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In the Bug House, Leon nodded solemnly.

Then, the eerie face stared at the blood vampire and Red Eye.

Both of them felt their hearts sink.

“What on earth is this thing?”

“I have no idea. It’s terrifying. I feel like my soul is trembling instinctively!”

“It looks at us as if we’re food, wanting to eat us but not daring to...”

“But leaving the Realm of Crimson is a good thing. This person is definitely a prodigy of a major power. If we make it into his favor, when he advances to the Fifth Circle or even the Primordial Soul in the future, we, as his underlings, might rise to prominence too!”

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In the Holy Brilliance Calendar year 1149, the Month of the Furnace, Levi successfully arrived at Flaming Mountain.

Even though he was mentally prepared, he was still shocked by the scene before him.

All he could see ahead was an endless expanse of black volcanoes.

The volcanoes were of various shapes, crafted by nature in all its splendor.

At the highest volcano, magma churned and bubbled incessantly.

A large wizard city stood at its edge, absorbing the surging fire elemental power from outside the city's array.

Next to Levi was Red Eye, who had undergone a transformation. His eyes had recovered, and he now stood respectfully by Levi's side, dressed as a servant. Having originated from Flaming Mountain, Red Eye was familiar with the area.

"This city is built on the volcano. Wouldn't it be submerged if the volcano erupts?"

"Lord, you may not know, but the core of the entire volcanic group, the fire elemental land, is all suppressed by the wizards' arrays of Flaming Mountain's Primordial Soul. So, although the power of fire element leaks out for thousands of miles around, there won't be an eruption."

"How many Primordial Souls does Flaming Mountain have now?"

“On the surface, there are three, all from the Fire Bull Wizard family: Clan Leader Red Horn, Lady Green Robe, and the Red-Haired Ghost Child... Speaking of which, the most talked-about aspect of Flaming Mountain is the relationship between these three Primordial Souls. Red Horn and Green Robe are husband and wife, and the Ghost Child is their child. They are all Primordial Souls! This is rare even in the Wizard World.”

“Indeed, Red Horn is probably the ruler of Flaming Mountain.”

“Heh heh, outsiders think Red Horn is the strongest, but in reality... the true authority figure of the Fire Bull family is not Clan Leader Red Horn, but Lady Green Robe. She’s not a local, but comes from a big wizard family in the Realm of Divine Wind, a rare Wind-Fire dual-cultivation Primordial Soul... Lord, I noticed your previous techniques weren’t just from one school of meditation, right?”

“I was just fooling around. Others have advanced the meditation arts of two major factions into Primordial Souls. I can’t compare...”

“That’s still pretty amazing. Daring to pursue both schools of meditation is already extraordinary.”

“Alright, stop flattering me. Just show me the way.”

The master and servant arrived, weary, at one of the small markets and found lodging.

Levi arranged to meet with Hogg through the Teatime Round Table to discuss their next steps, only to find no response after messaging him.

“Hogg’s already at the peak of level 2. Maybe he’s in the midst of advancing... Let’s wait a few days.”

While waiting, Levi stowed away Red Eye and wandered the scattered wizard markets nestled among the volcanoes.

Making a rare visit to this place, he decided to take the opportunity to purchase some specialty resources.

The next day, Levi stood before a wizard stall.

The stall owner, a Second-Circle male wizard, sensed Levi’s presence and hurriedly asked, “What can I do for you, Lord?”

Even on Flaming Mountain, being in the Fourth-Circle was considered powerful.

Levi’s gaze fell upon several beast eggs on the stall, each larger than an ostrich egg.

“I’ll take these eggs.”

As an expert in transcendent creatures, Levi immediately recognized them as Dragon Finch eggs.

He had a retired Dragon Finch in his sea beast sanctuary, constantly showing signs of mating with Levi. He intended to buy these eggs to soothe it and strengthen the population.

“These eggs were obtained from the nest of Second-Circle transcendent creatures, and each one is priced at 5000 Aether Stones...”

“It’s a bit pricey. Five thousand Aether Stones could buy a Second-Circle Wizard Tool. How about this? I’ll take all of them for five thousand... No one really wants these besides transcendent biologists, as wizards lose everything after all the effort to nurture them.”

The wizard hesitated for a moment, then agreed, “Alright, five thousand it is.”

Five thousand Aether Stones was a huge sum for an ordinary Second-Circle Wizard.

Placing the eggs into Alice’s ring, Levi was in good spirits.

For years, he had been trying to establish a Breeding Base for transcendent creatures, believing that the more specimens and populations he had, the better.

Given the density of the Ancient Saint plane, it would take a long time to saturate.

As it turned out, men also enjoyed shopping, as long as they had money.

Seven days later, Levi had spent two million Aether Stones.

Not only had he spent all the money confiscated from Red Eye and the blood vampire, but he had also taken a considerable amount from his own tens of millions-level reserve.

Of course, the harvest was also quite good.

Dragon Finch, Crimson Fire Dragon Lizard, Magma Serpent, Inferno Bird... Eight kinds of fire-based transcendent creature eggs or younglings.

In addition, Levi also found a piece of fire elemental metal the size of a human head, level 3. He could use it to refine Tyrant IV again in the future.

However, all these expenses were relatively small.

What really cost him was knowledge. In addition to cantrips, he bought hundreds of spell models from first to fourth circle, and even a few fifth-circle spell models.

This knowledge was the most important goal of his shopping spree.

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After all, once he left this place, it would be difficult to purchase Burning Faction spells on a large scale again.

Among them was a fifth-circle model, precisely the advanced spell Levi was currently studying as a follow-up to his fourth-circle Sun Splitting Strike: Solar Aggregation!

Basically, Levi collected all the Burning Faction knowledge circulating in the market of Flaming Mountain that he didn't already have.

"Only 8 million Aether Stones left, it's really too extravagant... But, knowledge is priceless. Investing in knowledge can't go wrong," Levi comforted himself.

With 8 million left, he decided not to spend any more for now.

After completing his transactions with the seller, he planned to purchase some weapon-making and alchemy knowledge to bring back with him.

The Burning Faction wizards were particularly skilled in weapon-making, and the headquarters of the Alchemy Faction was actually located within the Burning Faction.

It was one of the Ten Halls, the “Alchemy Hall.”

Next, Levi secluded himself at home to quietly cultivate.

Three days later, Hogg and Levi got in touch.

At the Teatime Round Table, Hogg looked apologetic as he spoke, “Commander, I had a sudden urge a few days ago. I felt the time was right for advancement, so I went into seclusion. Now, I’ve become a Blood Knight.”

“No worries, congratulations on your successful promotion. Arrange a meeting with that person for me. Once things are settled here, I’ll head back,” Levi said.

“Alright.”

The next day, in a larger wizard market, inside a tavern’s private room, Levi was already waiting there, deep in thought with his eyes closed.

He opened his eyes to see a figure entering the room.

The person was a wizard dressed in crimson robes, wearing a mask.

With a fourth-circle wizard’s cultivation, judging by his spiritual force, he should be nearing perfection, or at least a senior fourth-circle practitioner.

“Are you here to buy Black Flame Meteorite Iron?” the man asked calmly.

“That’s correct. If you’re sincere about trading, let me see your goods first,” Levi smiled.

“I don’t have any on hand right now, but I know where to find Black Flame Meteorite Iron,” the man replied.

Levi’s expression darkened immediately, and he chuckled coldly, “When you contacted my friend earlier, you claimed to have stock.”

“Please, calm down. Black Flame Meteorite Iron is a fifth-level fire element metal. If I had any extra, I would have sold it at an auction. There would be no need for you to buy from me,” the man said nonchalantly.

After a moment of silence, Levi spoke, “It seems the location of the Black Flame Meteorite Iron isn’t simple.”

“To be honest, I recently discovered a lost and ruined secret realm where I found the Black Flame Meteorite Iron... and there’s quite a lot of it. However, that secret realm has been invaded by black beasts from the Land of Darkness, some of them even being fifth-level black beasts ruling over it. The Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore was found near the lair of these black beasts. Due to the large number of black beasts in the secret realm, after obtaining a small piece of Meteorite Iron, I came out early and used the auction as an opportunity to release some clues, hoping to attract demand like yours to join my team and explore the secret realm together. In that secret realm, the largest Black Flame Meteorite Iron mine is occupied by a fifth-level black beast. During this time, I’ve found some demanders like yourself,

all of them fourth-circle practitioners, including some array wizards. When the time comes, we'll use arrays to kill those black beasts. After that, the Black Flame Meteorite Iron mine will be up for grabs. What do you think?"

Levi's expression shifted as he listened.

"I think it'd be better for you to find Fifth-Circle Wizards," Levi said bluntly, "A few Fourth-Circle Wizards... they might not even know how they died."

"It seems you're some sheltered wizard who's not experienced in the real world," the wizard retorted, "You don't know how tough it is out there, exploring secret realms. When exploring secret realms, you look for wizards of the same realm. Why would you seek higher realm wizards? Even if you can relatively safely obtain treasures with their help, will they share with you? Do you naively believe that mere contracts can restrain wizards of higher realms?"

Levi pondered inwardly.

At 160 years old, he had only explored secret realms twice. One of those times had left him with psychological scars. Apart from himself, everyone else either died or was close to death.

So, he didn't really understand some of the unspoken rules of exploring secret realms.

Unless absolutely necessary, he wasn't fond of risking his life for riches.

But for most ordinary wizards, seeking resources beyond their status often required taking risks.

“So, how many people have you found now?” Levi asked.

“I’ve already found five assistants, all Fourth-Circle Wizards. We just need one more, and we can form a Fourth-Circle array to trap the black beast... I can tell you’re fairly new to the Fourth Circle. If it wasn’t for a wizard who had promised to come with us but had some sudden business, I wouldn’t usually consider someone of your strength,” the masked man said arrogantly.

“After the joint kill, it’s every man for himself, right?” Levi clarified.

“Exactly.”

“Alright... I’m in.”

“Good. Hunting down a fifth-level entity isn’t as terrifying as you think, as long as you have the courage. Enough said. Leave me your contact information, prepare yourself, and we’ll set off in three days.”

Levi exchanged contact information with the wizard and then returned to his lodging.

“How did it go, Commander? Smoothly?” Hogg inquired.

“Not bad. Now that you’ve advanced to Blood Source, do you plan to stay here or return to the mortal realm?” Levi asked.

“I want to explore a bit here first. If the temple needs me, I can always go back. I’ll follow your lead.”

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“Then you should stay here, but still, be cautious. The Wizard World is much more dangerous than the human world.”

Over the next three days, Levi had been adjusting himself.

“I haven’t dealt with black beasts before, but it seems there are plenty of them in the Dark Ancient Tower. This is a good chance for me to get some practice, see how capable these people are. If they can really hunt down fifth-level black beasts, then I’ll join them for a bit... If not, I’ll just slip away.”

Levi had no intention of facing fifth-level black beasts alone.

It was said that black beasts, to adapt to the harsh environment of the Land of Darkness, had strength far surpassing the average transcendent creature of the same realm, nearing that of wizards in the same realm.

The next day, inside the inn, Levi noticed that his Golden Dragon Heavenly Shield was shining even brighter.

He glanced at his proficiency panel and saw that his Bloodline Divine Weapon had advanced to level 2.

“Defense has slightly increased.”

But that wasn't all.

With a thought, Levi emitted a chill, and his body began to turn woody. He transformed into a sturdy, ice-cold tree.

His second body tempering technique, Frost Wood Body, had also reached the fourth-circle level.

“Mastering just one body tempering technique should suffice.”

Without hesitation, Levi merged Frost Wood Body Tempering Technique with Metal Poison Body Tempering Technique.

At the same time, the golden Toxic Swarm within him began to devour the Frost Wood Body, emitting an eerie, rustling sound like termites gnawing on wood.

The next day, Levi found that the golden Toxic Swarm inside him had turned into a strange deep blue color, exuding a mysterious cold aura and vitality, making it unpredictable.

In a moment of thought, a figure identical to Levi in deep blue emerged from his body, facing him.

This figure had no emotions or thoughts. It was still composed of Toxic Swarm, but its surface was covered in even more complex body-refining runes.

Levi could sense that after multiple mergers, the strength of this body-tempering clone had become even stronger. Even an ordinary senior Fourth-Circle Wizard might not be its match.

“The deep blue body-tempering clone... Let’s call it the Deep Blue Sage body tempering technique from now on. This technique is capable of reaching the realm of primordial soul wizards. In the Wizard World, it’s undoubtedly the top-tier body tempering technique!

But... it’s not enough! I need to continue searching for other body tempering techniques to merge with. Perhaps, I’ll become the first Grand Wizard-level body-refining wizard!”

He opened the proficiency panel.

Levi, Deep Blue Sage Body Tempering Technique: Level 8 (25,124/100,000), Special Effect: Deep Blue Body.

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[Deep Blue Body: Possesses strong defense, resilience, strength, shape-shifting, stretching abilities, strong resistance against thunder and frost elemental attacks, and strong resistance against negative energy erosion.]

“Come back, Deep Blue,” Levi said to the Deep Blue Sage clone, though it was more like talking to himself since the clone had no consciousness.

The Deep Blue Sage turned into smoke and surged back into Levi’s body.

After a moment, he returned to normal.

Three days later, Levi was practicing his breathing technique when suddenly the letter in his hand began to burn, revealing writing on it.

It was the coordinates of the secret realm provided by that person.

Levi looked at his arm, and his current danger perception was fluctuating within normal ranges.

“Third time entering the secret realm. Hopefully, everything goes smoothly!”

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The scorched black desert!

This was a desolate area in the eastern part of the Flaming Mountain.

In fact, not only humans, but other creatures were also scarce here.

Occasionally, some low-level fire elemental transcendent creatures passed by, quickly disappearing into the vast desert.

In the center of a certain part of the desert, there was a pitch-black crater.

The crater emitted blazing flames and exuded terrifying heat, along with the smell of sulfur.

Around the crater, three Fourth-Circle Wizards were sitting cross-legged. After dividing the area with protective arrays, they rested and meditated.

When Levi arrived, the three men turned their attention towards him.

One of them, wearing a mask, was the wizard Levi had met the other day.

His name was Eman, but it probably wasn't his real name; he had been the leader of that expedition.

Eman said, "Gentlemen, this was Lord Geralt, the final member of our secret realm exploration team."

"Lord Geralt, this was Fire Wolf Quill, a Fourth-Circle Array Wizard, crucial to our mission. To recruit him... let's just say it had cost me quite a bit," Eman said with a smirk. "And the other was Fire Crow Bob, a powerful external wizard from the Fire Bull family."

"Nice to meet you both," Levi smiled.

"Eman, we were going after a Level 5 Black Beast this time... Your choice for the last member seemed a bit casual," Fire Wolf glanced at Levi, sensing Levi's much weaker spiritual force than his own, and couldn't help but transmit his voice.

"Geralt specialized in body tempering. If the Level 5 Black Beast went berserk, we could let him handle it for a while. Besides, if it weren't for your array needing seven people to activate, we wouldn't need so many people. The more people, the greater the likelihood of something going wrong. I had used some weaker Fourth-Circle Wizards to fill the numbers. When we killed the Level 5 Black Beast, we would start cleaning up, leaving the others behind... In the end, it would just be the two of us sharing that Black Flame Meteorite Iron, wouldn't it?" Eman replied via voice transmission.

Fire Wolf Wizard understood the logic and didn't say much more.

The Fire Crow Wizard, on the other hand, remained silent and meditated alone.

Seeing that neither of the two men had paid him any attention, Levi hadn't bothered to disturb them and had quietly waited for the others to arrive.

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The other three wizards also arrived one after another.

Among them were two witches who looked identical, dressed similarly. They seemed to be twins, always hand in hand.

The other one was a male wizard, dressed in a blue robe, with a calm demeanor.

"It seems we're a bit late, Eman. Would you introduce us?" the busty witch among the twins said. She was the elder sister, while the other, with a flatter chest, was the younger one.

Eman hurriedly acted as a mediator and introduced everyone to each other.

Levi only learned then that the male wizard in the blue robe, like himself, also hailed from the Endless Sea and was named Marquis.

When Levi was introduced as a body-refining wizard, Marquis glanced at him.

"Now that everyone's here, under the leadership of Fire Wolf, we'll practice the array. Once we're proficient with it, we'll proceed," Eman said.

“Besides me, does anyone understand arrays?” Fire Wolf asked casually.

After a moment, no one responded.

“In that case, I’ll assign randomly.”

He smirked inwardly. As a Fourth-Circle Array Wizard, coupled with his nearly perfected spiritual force and two Fourth-Circle Talent spells, he was already unbeatable.

As long as they succeeded in slaying the Level 5 Black Beast this time, the rewards would undoubtedly be rich.

Apart from him and Eman, the spiritual force levels of the other five were all ordinary Fourth-Circle, probably mastering at most one innate spell.

What needed attention were the twin sisters.

He learned from Eman that the twin sisters were also somewhat famous in the Flaming Mountain area, known as the “Holy Flame Twins.”

The elder sister practiced the “Azure Flame Meditation Art,” while the younger one practiced the “Purple Flame Meditation Art.” When their flames combined, they could unleash a terrifying “White Sacred Flame.”

They had once killed a senior Fourth-Circle dark wizard.

Another noteworthy individual was the external wizard from the Fire Bull family, who had caught the attention of the primordial soul faction, indicating his extraordinary abilities.

As for Geralt and Marquis, from the information available, both hailed from the Endless Sea, one belonging to the Ocean School of Thought and the other a body-refining wizard, both appearing to be ordinary Fourth-Circle.

Unless they had some hidden cards, the two of them together wouldn't be his match.

Moreover, being outsiders in this place, they probably didn't have any influence, making them the easiest to manipulate.

Next, the seven of them spent a full three days practicing the formation.

Levi pretended not to understand the formation to avoid drawing too much attention to himself and becoming a target for others.

Finally, when they had mastered the formation, Eman looked at the fire pit and said, "The entrance to the secret realm is inside a small fire pit. Be safe, my friends from the Endless Sea."

With that said, Eman leaped into the fire pit, transforming into a stream of flames.

Fire Wolf then waved several red array flags and casually entered.

The Holy Flame Twins embraced each other and spun around in a strange posture as they entered.

The Fire Bull wizard transformed into a giant fiery bird and followed suit.

It all had a taste of the Eight Immortals crossing the sea, each showing their unique abilities.

Finally, only Levi and Marquis remained.

“If you have no means of entry, you can come with me,” Marquis said as his robe transformed into a blue water sphere, enveloping him.

“No need, thanks,” Levi replied.

“Fair enough... Geralt, this exploration only has the two of us outsiders. So, if anything unexpected happens inside, I hope we’ll be collaborators and both make it back safely to the Endless Sea,” Marquis said cryptically.

Levi smiled faintly but didn't respond.

It seemed that everyone entering here had mentally prepared themselves to be betrayed by their teammates.

This was the exploration of the secret realm, and everyone knew that their teammates were likely harboring ulterior motives, all villains in their own right!

After Marquis entered as well, Levi's Deep Blue Body armor covered him.

He jumped pretentiously.

With his current physique and resistance to fire elements, this was entirely unnecessary.

Before long, as Levi descended, the temperature rose steadily. Even his third-circle wizard force field wouldn't hold out for long.

However, with the protection of his Deep Blue Body, he felt as comfortable as if he were bathing in the sea, without any discomfort at all!

At the bottom of the fire pit, Levi saw a crack opening in the pitch-black rock wall, shining with light.

This was the entrance to the lost secret realm. From Eman's description, it seemed similar to the Forsaken Land of the God, invaded by black beasts.

All of Levi's protective force fields were activated as he stepped into the crevice.

Looking around, he saw cracks in the sky and lifeless earth. Occasionally, some strange plants grew, but he couldn't tell if they were medicinal herbs.

In the distance, black mountains stretched endlessly, disappearing into the horizon.

According to Eman, this secret realm was a medium-sized one, possibly a resource point of some wizard organization that was abandoned due to the invasion of black beasts and depletion of resources.

As soon as Levi appeared, he heard the sounds of battle not far away.

His Deep Blue Body emerged as he withdrew his other force fields.

He looked towards the fight where a group of black crows vanished under the terrifying innate spell of Fire Wolf.

“Geralt, hurry up! In this secret realm, there are many black beasts. We can’t afford to split up, or they’ll pick us off one by one. And as for the Black Flame Meteorite Iron, none of us will get it!” Eman called out.

Levi hurried over, his right arm suddenly extending dozens of meters, revealing a giant Deep Blue Sage-colored claw.

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One black beast at the peak of Level 1 was grabbed by the void, crushed, leaving only a pile of frozen corpses emitting a chilling aura.

Levi looked down at the corpse, emanating an unsettling black aura, both flesh and bone tainted.

“No need to check. The corpses of these black beasts contain corrosive power that’s hard to purify. They’re unusable for both alchemy and weapon refinement,” Fire Wolf frowned and shouted ahead.

Levi knew well that the corpses of these black beasts were unusable. He just felt that the corrosive power of these black beasts was somewhat similar to the feeling he got from the bone wizard tool used by that mysterious member of the godly organization.

“That mysterious organization might be from the Land of Darkness... and they’ve already begun to master the technique of using the corpses of black beasts for weapon refinement,” Levi thought to himself.

In truth, Levi believed that his Purification Elixir could remove this kind of corrosive power. But it wasn’t worth it. The current cost of Purification Elixir was too high, and using it to purify the corpses of black

beasts would be more trouble than it was worth. Perhaps in the future, when the cost decreased and he encountered materials from higher-level black beasts, it would be worth a try.

“You’ve made good progress with your body tempering technique,” Eman remarked.

“It’s alright. Hopefully, I won’t slow everyone down,” Levi smiled awkwardly.

The seven of them united, battling in this desolate wilderness.

“It’s really unlucky this time. We’ve just entered and encountered this flock of black death crows. Although individually they’re only Level 1, the problem is there are too many of them. Every time, there are hundreds, even thousands,” Eman complained.

Levi killed the incoming black death crows while keeping an eye on the surroundings. With their strength, wiping out this flock of crows was only a matter of time. Right now, it wasn’t even a warm-up.

“Caw, caw!”

Accompanied by the departure of a Level 2 black death crow leader, the other crow group scattered. Finally, the wilderness fell silent.

On the ground lay the bodies of hundreds of crows.

“Let’s take a break,” Eman said, looking at the other six.

Levi saw them drinking a potion and beginning to meditate.

After a short rest, they resumed their journey.

As they walked, the Holy Flame Twins suddenly waved their hands, and a fist-sized black ore appeared.

“Black Flame Meteorite Iron!” Levi murmured to himself.

“Eman, whoever finds these things gets to keep them, right?” the elder twin sister chuckled, while the younger sister remained silent.

“That’s right. These ores can only yield small pieces, not worth much... It’s still far from being refined into wizard tools. As long as everyone follows my command, I guarantee that our harvest this time will exceed your imagination,” Eman said, seemingly unconcerned about the twins taking the ore.

Knowing that raw ore could appear along the way, everyone became extra vigilant, including Levi.

However, their luck didn’t hold.

They never encountered such a stroke of luck again.

Before long, a Level 3 Black Wings Snake descended from the sky, only to be incinerated by the elder twin's blue flames before it could approach.

"How much longer until we arrive, Eman?" Marquis asked.

"Almost there. The lair of the Level 5 black beast is in the heart of the black mountains ahead. When we arrive, the six of us will distract the black beast for a while. Once the fire snake sets up the array, everyone swiftly enters and uses the array to kill the black beast. Otherwise, even if we exhaust all our resources to kill it, it will not be worth it," Eman explained.

Levi remained silent, silently following behind.

As they neared the black mountains, stronger Level 4 black beasts began to appear along the way.

A black tiger with two heads roared, leaping over the Holy Flame Twins and heading towards Marquis at the back.

Marquis activated his blue force field and quickly retreated.

Seeing this, the tiger pounced towards Levi.

Levi's expression changed, and with a single thought, layers of ice condensed in front of him, forming an ice wall.

Crack!

The ice wall, formed by the cold aura of the Deep Blue Body, shattered as the tiger broke through.

Seizing the opportunity, Levi ran forward.

"Die!"

Eman threw a flaming dagger, piercing into the tiger's body.

With a deafening explosion, the tiger's body shattered, emitting a final wail before dying.

Eman remained calm and said, "Let's go quickly. Don't waste energy on these things."

Levi looked at the tiger corpse lying on the ground, untouched by anyone.

Silently, he took out an empty storage ring and placed it inside.

After all, it was still a Level 4 creature. It might come in handy later.

Seeing Levi's actions, Fire Wolf and Eman exchanged a glance but said nothing.

An hour later, after being delayed by various black beasts, they finally reached the black mountains.

"I'm not sure if there are any other Level 5 black beasts besides the lair, so let's try to avoid fighting nearby. After killing the black beast, quickly dig out the Black Flame Meteorite Iron and leave. Our array can only be used once, and we don't have the strength to deal with a second Level 5 black beast," Eman said sincerely.

"Understood."

Everyone nodded in agreement.

Safely passing through the black mountains, they arrived at an abandoned mine.

Levi glanced around and guessed that this mine was probably used to extract Luminant gold or mithril.

It seemed to have been a resource point for the wizard organization in the past.

With bated breath, they entered the dark tunnel.

After walking for who knows how long, accompanied by the sound of trickling underground water.

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They arrived at a mining hall, where the accumulated water had submerged the area.

The seemingly bottomless water emitted unsettling noises, making Levi uneasy as he gazed at it.

It appeared that Eman hadn't misled him; there were indeed Level 5 black beasts here.

"The black beasts are in the water, and so is the iron ore. Get ready to fight, everyone!" Eman declared.
"Fire Wolf, we're counting on your array."

"I won't have any problems. Just make sure you all keep up. Remember, if we don't kill the black beasts, we won't get anything, and we might even lose our lives here. So, think twice before making any moves," Fire Wolf added.

Eman took the lead, charging into the water with a sun-like flame appearing in his hand.

Third Circle Talent, Sun Flame Explosion!

Boom!

Before the fireball hit the water, a massive tentacle emerged from below, swatting the fireball away and causing it to explode in mid-air.

The explosion illuminated the mining hall, revealing various black beast corpses scattered along the shoreline of the underground lake, some even with the decapitated bodies of wizards.

Next, eight hundred-meter-long tentacles emerged from the water, each adorned with a grimacing human head, likely belonging to wizards who had perished there before.

“Everyone, hurry up! Don’t hold back, or we’ll all die here!” Eman roared, directly engaging three of the tentacles.

Meanwhile, the Holy Flame Twins released their green and purple flames, giggling as they fought against two of the tentacles.

The remaining three tentacles were confronted by Levi, Marquis, and the Fire Bird, each taking on one.

Levi’s Deep Blue Body collided with a tentacle, sending him flying into a crevice in the rock wall.

“As expected of a Level 5; just one tentacle can send me flying,” Levi thought.

However, as he was struck, all his defenses were activated, neutralizing the attack. This reassured Levi that the conventional attacks of these Level 5 black beasts couldn't break through his defense.

With a roar, he drank a potion and charged back into the fray.

On the other side, Fire Wolf's expression was solemn as he quickly set up the array.

Without the array, the seven of them, all Fourth-Circle Wizards, would eventually show weaknesses and be defeated one by one by the black beasts, leading to their ultimate demise.

"Hurry up, Fire Wolf!" Eman urged.

"Alright, take your positions, form the array!" Fire Wolf commanded. Array items flew out from his body, embedding themselves around the edges of the water.

Then, the other six followed the original plan, entering the array one by one.

In the next moment, seven white beams of light intertwined in the mining hall, forming a large white net that covered the entire lake.

Simultaneously, the bodies beneath the eight tentacles were also exposed.

Everyone's expression turned shocked at the sight.

They all assumed it was some sort of giant octopus-like black beast.

However, they discovered that the body of the black beast was a humanoid creature clad in jet-black armor.

The armor was composed of chunks of black flame meteorite iron ore.

"This beast has fused the ore into its body! Quick, attack with all your might!" Eman's expression shifted.

Terrifying flames began to spread across the white giant net, scorching the black beasts trapped within. However, the damage caused by the ore was extremely limited.

"If you hold back again, we'll all die here," Fire Wolf said coldly.

In the next moment, Levi's right hand transformed into a deep blue drill, adorned with mystical runes that shimmered.

Boom!

With a deafening sound, the armor began to show signs of wear.

“Are you all just going to watch?” Eman looked at the others.

The Holy Flame Twins spun rapidly, intertwining their azure and purple flames to form pure white holy flames!

The holy flames transformed into a giant white axe!

Boom!

Under the impact, the armor continued to tremble.

The Fire Bird wizard summoned a feather-shaped wizard tool.

He whistled, and the feathers ignited, charging forward like a raging river, beginning to slice through the tentacles.

Behind Marquis, a cyan shadow of a giant-toothed shark emerged, sweeping forward.

Seeing everyone using their trump cards, Fire Wolf and Eman breathed a sigh of relief.

Fire Wolf manipulated the array to attack the black beast, while Eman held a fiery red sphere in his hand, which appeared out of nowhere.

The fluctuation emitted by the sphere caused the faces of all the wizards except Fire Wolf to change.

A Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool!

In an instant, Eman's face turned pale, then returned to normal.

The sphere expanded to a diameter of a hundred meters, resembling a blazing sun, with countless lava debris inside, looking incredibly heavy.

Boom!

The sphere descended!

A smile appeared on Eman's lips!

"Die!"

Accompanied by a deafening explosion.

The armor on the black beast's body shattered completely, revealing the desiccated corpse of a woman inside. The eight tentacles began to dissolve and struggle in the blaze.

Seizing this opportunity, everyone's attacks surged forward. These seven were not to be underestimated; even a Level 5 black beast would sustain heavy injuries from their assault.

Atop Fire Wolf's head, a sea of flames hovered and crashed onto the black beast.

Finally, under the relentless assault, particularly from the Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool, the black beast ceased struggling and met its end in a tragic demise.

The seven Fourth-Circle wizards, accompanied by two Perfection-level adepts, plus the array and Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool, had indeed slain a Level 5 black beast!

Levi couldn't help but marvel at the world of wizards. Talents were everywhere.

He immediately began collecting the black flame meteorite iron ore, as did the others. Next came the individual prowess of each wizard.

Eman and Fire Wolf exchanged a glance.

In the next moment, lines of fire shot out from various parts of the cave, forming an impenetrable cage of flames, enveloping everyone except Eman and Fire Wolf.

“Are you two resorting to desperate measures already? If the Fire Bull family finds out about my demise, you should know the consequences,” the silent Fire Crow wizard spoke, eyeing the new Fourth Circle array with a cold tone.

“Fire Crow, you’re overthinking it. You’re just an external wizard; they won’t care,” Eman chuckled.

“What if the Fire Bull family learns of the Level 5 elemental ores here? If I die, my servants will immediately disclose this location to them... Can you two escape then?” Fire Crow suddenly grinned.

“You... didn’t we sign a confidentiality agreement? Don’t try to deceive me!” Eman’s expression shifted slightly.

“Whether I deceive you or not, you’ll find out soon enough,” Fire Crow said calmly.

“Well then, let’s lay our cards on the table. The Red Bone wizard is already on his way here from the Flaming Mountain... You two better not do anything foolish,” the Holy Flame Twins giggled.

“The Red Bone wizard? The nomadic wizard who’s a Fifth-Circle Perfection?”

“Exactly. Forgot to mention, my sister and I now serve Lord Red Bone together.” The Holy Flame Twins were confident.

“No more nonsense. Kill them all! We’ve already torn off the mask. What more do you want?” Fire Wolf, seeing Eman hesitate, immediately rebuked!

Instantly, the flames of the cage contracted, forcing the five into a corner.

They could only resist with protective force fields, while Eman, with a determined expression, immediately unleashed his innate spell, launching a terrifying attack toward them.

“Both of you from the Endless Sea, have you disclosed our affairs to others?” Eman attacked while asking. “If I let you two out, will you join forces to kill these people, and then owe me a life-and-death contract? I won’t harm you anymore and will even share some of the black flame meteorite iron ore with you! Only by joining forces can we escape from the Red Bone wizard’s clutches!”

“You two foreigners, do you think Eman will let you go? Now that the array is broken, we have a chance!” Fire Crow hurriedly spoke.

“Indeed, we’re all on the same front now,” the Holy Flame Twins added.

Marquis hesitated, asking via telepathy, “Lord Geralt, what should we do?”

The next moment, he saw Geralt’s body suddenly emit array items, which then entered the flame cage.

Immediately after, the flames of the cage extinguished abruptly, causing Fire Wolf’s expression to change dramatically. “He’s an array wizard! Eman, kill him first!”

As flames soared, filling the mining hall, amidst the radiance emerged a sturdy figure clad in crimson scales.

The Golden Snake Dance, Heaven Burning Crimson Emperor, and the gigantic beast Dharma Idol overlapped around him, with Divine Dragons of four colors shimmering in succession!

“Apologies... I’ll take everything!”

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Unknown secret realm.

In the abandoned mining hall, the crimson-scaled man extended his right hand.

At some point, a fiery crimson longsword had found its way into his palm, with a crimson dragon hovering over it, exuding a majestic aura.

Marquis was somewhat dazed at this moment, clearly not expecting things to turn out this way.

By now, the Fourth-Circle array meticulously arranged by Fire Wolf had already been extinguished.

In Eman's right hand, the fiery red sphere reappeared.

"Why was your Fourth-Circle array broken so quickly?" Eman asked as he cast his spell.

"Even a Fourth-Circle Wizard shouldn't have been able to break my array so quickly... Unless, this person had detected our plan from the start, so they were prepared long before." Fire Wolf's mind was filled with killing intent.

Meanwhile, Levi's Crimson Dragon Slash swung, accompanied by an unparalleled brilliance.

Fire Wolf was the primary target. As a Fourth-Circle array wizard, he was the most likely among them to thwart Levi's plans.

Around Fire Wolf, streams of light flowed incessantly, forming hexagram array patterns.

From within emerged a colossal flame demon shadow towering hundreds of meters high.

The flame demon spewed flames from its mouth, blocking the sword energy.

Seizing this opportunity, Fire Wolf began setting up a new array.

“Eman, create an opportunity for me. Just delay him for a while, and I can set up an array to trap him. Together, we can kill him!” Fire Wolf said.

On the other side, Eman, with a serious expression, watched as the fiery red sphere in his hand expanded once again. “I’ll trust you one more time!”

“This Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool, even with my spiritual force, only has the power of three strikes. If this attack fails, then it’s time to retreat. With Fire Wolf there, he should be able to hold him off,” Eman muttered to himself. His biggest trump card was this Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool.

He knew Geralt was formidable, so he didn’t even consider using his innate spells.

From the outset, it was all about unleashing the strongest move!

A massive magma fireball streaked across the sky, surrounded by scorching heat and light too intense to look at directly!

The Holy Flame Twins and other wizards, like Fire Crow Witch, were now too preoccupied to collect the Meteorite Iron. They all employed their skills, trying to escape from this fifth-circle onslaught.

On the other side, Fire Wolf was preparing another fourth-circle array.

Suddenly, a figure descended from above, with a vast phoenix wing that blocked out the sun!

It was Tyrant IV and the pilot Phoenix!

The Inferno Emperor Cannon and the Thunder God Cannon lit up simultaneously!

The wings behind them fully spread out, shooting out flames from every feather!

Fire Wolf's protective force field barely withstood the Inferno Emperor Cannon and the Thunder God Cannon, but he was struck by the feathers and fiery bird claws conjured by Phoenix!

"What a powerful alchemical creature... Is he from the Alchemy Hall?" Fire Wolf's fourth-circle Wizard Tool barely resisted this fierce attack.

However, he couldn't deploy another array, only able to engage in combat with Tyrant!

On the other side, the fireball exploded, causing extreme chaos.

In the blaze, the force field around the Fire Crow Witch flickered briefly before being destroyed, along with her Wizard Tool, melting away. Even as a member of the Burning Faction, she was fragile in front of this fifth-circle spell.

The Holy Flame Twins flew out a scroll, which unfurled to reveal a strange blood-red skeleton that lifted them, shielding them from the attack.

“Interesting... You little brats, prepare to die,” the blood-red skeleton sneered.

Taking advantage of the opportunity, the Holy Flame Twins hugged tightly, their chests pressing against each other, merging into a white flame amidst the entanglement and rotation.

The flame rushed directly towards the top of the mining hall, accompanied by a deafening rumble.

Before long, a passage burning with white flames formed, but the presence of the Holy Flame Twins vanished without a trace.

“D*mn it, two of them got away!” Eman cursed inwardly, using the fiery red sphere to shield himself.

The sword energy pounded against the sphere, causing it to wail continuously.

Eman cast a reluctant glance at the mine pit before turning to flee, disregarding the fact that his teammate Fire Wolf was still entangled with the alchemical creatures!

There was so much Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore left, enough to refine into three Fifth-Circle Wizard Tools!

The value of these raw materials alone was worth at least two to three million.

Eman's heart was bleeding!

Who would have thought that this inconspicuous foreigner would turn out to be so powerful!

Up until now, he still couldn't understand what kind of technique the terrifying sword energy attack belonged to. It was beyond the scope of a body-refining wizard.

On the other side, Marquis also emerged from the water. He looked miserable but surprisingly didn't die, indicating that he may have a chance of survival.

The Holy Flame Twins had escaped.

The Fire Crow Witch was dead.

Geralt seemed to be engaged in battle with Eman, who possessed the Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool, chasing them outside.

Fire Wolf was entangled by Geralt's alchemical creatures, unable to extricate himself.

He hesitated.

Should he go help Geralt kill Fire Wolf and Eman?

Or take advantage of their distraction, collect the Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore, and make a quick getaway, seizing the opportunity?

The answer was obvious!

Driven by greed, he had forgotten that he could escape because Geralt had broken Fire Wolf's fourth-circle array!

He also forgot the words of mutual assistance he had spoken with Geralt before entering the mine!

In the explosion just now, the ores had been blasted into pieces and sunk into the bottomless lake.

Marquis spent a lot of effort collecting all these ores.

He deliberately left some ore scattered on the shore and at the bottom of the lake, which was only one-third of the total amount.

In his shell-shaped storage bags, the remaining two-thirds of the ore piled up like small mountains.

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“D*mn it, with so much ore, selling it could fund my cultivation for a long time... It looks like that Red Bone wizard at the fifth-circle Perfection might come here. When that happens, everyone here will probably die! I need to leave this place immediately and return to the Endless Sea. I’m never coming back to this dump again!”

Marquis transformed into a blue light, ready to leave.

But he found that Geralt, who had just chased after Eman, had already returned.

“What bad luck. Suicide? Wasn’t it good enough for him to be a lackey for me?” Levi lamented inwardly.

Originally, he could have spared Eman, but since the other party didn’t cherish the opportunity, he had to let it go.

Marquis, seeing Levi return unscathed, felt hesitant and fearful.

“So soon? Even if he’s powerful, shouldn’t Eman with the Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool take longer to be captured... Could it be that Eman has already slipped away?”

As his thoughts turned, Marquis said, “Lord Geralt, I didn’t expect you to be a fourth-circle array wizard. I was able to escape today thanks to your help. When you return to the Endless Sea, you can find me at the Ocean Abyss Alliance... No merit, no reward. I don’t want the Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore anymore. It’s all yours.”

After saying that, Marquis quickly left.

Levi remained silent, watching Marquis’s retreating figure. He maintained his force field, clearly wary of Levi.

Levi extended his hand.

In his palm, a red fire dragon coalesced!

Boom! Fire Dragon Tribulation!

With a terrifying explosion, Marquis’s force field was directly shattered, leaving him half-dead.

“Lord Geralt, what is the meaning of this? I am a wizard of the Ocean Abyss Alliance,” Marquis threatened weakly.

“You took something you shouldn’t have,” Levi said indifferently.

Then he extended his giant hand and directly grabbed Marquis, taking his storage bags.

“I despise freeloaders the most!”

He was extremely angry inside.

Up until today, Levi had amassed nearly tens of millions of Aether Stones through hard work, hunting down dark wizards. He had taken numerous risks and even acted as a bait to enforce the law!

Marquis, this scoundrel, dared to steal the fruits of his labor!

“I don’t want any of these. They’re all yours. I still have some assets in the Ocean Abyss Alliance, and you can have them all... Please don’t kill me, I beg you. We’re both from the Endless Sea, so we’re practically fellow countrymen. There’s no need for us to kill each other in this foreign land. It was my mistake just now, and I apologize to you!”

Pfft!

Levi's longsword pierced through Marquis's skull, shattering it.

"Trash, don't even qualify to work for me."

Levi collected the spoils from the man's body.

After Marquis's death, the shark-shaped cyan tracking mark on him was swallowed by Leon before entering Levi's soul.

Dealing with wizards backed by powerful forces required ruthless measures. Otherwise, there would be trouble in the future. Even the use of Excalibur wouldn't guarantee safety.

If they sought help from some primordial soul elder to forcibly erase the contract, they would definitely seek revenge on Levi later.

Compared to them, nomadic wizards like Red Eye and blood vampires were relatively easier to deal with.

As Marquis's soul was devoured, his remains turned into Fate Coins to summon Owens.

Levi ruthlessly squeezed out every valuable thing from Marquis's body!

On the other side, Phoenix and Tyrant IV were suppressing Fire Wolf.

Although Fire Wolf was powerful, he had already used two fourth-circle arrays, which greatly depleted his energy.

With no one giving him the opportunity to set up arrays, he couldn't fully unleash his strength.

"You hid it quite well..."

"You pretended not to know how to set up arrays when you started, making us relax our guard.

"Then, when we were killing that black crow, you deliberately drank the potion to create the illusion that your strength was average.

Afterward, picking up some rubbish along the way to deepen our stereotype, making us think you were just a country bumpkin... You're really cunning!"

Fire Wolf said darkly. He knew he would undoubtedly die today, feeling deeply resentful and regretful.

He felt that it was his own carelessness that had led to all this!

“Can’t even handle my alchemical creatures, yet still want to play dirty tricks like that.” Levi’s Excalibur oath sword appeared behind him.

This Fire Wolf was quite strong, much stronger than the Black-Eyed Crow from before.

His spiritual force should be over four hundred.

“Under this sword, sign the contract according to my terms, and you’ll live... Otherwise, you die!” Levi said calmly.

“I, Fire Wolf, have been on the wizard’s journey for eight hundred years, with Children of Chaos’ talent. How could I become your slave? Wishful thinking! If it weren’t for my carelessness, it would be you dying today!” Fire Wolf suddenly recited a spell, his body expanding into a giant figure made of fire.

His spiritual force and soul intertwined, starting to overflow.

The 452 droplets of liquid spiritual force in his mind rolled and exploded!

“Let’s die together!”

The liquid spiritual force of the Fourth-Circle Wizard all exploded. Within Fire Wolf's mind, all spell models and talent models lit up!

Various spells were cast, crackling like fireworks, and a colorful array of attacks came crashing towards Levi, unavoidable!

His pride wouldn't allow him to become Levi's slave.

So, even if it meant burning his spiritual force and life with a secret technique, he would take Levi down with him.

Just to prove that his death today was merely due to carelessness, not because he was weaker than Levi!

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Boom!

In an instant, Levi's nine-layered defenses all lit up!

Just tearing through Levi's five layers of defense... the explosion dissipated silently.

“You!”

Fire Wolf’s blurry remnant soul revealed a resentful expression.

Even his most sublime strike couldn’t penetrate the enemy’s defense?

How ridiculous.

His final pride and dignity were ruthlessly crushed by the unmoving figure before him.

“Despicable! Despicable! It’s all because of my Children of Chaos talent hindering my path as a wizard. If there’s a next life, even if I’m only given a double affinity talent, I would have the confidence to enter the primordial soul!”

With a sucking force, this resentful remnant soul was directly sucked away by a strange bug, swallowed whole.

“Thinking about another life? In the next life, you’d still be Leon’s piece of crap!”

Levi put away Leon, feeling regretful.

This Fire Wolf and Eman were ruthless indeed.

After hundreds of years of hard practice, they willingly gave up like this.

“Don’t like being a lackey, huh? Without hardship, how can you taste the sweetness of success? Better to be alive than dead. This understanding is far from that of Red Eye and blood vampires.”

Levi collected the things exploded by Fire Wolf without checking, then went back to the bottom of the lake in the mining hall. He collected the remaining Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore, including the remaining parts of the black beast’s corpse.

After doing all this, Levi quickly flashed his Hermit Rune and flew towards the entrance.

When he reached this side of the entrance, Levi was about to step out.

His hand was sweaty, and he felt alert.

“There’s someone waiting outside! F*ck, could it be those Red Bone wizards... or maybe people from the Fire Bull family? Anyway, whoever can give me this feeling must be a Fifth-Circle Wizard!”

Levi thought for a moment and immediately turned back. He randomly chose a direction and flew towards the depths of the secret realm.

His intuition told him that someone outside might have arrived long before, but he hadn't come in to save trouble or for fear of ambushes inside. Since there was only one exit in the secret realm, he could just wait there. No matter who won in the end, they would have to come out eventually.

He might have even set up an array outside and arranged manpower.

Then, he would capture all those who explored the secret realm in one fell swoop!

If it were Levi, he would probably do the same.

With that in mind, Levi plunged into the black mountains.

Finding a place, he carved out a shelter, set up a concealment array, and rested to meditate.

“Red Bone wizards are Fifth-Circle Perfection, and anyone who can be called Perfection is no longer just a simple Fifth-Circle senior. Their spiritual force is close to 1000 points, far exceeding mine threefold. My Hermit Rune is completely ineffective against them. The gap in the realm is too vast. Forcing my way through is definitely not an option!

“If what the Fire Crow Witch said is true, the Fire Bull family will probably send Fifth-Circle Wizards too. If the two sides clash, I might have a chance.

“And, there should be other Fifth-Level black beasts in this secret realm, another force I can exploit.”
Levi schemed inwardly.

He wasn't in a hurry; with his strength, a few tricks would be enough to escape.

Thinking this, Levi took out the spoils from exploring the secret realm and began to count.

First was the fiery red sphere, undoubtedly a Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool.

Its power was considerable, capable of killing black beasts, mainly relying on this tool.

“I'll identify it later.”

Levi continued searching in Eman's storage bags.

“This darn thing still has a large chunk of Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore inside.” Levi couldn't help but curse under his breath as he collected the ore.

“With this much Black Flame Meteorite Iron ore collected, refining a heavy armor wouldn't be a problem. If I refine light armor, I could still have some left to refine a Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool!”

With this Black Flame Meteorite Iron and the Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool, Levi estimated he had already earned several million.

He suddenly felt that spending so much money at the Flaming Mountain market wasn't such a big deal after all.

"All my spending can return with my talent..." Levi felt a bit smug inwardly.

In addition, in Eman's storage bags, there were over 500,000 Aether Stones, some spell knowledge, and a red book with a quaint style, depicting a majestic aerial city.

"The Book of Noen."

Levi probably perused it. After finishing, he felt excited, seemingly happier than obtaining a Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool.

"Artifact Making Inheritance, and it's high-level..."

Noen City was one of the nine celestial cities, comparable to organizations like the Witch's Family.

Noen City excelled in artifact making, ranking high among the nine cities.

The Book of Noen recorded hundreds of wizard tool designs and corresponding runic knowledge.

Among them were nine Fourth-Circle Wizard Tools, three Fifth-Circle Wizard Tools, and a Soul Artifact design.

“This level of knowledge, especially that Soul Artifact, is truly priceless. Where did Eman come from to possess something like this?” Levi couldn’t help but be astonished.

With doubt lingering, he continued his search, eventually finding a compilation by Eman herself titled “Eman’s Memoir on Weapon Making Insights.”

After flipping through some experiment logs, Levi had his answer.

Eman was once a wizard in Noen City, part-time as a Fourth-Circle weapon craftsman. Through fortuitous circumstances, he obtained The Book of Noen and the Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool, possibly through theft or robbery.

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In any case, he left Noen City and secluded himself in the wizard market on Flaming Mountain, afraid to return.

In The Book of Noen, Levi discovered a Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool called the “Secret Fire Sphere,” identical to Eman’s.

He was delighted.

“It seems I don’t need to go for identification.”

With his current weapon-making knowledge, he quickly understood how to use the Secret Fire Sphere.

The Wizard Tool solidified over twenty-third and fourth-circle spells, along with two fifth-circle spells.

Its functions were straightforward.

One was a fifth-circle attack spell called “Solar Aggregation,” and the other was a fifth-circle defensive spell called “Stellar Halo.”

“Solar Aggregation is the advanced version of my fourth-circle spell, Solar Strike. When perfected, its power should surpass even the World Burning Flame Snake.”

Overall, this Fifth-Circle Wizard Tool was relatively ordinary compared to Levi’s Fire Ouroboros. After all, the latter could teleport and was a familial heirloom, possibly unique in the world.

Meanwhile, the Secret Fire Sphere was a standardized wizard tool produced in Noen City, nothing extraordinary.

Even so, it could easily fetch one to two million Aether Stones at an auction.

“Eman really hit the jackpot. I hope Fire Wolf doesn’t disappoint,” Levi muttered as he searched through Fire Wolf’s storage bags.

There were over 700,000 Aether Stones, two fourth-circle Wizard Tools, and knowledge of spells...

Finally, in Noen’s storage bags, Levi found a book.

It was clearly an inheritance book.

He looked at the cover, where a crimson single eye blinked at him.

“Book of Cypher...”

He quickly pulled another “Book of Cypher” from his storage bag.

These two “Book of Cypher” looked identical in format and style, except Levi’s was much smaller than Fire Wolf’s!

There were also slight differences in the crimson single eye on the covers.

Levi's book had a left eye, while this one had a right eye.

"It seems like the Book of Cypher has been divided into two parts. I previously obtained the upper volume, and this one should be the lower volume... Otherwise, where did Fire Wolf get his knowledge of arrays?"

Levi glanced through it.

As he suspected, this Book of Cypher contained knowledge of arrays ranging from third to fifth circle levels.

Of course, it also contained lower-level array knowledge, but none of it overlapped with what Levi had obtained before.

Levi compared the two books.

Suddenly, the Book of Cypher from Fire Wolf's possession split open a large mouth and swallowed Levi's book whole...

In a sudden turn of events, Levi's expression changed slightly.

He had already mastered all the arrays in that book, so being eaten wasn't a big deal, but there was something eerie about this book.

The Book of Cypher burped, and its blood-red single eye unexpectedly transformed into a pair of eyes.

One large and one small, the eyes, filled with bloodshot veins, were curiously sizing up Levi.

Levi flipped through the Book of Cypher again and found that the knowledge from both books had been fully integrated.

"Are you the artefact spirit of the Book of Cypher?" Levi asked.

The blood-red eyes closed, ignoring Levi.

"There should be another Book of Cypher... Without a doubt, it contains knowledge of high-level arrays. This book has been artificially split into several parts and scattered throughout the wizarding world."

If he hadn't come here himself, Levi might have thought it was just an ordinary array inheritance book.

Now, it seemed that this book, or rather, its creator Cypher, was not ordinary...

In addition to array inheritance, there were also some array items on Fire Wolf, such as array flags and array swords, all of which Levi gladly accepted.

Next, Levi cleaned out Marquis and the Fire Crow Witch's storage bags.

Marquis was quite poor, not even having a fourth-circle Wizard Tool. Perhaps it was destroyed in the recent battle. He only had 200,000 Aether Stones, a pauper indeed.

The Fire Crow Witch, on the other hand, had nearly 600,000 Aether Stones and some spell knowledge from the Fire Bull family.

Finally, Levi found a blue book on Marquis.

"Introduction to the Sea Clan's Body Tempering Technique."

"The Sea Clan's Body Tempering Technique? This guy doesn't seem like someone who practices body tempering..." Levi glanced at the introduction of the body tempering technique and suddenly realized something.

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In the wizarding world, body-refining wizards were few and far between, and among them, those at the level of primordial soul were even rarer, numbering only a few dozen across all schools of magic.

However, the Ocean Abyss Alliance had several such individuals!

This was because they started teaching the basics of body tempering to apprentices from the very beginning, and it was mandatory education for all members with an affinity for water elements. Even those of mixed Sea Clan heritage had to learn!

And this mandatory education program was precisely what “Introduction to the Sea Clan’s Body Tempering Technique” entailed.

This technique was modeled after the practices of the Sea Clan, enhancing a wizard’s physical qualities and melee abilities, while also unlocking some of the bloodline abilities of mixed Sea Clan wizards.

After graduating from apprentice wizard status, the Sea Clan’s body tempering technique was no longer compulsory.

Only those who demonstrated talent, perseverance, and determination in body tempering would continue to receive the next level of the technique.

Therefore, Levi had only obtained the introductory volume for apprentice wizards, with subsequent volumes covering low-level, middle-level, and even high-level techniques!

“So that’s why Salman became a body-refining wizard after joining the Ocean Abyss Alliance. He must have exceptional talent in body tempering,” Levi mused to himself.

“Unfortunately, the higher-level stages of the technique are closely guarded secrets of the Ocean Abyss Alliance. Unless one joins them, learning is impossible. Otherwise, I’d be curious to see if my Deep Blue Sage body tempering technique is superior to the Sea Clan’s.”