meters wide. It was made of white brick, and there were 36 black chains around it lowered into the well. The chains were extremely wide, being one meter wide each, and the well water was a dark green color.

“Is there really a dragon sealed in here?” Zhao Fu came to the well, grabbed a chain, and tried to pull it up. He could barely budge it, and he found that the chains were extraordinary heavy and most likely extremely long as well.

The Dragon-Sealing Well had only been discovered recently, and it was said that a few City Lords had personally come to take a look. However, they hadn’t found much, so they had all returned.

Zhao Fu looked at the well for a while but didn’t find anything special about it. It was unlikely that there was a real dragon sealed in here, or this would be a forbidden area and not be open to everyone.

Zhao Fu had come here to see if he could fish up some rare divine fish. However, it seemed deathly still within the well as if there weren’t even bugs or grass, much less fish.

However, since he had made the journey here, Zhao Fu decided to at least try it out. He sat on the side of the Dragon-Sealing Well and put on some bait before lowering the hook into the water. Soon, he was surprised to find that a fish had bitten.

It was a violet divine fish, but Zhao Fu found that the fish within the well were a bit strange – they were fairly long and slim, their scales had a faint dark-green color, and they had slitted pupils.

Zhao Fu pulled this divine fish out of the water, and countless motes of light entered his body. Zhao Fu continued to fish, and soon, he caught another violet divine fish that gave him a Fish Jewel. Afterward, he pulled up an orange divine fish.

Zhao Fu was quite satisfied with this place, and his gains here were as good as at Seeping River. For the next two days, Zhao Fu remained here the entire time.

Nothing much happened during those two days, and at most, he fished up a three-colored fish. It was a pity that it didn’t give him a Fish Jewel, but it was good that the gold divine fish and violet divine fish gave him many Fish Jewels.

Soon, it was midnight, and the moon shined brightly in the sky. Zhao Fu put away his fishing rod because the Divine Fish Festival had ended.

Zhao Fu went to the Exchange Stone Stele at Holy Light City. Before, Zhao Fu had wanted to use all of his Divine Fish Points to exchange for City Creation Stones, but because one could only purchase each grade of City Creation Stones once, Zhao Fu could only buy one of each type.

This left Zhao Fu with 200,000 Divine Fish Points, so he started to look through the list to see if there was anything else worth redeeming.

Suddenly, Zhao Fu remembered that Great Qin required a Stage 3 medicinal pill recipe, and he found a recipe for the Dead Tree Pill.

The Dead Tree Pill required a Dead Tree Heart as the main ingredient, rather than Windbell Fruits. However, since this was the only Stage 3 medicinal pill recipe, Zhao Fu still bought it and asked Zhang Baishu to modify it.

The Dead Tree Pill Recipe cost 200,000 Divine Fish Points, which depleted the rest of Zhao Fu's points.

After returning to the Great Qin Town, Zhao Fu started to go through the gains of all of Great Qin's subjects.

There were three Gold grade City Creation Stones in total from Zhao Fu, Bai Qi, and Wang Jian, 12 Silver grade City Creation Stones, 35 Blue grade City Creation Stones, and 104 Normal grade City Creation Stones.

They had obtained 154 City Creation Stones in total from the Divine Fish Festival, and adding on Great Qin's current villages, Great Qin now had 651 villages. Just from the villages alone, Zhao Fu was spawning roughly 4,000 villagers per day.

Adding on the people he bought from each of the regions, Great Qin's population growth was simply monstrous, adding up to roughly 10,000 people per day. What's more, this was not including the people added from conquering other villages.

After the Divine Fish Festival ended, Great Qin had 340,000 people, so Zhao Fu expanded the army by 20,000 soldiers. Now, Great Qin commanded 60,000 soldiers, of which 35,000 were Stage 1 soldiers. After all, most of them had taken the time during the Divine Fish Festival to rest and focus on cultivation.

The other soldiers' cultivations were all around Stage 0-6 to 0-7. With the Blood God Pills, their cultivations definitely wouldn't be weak either. Now, Great Qin's strength was pulling closer to a system main city's strength. Only by having similar levels of strength would he be able to fight against them.

Zhao Fu established the Clown Bone Fish Den in one of Great Qin's bodies of water and decided to apportion some resources to developing the Clown Bone Fish. In the future, if there were aquatic fights, the Clown Bone Fish would definitely be a valuable asset. Their sharp teeth could easily tear through flesh.

Next, Zhao Fu turned his attention to the Fish Jewels. There were 1.24 million Normal grade Fish Jewels, 300,000 Blue grade Fish Jewels, 60,000 Silver grade Fish Jewels, 6,723 Gold grade Fish Jewels, and 43 Legendary grade Fish Jewels.

The Fish Jewels at or below Silver grade were obtained by people in Great Qin, while 90% of those that were Gold grade and above were obtained by Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu had others open the other Fish Jewels, while he obtained the Legendary grade Fish Jewels. These would all unlock Legendary grade items.

Zhao Fu couldn't help but smile when he looked at those 43 Legendary grade Fish Jewels. He opened them all, and rays of violet light shot out before quickly disappearing.

This time, he obtained eight Legendary grade pieces of equipment, 13 Legendary grade materials, seven skill books, and 15 other items.

Zhao Fu directly handed out the Legendary grade equipment as rewards, while he put the materials away for Rhode to forge with when he reached that level. None of the skills suited Zhao Fu either, so he gave them out as well.

Of the 15 items, there were some that were particularly special.

The first was a Stage 5 medicinal pill recipe. What made Zhao Fu feel quite excited was that this medicinal recipe was for a pill called the Flying Spirit Pill, which required Stage 5 medicinal grass Flying Spirit Grass.

Even though Zhao Fu didn't even have Stage 3 medicinal pills yet and the leap to Stage 5 medicinal pills was quite big, with this medicinal recipe, they would be able to save a lot of time.

The second item was a type of incubating water called the Water of Life, which Zhao Fu immediately poured onto the dragon egg, greatly shortening its incubation period. Now, it would probably take around two months to hatch, saving him one month.

The third item was a bottle of poison called Poison Dragon Liquid – it was incredibly toxic, and even a powerful dragon would fall before it. With the amount it contained, it could be used three times.

The fourth item was a lump of black iron as big as a watermelon called Boundary Iron. It was a very special material not suited to be used for equipment. Rather, it was suited to being forged into something that would be used with the Heavenly Domain Stone. As such, Zhao Fu was pleasantly surprised to obtain something like this.

The fifth item was a crystal pendant called Stealther. It didn't have any stats. Instead, it had a single skill that provided one with invisibility. This was quite a special skill, and it would be incredibly useful at key moments.

There was nothing too special about the items, though Zhao Fu obtained another Flight Stone that was much better than the previous one.

Chapter 332: Great Qin Assassin

Out of the almost 7,000 Gold grade Fish Jewels, they obtained 2,000 or so Gold grade equipment, 2,000 or so materials, a few hundred skill books, and 2,000 other items.

The Silver grade, Blue grade, and Normal grade Fish Jewels were all opened, creating an ocean of equipment and other items.

If they forged all of the Gold grade materials, that would be 5,000 pieces of Gold grade equipment in total for Great Qin. Every captain would be able to have a piece of gold grade equipment, and most Generals would have Legendary grade equipment.

All of the 60,000 soldiers had at least two pieces of Silver grade or above equipment now, and just from this, Great Qin's military strength had once again been boosted. It was now no longer something that could be resisted by ordinary people.

As for the Blue grade and Normal grade equipment and items, Zhao Fu planned on using them to exchange for people. This would allow him to greatly save on the costs of buying people.

Even though he hadn't been able to obtain one of the ten Legendary grade City Creation Stones, there was definitely no other faction that could compare to his gains, so Zhao Fu didn't feel too disappointed.

After taking care of these things, Zhao Fu returned to the real world and went to the Heaven Awaken World forum. He had been busy fishing during the Divine Fish Festival and didn't check the forum. He felt that big things had definitely happened, so he came to take a look.

He first took a look at who the owners of the ten Legendary grade City Creation Stones were, and he was quite surprised to find that not a single Legatee had obtained one.

They were all obtained by ordinary people who had been blessed by the heavens and destined to be extraordinary in the future. However, they had to hide the information about themselves as much as possible, or even one of the weaker large families would be able to destroy them easily in the real world. As such, none of them dared to reveal anything and chose to develop in secrecy.

The other big news was that the descendant of the Xuanyuan family had battled the descendant of Chiyou. Their battle had caused the heavens and the earth to go dim, and it had split mountains and rivers. The Regulus Sword and Chiyou Saber had created abnormal signs and given off immense might – it was possible that their grades had greatly surpassed Epic grade and were close to Divine Armaments.

In actuality, Zhao Fu knew of the grades above Epic from the information he had obtained from god Kerr. In fact, even Divine Armaments weren't the most powerful things.

In the end, the battle had ended in a tie, and both sides seemed to have been heavily injured.

Also, there had been many abnormal signs in different places during the Divine Fish Festival. These were all caused by the ordinary people blessed by the heavens, and Zhao Fu had a look through the information. If these people appeared before Zhao Fu, he definitely wouldn't spare them.

This was because killing them would result in him obtaining a lot of Fate. Even though they didn't possess as much Fate as a Legatee, it was still incredibly pure and concentrated.

Zhao Fu also read that there were three places where rainbow divine fish had appeared – the first was in the ocean, and it looked like a whale; the second was in Seeping River, and it looked like a carp – the one Zhao Fu had caught; and the third was in a large lake, and it looked like a catfish.

The first had been found by a person by coincidence. That rainbow divine fish had been very gentle and didn't attack anyone; it would only swim away when it detected that there were people wanting to harm it.

The second had been caught by an extremely mysterious person, who had obtained a Fish Jewel. Countless people guessed as to who that person was, and most guessed that it was the owner of Heavenly Sword City.

The third seemed to have been angered by something. It created massive waves that drowned tens of thousands of people and was killed by two City Lords in the end. However, it didn't drop a Fish Jewel.

There were some other less important matters, and Zhao Fu read through them as well. Just as Zhao Fu was about to re-enter the Heaven Awaken World, Wu Qingniang called him and said that she wanted him to establish friendly relations with the Soldier Alliance.

The Soldier Alliance was the top faction in Soldier Forest, and it was said that Wu Qingniang's relationship with the Alliance Master was quite good. Before, Wu Qingniang had asked Zhao Fu to meet him, but he had refused.

After a lot of development, Heaven's Choice had become a large faction within Demon Tree City, and it had 20,000 or so people.

Zhao Fu could understand Wu Qingniang's intentions – she wanted them to ally together into an incredibly powerful faction to become the overlords of the Forest of Horrors.

Zhao Fu replied that he understood and chatted for a bit before hanging up and returning to the Heaven Awaken World.

By now, it was daytime in the Heaven Awaken World, and Great Qin had resumed its normal operations. The Merchant Alliance and various productions started to become busy again, and the soldiers started to go out conquering again. Zhao Fu wanted to quickly level up the Great Qin Town because they were less than 100,000 EXP away, and it wouldn't take long.

At that moment, a hooded Great Qin Assassin walked in to report a matter that caused a light smile to appear on Zhao Fu's face.

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Within Orc City, Gunador frowned as he looked at the ten or so Orcs lying within the tent. Their bodies were incredibly hot, and their faces were pale with cold sweat all over their bodies. They seemed to be incredibly sick and weak.

The Orc Shamans continuously fed these Orcs medicines and cast their healing skills, causing a green light to fall on their bodies. However, these things didn't seem to help, and the Orcs continued to look just as weak and pained.

Gunador couldn't help but ask, "Just what sort of sickness is this? Why are these medicines and your healing skills wholly ineffective?"

The Shamans were also sweating nervously and didn't know how to reply. "Respected Vice-Lord, we also don't know what sickness they have. If it's a normal sickness, our healing should have been effective, but none of our medicines or skills have been useful at all."

These ten or so Orcs were elites of Orc City. All of them were S grade, and they were greatly nurtured. Their cultivations were nearly Stage 2, and the reason their cultivation had been so fast was because of how many medicinal pills they had consumed. It was because of Hidden Evil that they were like this.

They had never thought that Zhao Fu would've put a slow-acting poison in the medicinal pills, and after such a long time, Hidden Evil had been gradually accumulating within their bodies. Even normal antidotes wouldn't work, much less these healing skills.

Unless it was a very advanced Antidote Pill, nothing would be able to heal them. However, none of them knew that this wasn't a disease but poison. Moreover, even if they did know, they didn't have advanced Antidote Pills.

Hidden Evil Grass was a Stage 2 poisonous grass, and if it was consumed for a long time, even Stage 5 Antidote Pills wouldn't be able to fully cure it. Even if the Orc City had Stage 5 Antidote Pills, they would only have a few at most.

Gunador looked incredibly perturbed as he ordered, "Keep trying whatever you can think of; we have to cure them no matter what. They're our best soldiers, and we can't let anything happen to them!"

The Shamans quickly nodded worriedly.

Chapter 333: War Machine

Gunador didn't know what to do because he didn't know the truth. As such, he could only see how things went. It wasn't a big deal for ten or so Orcs to get sick; rather, it was because they were elites that the city had been greatly nurturing.

However, a few hours later, a few more Orcs fell sick with the same symptoms. By now, Gunador felt that something was off.

Soon, there were around 50 Orcs who had fallen sick, and Gunador could tell how serious this matter was. He immediately gathered all of the leaders within Orc City and reported this matter to the City Lord, Kaki.

Within the City Hall, a valiant-looking Orc, who gave off a powerful aura and had braided hair, sat above – this was Kaki.

Kaki looked incredibly serious as he asked, "What's going on? Do we have any results yet?"

Gunador shook his head as he replied, "City Lord, we haven't been able to determine anything conclusively. All of those who fell sick did so incredibly abruptly."

Kaki said in a low voice, "Hurry and investigate it clearly; we can't allow this matter to get out of control!"

The Orcs all responded before leaving and investigating the source of this sickness.

They first gathered all of the sick Orcs and quarantined them because it was possible that they were infectious.

However, such sicknesses didn't break out for no reason – there had to be some sort of source. If it was a natural reason, it would be easy to figure out, and if it was caused by someone, there would definitely be evidence here and there.

Right now, only the higher-ups of Orc City knew about this, and they tried all sorts of ways to get rid of this sickness. The normal Orcs had no idea about this, and if this news was spread, it would definitely cause a lot of panic.

The Assassins who had infiltrated Orc City heard about this. After setting up this situation for so long, it was time to draw the net in.

After such a long time, Zhao Fu's Assassins had fully investigated Orc City – they had 270,000 Orcs in total and had 50,000 soldiers. 80% of them were Stage 1, and they also had 20,000 or so Goblins and Kobolds.

These Goblins and Kobolds were all slaves, and they weren't treated very well. They would often be beaten or even killed on the spot.

Zhao Fu felt that these 20,000 or so Goblins and Kobolds could be quite useful, and they could make a decisive difference in key moments.

However, right now, the priority was to raise the Great Qin Town to a Basic City, so they could only wait a few days before making a move against Orc City.

This was because after raising the Great Qin Town to a Basic City, Zhao Fu could condense his own City Lord Seal – with that seal, he would be able to control everything within the city. If anyone tried to attack the city, even if they broke into the city and reached the City Heart, the City Heart would release a powerful energy shield and protect itself if the City Lord Seal hadn't been taken.

Once Zhao Fu condensed a City Lord Seal, he could turn the city into a war machine. With the City Lord Seal, he could use the city's energy itself.

City Lord Seals were the core of a city, and if they were damaged or their energy depleted, the city would be negatively affected. In the worst-case scenarios, the city could be destroyed simply because of its City Lord Seal.

Zhao Fu wanted to first condense a City Lord Seal so that he wouldn't have to use his Nation Armament and consume a lot of Fate when fighting.

Another reason was that Hidden Evil had only just started taking effect, and only a few dozen Orcs had been rendered unable to fight. This was far from enough from what Zhao Fu wanted.

Zhao Fu wanted to easily take down Orc City – if he directly attacked now, Great Qin would suffer great losses. If they waited a few days for Hidden Evil to affect even more Orcs, it would make it easier for them to deal with Orc City.

There were also 220,000 ordinary Orc residents, but they wouldn't be easy to deal with. Even though they couldn't compare to the Orc soldiers, even normal Orcs had decent fighting power, so they had to find a way to deal with those 220,000 other Orcs.

Zhao Fu remembered that he would be going to Orc City the next day to exchange more people, so he could take a look to see how his plan was progressing.

“Send out my orders! Tell the conquering teams to conquer villages as fast as possible, even if that means disregarding captives, until the Great Qin Town breaks through to become a Basic City.”

Zhao Fu's orders were soon transmitted to the various Generals, and they began to quickly attack and conquer other villages.

The next day, Zhao Fu brought equipment and medicinal pills to Orc City. Gunador's expression didn't change when he saw Zhao Fu, and he smiled as he said, "Esteemed guest, welcome to our city again!"

Zhao Fu also smiled as he replied, "Respected Vice-Lord, you're too courteous. We've known each other for so long now, so there's no need for such formalities."

Gunador smiled and quickly changed the topic, and after doing some casual chatting, it was as if they seemed to be a pair of close friends.

However, both of them clearly knew that they were only putting on appearances and using each other. If they had the opportunity, they would immediately destroy the other party.

Zhao Fu had long since seen through this facade, but he had to also put on a mask. After all, this was how the world worked – those who were too simple and direct had no way of surviving.

Afterward, Gunador took Zhao Fu to the where the people were held. Zhao Fu looked around and saw roughly 2,000 people, surprising him. It was the first time that the Orcs had brought so many people to trade.

"Respected Vice-Lord, how come there are so many of them this time?" Zhao Fu laughed as he asked testingly.

Gunador could tell what Zhao Fu was thinking and replied, "Our warriors continuously broke through a few villages, which is why we have so many of them."

In actuality, Orc City had many more Humans than this, but they either killed all of the high-Grade ones or kept them for themselves. The only reason there were more Humans and more humans that were of better Grade was because Gunador wanted to ask something of Zhao Fu.

Of course, Zhao Fu didn't believe Gunador's words, but because he wasn't stupid enough to expose Gunador, he nodded in satisfaction and prepared to take out goods to trade.

At that moment, Gunador suddenly said, "Esteemed guest, this time, we don't want any equipment or medicinal pills – we just want some high efficacy healing spirit medicines."

Zhao Fu had been keeping tabs on Orc City this entire time, and he knew that around 1,000 Orcs had fallen ill since yesterday. By now, the situation could no longer be hidden, and a sense of crisis descended on the entire city. All of the higher-ups of the city were going mad with worry.

They were unable to find the source, nor were they able to defend themselves or heal those who were sick. Even Kaki felt quite worried, and he ordered his subordinates to prioritize resolving the crisis.

Orc City had some basic medicinal grasses, but it didn't have high-quality ones. Originally, Gunador had asked Zhou Ming to buy some good medicines in the system main cities – Gunador liked to deal with Zhou Ming more because he was easier to control.

However, facing the unpredictable and unfathomable Zhao Fu, Gunador had to tread incredibly carefully.

The medicine that Zhou Ming had brought was completely useless, so Gunador could only hope that with Zhao Fu's abilities, he would have some effective medicines.

Chapter 334: Orc City

Zhao Fu had long since heard of Zhou Ming mass-buying medicine in the system main cities, so he knew what Gunador was thinking. However, he still pretended to be confused as he asked, "Respected Vice-Lord, what do you need healing medicines for? I have a few bottles of high-quality healing medicinal pills."

After saying this, Zhao Fu took out a few bottles of medicinal pills and handed them to Gunador.

Gunador was quite hesitant – after all, there were now 1,000 sick Orcs, and a few bottles wouldn't be of much help. He certainly couldn't tell Zhao Fu that so many of them had fallen sick.

"There's a village near our city that has broken out with some sort of sickness. Everyone who has been affected has felt his temperature greatly increase, and those who are sick are covered in cold sweat. Normal medicines have been ineffective, so we wanted to find some high-quality medicines to deal with the situation." Gunador did his best to lie, but it was impossible to tell if Zhao Fu would believe him. Nevertheless, he couldn't reveal the true situation to an outsider.

After hearing this, Zhao Fu acted shocked as he replied, "For so many people to get sick together, is it some sort of plague?"

Gunador felt quite shocked – he had suspected it to be some sort of plague, but he had no way of dealing with it.

"It might be! I wonder if esteemed guest has any medicines to deal with plagues?" Gunador slowly asked as he smiled.

Gunador couldn't let Zhao Fu know of Orc City's current situation at any cost, or they would be at a massive disadvantage.

Zhao Fu smiled as he replied, "Of course, I have medicine for treating plagues, but the price is, mm, a bit more expensive."

Gunador could tell what Zhao Fu was hinting at and inwardly let out a sigh of relief. If Zhao Fu was willing to gift it to them for free, he would suspect something.

"As long as your medicine is effective, it doesn't matter if it's a bit expensive," Gunador said cheerfully.

"But of course! Respected Vice-Lord, I'm sure that the great Orc City has conquered many villages. I wonder how many City Creation Stones you have?"

When he heard this, Gunador inwardly harrumphed and thought, "This sly human! He even wants City Creation Stones!" Even if they had to destroy them, he wasn't willing to give these things to him to strengthen his forces.

However, right now, he had no choice. Perhaps Zhao Fu's medicine really could heal the Orcs, so Gunador decided that losing some City Creation Stones wouldn't be too great of a cost. As such, he ended up agreeing.

In the end, Gunador ended up giving Zhao Fu 2,000 slaves and ten City Creation Stones in exchange for all of the medicine he had. Of course, Zhao Fu didn't have all of the medicine on him, and even if he did, he wouldn't hand all of it over. Otherwise, it would be far too suspicious to take out so much medicine.

The two of them agreed to carry out the exchange the next day so that Zhao Fu could have this day to make preparations.

After returning to the Great Qin Town, Zhao Fu felt that his thoughts had become quite clear. He ordered his people to mass-refine Hidden Evil and turn them into medicinal pills that contained mostly Hidden Evil.

Zhao Fu would give Gunador two types of medicines: one would have an Antidote that would only slow down Hidden Evil, making it seem like those who consumed it were recovering.

The other type would be made up of 90% Hidden Evil, 10% Antidote, and some other things. This medicine was for the other 220,000 Orcs – those who consumed this medicinal pill would immediately accumulate a massive amount of Hidden Evil in their bodies, but the 10% Antidote would temporarily slow down the effects.

The next day, Zhao Fu brought the two types of medicines to Orc City, and they quickly carried out the transaction.

Zhao Fu then said in a warning tone, "Respected Vice-Lord, plagues are incredibly hard to deal with, and if you don't take defensive measures, it's possible that others will also be infected. I have some precautionary medicine; would you like to give it a try?"

Of course, Gunador smiled and refused – first, he wasn't sure if Zhao Fu's medicine could really heal the sickness, and they had already lost a lot from this transaction. If they wanted to buy precautionary medicine, with how many Orcs there were, it would cost them heavily.

Even though Gunador had a big smile on this face, he started to inwardly despise Zhao Fu. He felt that Zhao Fu was an incredibly greedy opportunist, and if Zhao Fu had no more value to him, he would immediately kill Zhao Fu.

When he saw that Gunador wasn't currently interested, Zhao Fu didn't try to push him, but he expressed that he would be back tomorrow.

After Zhao Fu left, Gunador fed the medicine to a few sick Orcs to see how the effects were.

Gunador and a few Shamans anxiously waited beside them. If even Zhao Fu's medicine was ineffective, then they would have no way of dealing with the sickness.

After a while, the sick Orcs' body temperatures dropped and stabilized. Their sweat was no longer cold, nor were their expressions as pained.

The Shamans quickly checked on them before joyfully crying out, "Vice-Lord, they've been cured! That medicine is extremely powerful – after only this short while, they're already halfway to a full recovery!"

Gunador smiled and nodded – the situation had finally been resolved. He immediately gave the order for the rest of the medicine to be fed to the other Orcs, but he soon received news that more Orcs had become sick.

This made Gunador, who had just relaxed, to once again feel worried. Could it really be a plague? Even though they now had medicine that could cure the plague, they couldn't just keep waiting for it to strike.

Suddenly, Gunador thought about Zhao Fu's precautionary medicine. After thinking for a while, he sighed and planned on buying some, despite knowing that he would suffer a great loss.

The next day, Zhao Fu once again came to Orc City. Gunador had been waiting for quite a long time, but this time, he didn't directly exchange with Zhao Fu. Instead, he took him to a large hall.

All of the Orc City's higher-ups were present, and the person sitting at the center seat was the City Lord, Kaki.

Following behind Gunador, Zhao Fu completely suppressed his aura. After walking into the hall, he cupped his hands and smiled as he said, "I pay my respects to the respected City Lord!"

Kaki coldly looked at Zhao Fu, ignoring Zhao Fu's smile and respect, because he could detect a trace of danger from Zhao Fu. This made him feel antagonistic towards Zhao Fu.

He was the City Lord of Orc City, so there was no need for him to hide anything or use a facade. He didn't give Zhao Fu any face at all as he said, "What do you want this time? My city needs a large amount of precautionary medicine!"

Zhao Fu felt quite angry towards Kaki's attitude, but in consideration of the grand scheme of things, he held down his anger. However, his tone became much colder as he said, "I want City Creation Stones, people, and any other valuables!"

"I can give you 200,000 silver coins, ten City Creation Stones, and 3,000 slaves for your precautionary medicine. Is that satisfactory?" Kaki looked at Zhao Fu with an expression that said that he was looking down on Zhao Fu.

Chapter 335: Great Qin Seal

This price was slightly low, but Zhao Fu hated being spoken down to. However, Zhao Fu was conscious of the stakes at hand – if he cared too much about his status as Great Qin's Legatee, he wouldn't be able to achieve anything.

Zhao Fu didn't say anything, but he seemed quite hesitant.

"Human, don't be too greedy, or I'll slay you here!"

By the side, Bodili gave off a powerful aura. He was a fairly simple Orc and didn't know that Zhao Fu was suppressing his aura. As such, when he saw that Zhao Fu wasn't as strong as him, he immediately tried to threaten him.

The atmosphere became quite tense, and the other Orcs looked at Zhao Fu with menacing glares, seeming like they were preparing to attack as their powerful auras covered him.

If Zhao Fu was useless to them, killing him wouldn't be too big of a deal. However, right now and in the future, Zhao Fu was still useful to Orc City. Most of the equipment and medicinal pills that they used had come from Zhao Fu, so how could they just kill him now?

"City Lord, I also feel that this price is a bit too low. I'm sure that esteemed guest will be happy to agree if the price is a bit higher. Wouldn't you agree, esteemed guest?"

Gunador smiled as he stepped forward to calm down the situation. Seeing this, the other Orcs all gave Gunador face and backed down.

In actuality, Zhao Fu was willing to give them these medicinal pills for free, but that would arouse too much suspicion. Now that Gunador was trying to act as a peacemaker, Zhao Fu decided to agree to the better terms that he proposed. After this, both sides exchanged their goods.

After obtaining the precautionary medicine, Gunador first warily gave some to the slaves, and when he saw that they seemed completely fine, he started to distribute them throughout the city.

After taking this precautionary medicine, no one else fell ill, and the dark atmosphere hanging above Orc City seemed to dissipate. Gunador let out a breath of relief – it seemed that the crisis was finally over.

Things were over for Orc City, but they were only just beginning for the Great Qin Town. Now, Zhao Fu started to prepare for war.

The precautionary medicine would be consumed for three days, which meant that he had to prepare everything within three days.

The most important thing, of course, was leveling up the Great Qin Town. As such, Zhao Fu could only wait while the soldiers outside conquered as fast as they could.

Now that Zhao Fu had changed the priority from gaining population to simply conquering as fast as possible, everything went much faster. Zhao Fu continuously received announcements that said his subordinates had conquered villages, and the Great Qin Town continuously gained EXP.

After the first day passed, they had gained 30,000 or so EXP.

After the second day passed, they had gained another 40,000 or so EXP.

On the third day, Zhang Dahu strode over many corpses and arrived at the City Heart in the Village Hall, and he chose to conquer and [Relocate] the village.

"System announcement! Congratulations, the Great Qin Town has leveled up and become a Basic City!"

As soon as this system announcement sounded out, the entire Great Qin Town shined with a faint black light, and a powerful aura burst forth. Following this, a black-gold light shot into the sky.

In that moment, all of China's Legatees suddenly detected something and looked towards Great Qin.

Zhao Fu came outside and saw a black pillar of light shoot into the clouds. The blue sky was instantly dyed black, making it completely dark, seeming quite terrifying.

The wind started to blow, and clouds started to gather as traces of dragon-like black aura rose from the ground within Great Qin's territory and gathered towards the Great Qin Town.

This scene was quite impressive and awe-inspiring, and all of the people and animals within Great Qin's territory all stopped what they were doing as they looked at the black aura moving from their bodies and the ground.

Above the Great Qin Town, more and more black aura gathered, and it started to give off an incredibly ancient and terrifying feeling.

At that moment, Great Qin's subjects all kneeled down in unison.

Suddenly, the black aura gathered above Great Qin started to change. It started to flood towards the center of the Great Qin Town, and an incredibly terrifying suppressive aura descended from the air.

"Roarrrrrr!!!!" A gigantic dragon's roar sounded out as the black aura formed a black dragon that was over 1,000 meters long, and it gave off an incredibly domineering aura.

All of the Legatees felt this roar, and they understood that Great Qin was about to level up into a city. Countless Legatees could only sigh – Great Qin was simply unstoppable at this point.

However, now that the Divine Fish Festival had just passed, many of the Legatees were quite happy to see Great Qin show off its power like this. Many of those ordinary people had shined far too brilliantly during the Divine Fish Festival, suppressing even the Legatees.

Establishing a city was like sending out a message to the ordinary people that this world was still ruled by the large families in the end. Even if they now had some power, they still had to lower their heads to the large families.

At that moment, the ordinary people who had been blessed by the heavens – Gu Qingyang, Zhang Quansheng, Ye Ye, Liu Yubai, and others – all felt an intense feeling of suppression.

Countless people looked at Great Qin's direction with serious gazes, feeling a formless pressure. For these ordinary people, their paths forward would be incredibly difficult because their greatest enemies weren't the system main cities but the large families.

The system main cities were destined to be surpassed by and conquered by players, and in the end, the world still belonged to the large families. These large families definitely wouldn't show any mercy, and they would do their best to kill the rising stars.

The coldness and bloodthirstiness of the large families weren't things that ordinary people could imagine. What's more, they had historical figures, fortunes gathered over several millennia, and many talented people.

This wasn't something that ordinary factions could compete with. In front of these large families, these new factions had no chance against them.

If they had the opportunity, the large families would definitely act against these new factions. In the future, the large families and new factions would definitely become great enemies.

Even though Zhao Fu wasn't relying on anyone and hadn't received any help from the Ying family, he still counted as someone from a large family. After all, he possessed Great Qin's bloodline, which counted as a large family's legacy. This was something that he couldn't change.

Because Great Qin counted as a large family's faction, the other Legatees wanted Great Qin to put those new factions into their places and suppress their brilliance from the Divine Fish Festival.

The heavens had already blessed them with one opportunity. The heavens definitely wouldn't give them any more. In the end, the will of the heavens would stand on the side of the large families because the Fate that they possessed wasn't something the new factions could compare to.

At the Westfall Restaurant, He Xianru, who wore purple clothing and a veil, gave off a beautiful and mysterious aura. She suddenly felt her Fate change. She smiled as she lowered her head and thought to herself before muttering, "Looks like I should tell His Majesty everything, but I hope he won't be too angry!"

Chapter 336: Historical Figure

Back at Great Qin, the 1,000 meter long black dragon circled around in the sky, giving off a terrifying aura.

At that moment, the entire Great Qin Town shined with a bright black light, and the black pillar of light that stretched to the sky dimmed before disappearing.

A resplendent black dot of light appeared above the center of the Great Qin City as the City Heart continuously trembled. A formless energy rippled out from the City Heart and entered the black dot of light, causing it to shine even brighter.

Boom!!!

The black dragon in the sky rushed into the black dot, causing a blinding explosion of light and a massive explosion to sound out. After a while, the black light gradually disappeared as a square-shaped, black and gold seal appeared in the air. It was a golden seal with a black dragon on it.

This was Great Qin's City Lord Seal, and after the City Lord Seal formed, the abnormal signs all disappeared. Zhao Fu stretched out his hand, and the City Lord Seal turned into a black ray of light and flew into his hand.

[Great Qin City Seal]: The Great Qin City's City Lord Seal. It is the core of a city and controls the greatest authority in the city.

"System announcement! The Great Qin City has successfully condensed a City Lord Seal."

"System announcement! City Functions have been activated."

"System announcement! You have received the title 'City Lord.'"

"System announcement! Congratulations, your Heaven Prayer Platform has leveled up."

"System announcement! The final three historical figures within Great Qin's Legacy have awakened."

Zhao Fu put the Great Qin Seal into his body. City Lord Seals were quite special, and they could be fused with one's body. As such, City Lord Seals were quite difficult to obtain, and they could only be obtained by killing City Lords. Other methods, such as stealing it, weren't possible. After all, for most people, even seeing a City Lord Seal was quite rare.

Afterward, Zhao Fu started to go through the system announcements. There was no need to look at the first one, but the second one about City Functions intrigued him.

These City Functions were similar to the City Functions of the system main cities. Upon raising a town to a Basic City, it would gain many of the functions of system main cities.

As for the City Lord title, it made indigenous residents respect him more, and it could increase popular support and soldier morale.

Next was the Heaven Prayer Platform's stats.

[Heaven Prayer Platform]: A special structure of an Empire Legacy Village. It can level up with a village. Special Stats: Resistance to natural disasters +75%, Chance of spawning S grade or above villagers +40%.

The final system announcement was about three historical figures awakening. However, since they were the 'final' ones, did that mean there wouldn't be any more in the future?

Zhao Fu felt that this was indeed the case from the wording, and he felt quite disappointed. After all, there were still many famed Generals and Ministers of Great Qin who hadn't appeared yet.

However, these were the rules, and Zhao Fu couldn't do anything about them. Now, Zhao Fu felt quite curious about the three final historical figures.

Zhao Fu went to the Origin and raised his hand, and three golden rays of light shot up as three figures appeared on the Origin.

The first was a big man with a large beard who was well-built and gave off a valiant aura.

Name: Sima Cuo

Grade: SS

Title: None.

Profession: [General], Profession Effects: Can hold two different military professions.

Achievement Points: Commoner (0/200)

Race: Human

Age: 25 (100)

Loyalty: 100

Stats: Strength: 9, Intelligence: 8, Constitution: 9, Agility: 7

Cultivation: Stage 0

Cultivation Technique: None

Skills: None

Equipment: Coarse Cloth Clothes, Cloth Shoes, Coarse Cloth Pants

Sima Cuo was one of Great Qin's famed Generals, and he was a prominent figure in the mid to late periods of the Qin Dynasty. He had performed great contributions to Great Qin, particularly in destroying the State of Shu and attacking the State of Wei and Chu.

Sima Cuo had been extremely loyal and patriotic, but there weren't many records on what happened to him afterward, making him quite mysterious.

The second person was a young man who was dressed in robes and gave off a scholarly air. His eyes were so piercing that others didn't dare to look into them directly.

Name: Shang Yang

Grade: SSS

Title: None.

Profession: None.

Achievement Points: Commoner (0/200)

Race: Human

Age: 24 (100)

Loyalty: 100

Stats: Strength: 9, Intelligence: 12, Constitution: 8, Agility: 7

Cultivation: Stage 0

Cultivation Technique: None

Skills: None

Equipment: Robes, Cloth Shoes.

"This person is Shang Yang?" Zhao Fu felt quite surprised. Shang Yang was quite a famous figure, and Great Qin primarily relied on him for legal reforms. It was because of these legal reforms that Great Qin had become rich and powerful, giving it the foundation to unite the other six states. Shang Yang's contributions weren't small at all either.

It was a pity that Shang Yang's end wasn't too good. Because he had offended King Huiwen of Qin, after Duke Xiao of Qin passed away and King Huiwen of Qin succeeded the throne, he was accused falsely of treason and threatened with execution.

In the end, Shang Yang was forced to raise his own troops, but it was a pity that his side lost. His body was taken back to Xianyang, the capital back then, and his body was torn apart by carts in public.

The third person was a well-built but slightly short person who gave off a steady aura like that of a great commander.

Name: Zhang Han

Grade: SS

Title: None.

Profession: [General], Profession Effects: Can hold two different military professions.

Achievement Points: Commoner (0/200)

Race: Human

Age: 24 (100)

Loyalty: 100

Stats: Strength: 10, Intelligence: 9, Constitution: 8, Agility: 7

Cultivation: Stage 0

Cultivation Technique: None

Skills: None

Equipment: Coarse Cloth Clothes, Cloth Shoes, Coarse Cloth Pants

Zhang Han was another one of Great Qin's famed Generals, and he lived during the reign of the second Qin Emperor, Hu Hai. He pacified the rebellions started by Chen Sheng and Wu Guang and sought retribution against rebellious feudal princes. He also dealt heavy blows to the States of Wei, Qi, Chu, and Zhao, resulting in the deaths of the King of Wei, Wei Jiu; the King of Qi, Tian Dan; the King of Zhao, Wu Chen; and the State of Chu's General, Xiang Liang. King Huai of Chu relocated the capital, and Liu Bang and Xiang Ji were forced to retreat.

It was a pity that Great Qin had been completely ripped apart on the inside by Hu Hai, the Second Emperor, and his lackey, the eunuch Zhao Gao. In the end, Zhang Han's failure was destined – he first lost to Chu and then Han, after which he committed suicide.

After the three of them appeared on the Origin, their eyes gradually gained clarity. They knelt down to Zhao Fu and respectfully called out, "Your Majesty!"

Zhao Fu smiled and told them to rise – he had obtained three more powerful historical figures. It was just a pity that he wouldn't obtain any more in the future.

Zhao Fu called Li Si and introduced them to Great Qin's current situation. He then ordered all of the soldiers back and had them prepare to attack Orc City.

Afterward, Zhao Fu went to the City Heart and looked at Great Qin's new stats.

Village Name: Great Qin City (Epic)

Level: Basic (200/1,500,000)

Village Area: 800 square kilometers

Village Territory: 25,180 square kilometers

Residents: 242,950/420,000

Military: 41,640/72,000

Popular Support: 85

Village Special Stats: Territory Crop Output +120%, Territory Crop Growing Time -120%, Population Limit +90%, Residents' stats can randomly +8, Soldiers' stats +9%, Population Attraction +110%, chance of attracting higher grade population +110%

Subsidiary Village Limit: 1,200

Subordinate Villages: Logue Village, Jean Village, Dorun Village, Li Family Village, Wolf Village, Ferocious Tiger Village...

Chapter 337: The Winner is King

After looking through the Great Qin City's new stats, Zhao Fu waited for the soldiers to return. Not too long after, the Generals and Commanders brought their soldiers back and gathered in the now-City Hall.

After everyone was back, Zhao Fu started to discuss with his subordinates the matter concerning Orc City, and they started to make detailed plans.

They allowed the rest of the soldiers to take a good rest because the battle the next day would be the first large-scale battle that Great Qin would engage in.

Early the next morning, the birds chirped loudly, and the sky was quite bright. There weren't many clouds in the sky, revealing most of the deep blue sky.

Over these three days, Orc City had more or less returned to normal. After eating Zhao Fu's medicine, none of the Orcs were falling sick anymore. Bodili and a few other Orc Generals split into four teams with roughly 5,000 Orcs each, and they went out to conquer.

Orc City also had teleportation channels and 14 Subsidiary Orc Villages. Orcs only wanted Orc Villages, and they would destroy any other villages.

In this world, it wasn't just the Humans but even Outlanders who felt antagonistic towards any other race. Zhao Fu had many different Outlander races living under his command, and while he would always stand on the side of Humans, he would treat his Outlanders well as long as they were loyal to Great Qin.

Great Qin's 60,000 soldiers split into four teams with Zhao Fu, Bai Qi, Wei Liao, and Wang Jian each taking command of one of the teams. Zhao Fu's team directly went to seek out Bodili's team through the intelligence that they had received.

Bodili was riding a gigantic wolf and leading the Orc soldiers onwards. If there were any Orc Villages, they would conquer it and make it a Subsidiary Village; any other village would be massacred and destroyed. However, because they were still trading with Zhao Fu, they still kept some of the lower Grade Humans.

Zhao Fu sat on Little Black's back on top of a hill as he looked at Bodili in the distance, a cold glint in his eyes. He started to give out orders and prepared some black branches.

These branches were the branches of Hidden Evil Grass. These branches were near the roots of Hidden Evil Grass, and they couldn't be refined into Hidden Evil. However, they could accelerate the effects of Hidden Evil.

After being burned, the branches would give off a white smoke that would do nothing to normal people, but it would trigger the Hidden Evil that was dormant within the Orcs' bodies.

Even though this method was quite despicable and shameless, all was fair in war; after all, the winner was the king, and the loser was the bandit. Since this was the case, why would Zhao Fu stupidly engage in a direct fight in the name of fairness?

This was simply impossible. As such, Zhao Fu ordered hundreds of his Assassins to start operating. They quickly darted between the trees, and soon, they caught up to Bodili's team.

Bodili led around 5,000 Orcs, and because of how powerful Bodili was, Great Qin's Assassins didn't dare to go up against him directly. As such, they placed bundles of the Hidden Evil branches a bit behind the team of 5,000 Orcs.

The bundles were as thick as an arm and 15 centimeters long. After being set alight, white smoke streamed out of them.

There was some distance between the Orcs and the bundles because Bodili was too powerful and the Assassins would be discovered if they went too close. As such, they had to rely on the wind to blow the smoke over.

The white smoke was blown along by the wind from behind, making Bodili feel quite wary. Just as he was about to say something, the Orcs within the smoke fell down and looked incredibly pained as they struggled on the ground.

Bodili was startled and immediately cried out, "Get away from the white smoke!"

However, at that moment, Great Qin's Assassins rushed close and lit up bundles of Hidden Evil before throwing them into the team of Orcs.

After seeing what had happened to the Orcs who had been affected by the white smoke, the remaining Orcs completely panicked and started scattering.

However, bundles of black branches were continuously thrown at them, and any Orc who breathed in the white smoke fell to the ground.

By now, Zhao Fu brought out his 10,000 or so soldiers and started to light up bundles of black branches and throw them at the Orcs.

"Respected Orc friends, how have you been?" Zhao Fu rode on Little Black and slowly cantered forwards as he smiled.

Right now, the entire Orc team had been surrounded by Zhao Fu, and less than 100 could stand.

This was exactly what Zhao Fu wanted – to take down the Orcs easily. These Orc soldiers had all consumed Hidden Evil for extended periods of time, and a lot of Hidden Evil had accumulated within their bodies. Today was the day Zhao Fu had been waiting for.

Bodili looked at Zhao Fu and the soldiers surrounding him, and he realized that Zhao Fu was here to kill him. He roared, “Shameless human! I’ll kill you!!”

Bodili furiously exploded out with his strength, which was enough to rival a Stage 4 expert. The gigantic wolf below him could feel its masters rage, and its eyes furiously glared at Zhao Fu before howling and rushing over.

When he saw that Bodili didn’t seem to be affected by the white smoke, Zhao Fu felt quite surprised. It was likely that the higher-ups of Orc City didn’t use the medicinal pills that he provided. Instead, they had their own high-grade ones.

Facing Bodili’s furious onslaught, Zhao Fu smiled and stood his ground. Thousands of Archers behind him simultaneously drew their bows, and countless arrows shot out towards Bodili.

Bodili waved his mace, and the air seemed to explode as a massive image of a mace appeared and knocked away some of the arrows.

However, there were simply too many arrows, and they seemed to come from all directions. A few arrows made it through and pierced Bodili’s body, but with how powerful his body was, it was as if he hadn’t been hit. He continued to rush on towards Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu still didn’t move, and he had a confident smile on his face as he watched Bodili rushing towards him. Zhao Fu ordered, “Kill the big wolf below him!”

Swish, swish, swish!

Arrows once again streaked through the air, and Bodili wildly brandished his mace, knocking away most of the arrows. However, he was unable to stop all of them, and no matter how he dodged, a few more arrows hit him, and his wolf was hit by ten or so arrows as well.

Both of them started to bleed profusely, but Bodili continued to wrathfully glare at Zhao Fu. His wolf also savagely stared down Zhao Fu, looking as if it wanted to eat him.

By now, Bodili had almost reached Zhao Fu. Countless Shieldbearers started to gather in front of him, but Zhao Fu waved them away.

“Arghhhh!!!” Bodili roared out and gripped his mace with both hands as he mustered his strength and vigorously attacked Zhao Fu, giving off an incredibly mighty aura.

Shing!

A gigantic sword hum rang out as a black sword light filled with dense sword qi slashed out, sending Bodili flying. The wolf below him was instantly split in two, causing its blood to fly everywhere.

Only after flying ten or so meters and crashing through multiple trees did Bodili stop, a bloody gash on his body. His expression was quite shocked as he cried out, “Human, you’re actually a City Lord!”

Chapter 338: Synonym for Death

Just then, Zhao Fu had used the City Lord Seal's power. A City Lord Seal's power was almost as powerful as a Nation Armament, and most importantly, it didn't consume any Fate.

However, Zhao Fu couldn't use the City Lord Seal's power at his every whim or fancy because it could affect the city. However, using it in key moments wouldn't be too big of a problem.

Zhao Fu rode on Little Black as he walked towards Bodili and said, "Orc City is fated to lose. If you surrender to me, I promise to treat you well, and you may have great achievements in the future!"

Zhao Fu felt that whether it was strength or potential, Bodili was quite good, so he wanted to try recruiting him.

"Hmph!" Bodili coldly harrumphed and stood up as he replied, "Human, I'll never betray Lord Kaki!"

After saying this, Bodili wielded his mace and rushed towards Zhao Fu again.

Zhao Fu frowned and casually swept out with another massive arc of black sword light. Bodili's expression became serious, and he used his mace to block. However, that black light easily sent him flying again.

Even though Bodili's strength could rival a Stage 4 expert, he simply couldn't stand up against Zhao Fu, who now had a City Lord Seal. Right now, Zhao Fu's strength was above even a Stage 4 expert's.

"I'll give you one more chance. Will you surrender to me or not?" Zhao Fu's gaze became cold, and he spoke with a murderous tone. If Bodili refused to surrender, he would have to kill him.

Bodili once again climbed up from the ground and said, "Human, don't be carried away by your wishful thinking. I, Bodili, will only submit to the great Lord Kaki. Even if you kill me, Lord Kaki will definitely take revenge for me."

Seeing Bodili stand up again and rush at him, Zhao Fu no longer held back.

Bodili, covered with blood, howled as he rushed over. Zhao Fu expressionlessly slashed out with his sword, causing an extremely sharp black sword light to flash, which seemed to cut through space itself.

Chi!

A head flew high into the air as a massive amount of blood spurted out from the neck, and Bodili's corpse powerlessly crashed to the ground.

Zhao Fu put Bodili's head and the rest of his corpse into his King's Ring before turning to the other Orcs. The less than 100 Orcs who were still standing were massacred in an instant by Zhao Fu's over 10,000 soldiers.

Afterward, Zhao Fu ordered his soldiers to tie up the Orcs on the ground so that they could be dealt with after all of this was over.

This happened with all of Great Qin's other teams. They used the Hidden Evil branches to stimulate the Hidden Evil within the Orc soldiers' bodies. Compared to the normal Orc residents, these soldiers had been consuming medicinal pills with Hidden Evil for a long time, and now that it had all been suddenly stimulated, they all collapsed to the ground.

The other teams also killed the ones who were still able to fight and bound up the rest, and all of the teams started to head towards Orc City from different directions.

They first set up an isolation barrier that cut off teleportation channels within 100 kilometers of Orc City. However, they didn't activate it yet because the Orcs could become wary and Zhao Fu's plan might be exposed.

Of course, the Orcs had no idea that the 20,000 Orcs who had gone out had been easily dealt with by Zhao Fu and that their number one soldier, Bodili, had died.

Zhao Fu went to a high area and looked at Orc City, a massive, crude-looking city, and he ordered people to start infiltrating it to carry out the next step in the plan.

Right now, the biggest variable was those 200,000 Orc residents. Even though Zhao Fu knew that they had been taking in Hidden Evil for the past three days, he wasn't sure what the effects would be like. As for the Orc soldiers, he wasn't too worried about them.

There were also the high-ranking Generals of Orc City. They most likely hadn't consumed any Hidden Evil, but there weren't many of them. His own Generals and Commanders would be able to deal with them.

The greatest threat was City Lord Kaki. Zhao Fu's impression of City Lord Kaki was incredibly low, and he didn't want to recruit him – even though that was completely impossible.

The reason that Zhao Fu ordered his people to infiltrate Orc City was to see if they could work with the 20,000 slaves.

It would be ideal for them to attack from inside while Great Qin attacked from outside, but even if they didn't help Great Qin, Zhao Fu couldn't allow them to help the Orcs.

If those slaves helped the Orcs at a crucial moment, in order to protect his own soldiers, he would have to kill the slaves.

Included among those who infiltrated were Old Logue and Doke. After all, they were from the two main races that were enslaved by the Orcs.

Old Logue, Doke, and the others disguised themselves as slaves who were returning from transporting rubbish out of the city, and they successfully entered the city. Afterward, they started to look for the leaders among the slaves – after all, since the slaves lived as a community, there would naturally be leaders.

After entering the city, Doke used his sensitive nose to find where the Kobold slaves were gathered, and Old Logue and the others temporarily followed behind him.

Seeing the scene before him, Doke felt a pain in his heart. The houses here were built from wood and torn cloth, and they were unable to stop the wind or rain. There were many Kobolds gathered here, and they all looked quite skinny and injured. Their eyes were completely dim, looking like stagnant water.

Even though Doke didn't know these Kobolds, as part of the same race, he could feel their pain and suffering. His heart felt incredibly heavy, and after going up and asking, he was led to the leader of the Kobolds. The leader was a middle-aged Kobold with many wrinkles on his face, and he had a sorrowful look on his face.

Doke first checked if there were any other people around before looking at the middle-aged Kobold and asking sincerely, "Do you want to leave this place?"

When he heard Doke's words, the middle-aged Kobold numbly looked at this unfamiliar Kobold, a trace of hope flickering in his eyes. After all, no one wanted to be physically and verbally abused as a slave.

"Do you have some way?" the middle-aged Kobold asked as he felt quite excited and looked at Doke.

Doke nodded earnestly as he replied, "Our Majesty is about to attack, and everything has been prepared. Orc City will lose without a doubt, and we want to give you an opportunity to escape bondage."

"What? You want to attack this city?" The middle-aged Kobold looked quite shocked and couldn't believe his ears. From what he knew, Orc City was the most powerful faction within 10,000 kilometers, and this position had never been shaken before. Orc City was a synonym for death itself, so how could this middle-aged Kobold believe that someone wanted to attack it?

When he saw that the middle-aged Kobold was starting to doubt him, Doke said, "Our Majesty is the Legatee of an Empire, and he has many cities like this one; taking down Orc City will be incredibly easy."

In order for the middle-aged Kobold to be willing to fight, Doke had to exaggerate Great Qin's strength. Afterward, he took out his Legendary grade spear and showed it to the middle-aged Kobold, saying, "In fact, we even have hundreds of pieces of Legendary grade equipment."

The middle-aged Kobold looked over and found that it was indeed a Legendary grade piece of equipment, making him feel incredibly shocked and delighted. He felt that Doke was only a minor figure, and if such a minor figure could have a Legendary grade piece of equipment, just how powerful would this faction be?

Chapter 339: Siege

"Alright! No matter what you want us to do, we'll do it," the middle-aged Kobold said excitedly. This was their only opportunity to escape, and they definitely couldn't miss it.

Doke smiled and replied, "It's nothing much. If you can just open a city gate while His Majesty is attacking, you'll have given us a lot of help. Of course, even if you don't do anything, you can choose to run away while His Majesty is attacking."

“You can choose which course of action you want to take. If you choose to help us, you’ll immediately receive His Majesty’s protection and be able to live a better life. His Majesty treats Kobolds quite well. If you choose to run during the chaos, that’s fine too, but you won’t have anyone protecting you.”

The middle-aged Kobold was quite surprised – he had expected that they would want them to make a disturbance on the inside while they attacked, but he had never expected that they would be given the option to not do anything and escape. This showed the strength of their side, and adding on Doke’s Legendary grade spear, he truly understood how powerful this force was.

It definitely wouldn’t be easy to obtain the protection of such a powerful force, and seeing that Doke was doing quite well, the middle-aged Kobold decided to help Great Qin.

However, the middle-aged Kobold was only one of the leaders in the community, and there were ten or so other ones. The Orcs definitely wouldn’t allow a single leader to unite them all, as that would make it too easy to cause a revolt.

As such, the middle-aged Kobold immediately ordered his followers to secretly let the other leaders know about this.

At that moment, Doke sternly reminded him, “This matter is incredibly important, and it can’t be leaked no matter what. We need all of the leaders to agree, and if anyone tries to betray the others, make sure you immediately kill that person!”

The middle-aged Kobold understood how important this was, and he sincerely nodded. He first met with some of the more trustworthy leaders and talked with them before gathering the others.

Doke and Old Logue also stayed for a while to prevent anything unexpected from happening. Luckily, all of the Kobold leaders were excited to join Great Qin.

Afterward, Doke left some weapons with them, after which he and Old Logue went to the Goblins and did the same thing. They found a Goblin leader and convinced him before allying the other leaders as well.

They ran into some minor problems on the Goblin side – two of the Goblin leaders felt that the Orcs were too powerful and that Great Qin wouldn’t be able to defeat them, and they even showed signs of wanting to report this to the Orcs. As such, all of the other Goblin leaders immediately killed them.

After completing this, Doke and Old Logue went back to report to Zhao Fu. Upon hearing this, Zhao Fu grinned and gave the order to activate the isolation barriers, and a formless energy locked down the 100-kilometer radius area around Orc City.

This greatly surprised the Orcs who were about to use the teleportation channels. Before they could work out what was happening, Zhao Fu gave the order to attack, and they quickly conquered the Subsidiary Villages nearby.

The Subsidiary Villages only had a few hundred Orcs each, and a few waves of arrows killed them easily. Zhao Fu didn’t know if they had taken in any Hidden Evil, but using the white smoke was too slow because they needed to deal with them quickly.

Soon, Zhao Fu and his army had reached Orc City, as had Bai Qi, Wang Jian, and We Liao, and they surrounded it in four directions.

Each of them had 12,000 people, and wanting to take down a city with over 200,000 residents seemed impossible. This was even more so because their forces were scattered; if they were grouped together, they would be more effective, but Zhao Fu had other plans.

Zhao Fu ordered his soldiers to take out the ballistae, which could shoot very high and far, and they had bundles of Hidden Evil bound to the ballistae bolts.

When Orc City found that its Subsidiary Villages were being attacked, the Orcs had immediately closed the city gates, and Orc soldiers went to the city walls.

When Gunador heard of this, he immediately hurried to the city walls, and when he saw that familiar figure, he felt incredibly furious. He no longer hid anything and instead roared, "You despicable human, you dare to bring soldiers to attack our city? After I kill you, I'll skin you and turn your skin into a carpet!"

When he saw Gunador's terrifying appearance now, which was devoid of its courtesy and peacefulness, he laughed. They had completely burned all bridges, and there was nothing to worry about now.

Zhao Fu loudly laughed, "Old man, you're far too confident!"

Gunador coldly smiled as he replied, "Foolish Human, you think you can take down our city with just this many people? Keep dreaming!"

"Really, now?" Zhao Fu smiled as his eyes glinted coldly as he ordered, "All soldiers, fire!"

Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh...

The ballistae shot out powerful ballistae bolts, and they tore through the air and approached Orc City like a dense black cloud.

Gunador was greatly startled and immediately had his soldiers raise their shields to defend. However, they soon found that they weren't the targets of the bolts. Rather, these bolts flew high above them and into Orc City, and there was white smoke trailing behind them.

The white smoke spread throughout Orc City, and before Gunador could respond, another wave of bolts shot out that were once again aimed at the rest of the city. These bolts only streamed white smoke and didn't burn, so it didn't seem like they were trying to set fire to the city.

At first, Gunador only felt confused as to why Zhao Fu was having his soldiers shoot ballistae bolts with smoke. However, after seeing Orc soldiers breathe in the white smoke and collapse with looks of pain on their faces, he realized that their symptoms were just like the 'plague.'

Immediately, Gunador realized something, and his face became incredibly savage as he murderously glared at Zhao Fu and roared, "Human, I'll cut you into a thousand pieces and make you beg for death!"

Zhao Fu disdainfully laughed – Gunador was only making a few empty threats before he died. Zhao Fu then ordered his Archers to tie Hidden Evil branches to their arrows and start firing as well.

The white smoke started to become denser and denser, and Gunador raised his wooden staff, causing it to shine with a green light.

Zhao Fu could tell that Gunador was trying to do something, so he drew the Great Spirit Roc Bow that he had long since prepared. He aimed at Gunador before releasing a violet streak of light. The arrow was incredibly fast, and it reached Gunador in the blink of an eye.

Gunador could only dodge to the side, and even though he had successfully dodged the arrow, it had stopped his casting. The white smoke continued to billow, and almost all of the Orc soldiers at the city walls had fallen, writhing on the ground in pain.

Chapter 340: White Hell

When he saw this scene, Gunador felt immense pain in his heart, and he blamed himself for trusting this human so easily. Just when had they all been poisoned?

What was this thing? The only thing that he had been feeding the soldiers were medicinal pills.

Gunador was furious to the extreme, and he roared, "Human, you're far too shameless! I'll definitely kill you!"

"Me, shameless?" Zhao Fu coldly laughed before asking, "Respected Vice-Lord, have you ever truly viewed me as a friend? Have you ever thought about attacking me? We're all the same."

Gunador's face became red and started to twist – he couldn't respond to Zhao Fu's words. He could only murderously stare at Zhao Fu, wanting to jump down and end him there and then.

Boom!!!

A mighty aura descended, causing the wind to howl as a powerful figure stood in the air – it was City Lord Kaki.

Tears streamed from Gunador's eyes as he looked up and called out, "City Lord, I should be put to death. It was all my fault."

Kaki's expression was cold, and he harrumphed before saying, "We'll deal with that after we've sent them away."

Gunador nodded and raised his staff, causing a green light to shine. The thousands of collapsed Orcs all stood up, and they gave off a blood-red aura that felt incredibly powerful, making them seem not as feeble.

At that moment, Gunador suddenly seemed much older. He had just used a portion of his lifeforce and the soldiers' lifeforce through a secret technique to temporarily suppress the Hidden Evil poison.

Kaki's cold gaze turned to Zhao Fu, and Kaki said, "Human, since you dare to attack my city, you must die."

For the Orcs, only by killing the leader of the Humans, Zhao Fu, did they have a chance at victory.

Zhao Fu looked up seriously at Kaki and lightly said, "Nothing is true!"

Swish, swish, swish...

Black-hooded figures suddenly appeared around Zhao Fu, half-kneeling as they respectfully called out, "Your Majesty!"

There were 12 people around Zhao Fu, and they were the 12 people who had obtained the Assassin Legacy.

After such a long period of time, all 12 of them had obtained the full legacies of their equipment sets, and they could control the second form of their weapons. All of their auras were powerful, strange, and mysterious.

"Kill Gunador!" Zhao Fu left Gunador to the 12 of them, whose cultivations were nearly at Stage 2, while Gunador's cultivation was at Stage 3. If they worked together, they would be able to deal with him.

Right now, Zhao Fu wasn't in a rush to attack the city. He would keep the City Lord occupied while the other three teams would attack the city.

The 12 figures around him disappeared and started to race towards Gunador. Kaki suddenly acted, taking out a large hatchet and turning into a gray ray of light as he sped towards Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu's feet lightly tapped off the ground, causing the ground to crack as his body turned into a ray of black light and met Kaki in the air.

"You're actually a City Lord!" After exchanging a single blow, Kaki was surprised to find that the person in front of him, who he had thought was just an unimportant figure, was actually a City Lord. After all, Zhao Fu had just used the City Lord Seal's power.

Zhao Fu didn't reply as his sword brought with it a massive sword light and slashed towards Kaki. The two of them engaged in a massive battle in the air, resulting in terrifying energy ripples to spread out.

Below, Great Qin's soldiers didn't advance, and they were only using arrows to attack the thousands of Orc soldiers on the city walls. Right now, they were consuming their life force, and what they lacked most right now was time. They couldn't keep going on like this, but if they went down and faced the 10,000 or so soldiers, they would without a doubt die.

Gunador ordered a few of the Generals to form teams to lead residents to help defend the city. The Generals immediately descended from the city walls, but they found that Orc City had already been completely covered by white smoke.

Countless Orc residents had become incredibly weak because of breathing in the white smoke that stimulated the Hidden Evil in their bodies. Even though it wasn't as serious as the soldiers, because they had consumed a lot over three days, they still looked incredibly weak. They were sweating cold sweat and couldn't fight at all.

However, there were still some Orcs who had strong constitutions and could still fight, and they were quickly gathered by the Generals. There were 3,000 of them in total, and they quickly rushed to the city walls with weapons.

This was all of the fighting force in Orc City, and they were moved to the eastern wall to deal with Zhao Fu's attack.

However, the other three sides were under a ferocious siege. Even though they had some of the residents help, their fighting force was much too lacking.

The 20,000 slaves watched as the white smoke covered Orc City and countless Orcs fell to the ground with looks of pain, making it seem like a white hell.

Upon seeing this, the slaves felt incredibly delighted and were certain that Orc City was going to lose. The force attacking it was simply too powerful, and it seemed that Orc City couldn't retaliate at all.

In fact, they didn't even have to do anything in order to reap the benefits of success. This gave them a great opportunity, and the 20,000 slaves split into three teams to help Great Qin's soldiers. In fact, Bai Qi, Wang Jian, and Wei Liao didn't even have to use their General Armaments.

"Vice-Lord! The southern side has been broken through!"

"Vice-Lord! The western side has been broken through!"

"Vice-Lord! The northern side has been broken through!"

Gunador continuously heard reports from his subordinates, causing his heart to sink lower and lower. By now, he knew that Orc City was completely doomed.

Even the side of the city walls that he was personally defending wouldn't last for long. Great Qin was only using bows and ballistae so that they could stall for time. After all, they knew that the Orcs couldn't survive a battle of attrition!

"City Lord, hurry and leave!" Gunador knew that Orc City was done for, so he could only hope that Kaki would escape. Facing these tens of thousands of soldiers and Zhao Fu, who was also a City Lord, they had no hope for success.

With Kaki's strength, he would be able to rise again, but right now, Kaki wanted to take Zhao Fu down with him.

"Sky Demon Slash!" Zhao Fu vigorously slashed out, creating a terrifying arc of light that flew towards Kaki.

Kaki whirled with his hatchet, which seemed powerful enough to split open mountains, and he let out a gray arc of light that collided with the black arc of light, resulting in an almighty explosion.

At that moment, Kaki found that he was actually slightly weaker than Zhao Fu, and when he heard Gunador's words and the many system announcements, he knew that Orc City was finished. Even though he felt quite reluctant, he knew what he had to do.

Suddenly, Kaki unleashed a big attack, forcing Zhao Fu back, after which he turned and raced towards the City Hall.

Gunador saw Kaki rationally choose to run and felt quite delighted. He madly laughed and looked at Zhao Fu, who wanted to give chase, as he yelled, "Human, you can die with your soldiers!"

