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Chapter 1221 Fatal Crisis 2

As the Natural Demiplane appeared behind Lin Yun, his consumed mana was restored in an instant and the throbbing of his soul stabilized. Enderfa and Syudos floated back to Lin Yun's side. Enderfa's three faces had distorted expressions, they gritted their teeth and glared at those few Heaven Puppets before cursing, "These repulsive iron cans can actually use these kinds of tricks?! Damn b*stards, f*ckers, I'll tear them all apart.

"Merlin, are you okay...?"

Lin Yun took a few breaths before shaking his head.

"I'm fine."

Puppets' tactics used their natural advantage: computing ability. Whether it was their fighting system or their battle system, they all worked based on calculations.

These puppets' fighting systems were terrifyingly powerful, and their computing ability was even scarier as they captured all details on the battlefield to a terrifyingly degree.

The cannons on their right arms were their most powerful mean of attack and would be released when they found the best opportunity. Every blow was deadly.

He had just neglected one important detail... These were Heaven Puppets!

They awakened wisdom, and their battle systems had great cooperation ability, their goal was to eliminate intruders, it didn't matter who did it.

The bombardment of Frostbolts reduced the Law Runic Shield's defense, the powerful Exploding Rays were keeping the Law Runic Shield's defensive power active while the most powerful Critical Hit Puppet attacked at the exact same time. With the help of that Steel Body Puppet, it instantly crossed a hundred meters and used the power of the momentum, along with its own power, to land an extremely powerful blow.

It instantly tore apart the eighty thousand law runes forming the Law Runic Shield!

That perfect attack and perfect cooperation was deadly, even for Lin Yun!

At the crucial moment, Lin Yun came to a realization. Relying on that wisp of enlightenment, he managed to delay that Critical Hit Puppet's attack, and by the time the other side's power was almost exhausted, he used a simple Mana Shield to resist.

It was the first time his Law Runic Shield was forcibly torn apart. Even the powerful enemies he had met before never managed to tear apart his Law Runic Shield.

The feeling of being near death shrouded his mind. This was a feeling he had never felt before, and he finally understood the key to advancing to the Heaven Rank.

He had previously felt that it was due to fighting intent. He had never fought to his heart content as the outcome of his battles had always been in the palm of his hand. The rhythm, the outcome, and even the process was entirely planned.

But advancing to the Heaven Rank wasn't something that could be controlled, and no one could use the process of others' Extraordinary Transformation for their own.

Aside from those using that Golden Temptation Potion, the key part and process of the Extraordinary Transformation would be different and they had to figure it out themselves.

But now, Lin Yun finally discovered what he needed to advance to the Heaven Rank.

Every single step since the start of his magic path had been perfect, he had the strongest Magic Conducting Rune, the most powerful Core Meditation Law Sets, and even fused with the skull of the God of Wisdom, which was known as the source of all wisdom.

And thus, his magic path was already perfect. His foundation was powerful to the point where it could be compared to a large plane's planar barrier. That gate in the depths of his soul was his own shackles.

A foundation too formidable would actually be harder to break through and completing the Extraordinary Transformation would be even more difficult.

Lin Yun wasn't able to break through that ancient gate, but he now knew how to do it.

It wasn't through control, but through the most basic instinct. The instinct to become even more powerful, or it might be better to call it survival instinct!

This was the most powerful thing, something completely beyond his control, and this was also the way to complete his Extraordinary Transformation. The fiercer his battles and the more powerful his opponents, the more the gate would shake. It was because of his will to live, he didn't want to die... He really didn't want to die again.

That kind of power was the source of all power and would rouse all his potential.

Lin Yun floated in the air with a bright expression.

He slowly raised his Draconic Staff and an ancient scales' shadow floated under his feet. Enderfa's three faces solemnly controlled the Spell Wheel to float on the right tray, while Syudos controlled the Book of Mantras to float on the left tray.

Boundless radiance covered the surroundings as the Book of Death's Element Chapter was roused to its peak. It transformed into a multi-colored ray of light that enveloped Lin Yun.

The Purple Dragon's shadow faced up and roared while holding onto the wheel shadow. As the power of the elements floated in the surroundings, countless law runes autonomously converged towards Lin Yun's body, forming a new Law Runic Shield.

On the ground, the Steel Body Puppet raised its tower shield while the Critical Hit Puppet hid behind it. The two casting puppets raised their arms and repeatedly shot Firebolts and Frostbolts.

On the ground, the remaining few level 39 puppets also kept casting.

A large number of spells impacted Lin Yun's shield, but most of the bolt spells distorted as they approached Lin Yun's body and their paths were altered, sending them flying elsewhere.

The wheel shadow behind Lin Yun kept revolving and countless law runes kept spurting out, continuously condensing Four Element Bomb that fell down like rain.

Enderfa controlled the Spell Wheel, which had its power raised to an Extraordinary Magic Tool. His elemental storms combined with Syudos floods of flames and the level 39 puppets within several hundred meters had to face the attacks of two Extraordinary Magic Tools they were no match for. They were quickly and thoroughly eliminated.

The attacks of the two Extraordinary Magic Tools, along with Lin Yun's rain of Four Element Bombs, pressured the four Heaven Puppets. They were temporarily suppressed after their burst.

Soon, the two casting puppets took refuge behind the silver Steel Body Puppet as it was blocking Lin Yun's attack with its huge tower shield. There was four to five Four Element Bombs falling down every second, but it only took one or two steps back. The tower shield was made from some unknown material, and with the buff of the Steel Body Rune, its defensive power reached a terrifying level.

It firmly resisted many attacks and only some burnt marks remained on the surface of the shield. The glossy surface was no longer glossy, but the shield wasn't affected.

The four Heaven Puppets had yet to suffer an injury after half a minute. However, the burst power of Lin Yun's Equilibrium Law could only last about a minute. After that, he would lose that explosive burst power.

Constantine and the other Sword Saints no longer had an opponent. They were hiding in the distance and watched the two battlefields, unable to intervene in either of them.

Laibo's strength slowly started to decline. The burst of power from burning half of his vitality wasn't something he could maintain for a long period of time. If he continued to burn his vitality, he would die even if he won the fight.

He was put into a dangerous situation by the four melee Heaven Puppets, and as his strength kept declining, he finally failed to block an attack from the Heavy Strike Puppet, that powerful power seeped into Laibo's body and sent him flying.

He started spurting blood and even fragments of his organs in the air. When he got hit by the Heavy Strike, a part of Laibo's aura was scattered and it decreased at a hastened speed.

At this time, the Heavy Strike Puppet and a Lightning Speed Puppet changed their target and rushed to the other side to back up the four Heaven Puppets besieging Lin Yun.

On the other side, the four suppressed Heaven Puppets hadn't emerged from behind the shield. They only broke away from the suppression when the Heavy Strike and the Lightning Speed Puppets appeared.

The Lightning Speed Puppet was the first one to appear behind Lin Yun, its thin swords stabbing towards Lin Yun's vitals. When they clashed against the Law Runic Shield, they roused seven thousand to eight thousand law runes. Even the strongest piercing attack roused less than ten thousand law runes.

But this broke Lin Yun's attacking pattern. The Heavy Strike Puppet rushed over, the greatswords in its hands fiercely slamming towards Lin Yun's Law Runic Shield and its power seeped inside the Law Runic Shield and interrupted Lin Yun's casting.

With the six Heaven Puppets besieging him, even if Lin Yun burst out with all his power, he could only be suppressed.

The Lightning Speed Puppet was like a phantom that kept harassing him, always rousing eight thousand law runes on the Law Runic Shield, consuming 10% of the Law Runic Shield's defense at all times.

As for that Frost Weaken casting puppet, it was continuously releasing Frostbolts to weaken Lin Yun's defenses. This took care of another 20% of the Law Runic Shield's defense.

The other casting puppet's ordinary Firebolts consumed 10% of the defensive power, but if it used Exploding Rays, it would consume 20% to 30% of the defensive power.

The Critical Hit Puppet and the Heavy Strike Puppet only needed one perfect coordinated attack and they could blow up Lin Yun's shield before tearing him apart.

There was half a minute left, yet Lin Yun was still suppressed. His offensives were pretty much useless as they simply had no effect on the Steel Body Puppet.

Lin Yun took out the Bloodsobbing Holysong Potion and unhesitantly swallowed it. His aura instantly rose up, and apart from Extraordinary Power being missing, Lin Yun's aura could already compare to a Heaven Rank powerhouse.

At this time, only one of the two puppets pressuring Laibo stayed behind as the Monstrous Power Puppet joined in attacking Lin Yun.

Seven puppets with upper grade ability rune. Every single one could display the power of a Peak 1st Rank Heaven powerhouse. Four of them could even burst with the power of 2nd Rank Heaven powerhouses.

Under such circumstances, even if Lin Yun took the Bloodsobbing Holysong Potion, he could only suppress his opponents and couldn't get rid of any of them.

These seven puppets' coordination and tacit understanding had reached an unreasonable degree. The strength they displayed was even more powerful than it had been moments ago.

As seconds slowly passed, Lin Yun's burst window was slowly escaping his grasp. He barely managed to send out a powerful attack that could get rid of that Heavy Strike Puppet, but that Lightning Speed Puppet saved it.

The Law Runic Bomb could be resisted by that Steel Body Puppet and the price to pay would only be a part of the shield tower.

"Merlin, what can we do now? There isn't enough time..."

Two of Enderfa's faces were loudly chanting incantations while the third one turned towards Lin Yun to inquire with an anxious expression.

Whether it was the Equilibrium Law's power or the Bloodsobbing Holysong Potion's power, they were restricted by time, especially the Bloodsobbing Holysong Potion Lin Yun just drank. The potion instantly took effect, but could only last half a minute.

After half a minute, the power of the Bloodsobbing Holysong would dissipate, and at that time, he would be able to display a third to a fourth of his power.

And then, the seven puppets wouldn't need more than ten seconds to tear him apart.

Time slowly passed as the deadlock continued. But Lin Yun wasn't anxious, he was becoming calmer and calmer while the flames burning in his soul started raging with even more power.

Within that endless darkness, raging flames were covering that ancient gate. Those multi-colored flames rapidly spread towards the void and illuminated the darkness.

Seconds slowly passed as he slowly approached death.

The closer to death, the more intense the survival instinct in the depths of his soul, and the hotter the raging flames burned.

'Survive...

'Must survive...

'I can't die again...

'I didn't die at the end of the Magic Era to die here...'

After half a minute, that ancient copper-colored scale shadow dissipated and the Spell Wheel's power immediately fell from the Extraordinary Grade to the True Spirit Grade.

The Bloodsobbing Holysong Potion's power also dissipated and Lin Yun's aura sharply decreased.

And at this time, the seven Heaven Puppets that had been suppressed suddenly burst out with their strongest power.

A Frostbolt hit Lin Yun's Law Runic Shield first. Not only did its power rouse the law runes, it even greatly weakened the Law Runic Shield's power.

Less than a second later, the Exploding Ray fell onto the Law Runic Shield.

The power of the Heavy Strike Puppet's Heavy Strike shook the stable Lin Yun while the Monstrous Strength Puppet fiercely bombarded Lin Yun's Law Runic Shield.

On the other side, Laibo's strength had sharply plummeted and he ended up stabbed a few times by the Lightning Speed Puppet. Even his heart was pierced. And now, that Lightning Speed Puppet joined the other Lightning Speed Puppet to besiege Lin Yun.

The coordination of two Lightning Speed Puppets wasn't something a single Lightning Speed Puppet could compare to. The two Lightning Speed Puppets' speed already exceeded what Lin Yun's eyes could catch.

He could only rely on mana and his Magic Array to catch the traces of the two puppets. But this was no longer useful.

The two Lightning Speed Puppets' thin swords focused on attacking Lin Yun's head and hearts, stabbing towards those two vital parts a dozen times every single second. The rapid attacks kept challenging the limits of Lin Yun's Law Runic Shield.

As his strength sharply fell, the power of the Law Runic Shield also rapidly fell. Facing the attacks of six puppets, the Law Runic Shield was already at its limits, just a little more power and it would be torn apart.

But clearly, the Critical Hit Puppet didn't plan on making a move. Lin Yun had resisted the perfect coordination earlier, and even if there were four more puppets, it might not necessarily be able to instantly kill Lin Yun.

The Critical Hit Puppet had a frail defense, all of its power was focused on offense. If it attacked the enemy now, the best outcome would be the destruction of the Law Runic Shield.

And thus, the Critical Hit Puppet was waiting. Waiting for the other puppets to find the limits of Lin Yun's defenses, waiting for the Steel Body Puppet to slowly get close to Lin Yun.

With Lin Yun's current power, one hit would be enough. Just one full-strength attack from the Critical Hit Puppet could pierce Lin Yun's heart or head.

Time slowly passed and Lin Yun's situation was becoming increasingly dangerous. He had been able to counterattack earlier, but now, he was completely suppressed by the eight Heaven Puppets.

In the distance, Laibo had fallen on the ground with a pale complexion. He had already consumed more than half of his lifeforce. More than half of his black hair had turned silvery white, and his remaining lifeforce had gathered on his heart, restoring his pierced heart to maintain his life.

Mariana and the others, who hadn't suffered many injuries, rushed to Laibo's side with desperate expressions.

Mariana helped Laibo into a sitting position. Seeing the eight Heaven Puppets suppressing Lin Yun to the point where he couldn't retaliate, Laibo actually remained calm.

"Mariana, Constantine, remember this. We are disciples of the Secret Monastery, and although we live in seclusion, away from the world, we inherited mankind's most ancient willpower. Once Sir Mafa loses, we can't just wait for these iron cans to get rid of us.

"We have to fight to the last moment. But do remember, Sir Mafa is our benefactor. We can't resent Sir Mafa because we are on the verge of death.

"If not for Sir Mafa, we would have already died here..."

After saying those few sentences, Laibo became even paler. His heart, and many of his organs, had been pierced by those sharp swords. He was now relying on his huge lifeforce to halt his death... Or it would be better to say that if he was in a safe space, Laibo would be able to recover.

Unfortunately, a lack of power in this place was no different from death.

Mariana pursed up her lips and nodded.

“Rest assured, senior apprentice brother Laibo, no one can defeat the strongest Mariana. I won’t admit defeat and my situation has nothing to do with others...”

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The few people next to Laibo and Mariana all had desperate expressions. This was more cruel than waiting for death, but death would come regardless. They would be next once the eight Heaven Puppets got rid of Lin Yun. Right now, they were just a bunch of trashes that weren’t even worthy of the puppets’ energy, because they were already dead

Constantine had an unwilling expression. He looked at Lin Yun’s battle with despair and resentment.

‘It’s because of that guy! If not for him, we wouldn’t have come to this damned array. Why didn’t he discover this problem ahead of time? Isn’t he an alchemist? How could he have not discovered so many puppets?!

‘We barely managed to survive so far but we are going to die here, waiting for a group of damned puppets to cut us apart. I don’t want this! I am the youngest genius of the Secret Monastery, the most promising disciple with the highest chances of becoming a Heaven Rank powerhouse... Yet I have to wait for my death here.

‘It’s all because of that damned Mafa Merlin. Wasn’t he very powerful? Why is he about to be beheaded, no, torn apart. His body is even going to be cut into pieces and his soul will be destroyed...’

Constantine was unresigned, and so were the others, including Lin Yun himself

Lin Yun’s power remained at the same level throughout the fight due to the Natural Demiplane supporting him. He had endless mana to support himself in battle, but as the high-intensity battle lasted longer and longer, the power he could display unavoidably started decreasing.

The battle with these puppets required a huge energy consumption. Their coordination was perfect, which forced Lin Yun to keep fighting perfectly to resist.

But the pressure increased as the Steel Body Puppet slowly approached with its raised shield.

The fight was still going on ten seconds later, a minute later, three minutes later, five minutes later...

The encirclement of the eight puppets was getting smaller and smaller, while the strength they were displaying kept increasing. More importantly, that Steel Body Puppet was already ten meters away, and the Critical Hit Puppet, protected by the Steel Body Puppet, could already burst with its strongest attack.

Suddenly, an Exploding Ray hit the Ten Thousand Spell Wheel and Enderfa rushed back into it with a scream as the Magic Tool was sent flying.

At the same time, the Heavy Strike Puppet’s weapon fell onto the Book of Mantras and sent it flying.

Having lost Enderfa and Syudos’ help, Lin Yun’s counterattacking power instantly decreased by half.

Lin Yun’s face was pale and devoid of color, yet was as calm as a peaceful lake. But in the depths of his soul, the raging flames were becoming even fiercer.

'Can't die, have to win, can't die here...

'I absolutely can't die, I have to survive! I have to establish the Shelter Tower and learn the truth about the end of the Magic Era, I have to transcend...

'I haven't advanced to the Heaven Rank yet, how could I die here! I can't be killed...'

The intense battle and deathly pressure squeezed every bit of potential. This was also the first time Lin Yun didn't have any distracting thoughts during battle since his rebirth.

Faintly, that illusory skull emitting a multi-colored radiance merged with Lin Yun's skull and truly integrated with him.

The endless void within his mind already turned into a world of colorful radiances with the ancient gate standing in the center. A clear crack could already be seen on the surface of the gate.

But it was already too late. And Lin Yun had already forgotten about that matter, the only thought remaining in his mind was survival. It was a simple instinct, a pure thought coming from his body and soul.

Lin Yun's expression was still calm but he had already forgotten himself in this battle. His body was like a puppet controlled by a battle system, accurately completing the fighting procedures.

He could only display the power of the 1st Rank of the Heaven realm, yet was able to forcibly resist the eight Heaven Puppets. And among these eight Heaven Puppets, four burst with the power of the 2nd Rank.

The eight puppets together could easily get rid of a 2nd Rank Heaven Sword Saint, yet Lin Yun was able to resist with the power of the 1st Rank.

Ten minutes passed and the Steel Body Puppet finally forced its way within five meters of Lin Yun

This was the attacking range of the Steel Body Puppet, and this also meant that the number of attacking puppets had increased from six to seven.

The Steel Body Puppet was most proficient in defense, but that didn't mean that its attacking power was weak, it could also display the power of the 1st Rank of the Heaven realm.

A Frostbolt hit Lin Yun's shield, closely followed by an Exploding Ray. The Heavy Strike Puppet then shook the Law Runic Shield once more while the Monstrous Strength Puppet, the Steel Body Puppet and the two Lightning Speed Puppets' attacks landed almost simultaneously.

The seven puppets' attacks landed within a second and their coordination was perfect, the time interval was also perfect.

The weakening Frostbolt arrived first, and not only did it weaken Lin Yun's defenses, it was also the first wave of impact which was closed followed by the most powerful Exploding Ray. Moreover, the explosion caused extra damage because they were of opposite elements.

Then, the Heavy Strike Puppet used the permeating power of the Heavy Strike to shake the law runes and make the shield's defenses instantly fall sharply. At the same time, it increased the number of law runes roused.

The Monstrous Strength Puppet and the Steel Body Puppet only raised the number of throbbing law runes, while the Lightning Speed Puppets' attacks landed on Lin Yun's back.

Numerous thin swords kept flickering, attacking a few dozen times at the same spot. The operating process of the Law Runic Shield focused on the spots that were suffering frequent attacks, and the surrounding law runes were all gathered and kept increasing the defensive power.

But as the law runes on Lin Yun's Law Runic Shield gathered towards the back, the Critical Hit, who had been standing on stand by, finally appeared before Lin Yun with its dagger in hand. A fierce and oppressive power converged at the tip of the dagger as it ruthlessly stabbed towards Lin Yun's front.

In the distance, Laibo faintly sighed before struggling to stand up, weak deathless aura flickering on his body.

"Get ready, Sir Mafa has been fighting to the bitter end like a true warrior. It'll soon be our turn to show our final radiance and make these puppets experience our Secret Monastery's radiant aura."

Laibo had a calm expression, it could be seen from his gaze that he had already accepted death. As for Mariana and the other six, they were either unresigned, despairing, or resentful, but they could only hold their weapons for the final all-out battle.

In the center of the battlefield, the Critical Hit Puppet's dagger pierced at the weakest part of the Law Runic Shield. The Law Runic Shield had been at its limits, and just being touched by the Critical Hit Puppet's dagger made it explode like a bubble.

That attack absolutely had the power of the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm and it fiercely hit Lin Yun on his chest.

And the various attacks pressuring the Law Runic Shield landed alongside it.

"Boom..."

A fierce explosion echoed as the radiance and fierce power covering the entire sky thoroughly burst out. The Critical Hit Puppet passed through the explosion area with the dagger in its hands.

The power of the dagger was already dissipating, and that hit had clearly made Lin Yun's body explode. Bone fragments couldn't even be found.

In the distance, Syudos and Enderfa came out of their Magic Tools and seemed to have gone crazy.

Enderfa's three faces appeared dejected as he shouted, "Merlin! You b*stard! How could you die like this!"

As a Magic Tool Incarnation, he felt his connection to Lin Yun being severed in an instant. There was only one explanation, his master had died.

The eight Puppets also stopped their attack at that moment and calmly turned to look at Laibo and the others. Only one of the puppets remained in its fighting state. It raised its weapon as it looked at them.

But then, an ancient and boundless faint aura surged at the spot Lin Yun exploded from.

The puppet that was about to get rid of Laibo and the others immediately changed direction and looked towards the chaotic area. The other seven Heaven Rank Puppets also reactivated their fighting state and data flooded their red crystal eyes.

That wisp of aura made people feel like they were drifting within a vast starry sky, and the chaotic energies in the center of the battlefield dissipated, seeming expelled by an irresistible power.

A multi-colored illusory radiance shone in the center of the battlefield, multi-colored flames pierced through the ancient aura and an ancient gate appeared before their eyes.

After the ancient gate appeared, it rapidly expanded up to nine meters before calmly standing there.

The gate seemed to have been carved out of stone and its surface was full of ancient patterns. They seemed to lack meaning, but those simple patterns contained a lot of information.

The flickering crystal eyes of the eight puppets suddenly stopped flickering. The calculations they did on that door almost burnt their computing system.

And the strangest thing was that the gate was standing there, but no matter the angle, the gate was facing its onlookers.

“Senior... Senior apprentice brother Laibo.. What is this thing?”

Mariana had a lifeless expression as she stammered while looking at the door.

Laibo was also stunned, he didn't know what was happening;

“I feel that Sir Mafa might still be alive, and we'd better stay away...”

Laibo led the team from the Secret Monastery to keep withdrawing, but as they walked alongside the barrier into the distance, Mariana couldn't help doubtfully inquiring, “Senior apprentice brother Laibo, what is that thing? I feel like my soul is being pressured, and no matter where I walk, that gate is still facing me...”

In the distance, Syudos and Enderfa controlled their Magic Tools and flew in the air. Seeing that ancient gate, Enderfa's three faces were stunned and his disbelief soon turned to joy.

“Syudos! Do you know what that thing is?”

Enderfa's face distorted as he looked at Syudos. Syudos' eyes were filled with doubt as he didn't truly understand.

“Of course you wouldn't know, even I didn't expect that thing to really exist. Merlin really didn't die. I knew it! How could puppets kill Merlin...” Another face howled with laughter.

The middle face was twisting in joy.

“The Gate of Rebirth, damn, it’s actually the Gate of Rebirth. That scoundrel Merlin really possesses the legendary perfect foundation and used the perfect attitude to advance on the magic path. Now, he is undergoing rebirth, he is evolving into another kind of extraordinary lifeform!”

Enderfa was so overjoyed he couldn’t suppress himself. He originally thought that Lin Yun had died but hadn’t expected such a great surprise instead.

It was one of the legends of the Era of Gods that disappeared over the course of the Nesser Dynasty.

It was because this legend had no basis. In the legends, a lifeform could establish a perfect foundation, from the very start of their path to the Heaven Rank. Every single step had to be perfect to establish that perfect foundation.

And that perfect foundation might be so powerful that it couldn’t be broken. The difficulty in advancing to the Heaven Rank would be inconceivable, but as long as that lifeform broke through, they would complete the most perfect Extraordinary Transformation.

The degree of completion of the Extraordinary Transformation related to the path they walked, and during the Era of Gods, the most perfect foundation belonged to Constance, the God of Wisdom. Even that theory was said to have come from the mouth of the God of Wisdom.

But Gods were born without going through these processes. That so-called legend was only one of the countless unreliable legends and didn’t spread during the Nesser Dynasty. No one knew about it now.

Aside from Gods who were born at the Heaven Rank, no one could perfectly complete the Extraordinary Transformation.

Humans were just humans, no matter how they completed the Extraordinary Transformation, they were transformed based on their original bodies’ foundation. The degree of their transformation was already determined and was related to a mage’s limits.

The higher the degree of completion of the Extraordinary Transformation, the further they could walk on the path of magic. Even if that matter wasn’t absolute, it was classified as an universal truth.

Just like those people who took the Golden Temptation Potion. Their future limit might be at the 5th Rank of the Heaven realm and it would be very difficult for them to advance from there.

But this wasn’t absolute, because too many mages stopped at the 9th Rank of the Archmage realm until their deaths, but if they advanced to the Heaven Rank, they would have had a lot of time to continue searching a path forward.

Those who relied on their own strengths to advance to the Heaven Rank and broke their own limits to complete the Extraordinary Transformation would just have better prospects to make it further on the path of magic.

And the Gate of Rebirth would only appear in the depths of a mage’s sea of consciousness when their foundation was perfect enough. If a crack could be opened on the Gate of Rebirth, the resulting Extraordinary Transformation would far surpass the ordinary Heaven Mage.

Like that, as long as they didn’t die mid-way, they would be able to advance to the 9th Rank of the Heaven realm, and it would only be a matter of time before they transcended the Heaven realm.

But no one ever thought that the Gate of Rebirth was real.

Because a perfect Extraordinary Transformation wasn't a transformation of the original foundation, it was a true rebirth, even hair would be reborn.

The Gate of Rebirth's huge power would destroy the mage's body when summoned and everything would undergo perfect rebirth. Then, the body that underwent the perfect Extraordinary Transformation would push open the Gate of Rebirth, coming out from within the gate.

And the most important sign of the Gate of Rebirth was that no matter the angle, everyone could only see its front, because only the mage itself could leave the Gate of Rebirth, not having to face its front.

After the rebirth, the mage would be faced from every angle. This was attracting everyone's gazes, forcibly drawing their attention!

The Gate of Rebirth's appearance meant that Lin Yun already started his Extraordinary Transformation. The Extraordinary Transformation process started when his body was torn apart. It could even be said that the Critical Hit Puppet's fierce attack slightly helped Lin Yun.

The Gate of Rebirth was calmly standing there, its aura becoming thicker and thicker. That pressure, almost forcing people on their knees, was becoming stronger and stronger. The aura obviously wasn't irresistible, but there was a clear gap in quality, a gap in soul. It was similar to the gap between a Chromatic Dragon and a pig.

As the aura became increasingly stronger, the eight Heaven Puppets were no longer able to resist that aura. Their computing ability was completely ineffective, but as puppets that awakened wisdom, they knew that they were in danger.

In an instant, all kinds of bolt spells started falling onto the Gate of Rebirth. The Monstrous Strength Puppet, the Lightning Speed Puppet, the Heavy Strike Puppet, and even the Critical Hit Puppet launched their strongest attacks on the Gate of Rebirth.

But these attacks instantly dissipated as they fell onto the nine-meter-tall Gate of Rebirth, their power simply couldn't break through that barrier.

Syudos controlled the Book of Mantras and was ready to act, but Enderfa's three faces were looking at the puppets with ridicule as he stopped Syudos.

"Syudos, don't worry. Let these fools continue. This is the Gate of Rebirth, it's not some spell, this is the power of the world, Merlin's power, and Law Power taking shape.

"Unless it's a power that could destroy Noscent in an instant, no matter how powerful their attacks are, they absolutely can't destroy this Gate of Rebirth. Let these idiotic iron cans continue, Merlin will come out soon..."

The eight puppets' frantic attack had no effect on the Gate of Rebirth. The eight puppets were still attacking even after a few hours slowly passed.

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A crack suddenly appeared on the Gate of the Rebirth and slowly extended. From inside that crack, everyone could faintly see a world of light. A seven-colored skull was floating within the light, and bones started growing underneath as a skeleton took shape. Flesh then converged together, and by the time the skin was restored, Lin Yun could be seen floating there with closed eyes. His appearance hadn't changed, but his skin looked like a layer of light and his hair was as smooth as silk.

The structure of his body followed the most perfect proportions and a layer of mysterious radiance was covering his body. He looked like an exact copy of Lin Yun, but the person behind the Gate of Rebirth had become even more perfect.

Lin Yun slowly opened his eyes and boundless power surged around his body before a simple robe was condensed. A multi-colored wheel symbol was embroidered into the cuffs of his mage robe.

Lin Yun stepped out of the light and left the slowly opening Gate of Rebirth.

As Lin Yun stepped out of the Gate of Rebirth, it was like all the radiance within the world gathered onto his body.

As Lin Yun walked out, the Gate of Rebirth slowly closed and transformed into a seven-colored ray of light that dissipated.

Lin Yun stood on the ground and emitted a powerful Extraordinary Power aura which distorted the surrounding space. He was calmly standing there as if he was the center of the world.

After remaining strangely silent for a few seconds, the eight puppets immediately started frantically attacking and the dense and perfect coordinated attacks once again fell on Lin Yun.

But they were blocked three meters away from Lin Yun as a completely new layer of shield appeared.

After advancing to the Heaven Rank, the Mana Shield, Elemental Shield, and Runic Shield could all fuse into a completely new Fusion Shield, and the defensive power was a lot greater than an Archmage's strongest Runic Shield.

And while Lin Yun was a 9th Rank Archmage, he had already transformed his runes into law runes. His current Fusion Shield was a Law Fusion Shield. This was a step a 1st Rank Heaven Mage couldn't accomplish.

The first thing ordinary Heaven Rank powerhouses would do after advancing would be transforming their runes into law runes. Only at the 2nd Rank would they be able to form their own law runes and evolve their Runic Shield.

When the time came, they would be able to fuse their Mana Shield, Elemental Shield, and Law Runic Shield together. The average 1st Rank Heaven Mage could only fuse their Mana Shield, Elemental Shield, and Runic Shield.

Lin Yun calmly stood there with his Law Fusion Shield. All the attacks falling onto his shield were like rain falling onto the surface of a peaceful lake, they only caused some ripples and had no destructive power.

The four-colored Law Fusion Shield looked like a thin translucent sphere of light protecting Lin Yun inside.

In the distance, Laibo and the others, who had been awaiting death, were thoroughly stunned.

“Sir Mafa... Sir Mafa advanced to the Heaven Rank? Holy sh*t!”

‘Didn’t Sir Mafa explode into fragments without leaving a corpse behind? How come he suddenly reappeared, and as a Heaven Rank powerhouse nonetheless? Not only did he just advance to the Heaven Rank, he can already use the Law Fusion Shield and has perfectly adapted to Extraordinary Power, he can already control Extraordinary Power...

‘It’s just a breakthrough to the Heaven Rank, how did he suddenly become so powerful. What was going on with that ancient gate’s aura? Those eight Heaven Puppets can’t even shake Sir Mafa’s shield when working together!

‘Even that Critical Hit Puppet is unable to make Sir Mafa’s defenses fluctuate...’

Lin Yun still had a calm expression after the puppets attacked for thirty seconds.

“As your reward for helping me advance to the Heaven Rank, I’ll perfectly conserve you in my collection and I’ll kindly accept your ability runes.”

These puppets awakened wisdom, how could they not understand what Lin Yun was saying? Their attacks became even fiercer after hearing Lin Yun’s words. The Critical Hit Puppet instantly went all-out and its dagger fiercely pierced Lin Yun’s Law Runic Shield.

But it was no different from a drop of water falling into a lake, the ripple was just a bit bigger, it could only dream of piercing through Lin Yun’s new shield.

After seeing that its attack was ineffective, the Critical Hit Puppet immediately fled backward. That Steel Body Puppet also came to support the Critical Hit Puppet, already heaving that huge tower shield. As long as the Critical Hit Puppet took a few more steps back, it would fall under the protection of the tower shield.

But in that split second, Lin Yun took a small step forward and put his hand on the Critical Hit Puppet’s shoulder, as if he had just teleported.

Terrifying fluctuations surged forth as Extraordinary Power fluctuations that far exceeded the 1st Rank of the Heaven realm instantly hit the Critical Hit Puppet.

The Critical Hit Puppet’s defenses were at best a bit stronger than those Level 39 puppets, but they were like paper in front of Lin Yun’s Extraordinary Power and couldn’t resist the corrosion.

The terrifying Extraordinary Power fluctuations seeped into the cracks of the Critical Hit Puppet and sealed its energy transmission. All of its components seemed to have been frozen in an instant.

The Critical Hit Puppet’s scarlet eyes flickered, but its body turned stiff and not a wisp of energy could burst out.

The Critical Hit Puppet was sealed in an instant while Lin Yun raised his other hand and aimed at the approaching Steel Body Puppet.

Countless law runes surged forth and Extraordinary Power poured into these law runes.

In an instant, these law runes condensed into the most perfect law runic frame and formed a law runic matrice, but it was different this time. With Extraordinary Power, this frame was no longer just a frame. It instead instantly condensed into a several-dozen-meter-big law rune made of dozens of law runes!

A one-meter-long cyan wind Blade appeared, emitting dense Extraordinary Power, and softly cut through the tower shield in the Steel Body Puppet's hand.

The tower shield, that had resisted countless spells before, was instantly cut in two by the cyan Wind Blade, and the cut was as smooth as a mirror.

After cutting through the Steel Body Puppet's tower shield, that cyan Wind Blade burst open and dissipated into law runes.

Even if it was only due to the support of Extraordinary Power, and although that high grade law rune only existed for a moment, the power it exerted was truly that of a high grade law rune. It wasn't like before, where there was only a frame borrowing the power of the high grade law rune.

The higher the grade of a law rune, the more it manifested the Law. Up until the peak of the Heaven Rank, where a high grade law rune could instantly kill all mages under the 4th Rank of the Heaven realm.

Even if Lin Yun condensed a high grade law rune, its grade wasn't too high, it was at most what a 5th Rank Heaven Mage could possess, but that momentary burst power far surpassed the 2nd Rank.

With a casual attack, he sliced through the Steel Body Puppet's tower shield before crossing the distance with one step and instantly appearing in front of the Steel Body Puppet.

After discovering Lin Yun appearing before it, the huge puppet resolutely spread its arms forward, as if it was planning on hugging Lin Yun in its embrace.

But just as it moved, its body suddenly stiffened as Lin Yun terrifying Extraordinary Power fiercely pierced through that silver white exterior and controlled its components. The source of energy disappeared, and none of its parts could move. Even if it had great power, it couldn't display it.

After sealing another Heaven Puppet, the remaining six Heaven Puppets seemed to panic, their scarlet crystal eyes frequently flickered with light as they were frantically calculating how to defeat Lin Yun.

But Lin Yun only needed one Law Runic Shield to make their attacks look like tickles. The gap might just be one rank, but it made people feel despair.

In the Heaven Rank, the gap between each rank was insurmountable. As they advanced step by step, the law comprehension between each step was about the same.

Lacking law comprehension was the major cause of Heaven Rank powerhouses remaining stuck at their rank.

And law runes was the most direct way of quantifying it. The number of law runes and the grade of law runes was an important indicator of a roadblock in the Heaven realm

Lin Yun had just advanced to the Heaven Rank and just obtained Extraordinary Power. He got the last piece of the puzzle he needed to be able to use law runes to their full potential.

These puppets were all at the 1st Rank, even if some of them could display the power of the 2nd Rank due to their upper grade ability runes...

But after Lin Yun's law runes could display their full potential due to Extraordinary Power, and after his Fusion Shield integrated the Law Runic Shield, attacks of the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm wouldn't be able to harm Lin Yun's shield.

Lin Yun stood there, and as long as his mana wasn't completely consumed, he would be able to block for a year without his shield being destroyed!

The other puppets only paused for a bit before continuing their attack.

The two Lightning Speed Puppets launched a pincer attack, but the space suddenly distorted around their terrifyingly quick bodies and they ended up like river streams parting in front of a rock.

At this time, Lin Yun placed his hands on the bodies of the two Lightning Speed Puppets and with a burst of Extraordinary Power, the two Lightning Speed Puppets were also sealed.

In less than five seconds, four puppets were sealed without being able to resist!

This didn't just stun Laibo, Enderfa also had foolish expressions...

'Damn, Merlin is really terrifying now. It looks like Merlin's strength has truly been unveiled after he obtained Extraordinary power.

'Those eight Puppets almost got rid of Merlin... No, they got rid of Merlin once, but he summoned the Gate of Rebirth at the critical juncture and advanced to the Heaven Rank with a perfect momentum.

'But isn't that before-after gap too large?! Merlin was pressured to the point where he couldn't retaliate a moment ago, and now, he sealed four of them in less than five seconds....

'Hell, this is a forced seal, he didn't get rid of them, nor tore them apart, he only sealed them. In such a battle, he could only seal them through absolute suppression.

'How could there be such a big improvement after completing the Extraordinary Transformation? According to the legend, there shouldn't be such a huge change...'

Enderfa's three faces were stunned as they looked at the somewhat strange and calm battlefield... Or it might be better to say, Lin Yun's strange calmness and his overpowered momentum scared Enderfa.

After sealing four puppets, Lin Yun strolled towards the two casting puppets. His step could be considered very slow for every single person present, yet it took him a hundred meters away. With just two steps, he arrived in front of a casting puppet.

That seemingly very slow yet very fast speed gave everyone an uncomfortable distorted feeling. That casting puppet specialized in ice didn't have time to react and ended up just like the previous four puppets, forcibly sealed.

Lin Yun kept walking on the battlefield as if it was his back garden. In less than ten seconds, the eight puppets were frozen as if they had been hit by a Petrification, they were all forcibly sealed.

Enderfa's three faces were stunned as they looked at Lin Yun, feeling as if he didn't recognize him.

'Damn, since when does Merlin understand the Law of Space? Hell, this isn't something someone that a mage that just advanced to the Heaven Rank could master. Aside from space mages, no one should be able to accomplish this.

'Folding the distance between two points in space through force to cross over a hundred meters with a single step, are you kidding me?

'And the way he dodged the two Lightning Speed Puppets was through distorting a point in space to twist their attacks.

'This isn't something the average Heaven Mage can master. They would be very talented if they could use a Spatial Door within a day. Aside from mages specialized in space magic, absolutely no one could do what Merlin just did.

'Damn, Merlin must have comprehended the Law of Space before advancing. Hell, when did this happen... On the ancient starry sky path?

'But, didn't Merlin establish his foundation with the laws of Fire, Earth, Water, and Wind? What's going on?'

Enderfa was a bit lost...

This was one of the main abilities of the skull of the God of Wisdom, Constance. It was an ability that slowly manifested after advancing to the Heaven Rank.

The skull of Constance, the God of Wisdom, was known to be the source of all wisdom, because the God of Wisdom was proficient in all magic!

Ordinary mages established their Demiplanes based on the Law they used as a foundation. It was something they inevitably relied on, even for pure elemental planes.

After advancing to the Heaven Rank, they wouldn't even dare to think about comprehending other Laws. It was a path they had to walk to the end, they didn't have much choice, because choosing was impossible. The Demiplane established based on that law foundation had a huge exclusive nature, and apart from some Laws related to each other, Heaven Mages shouldn't try to comprehend other Laws.

But this restriction disappeared after fusing with Constance's skull. Lin Yun's four elemental foundation was the most perfect method, and as long as Lin Yun comprehended other laws, they would merge with his own law system.

There would be no conflict, it would instead be even more powerful. And as the Natural Demiplane continued its development, the final outcome would be comprehensive, it would possess everything. Lin Yun comprehending all runes was the best outcome. It was also the best benefit to the Natural Demiplane. And Lin Yun could also use the Natural Demiplane to comprehend Law Power.

After advancing to the Heaven Rank, he managed to fumble to the door of the Law of Space. It was natural, since Lin Yun had already been able to borrow a bit of spatial power after coming back from the ancient starry sky path, he just hadn't been able to find the entrance to the Law of Space.

In the previous fight to death, he had been suppressed to the point of not being able to raise his head, he hadn't even had the power to retaliate. But now, he casually relied on absolute power to forcibly seal the eight Heaven Puppets.

The huge contrast made everyone unable to react. The group was still foolishly looking at the battlefield when Lin Yun finished his battle.

Laibo was somewhat at a loss. Even his 2nd Rank Heaven Sword Saint strength, and the Sacred Monastery's inheritance, didn't help him understand what happened before him.

'Since when are breakthroughs to the Heaven Rank like this? Shouldn't he gain just a bit more power from undergoing the Extraordinary Transformation?

'Shouldn't he slowly get used to Extraordinary Power and comprehend it before being able to control it?

'A mage that just advanced to the Heaven Rank shouldn't have such a steep increase in strength. What's going on?

'How come the puppets that could easily kill him before suddenly became so weak after his breakthrough? They are no different from a pile of ordinary puppets that can casually be forcibly sealed...

'F*ck, those are Heaven Puppets, and Heaven Puppets with upper grade ability runes!'

Laibo was at a loss, but Constantine, who was standing behind him, was already terrified. He was extremely pale, and cold sweat kept dripping down his forehead. It seemed like he had noticed that Lin Yun could easily kill him by extending one finger...

'Such a scary guy! That Mafa Merlin actually advanced to the Heaven Rank. He was already a monster before advancing to the Heaven Rank, how come he has become unfathomably stronger after advancing... Is he really human?

'How could a human that just advanced to the Heaven Rank be so powerful?

'Who am I kidding... How could I retaliate against that guy? That guy was even more powerful than Sir Laibo before, and now, his power had reached an unimaginable degree. It might not take long before he surpasses the Abbot...

'He wouldn't even need to attack if he wanted to get rid of me, he only has to casually release a few law runes and I might end up dead...'

Chapter 1224 **Key and Design**

Lin Yun sealed the eight Heaven Puppets and put them away. These eight Heaven Puppets were the best research subjects, and with the ones he had collected before, figuring out Bill George's method to transfer ability runes would become a lot easier. When the time came, these puppets would also be dismantled and their ability runes would be collected. If nothing wrong happened, a few Heaven Puppets could be manufactured. As to whether they could awaken wisdom or not, it would be a matter of luck.

And after obtaining so many components, the patched puppet would regain its Heaven Rank strength. But it was still unknown whether the wisdom of the patched puppet could be recovered. The patched puppet definitely knew some terrifying secrets, the sentence it uttered when Lin Yun had obtained it had made his blood run cold, he could still remember it perfectly.

After the battle, Lin Yun didn't immediately enter the mage tower, he instead moved towards Laibo and took out three bottles of Health Potions he had personally compounded.

Laibo's vitality was greatly damaged, and even if he had Health Potions, he could only partly replenish it. This was because the vitality had just been consumed. It was like half of the water within a bottle suddenly disappeared. If it was immediately replenished, there would be higher chances of refilling it.

And everyone's vitality was like a continuously shrinking bottle. If vitality kept being used, the bottle's capacity would keep shrinking until it couldn't support the lifeforce anymore.

But even if it could be refilled, Laibo would need to rest for a long period of time to recuperate.

After taking three bottles, a part of Laibo's white hair was restored and his low lifeforce was also partly restored. At least he was no longer in that powerless state.

After helping Laibo recover, Lin Yun immediately left for that mage tower. A strange array was still set up on the door of the mage tower, and without an oral command, Lin Yun could only crack it by force.

But that difficulty was meaningless to the current Lin Yun, it took him less than two minutes to crack the door's array and enter the mage tower.

Unexpectedly, the inside of the mage tower was far bigger than what it looked like from the outside, but it was completely deserted.

Lin Yun walked forward but didn't even see a single array blocking his path. There was nothing in the first nine floors. All buildings were deserted, and not even a simple alchemy device could be seen.

The tenth floor was just a wide spacious zone spreading over a few kilometers with a crystal table at its very center. A barrier could be seen around the table, covering two items.

After approaching, a few law runes floated at the tip of Lin Yun's finger and easily split open the barrier of light. That barrier had no defensive power, it was only there to prevent the items it contained from decaying due to the passage of time.

A palm-sized thing similar to an elaborate mechanical key was laying down on the crystal table. It looked like it had been crafted from exquisite craftsmanship and a faint wisp of mana flowed on the mechanical key's surface. There was even a cavity in its very center, which should be there for an embedded magic gem. But it was so small that even the best magic gem wouldn't be able to offer much power.

It was impossible to tell what that thing was from a cursory glance, but one thing was certain, this was some sort of alchemy device in the shape of a key. It might be a key used to open a specific door.

But there was no trace of the Reedpush Plate. Lin Yun frowned, his mind filled with doubt.

'Could it be that the letter received by the Merlin Family was wrong? Impossible! The paper came from the 3rd Dynasty, and the symbol and patterns should have also come from the 3rd Dynasty.

'Aside from the Reedpush Plate, could there be another thing worthy enough to make Bill George so cautious and lay down so many defenses. An ordinary alchemist would be unable to catch the power of the Reedpush Plate, but a top tier alchemist like Bill George was considered the best of the era, he definitely wouldn't underestimate the Reedpush Plate.

'And what about that key? Could it be an alchemy device?'

Lin Yun put down the mechanical key before looking at the other thing on the table. It was a notebook with a cover made out of the hide of a beast in order to protect it against external damage.

The notebook's pages were made out of a kind of special paper from the 3rd Dynasty. This kind of paper could no longer be produced because its raw materials had already become extinct.

That kind of paper could last ten thousand years without rotting. As for the ink, it came from an unusual magic beast of the Endless Sea. Unless it was destroyed from external damage, it could last a few dozen millennia without the ink going bad.

A lot of research processes were recorded inside this notebook. The puppet's energy system and battle system's designs, as well as the reasoning behind the designs were written down in there.

Even the method to transplant Heaven Puppets' ability runes was recorded by Bill George in the notebook. According to the notes, Bill got rid of at least a hundred Heaven Puppets before he managed to find a path and some results. He couldn't count how many Heaven Puppets were destroyed by the time he completed the method.

And most importantly, the role of that key device and how to use it could be found in the notebook.

That thing was the key to the Puppet Plane's entrance, it could open a Planar Path to the Puppet Plane anytime and anywhere. Bill George relied on that thing to frequently enter and exit the Puppet Plane to capture Heaven Puppets.

What was written in the notebook was completely in accordance with Bill George's nature. Strict to the point of being ice-cold. Everything pertained to alchemy, and there was no nonsense, no personal emotions.

The further back, the more the writings within the notebook detailed the battles with the Cybernetic race within the Puppet Plane. Heaven Puppets that awakened wisdom were completely different from puppets that had yet to reach the Heaven Rank.

Bill George was convinced that even if the Heaven Puppets saw him dismantle all puppets below the Heaven Rank, they still wouldn't react. But if he had any design on a Heaven Puppet, he would have to fight the entire race.

According to the notebook, in order to capture Heaven Puppets for experiments, Bill George even fought with a Peak Heaven Puppet. The war between the two puppet armies continued for half a year, and the number of puppets that turned into scrap iron reached seven to eight millions.

And this was just a cold hard number in Bill George's notebooks.

Lin Yun frowned as he slowly flipped through the notebook until he discovered the real reason why Bill George established those ruins at the end. It wasn't in order to experiment on puppets, but rather to test some experiments in order to complete an alchemy device.

Lin Yun was even more confused when he browsed the last three pages. There was all kinds of components recorded, and the design of every component, material, material ratios, and processing method were all written down with a lot of details, but it didn't say why these components were made like that.

There was only scattered components and detailed crafting processes on the first two pages, but a detailed design covered the last page.

Lin Yun's hands shook as he saw that design and the notebook nearly fell down. He couldn't help letting out a shocked exclamation.

"Reedpush Plate!"

His mana surged and caught the falling notebook before he grabbed it once again, still overwhelmed with shock.

"Damn, this is the Reedpush Plate's design! Sh*t, how could there be such a thing?! Was that thing designed by Bill George?"

"No, no, there must be something wrong!"

Facing this thing, Lin Yun couldn't remain calm. The Reedpush Plate was a finished product that would appear in the future. But because it was too complicated dismantling it hadn't been an option as it could result in the complete destruction of the Reedpush Plate.

And results couldn't be guaranteed with that option. It wasn't certain that one could be made again, and thus, the Reedpush Plate was directly used as a core component of the Shelter Tower, not a second one could be found.

There had been no design of the Reedpush Plate or its components by the time Noscent was destroyed.

But he could now see the Reedpush Plate's detailed designs, even the most important and most complicated materials' ratios. He could also see detailed notebooks of various materials.

Lin Yun put down the notebook on the crystal table with a trembling hand and took a deep breath with closed eyes. His chaotic mind slowly calmed down.

This might have not been designed by Bill George, he might have cooperated with another alchemist to research the Reedpush Plate. It was definitely not a simple design.

There must be other secrets. Reedpush was the name carved on it when it would be found in the future. In a dialect of the 3rd Dynasty, it translated into Salvation.

The Plate of Salvation represented the biggest effect of the Reedpush Plate, and it also had a special implication.

These ruins, this puppet research, everything was just incidentally done on the side.

The puppets' ability runes didn't need to be transplanted into other puppets, rather, they needed to be transplanted into the Reedpush Plate.

Every component of the Reedpush Plate represented an ability rune, and the ability rune needed for every component were stable and different.

This was the complete crafting method of the Reedpush Plate, using puppets' ability runes to replace runes, and even law runes, to make the power reach an incredible degree.

This was daring, whimsical, and came straight out of a madman's imagination...

Moreover, the Reedpush Plate obtained in the future absolutely wasn't complete. Not only was the Shelter Tower's construction not completed, even the core component was incomplete.

As he thought of this, Lin Yun's hands couldn't help shaking once again, 'If that's the case, just how strong is the complete Shelter Tower going to be?

'An incomplete Shelter Tower built with incomplete parts protected Noscent for a few dozen millenia... With a complete Shelter Tower, Noscent's mana definitely wouldn't be exhausted. No, not only would it not be exhausted, it would become stronger!

'I originally wanted to find the Reedpush Plate, but I hadn't expected to find even more good things. The design of the Reedpush Plate, this is just unimaginable...'

Lin Yun calmed himself before starting to study the design attentively when he suddenly noticed a small block of text written in that 3rd Dynasty's dialect.

[As I'm writing down this design, I can feel a pair of ethereal eyes watching me attentively through time and space, but I'll still finish it. Even if I die, I hope this design can spread and that someone can craft it.]

After reading that, Lin Yun couldn't help thinking of Noscent's destruction, he wanted to know what kind of secrets were hidden behind it. The most important reason why the Shelter Tower was able to delay Noscent's destruction for a few dozen millennia was due to the existence of the Reedpush Plate.

It was because of that thing that the Shelter Tower was able to shelter Noscent even though Noscent's mana was already exhausted.

After carefully memorizing the contents of the notebook in his mind, Lin Yun collected the notebook and picked up that alchemy device key. When he needed to use it, he would only need to pour mana into the key to open a Planar Path to the Puppet Plane.

Now that he advanced to the Heaven Rank, he had the power to go to the Puppet Plane. At the very least, he would be able to escape when encountering a powerful puppet and wouldn't be killed instantly.

The boundless components within the Puppet Plane were the best raw materials to build an army. Especially now that he had the Reedpush Plate's design, gathering the ability runes on the way was a necessary process.

If he wanted to craft the Reedpush Plate, he had to complete it. An incomplete core component would result in an incomplete Shelter Tower, this had already been proved once.

Compared to the Reedpush Plate's design, the key to the Puppet Plane didn't seem that precious.

After receiving these things, Lin Yun spat out two law runes towards the crystal table, and in an instant, numerous patterns appeared on the crystal table and spread to the entire mage tower.

At that moment, the radiance scattering from the top of the mage tower dissipated, and with no energy being supplied, the wide barrier also dissipated.

Laibo and the others were already waiting outside the mage tower.

"Sir Mafa, have you already finished?"

Laibo was still very pale and half of his hair was still of mixed color. The lifeforce he had used would take at least a year to be recovered. Precious medicine might slightly reduce the time, but even if he drank potions every single day, it would take at least four to five months before he recovered.

Lin Yun nodded.

"The matter is over, I found what I was looking for, we can leave this place now.

"These are Health Potions I personally compounded, they contain a huge amount of lifeforce. Take them and drink one each week, this should help you recover sooner."

Lin Yun took out a dozen large bottles of Health Potions and gave them to Laibo. He then immediately led them to the location of the exit.

He opened the exit to send Laibo and his junior apprentice brothers and sister out of the ruins, but as Lin Yun stopped at the entrance of the ruins, Laibo approached him.

"Sir Mafa, this is our Secret Monastery token of protection. If you have the time, you must visit our Secret Monastery."

Laibo gave Lin Yun a Secret Monastery token before rapidly leaving. His strength had greatly decreased and he was leading the most talented youths of the Secret Monastery, it would be a huge loss if an accident happened. They just survived so many dangers, it would really be a shame if something happened.

As the Secret Monastery's group left, Lin Yun remained outside the ruins to sort out his harvest. More importantly, he had just advanced to the Heaven Rank and needed to stabilize himself properly.

He opened his Natural Demiplane and instantly disappeared.

Shocking changes once again happened in the Demiplane due to Lin Yun's advancement to the Heaven Rank. The space became even more stable while the Demiplane's limits doubled once again. The earth became thicker and the sky higher.

The God Fire Ember orbiting in the sky looked like a scorching sun, its light illuminated the entire Demiplane. New kinds of plants grew, and new kinds of lifeforms were nurtured. Even the smallest insects evolved into some relatively bigger insects. Butterflies, bees, and other kinds of winged insects, could be seen fluttering within the forests.

On the edge of the Demiplane, thick Mana Vines formed a thick greenish tall wall that rose up from the earth and spread into the void, continuously tearing mana from the void apart and supplementing the Natural Demiplane.

A layer of mist was sliding down from the sky before condensing into the Mana Lake under the Mana Vines. It's just that this lake of pure mana had become even bigger.

The slow growth of the Natural Demiplane required far less mana than the Mana Vines could tear apart from the void, and the mana within that Mana Lake was enough for the Natural Demiplane's rapid transformation.

Lin Yun floated in the air and sensed the Natural Demiplane with closed eyes. His control over the Natural Demiplane had been increased once again, and according to that trend, it wouldn't take long before he could thoroughly control the entire Natural Demiplane.

He extended a hand and Extraordinary Power transformed into four radiances that floated in Lin Yun's hands. After calmly sensing it, Lin Yun suddenly opened his eyes.

In the end, Extraordinary Power was Law Power, it's just that it was Law Power belonging to the mage. Unlike mana, Extraordinary Power fully relied on the comprehension of laws. The deeper the comprehension, the stronger the Extraordinary Power.

That was a power surpassing mortal power and wasn't something an ordinary person could control. But Lin Yun could instinctively control Extraordinary Power, he automatically knew how to use it when he left the Gate of Rebirth.

Chapter 1225 Extraordinary Power

Some mages had Extraordinary Power as heavy as a mountain because their law foundation was established upon the Law of Earth while some had swift and lively Extraordinary Power due to their foundation Law being the Law of Wind. Everyone's Extraordinary Power was directly related to the Law they comprehended. Lin Yun's foundation was based upon the four elemental Laws, reaching a perfect equilibrium. No aura would leak when he didn't use Extraordinary Power. And now, he has already reached the threshold of the Space Law, it wouldn't take long before he comprehended it.

By having comprehended four Laws, Lin Yun's Extraordinary Power was already more powerful than any new Heaven Mage.

Floating above the Natural Demiplane, Lin Yun calmly sensed the power within his body and also felt that he could establish a Demiplane.

After advancing to the Heaven Rank, new Heaven Mages could feel the limitations of a body, they could now hold stronger power, but it was limited. They could control Extraordinary Power, but had no way to store it.

And Demiplanes were holding the concrete manifestation of comprehension, it was also a display of the power they held.

The main reason why mage was considered the strongest class after the Heaven Rank was mostly because of their Demiplanes.

Similarly, the first thing a mage could use after advancing to the Heaven Rank was spatial power, and it was mostly due to the Demiplanes. This was also the reason why opening a Spatial Door was more or less an instinct to Heaven Mages.

Lin Yun frowned as he looked at the Natural Demiplane under his feet.

Although his connection to the Natural Demiplane was extremely close, it wasn't to the point where it could match with the Demiplane he could create.

He couldn't use the Natural Demiplane to hold the comprehension of his Laws.

He had to open a Natural Demiplane, but Lin Yun felt that the Demiplane he could establish could only be one-kilometer-big, the gap was too big...

He was also troubled because a new Demiplane wouldn't be very effective. No matter from what angle, it couldn't compare to the Natural Demiplane.

After contemplating for a moment, Lin Yun landed on the ground.

Xiuban, Reina, and the others were all in the Natural Demiplane.

Enderfa was bragging about Lin Yun's breakthrough to the Heaven Rank, about how frighteningly powerful Lin Yun was and how he sealed eight Heaven Puppets.

Xiuban was foolishly looking at the three faces simultaneously talking, his expression was dull as he couldn't keep up with Enderfa. As for Reina, shock could be seen in her eyes. Xiuban might not know, but Reina knew of the legend of the Gate of Rebirth, a process of perfect Extraordinary Transformation.

In the distance the group of old workers sensed the changes of the Demiplane as well as the Extraordinary Power emitted by Lin Yun. They gave up all hope of being lucky and worked bitterly...

"Sir Merlin, you advanced to the Heaven Rank? When can I break through? Didn't you have a potion before? Does Sir Merlin still have some?"

Xiuban shamelessly moved to Lin Yun's side and calmly asked for the Golden Temptation Potion.

Xiuban was already at the Peak of the 9th Rank with an extremely bizarre bloodline, making God Blood unable to suppress his casting ability. More and more patterns were appearing on the surface of his body.

This kind of terrifying constitution was already more terrifying than some race that could reach the Heaven Rank when they reached adulthood. He would definitely reach the Heaven Rank in his sleep one day.

As for Reina, it wasn't that she couldn't break through, but that she was suppressing her breakthrough. Her Draconic Crystal was already at the final juncture of its evolution and her Life Essence would undergo a terrifying transformation. When the time came, she would reach the Heaven Rank involuntarily.

Ignoring the clueless Xiuban, Lin Yun started discussing the matters establishing a Demiplane with Enderfa.

“Enderfa, I already feel that I’m at my limit, my power can’t grow further. As for my law comprehension, I have nothing to store it. I can’t use the Natural Demiplane, I have to establish a Demiplane...

“But establishing a Demiplane and not managing it is meaningless, it might even conflict with the Natural Demiplane...”

Lin Yun had been thinking about whether he should wait until he could fully control the Natural Demiplane to increase his strength, or if he should establish the Demiplane.

Enderfa’s three faces had a strange expression, they seemed stunned.

“Merlin... Is your brain alright? Why do you need to choose one? Can’t you just establish your Demiplane in here? Then your Demiplane will directly fuse with the Natural Demiplane...”

Enderfa had yet to finish his sentence when Lin Yun suddenly froze.

‘Right, why do I have to choose one? I can just establish the Demiplane here...’

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[T/N: The author seems to have missed a part of the story, it’s not in the raw text. From what I understand from the next few chaps, he is in the process of setting up (or already set up?) his Demiplane while upgrading the Book of Mantras (like he did in the past) Sorry for the immersion break, but I felt that context was needed.]

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A dark green Wind Blade pierced through space, flying towards Lin Yun. Naturally, even if Lin Yun cracked that Wind Blade with terrifying tearing abilities, that living spell would just dissipate.

Two other spell creatures, one shaped as a Chaotic Space Spell and one as a Lightning Hell Spell, were present. Lin Yun kept spitting out a few law runes and wind power poured into small vortexes. Opposite forces revolved and immediately cracked the Chaotic Space Spell.

As for the Lightning Hell, this pure offensive spell, it was even easier to crack. This was a guided channelled spell, getting rid of the spell lifeform was more than enough.

A few Wind Blades fell toward the Lightning Hell’s body and three Space Rending Blades flew over, instantly cutting it apart. The living spell was cut in half and its incantation was naturally interrupted. The Lightning Hell also transformed into a series of unconscious incantations floating in the air.

Even more spell lifeforms were standing on the other side. The key to controlling this floor was in the center of this darkness.

Lin Yun used Flight to its fullest, cyan wind curling around his body and rapidly carrying him inside. Every 9th Tier spell transformed into living spells that kept releasing 9th Tier Wind spells.

A large number of Wind Spells attacked, just like a large group of Heaven Mages casting. Getting rid of them through normal means was impossible.

Because these living spells were at least ten times stronger than him when working together, maybe even more.

This was a test of his Wind Law comprehension. He had to crack these living wind spells without relying on other methods.

Any non-cracking method would be considered cheating and the price would be the strength of the other side increasing until he couldn't resist anymore.

These living spells only released a single spell like old-fashioned examiners asking one question. Only death, or a successful answer, could be considered as a pass.

At this point, Lin Yun could no longer rely on his shield to resist and could only slowly analyze and crack the living spells. He also couldn't use law runes to force his way forward like he had been doing, he could only crack them at top speed, one after another.

Facing these Extraordinary Spells, Lin Yun's body suddenly flickered in midair, using wind to buff himself. His speed rapidly reached its peak and his Magic Array already revolved to its limits. An endless amount of data could be seen flowing in his eyes while law runes kept pouring from inside the wheel shadow, and fell on those spells before they even hit him.

Using his comprehension of the Wind Law's wind spells, he broke the other side's spell structure and triggered a few of the spells' weak points. With the fluctuating irregular spells, he used the weakest point, their core, and used wind power itself to crack them.

This was something very difficult, it required a deep understanding of wind magic. He needed to instantly see through a spell structure upon gazing at it.

As long as he couldn't crack through one spell, he would end up torn apart.

Cold sweat slowly started trickling down Lin Yun's forehead. Countless wind spells' incantations kept floating in his mind, and the countless incantations were like a flood.

The Extraordinary Spells turned into vast incantations before his eyes and kept transforming into law runes.

His movement speed started slowing and it was completely incomparable to the previous eight floors. This floor was a true test!

It took an average two to three seconds for a living spell's body to collapse and transform into an incantation drifting through the air, but numerous living spells were waiting behind it.

After half an hour, Lin Yun felt that the consumption of his mind power was too high. Performing calculations for a long period of time would be very taxing on one's mental capacity and mind power. Moreover, there was still half of the living spells remaining.

If it was someone else, even a wind mage, they would have already died here. Without the Book of Mantras' incantations, no wind mage could compare to Lin Yun, they might not even reach a tenth of Lin Yun's knowledge.

Most wind spells weren't really used in battle, there were too many spells with the same effect, but the spells with the lowest consumption, the easiest to cast, and the one taking the shortest amount of time to cast, were useful in battle.

After another half an hour passed, only three spell puppets remained before him, a Destruction Tornado, a Swift Wind Blade, and a Lightning Impact.

Destruction Tornado was a large scale spell, it was pure destruction. It was the easiest to resist because this kind of spell was a channeled spell.

To crack the spell, he only needed to find an opportunity to interrupt the caster. It usually was harder to interrupt a cast, but it was truly too simple now.

What he really needed to pay attention to was the Swift Wind Blade and the Lightning Impact. These two spells were almost the strongest single-target spells among 9th Rank Extraordinary Spells. Even if the two living spells were only at the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm, the spells they released were at the pinnacle of the 9th Tier.

Lin Yun was pale and the huge amount of data was still flooding his eyes. He was floating in the air, continuously using shields to resist the Destruction Tornado, his eyes firmly locked on the two living spells.

He remained motionless, like the other two living spells who were waiting for an opportunity to cast their spells.

Lin Yun squinted and instantly understood. These two spells were single-target spells, and although they were powerful and terrifying, they wouldn't move unless they could hit their enemy. And since they chose to remain motionless, that allowed him to cast spells.

Lin Yun suddenly waved his hand and released a dozen Space Rending Blades. These Space Rending Blades were as thin as sharp lines and flew straight away for the spell puppets' bodies.

The Space Rending Blades tore through space and ripped apart those Destruction Tornadoes before fleeing towards his opponents. They kept being destroyed on the way, but as the one in front was destroyed, the one behind it perfectly followed, opening the path for the ones in the back.

He could see the dozen Space Rending Blades being destroyed one after another, but in the end, there would be one Space Rending Blade tearing through all those Destruction Tornado to land on those living spells.

As long as them received the attack, the other side wouldn't be able to use other spells, and interrupting the cast would be inevitable.

As Lin Yun launched his attack, the other living spells started casting.

They didn't care about the other puppet being interrupted, they instead started casting towards Lin Yun. They didn't need to care about the casualties, they only needed to stop Lin Yun and make him unable to pass this test. That way, Lin Yun would fail.

A bright clear white lightning fell down from the void and onto Lin Yun's. The arm-thick lightning bolt didn't seem very powerful, and the same could be said for the mana fluctuations. However, Lin Yun didn't dare to let that thing hit him.

Lightning Impact, it was a variant of wind magic and the strongest solo-target Extraordinary Spell. Its speed and piercing power could be said to be the strongest. And most importantly, it couldn't be

cracked like the Wind Blade he had cracked earlier. The opponent's strength was enough to rip space apart.

The power of the lightning couldn't break through, Lin Yun only needed to side-step to dodge. That spell could be considered a failure.

But no one ever dodged that spell. When that spell appeared in battle, the only solution was to use a Fusion Shield to block it.

And the strongest part of the Lightning Impact wasn't its piercing power, but the highly condensed lightning power that ran through the shield, and its formidable destructive power. Not to mention the formidable paralysis effect that would target mana and make mages lose their control over their mana, paralyzing their bodies as a side effect.

This would result in a certain death during an intense battle because they only needed to release a simple spell during the paralysis to sever the mage's head.

This was the reason why this spell was known as one of the strongest 9th Tier wind spells.

As for the Swift Wind Blade, it was the evolution of the most basic Wind Blade, but it was different from the Space Rending Blade which had its tearing ability developed to the peak. This one had its speed reinforced to the maximum, increasing its movement speed at a rapid pace.

Strictly speaking, the Swift Wind Blade wasn't very powerful, it only had a terrifying speed. But the strong point was that this spell was faster than a mage's mana, even faster than the speed of thought.

When Noscent developed to its peak and those crazy mages conquered endless planes, they would have an unknown number of colonies. But aside from those advanced higher planes, there would still be some special planes that would become colonies after going through a lot of difficulties.

The most representative ones were the Pure Elemental Planes. Earth Planes, Fire Planes, Ice Planes, and Wind Planes...

Those kinds of planes with only a certain kind of pure element were very difficult to conquer, and even if they were luckily conquered, guarding them was very difficult.

An expedition sent to conquer a large scale Wind Plane would end up suffering heavy losses. They targeted that plane because it could nurture wind elemental crystal gems. And that kind of precious gem could be said to be an irresistible lure to wind Heaven Mages, because they contained fragments of Wind Law!

But when the conquest hit the final stage and they reached the depths of the plane, a disaster occurred.

The Wind Elemental King occupying that plane had the strength of a Peak Heaven powerhouse, and that Wind Elemental King only released one spell, but it caused terrible losses, including to the Heaven Mage escorting the team as well as to the large-scale Archmage army.

At that time, the Wind Elemental King, only released one spell, Swift Wind Blade!

Most wind mages would develop their Wind Blade into one of two kinds, one focusing on tearing ability, able to tear through space as it was strengthened to its peak.

The other one increased speed, to the point where it started to influence time.

And in that large scale Wind Plane, another outcome was witnessed. The 9th Tier Swift Wind Blade reached the limit of the spell in the hands of the Wind Elemental King!

The power could compare to an unimaginable powerful 11th Spell. It simply couldn't be sensed as a Wind Blade, it didn't freeze time, but rather, tore a thousand-kilometer-long rift directly into the flow of time, into the river of time.

Then, every mage, everyone was banished into that light river and no one could stop the collapse of their power, no one could prevent the river of time from flowing forward.

Even the Peak Heaven Mage with terrifyingly long lifespans, didn't last more than thirty minutes in the river of time before dying of old age.

This was the terrifying part about that spell. Although it was only an ordinary Swift Wind Blade, it could already affect time. When the Swift Wind Blade flew, it would cut down time, and with that terrifying speed, they would already be hit when they saw the caster casting the spell!

Lin Yun's gaze flickered crazily as countless streams of data flooded his eyes. One second before these two spells were cast, Lin Yun had already cast a Wind Elemental Incarnation.

Chapter 1226 Power Up

A few law runes spat out of Lin Yun's mouth and instantly turned into countless Wind Shields. These were Low Tier Wind Shields, but there was over eight hundred of them.

Eight hundred Wind Shields were layered in front of Lin Yun, only to be shattered in an instant.

It was like an invisible power pierced through the eight hundred shields in an instant!

The speed of that Swift Wind Blade was so fast that these Low Tier Wind Shields simply couldn't resist.

But these eight hundred Wind Shields weren't truly straight, they were set up at an angle. The angle of each shield was a bit different and the deflection of these Low Tier Wind Shields was minimal. But eight hundred were enough to slightly deflect the sharp Swift Wind Blade by a meter.

This was more than enough. Lin Yun didn't even see the Wind Blade, he only felt a sharp blade grazing him.

The Swift Wind Blade dissipated. That spell couldn't be cracked, and if it couldn't hit, it meant that the spell was ineffective. That was more than enough.

The Swift Wind Blade's living puppet suddenly collapsed and dissipated into runes drifting in the air. And almost at the same time, that small lightning bolt shuttled through the space and impacted Lin Yun's Wind Incarnation.

Lin Yun reversed his mana just as the lightning bolt was about to hit the Wind Elemental Incarnation and forcibly collapsed it while simultaneously releasing a Wind Flash to follow the scattered elements of the dissipated Destruction Storm, his body flying into an arc.

The Wind Elemental Incarnation scattering meant that the Lightning Impact's power would be fully released and the lightning bolt would split and scatter.

Lin Yun's Wind Flash was interrupted in the air, but his body still flew according to the trajectory he had been following. Only a weak paralysis effect landed on his body and numbed him.

But it didn't paralyze Lin Yun's mana, he only temporarily lost control of his body, but this didn't really affect his fighting strength. He only needed one second to get rid of that Lightning Impact living spell.

Ultimately, the living spell collapsed and scattered before turning into runes floating in the air.

No more living spells could be found within the area. Lin Yun's body twitched and it took him five to six seconds to slowly recover.

Lin Yun's face was pale, and his eyes were bloodshot. These were the signs of overdrafting his spirit.

Everything with the Book of Mantras was based on spells. When subduing it, it wouldn't calculate absolute power, thus, the strongest living spells were at the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm.

This made it so that Lin Yun had to dodge and rely on his Wind Law and wind spells' comprehension. Forcibly resisting those spells was absolutely impossible.

This was the rule of this floor, the rule of the Book of Mantras.

After recovering for a few minutes, Lin Yun rapidly flew to the central platform formed out of gales. This was the core of this layer, and only by controlling this place could one control this world of winds.

After flying to that small wind platform, Lin Yun spat out law runes and left his own mark on this wind world's core. Lin Yun had to stop moving for no less than ten minutes.

This was also the reason why he needed to get rid of all the living spells. If he was interrupted, he would have to restart from scratch.

After thoroughly imprinting it, Lin Yun summoned Syudos. The flaming Syudos could be considered incompatible with this place, and he started being rejected by this wind world just as he arrived here.

Lin Yun grabbed Syudos and fiercely stuffed him inside the core of the wind world, which was already under his control.

Soon, the ball of flames could be seen distorting and transformation inside. The endless gales seemed to seep into Syudos' body from every angle.

The wind power started corroding Syudos and blood-curdling screeches started echoing.

Although a Flame Spirit King couldn't be burnt from flames it could be injured by other elemental powers. A Flame Spirit King would definitely die if they fell into a Wind Elemental Plane.

But this wind world was already under Lin Yun's control, it was already conquered by Lin Yun. This floor was Lin Yun's world, he controlled both the flame world and the wind world. And Syudos, as the Magic Tool Incarnation of the Book of Mantras, definitely couldn't die in a world controlled by the Book of Mantras.

The power of the Book of Mantras couldn't destroy Syudos, but Syudos was a pure Flame Spirit. However the Book of Mantras wouldn't compromise, so there was only one outcome: Altering Syudos.

Slowly, a large amount of wind power appeared in Syudos' pure flaming body. Under the power of the Book of Mantras, that wind power forcibly altered Syudos body and modified his race.

After a few hours, Syudos stopped struggling. His body turned into a whirling flame, as if he was a Wind Elemental set ablaze.

By the time Syudos left the core of this wind world, he no longer suffered from any rejection. The wind elements even took the initiative to get out of his way, just like the fire elements of his flame world.

Seeing Syudos safely controlling this floor, Lin Yun faintly relaxed. After all, based on his comprehension of the Book of Mantras, most of the Book of Mantras' power couldn't be used, but that didn't mean that the Book of Mantras didn't possess this kind of power.

As the Book of Mantras' Incarnation, being transformed into a Wind Elemental was the most probable outcome. And it now looked like this was really the case. Syudos' Life Essence had been forcibly changed into a Wind Flame Elemental, a special elemental lifeform that could control both elements.

After the spells within the elemental world were smoothly obeying once again, the place regained its original appearance. After leaving the Book of Mantras' world, the Book of Mantras appeared once again before Lin Yun's eyes.

Wind was curling around the Book of Mantras while a burning layer of flames could be seen swaying on its cover. As that door appeared, it also transformed into a mixed door of flames and wind. The flames and wind mixed together to form an even more powerful windfire power.

With the Book of Mantras' power having been strengthened, Syudos could now display the power of the 2nd Rank. During battle, Lin Yun would also be able to buff the Spell Wheel to the 2nd Rank of the Heaven realm through the Equilibrium Law.

Syudos was currently calming down the wind world within the Book of Mantras, while simultaneously adapting to the new wind power. He would be unable to display his full power for a short period of time.

After going back to check on the Natural Demiplane, Lin Yun could see that the newly established Demiplane perfectly fused with the Natural Demiplane. The water of the Mana Lake had also decreased as it was absorbed by that pillar in the center of the Natural Demiplane.

All the mana was being poured there to increase the growth speed of that most special place. Originally, only the upper part of the pillar emitted that multi-colored radiance, but now, three fifths of the pillar were already shining as the mana of the Mana Lake was poured into it. The growth of that area would be very fast in a short period of time.

After leaving the Natural Demiplane, Reina had fallen into a slumber and a wisp of Extraordinary Power fluctuation started appearing on her body. By the time she woke up, she would be at the Heaven Rank. When the time comes, she would transform into a higher rank Dragon. In terms of talent, she couldn't be compared with Chromatic Dragons anymore.

As for Xiuban, he was still worried and impatient and ended up taking advantage of Lin Yun's meditation to steal a Golden Temptation Potion from his laboratory. Unfortunately, he took the wrong potion and had been running along the edge of the Natural Demiplane for the past two days.

Lin Yun casually suppressed Xiuban in the center of the Demiplane to let him calm down. Ever since Lin Yun advanced to the Heaven Rank, all his subordinates advanced one after another. Even the mages of the mage army advanced, the fifty mages could pressure Xiuban when working together, which was the reason why the Draconic Beastman was so impatient.

After leaving the Natural Demiplane, Lin Yun turned to glance at the ruins. After contemplating for a bit, he spat out a law rune and used the law rune power to twist the light at the entrance of these ruins so that the ruins could no longer become visible. After taking care of it, he turned and left.

The harvest of the exploration had been pretty great. He originally thought he would be able to walk out of here with the Reedpush Plate, but he hadn't expected that he would obtain the Reedpush Plate's design, the method to transplant Heaven Puppets' ability runes, and a key that could open a Planar Path to the Puppet Plane at will.

These three things wouldn't be of great use to him by themselves, as he wouldn't be able to transplant ability runes if he couldn't capture Heaven Puppets, he wouldn't be able to complete the Reedpush Plate if he couldn't get the ability runes, and even if the key to enter the Puppet Plane at will had some use, Lin Yun already had a way to enter the Puppet Plane from the Raging Flame Plane, it was just more convenient.

There were still many confusing things, but he couldn't get an answer at the moment. He already got the most important thing he came for.

After calculating the time, he figured out that the Starry Sky College's gathering would start the next day and that he had to return now. If he rushed back now, he would arrive just in time to participate. Lin Yun opened his mouth and spat out three silver white mysterious law runes which transformed into a silver white door opening before him.

After stepping into the Spatial Door, Lin Yun's figure thoroughly disappeared. The place he had just been at remained normal, thin mana, no powerful beast, and no outstanding resource. There might be no other mage paying attention to this space within the next millennium.

A silver white light appeared in the sky ten kilometers from Neverwinter City. The light was like silver threads weaved by a skilled hand into a three-meter-tall white door. The entrance was slowly pushed open and a youthful palm stretched out.

Lin Yun moved out of that Spatial Door and flew towards Neverwinter City. The defenses of Neverwinter City made it so that no one but the lord of the city could open a Spatial Door inside that range. Opening one ten kilometers away was already quite formidable.

On the ground, a large number of pedestrians and carriages moving towards Neverwinter City looked at Lin Yun with envy.

An old 9th Rank Archmage had a respectful expression as he quietly watched Lin Yun's silhouette disappear. He then sighed at his disciple next to him.

“Look, that’s a powerful Heaven Mage, and one of the most powerful ones.

“This is ten kilometers away from Neverwinter City, and this is the limit of how close to Neverwinter City a Spatial Door can be opened.

“Ordinary Heaven Mages can only open a Spatial Door twenty kilometers away. That is where the effects of Neverwinter City’s restrictions are at its lowest. And for here, unless it’s a Heaven Mage that comprehended the Law of Space, no one should be able to open a Spatial Door here!

“How close to Neverwinter City they could open a Spatial Door was a criteria used to judge a Heaven Mage’s power, because Spatial Door is a spell that all Heaven Mages instinctively understood. Only mages powerful enough could safely open a Spatial Door while under the effect of interferences.

Lin Yun flew in Neverwinter City. In the distance, the team of Griffin Riders, that had seen Lin Yun before, were about to fly over, but they were rapidly blocked by their captain.

“Captain, why are you preventing us from capturing that guy? No flying above Neverwinter City is a law. If others learnt about this, we would definitely be punished...”

Shock covered the captain’s face before he fiercely cursed.

“Idiot, I know the laws of Neverwinter City better than you. Guests of the Starry Sky College can fly above Neverwinter City, have you forgotten that?”

“But, Captain... Although he is an Artisan, isn’t he just a 9th Rank Archmage?”

The Griffin Rider Captain’s expression flickered. The Griffin he was riding restlessly let out a deep cry. After appeasing his partner, the Griffin Rider Captain softly sighed and suddenly recalled the scene he had seen in the Starry Sky College.

A 9th Rank Archmage fought a 2nd Rank dark curse mage to a standstill. Even after the dark curse mage integrated with his Magic Tool and burst out with full power, he was only at a slight disadvantage.

But now, he had already reached the Heaven Rank...

“Remember this. Don’t provoke that guy, he isn’t a 9th Rank Archmage. He just opened a Spatial Door ten kilometers from Neverwinter City.

“Don’t judge others based on ranks. Especially this powerful mage. No matter what happens, don’t provoke that guy!”

Hearing their captain say so much, the team of Griffin Riders was stunned. They had seen Lin Yun a few days ago and he was only a 9th Rank Archmage. But now, he was already able to cast a Spatial Door ten kilometers away from Neverwinter City?

They felt that it was a joke, they obviously didn’t feel the aura of the Heaven Rank coming from him.

This naturally wasn’t a joke, Lin Yun’s control over aura and power should have reached an unimaginable height. Unless the gap in power was too high, no one could be able to tell that he reached the Heaven Rank.

Naturally, this would include Layford of the Jackson Family...

As Lin Yun rushed to the Starry Sky College, the gathering was already starting, and many people already arrived.

The gathering happened in front of a ten-stories mage tower and a few dozen people were already standing there. Raphael, and his senior apprentice brother Guruk, had already arrived.

The Hardward Family's Watby and the Jackson Family's Layford were also there.

Raphael looked at Lin Yun and immediately smiled before walking towards him. An awkward expression also appeared on Watby's face as he quietly made himself smaller. He clearly didn't want to see Lin Yun.

Upon seeing him, Layford was actually sneering as he casually walked towards Lin Yun while whispering in Infernal.

"I randomly saw a part of your future and you turned into a corpse covered in abscesses."

Lin Yun glanced at Layford but didn't react. The Extraordinary Power within his body surged forth and shielded his body from all potential harmful things, separating his body from the outside.

"Sir Layford, I hadn't expected that in just a few days without seeing you, you would become powerful enough to see the future. Congratulations."

Layford was stunned. He hadn't expected Lin Yun to not react at all. This was only a Low Tier Fear Curse, which would at best make an Archmage without protection a bit more uglier. It could also make them lose reason and suddenly attack Layford under the effect of fear.

If Lin Yun suddenly attacked here, the Starry Sky College would definitely kick him out. Not to mention, this was the entrance of a ten-stories mage tower. The mana fluctuations emitted at the peak of the mage tower meant that a Heaven Mage, at least at the 5th Rank, was permanently residing here.

Rashly attacking someone at the entrance of a mage tower inhabited by a powerhouse above the 5th Rank of the Heaven Realm was considered a provocation.

A devil's whisper small curse would leave no trace at all, disappearing a few seconds after the attack. Even Temporal Recall couldn't confirm that this was a trick down by Layford.

Lin Yun's body didn't react, and his understanding of Infernal stunned Layford, he was unable to react for a moment.

Layford's expression flickered. He turned back and glanced at the ten-stories mage tower behind him before looking at Lin Yun's calm appearance, unable to figure this out.

'Damn, could it be that the powerhouse within that mage tower intervened? Why did he help that countryside Andlusan? Sh*t, could it be that he is also lusting after that Mafa Merlin's territory in the Raging Flame Plane?

'Or is it just that he doesn't want any accident happening here?'

Layford simply couldn't notice that Lin Yun had advanced to the Heaven Rank. Devil's whispers had formidable penetrating power, but they couldn't pierce through Extraordinary Power. That kind of inferior small curse simply had no effect on Lin Yun.

Lin Yun had made up for his last weak point, and after obtaining Extraordinary Power, any attack that specifically targeted that weakness would be completely useless, because Lin Yun established his foundation upon four Law Runes. After advancing to the Heaven Rank, his Extraordinary Power was far stronger than the average mage.

Layford waited for a few seconds but didn't see anyone coming out of the mage tower. He then felt that he had been overthinking and that there must have been another reason behind this.

'It must be that Andlusan country bumpkin, he must have used some special method to resist the curse power!'

"Hmpf, Mafa Merlin, you damned guy. This is really inconceivable that you actually managed to survive until today. I advise you to sincerely your territory in the Raging Flame Plane and f*ck off back to your countryside, maybe you'll be able to survive there.

"The Starry Sky College's gathering isn't a place for someone with no background like yourself. You? An Artisan? I don't know who made that joke, you might be able to refine one kind of potion, but you have no clue what the Artisan realm is like.

"Hurry up and f*ck off back to the Andlusa Kingdom. Roll back to your small Merlin Family. The Odin Kingdom is too dangerous for a guy like you. Maybe one day you'll be carelessly beheaded by a random spell."

Layford had a threatening expression as he glared at Lin Yun, his face carrying unconcealed malice as a thick cursing aura surged within his body. He almost really cursed Lin Yun.

But what he said was in infernal. Devil's whispers contained cursing power by themselves, but Layford didn't use mana, so no one could find out that Layford had attacked Lin Yun.

For races other than devils, devil's whispers didn't have much power. It only contained powerful curse power and temptation power in the hands of Devils.

Lin Yun only said a few words to Layford before turning around and leaving him with the view of his back. He simply didn't care about him, this place was the Starry Sky College. They weren't in the living accommodations of Artisans, they were in front of a ten-stories mage tower, and no one would dare to cause trouble here.

Chapter 1227 Alchemy Gathering

Even if Lin Yun appeared to have no defense and was only less than ten meters from Layford with his back facing him, Layford could only watch helplessly. Seeing Lin Yun's behavior, anger rapidly surged in Layford's eyes.

'He is less than ten meters away and isn't on guard... Just one Dark Arrow and I can get rid of him. No one can stop me, but I can't make a move... Does that guy really think that I wouldn't dare to make a move?

'That damned guy, just you wait! I'll make you regret once the gathering starts. I won't let you off lightly, I'll curse your soul and make your soul fall in hell to suffer eternal torment.

'I'll ruthlessly torture you to death. Mafa Merlin, just wait you damned guy, not only will I plunder everything you own in the Raging Flame Plane, I'll also plunder everything else.'

"Damn guy, let me see what an idiot from the countryside could bring to this gathering. Trashes will always be trashes. It's pointless no matter how much you try to hide it. This is a gathering of Artisans... An Archmage Artisan? What a joke, I really don't know how you managed to get in!"

Layford couldn't find an opportunity to attack so he started using the Starry Sky College's gathering as an excuse to attack Lin Yun.

Unfortunately, Lin Yun just ignored him and directly moved towards Raphael.

Raphael had a dark complexion. Layford didn't just attack Lin Yun with that statement, Gurud was also an Archmage Artisan. It's just that everyone knew that Gurud was an alchemist truly fascinated by alchemy and that he was still a 9th Rank Archmage because he spent most of his energy on alchemy.

But Gurud's alchemy abilities were not inferior to any of the alchemists present here, he was even a bit better than most of them.

Layford gritted his teeth as he cursed at Lin Yun, regretting that he hadn't got rid of him last time. In the distance, Watby Hardward remained silent.

Although the Hardward Family was a secret alchemist family, they also belonged to the Andlusa Kingdom, and as Layford belittled Lin Yun, he unconsciously offended the Watby Family along with them.

Watby sneered, 'That idiot Mafa Merlin is really making enemies everywhere. He just arrived in the Odin Kingdom yet he already provoked a powerful enemy. The Jackson Family isn't a weak force in the Odin Kingdom, that guy is screwed.

'But Layford is even more stupid, he actually targeted Mafa Merlin in the field of alchemy. He is so stupid and useless. Mafa Merlin has already reached an unimaginable realm in the field of alchemy.

'Damn, I really don't know how that guy could possess such profound knowledge before 30. His alchemy proficiency might already be at the peak of the Artisan realm, especially when it comes to potioneering.

'That fool Layford doesn't know sh*t, he is only shouting and belittling Mafa Merlin, not noticing that the two Artisans of Sky City are looking at him as if he was an idiot.

'How could the Starry Sky College not have a good understanding of Mafa Merlin's alchemy skills before sending him an invitation?

'Fight, it's best for these two idiots to die together. It would be the best show of respect for alchemy. These idiots only think about other things all day long and are still Artisan... Damn it, you should just die...'

The people present had different reactions, but they all just watched. After all, Artisans invited by the Starry Sky College weren't just from the Odin Kingdom. Aside from the Odin Kingdom, there was also the Andlusa Kingdom and the Sten Kingdom's Artisans, as well as some Artisans drifting throughout Noscent.

It's just that most of the Artisans here were from the Odin Kingdom. As the most powerful Kingdom in Noscent, the Odin Kingdom far surpassed those other two kingdoms.

Thus, most of them didn't react to Layford's words. After all, with that many people here, it wasn't weird for some to have issues or even hatred. That's why the Starry Sky College specially dispatched people to deal with conflicts or warn these guys to not cause trouble inside the Starry Sky College.

But it was normal for people who had conflicts to curse at each other a few times.

Layford gritted his teeth and felt even more regret before giving up on offending the Starry Sky College to get rid of Lin Yun.

Lin Yun met up with Raphael and Gurud. After all, Raphael and Gurud were the only people he knew there and had a good relationship with.

Sky City was a force that mainly relied on alchemy and they dispatched three people this time. Apart from Raphael and Gurud, there was also a 3rd Rank Heaven Mage who was also an Artisan.

Sky City could be said to have the most Artisans, the other forces' Artisans didn't rely mainly on alchemy and at most two came together.

Gurud was enthralled by alchemy and Layford's vicious words didn't even phase him. Instead, he pulled Lin Yun over to discuss alchemy right as he saw him.

Raphael barely managed to save Lin Yun from his apprentice brother.

"Sir Mafa, the two dozen people here are all Artisans from various forces. Only Artisans can join the upcoming gathering, others can't follow.

"Let me do the introductions. You don't need to worry about that fool Layford, he won't dare to do anything during the gathering. The Starry Sky College attaches a lot of importance to this gathering and definitely won't let anyone wreck the gathering.

"I don't need to introduce the Hardward Family who came from the Andlusa Kingdom alongside you.

"You also don't need to bother about the guy over there, he is crazy and intolerant.

"Do you see those two guys with mechanical left arms?" Raphael said while guiding Lin Yun's gaze in a certain direction.

Lin Yun nodded. He had noticed them when he just arrived. Their left arms were clearly mechanical, and it wasn't just a layer covering their hands, but rather, their entire arms had been cut off and replaced with mechanical arms.

In Noscent, there was a theory that flesh and mana could influence experiments' results. Thus, these guys sliced their own arms and exchanged them for mechanical arms, guaranteeing perfect manipulation and eliminating all influence on experiments.

And a mechanical arm could accomplish a lot of things a human arm couldn't. Moreover, without mana, their accuracy were a lot higher in many experiments.

Only the Mosh Family would follow that principle, replace their left arms with mechanical arms, and participate in the Starry Sky College's gathering.

It wasn't a pure alchemy force. On the contrary, it was a force focused on spellcasting. It's just that something happened very early on and an alchemy branch appeared in the Mosh Family.

This was something Lin Yun already knew, because the Mosh Family's machine alchemy would become very famous in the future. The Mosh Family was number one when it came to producing complicated yet very accurate things in large quantities.

And their left arms being chopped off and replaced by a mechanical arm was something very specific to this era. Over two millennia later, the Mosh Family's alchemists would find a way to fuse flesh and machine, perfectly balancing the benefits of both sides. This was also when the Mosh Family's alchemy branch thoroughly pressured the main branch and became the ruler of the Mosh Family.

"They are Artisans of the Mosh Family. They are very good at crafting elaborate puppets and Magic Tools. Moreover, the Magic Tools they craft are extremely accurate measuring Magic Tools used by alchemists. All the elaborate Magic Tools of the Odin Kingdom's Alchemist Guild are crafted by the Mosh Family.

"They are terrifying. But the way they fight is very different from ordinary mages since they cut off their left arms. Their battle style is more like a mix between a puppet's and a mage's. They are very powerful, and so is their Family.

"Even if the Mosh Family still mainly rely on orthodox mages while the alchemy branch is only a small part of the Family, many people already expect that it wouldn't take long before the Mosh Family turned into an alchemy Family. After all, the Mosh Family's best industries all rely on the support of the alchemy branch.

"These two are Reed Mosh and Kate Mosh, they are two of the three Artisans of the current Mosh Family. The alchemy branch might rely on them in the future..."

Raphael looked fairly certain of his judgement as he made this conjecture. Lin Yun remained silent, only nodding.

2,200 years truly wasn't a long time...

Mage forces mainly relied on mages. As long as the top powerhouses of the Mosh family remained pure mages, the alchemy branch would never be able to reverse the situation.

And according to the path of history, the Mosh Family wouldn't have someone very gifted in the field of alchemy within the next two millennia. At the same time, their mages would have pretty good talents. Magic was the foundation of their Family, a 5th Rank Heaven Mage powerhouse wouldn't listen to a 1st Rank Heaven Mage's command unless the other side was a Saint Alchemist. And that would obviously not happen.

After introducing the members of the Mosh Family, Raphael introduced a man with grizzled hair. That person was wearing a light green robe with numerous kinds of plants and ores embroidered on his robe. These were all potioneering's raw materials.

He was also wearing a thorny hat which was made from brambles and could calm one's mind while also protecting the wearer against poisons. This was an outstanding item for potioners.

"This person is Gurrig House, his hair looks silver white but he is in fact merely over five hundred years old. And with his 2nd Rank Heaven Mage's strength, coupled with his proficiency in the field of potions, his lifespan is only at its start. It is said that he has some Forest Elf bloodline, which explains his silver white hair, as well as his proficiency with plants and potions.

"He is most proficient in potioning, and the plants and ores embroidered on his robe are all ingredients he could refine into potions. He is very powerful. One of the deans of the Starry Sky College once conveyed that he wanted to recruit Gurrig to do research for the Starry Sky College.

"He was even offered some precious research materials, but he still refused. His research is done in the wild, he seeks all kinds of medicinal materials and he has a deep knowledge of plants. I even heard that the House Family possesses a Forest Plane producing all kinds of medicinal plants specifically used by Gurrig in his experiments."

Lin Yun nodded, suddenly remembering a certain matter. It had been written in the notes that many formidable alchemists proficient in potioning had participated in the process of creating the Mana Baptism Potion. And among them, the figure with the highest authority was an alchemist with the surname House. That person had a Forest Plane used to research plants, and every single plant that could be found and hadn't gone extinct, could be found in that Forest Plane.

But later on, that person destroyed the Forest Plane's Planar Origin and the entire plane was destroyed alongside him, but his research played a big role in the emergence of the Mana Baptism Potion.

Seeing Gurrig House's appearance, Lin Yun noticed some subtle characteristics of the Forest Elven Race, and the Forest Elven Race was well-known for their longevity. Ordinary Forest Elves might live over a millennium... This person had the bloodline of Forest Elves and was a 2nd Rank Heaven Mage powerhouse. He might still look as young as he does now after a few millennia...

Lin Yun was a bit dazed as he kept thinking about the future, but Raphael clearly misunderstood.

"Sir Mafa, although Sir House has a bad temper, he would respect anyone with achievements in the potioning field. With your ability in the field of alchemy, if you want a specific plant, I believe Sir House wouldn't be stingy.

"Ah, and there is also Albert! Do you see that old mage holding a book and who seems to have half a foot in the grave? He looks like an ordinary person, but he is the most powerful Artisan in the field of Array here. It is said that he has already personally deployed some Low Heaven Grade arrays!"

Lin Yun turned his head towards the direction shown by Raphael. An old man, with wrinkles so deep that they could squish flies and messy white hair, was holding a magic book in one hand and a crystal ball in the other. A circle of law runes were hovering around the hand holding the crystal ball and several pieces of data and runes were frantically flickering within the crystal ball.

That old Artisan named Albert was clearly doing some kind of calculations and was completely absorbed into his own world. He wasn't paying attention to anyone around him.

Respect flashed in Raphael's eyes.

“Sir Mafa, Sir Albert was previously a teacher of the Starry Sky College specialized in teaching array knowledge. He was called the array foundation encyclopedia by the seniors. He knows any knowledge linked to Low Grade arrays like the back of his palm.

“Sir Albert is currently touring the entire Noscent, as well as the endless planes and the Endless Sea, in order to seek a breakthrough in the field of alchemy. And Sir Albert’s Family, the Einstein Family, is a family that produces many powerful mages. Their family’s bloodline would make them talented in one specific thing.

“It was a certain type of spell for some, while it could be a certain alchemy field for others. As for Sir Albert, he is the most talented Einstein in the field of arrays for the past millennium. He is also the most accomplished one.”

Raphael introduced three other people, but this time he only gave a casual introduction. As for the others, he only gave their names and where their force was located, only using a few words as an introduction.

“You only need to remember one thing about these people. They are very powerful and have a very high status in their family. Their alchemy mastery is just as outstanding as their strength.”

After Raphael was done with his explanation, he directly skipped over the Jackson Family and the Hardward Family. The Jackson Family couldn’t compare to Sky City, and Layford couldn’t represent the entire Jackson family. Even if Sky City and the Jackson Family went to war, the one destroyed would definitely be the Jackson Family.

Sky City was a pure alchemy force and no one knew exactly where Sky City’s main city currently was. That was a huge war fortress which was the biggest reason behind their confidence. It’s just that the consumption of every attack was extremely high. Thus, they almost never used Sky City’s main city.

But at the same time, no one wanted to become enemies with Sky City. Not to mention, Sky City’s businesses were linked to alchemy items and it was a vassal force of the Starry Sky College. No one would like to have them as a mortal enemy.

As for the Hardward Family, at least half of the Artisans found them unpleasant to the eyes.

Raphael finished his introduction there. Noticing Lin Yun’s gaze on the ten-stories mage tower, he immediately gave an explanation to Lin Yun.

“Sir Mafa, you know about the unwritten rule about mage towers? About how only a 5th Rank Heaven Mage should be allowed to have a ten-stories mage tower? This meant that there is a 5th Rank Heaven Mage here.

“And from the mana fluctuations exuded by that mage tower, the owner should be present. Since we are gathering here, it means that the person in charge of this gathering should be the master of this mage tower, one of the assistant deans, Sir Zeith, a 5th Rank Heaven Frost Mage who is also an Artisan proficient in puppeteering.”

As Raphael spoke, a layer of mana fluctuations appeared on the entrance of the mage tower and the seemingly ordinary wooden door slowly opened. The mana fluctuations emitted made everyone know

that even if a powerhouse below the 4th Rank attacked this door for an entire year, it might still not explode.

Chapter 1228 Underground

A middle-aged man wearing a smooth grey robe and with meticulously combed hair walked out of the mage tower. That mage curbed all his mana fluctuations, but the few mana fluctuations that occasionally leaked out made everyone feel apprehensive. Moreover, the Extraordinary Power contained within his body made everyone feel as if they couldn't resist. As this mage appeared, the surroundings suddenly became quiet. Even Albert, who had been busy with his own matters from the start, stopped his actions and raised his head to look at the mage at the entrance of the mage tower.

"Hello everyone, I'm the host of this gathering. I believe everyone knows me, I'm one of the assistant deans, Zeith. I'll first lead you to check on the item we are researching this time."

Zeith didn't say much, he was very familiar with this kind of thing. Most of the mages greeted him as it clearly wasn't the first time they met him.

Zeith turned to enter the mage tower, with the group of Artisans following behind him.

Raphael and Lin Yun were walking at the rear and Raphael was using mana to give some explanations to Lin Yun.

"Sir Mafa, Sir Zeith didn't rely on alchemy to get his position at the Starry Sky College. The Starry Sky College's three deans almost never manage the matters of the Starry Sky College.

"The ones supervising the Starry Sky College's matters are those few assistant deans. Zeith is a very powerful 5th Rank Heaven Mage and is said to have awakened a Frozen Domain.

"Last year, there had been a problem in one of the planes controlled by the Starry Sky College, a powerful Heaven Rank Magic Beast emerged. Zeith ended up going and took a few minutes to freeze that Heaven Magic Beast into an ice statue. Now, the statue is still in that plane, intimidating other magic beasts.

"If you meet Sir Zeith in the Starry Sky College, do not resist. Especially if you violated a rule. Sir Zeith might appear polite, but he is ruthless when fighting. Any problem that appears would be turned into an ice statue so that he could focus on other problems..."

Raphael said a few sentences before stopping. He didn't dare to use mana sound transmissions within the mage tower. This was Zeith's mage tower, it was just like a mage's Demi-plane, it was under complete control of the mage. With Raphael's strength, he might end up being heard by him.

After they entered the mage tower, they surprisingly didn't go up, they went toward a certain location on the first floor and moved underground.

There were two magic beast-shaped puppets defending the entrance, and as everyone appeared, the two puppets opened their eyes and their crystal eyes flickered with radiance, seemingly confirming everyone's identity.

After going through that entrance covered in a layer of light, they arrived on a huge platform. They could see a bottomless abyss on the sides of the platform and a passage leading underground. Shining crystals were embedded on both sides of the passage, but they still couldn't see how deep the passage was.

As everyone stepped on that hundred-meter-big platform, Zeith walked to the center, took out his own special imprint and put it on a crystal table on the side.

At that moment, numerous alchemy equations and runes appeared on the inside and the surface of the crystal table. A barrier covered the entire platform, and then the entire platform started following the tracks of the passage into the depths of the abyss.

The shining crystals were rapidly flashing past up until they merged into two straight lines as the platform reached maximum velocity.

But the group standing on the platform didn't feel any vibration. They also didn't react to the sudden acceleration.

Shock flashed in Lin Yun's eyes. He hadn't seen much advanced alchemy technology before coming to the Starry Sky College, but he just saw something that would be widely spread in the future.

Reverse Gravity Array, Spatial Enchantment Array... The latter especially, Lin Yun never heard of it in this era.

The Reverse Gravity Array already existed in this era, Sky City's floating fortresses all had that kind of array on board. It's just that this array had a huge restriction.

Sky City's floating fortresses were very slow. The main reason was that the Floating Array would collapse if the speed was too fast.

The Floating Array was a lower grade version of the Reverse Gravity Array. Only its advanced form could be considered a true Reverse Gravity Array.

The Floating Array was using the power of the array to support something, but the Reverse Gravity Array was actually using the gravity coming from the earth itself to remove fall or alter gravity.

The Floating Array couldn't support things that were too heavy or too fast. It had many restrictions. But the Reverse Gravity Array didn't have these kinds of restrictions. It seemed impossible for the huge Sky City's main city to be supported by a Floating Array, it should be supported by a Reverse Gravity Array.

Because a Floating Array would never be able to support it.

As for the Spatial Enchantment Array, it never publicly appeared in this era. Just like Raphael's flying shuttle he remodelled before, the biggest restriction was a sudden acceleration. That would create such powerful pressure and Archmages might not be able to support that pressure.

But when flying, if the speed was too fast and some obstruction appeared on the path, they would have no method to stop or dodge rapidly. Even if it was shut down, the flying shuttle would still be rushing over at its original speed.

But this problem would no longer appear with the Spatial Enchantment Array. No matter what happened to the platform below their feet, no one would be able to feel the pressure since the space itself was moving, they also wouldn't be able to feel any pressure from the outside.

If there was no such array, at least half of the people would have been thrown out due to the sudden acceleration.

And if there was no Spatial Enchantment Array, they would need a very long distance to slow down from such a high speed, this would also increase the pressure. The people on the platform would suffer from at least several dozen times the gravity.

Mages that had yet to reach the Heaven Rank would end up crushed alive from the pressure.

After a minute, the two trails of light slowly disappeared and the platform appeared at the entrance of a huge underground square, instantly switching from rapid movement to stillness.

But the people standing on the platform didn't feel any pressure, they didn't even feel like they had moved at all.

However, Lin Yun knew that even if that passage was a slope, they were three kilometers underground!

And this was due to the array on the platform. In the future, the first weaponized magic battleships that left Noscent to conquer the endless planes all had these two arrays, even the smallest ones.

It was impossible to only have Heaven Mages conquering planes, most of the times those under the Heaven Rank would be the ones conquering planes, and speed was usually the biggest constraint.

If there was a problem, they might take a month to arrive and the conquest would be impossible to complete. With these two arrays, the magic battleships' speed was no longer an issue and they only had to consider the magic battleships' power.

As long as the magic battleships had enough power, they would be able to keep on accelerating.

The other Artisans apparently didn't notice this platform's arrays, or if they noticed, they didn't know what that represented.

Their sight was locked onto the huge underground square.

The domed sky and ground were just like a silver mirror fully made of metal. There wasn't a single crack, it looked like a whole.

There were all kinds of puppets and machinery spread about with various alchemists moving in a hurry. But even though they were in a hurry, it didn't feel chaotic. Everything was methodically arranged.

Everything was cleaned and not a single speck of dust could be found. There was even a dust cleaning array at the entrance. The huge square was divided into blocks, with one block being an individual unit used to do some alchemy experiments.

A blast of green smoke suddenly surged from a small unit conducting an experiment, and the alchemy equipment within that block rapidly corroded upon contact with the smoke. But as the green smoke

came in contact with the thick glass walls, runes and patterns appeared and the corrosive fog was completely locked into that small unit.

In less than two seconds, a special puppet with eight long tentacles appeared at the entrance of that small unit. The eight tentacles stuck to the entrance's glass door and the corrosive fog was rapidly absorbed by that puppet.

It only took forty five seconds for the corrosive mist to be completely absorbed, only those corroded alchemy equipment remained. But then, another two puppets opened the entrance of the small unit and rapidly cleared the corroded alchemy equipment before exchanging them for new ones.

As for the poisoned alchemist, he was saved and woke up in less than ten seconds, before settling on a spot to heal.

Everything happened in less than ten seconds. And the small units on the side hadn't seemed affected. What happened there didn't spread to the other alchemists, and even if someone threw a glance, it was only a casual glance before they focused on their own matters.

Zeith also ignored the sudden accident, and none of the alchemists busy running around came to greet Zeith. Even if one of them went past him, they would only slightly bow as a greeting before going back to their own matter.

No one stopped to curry favor with Zeith because he was an assistant dean of the Starry Sky College. This place not only had Heaven Mages, it also had Great Mages alchemists. But in this place, they were only alchemists. They even saw an Archmage asking guidance from a High Mage.

Amazement flickered in Lin Yun's eyes and he was a bit distracted. It looked like the center of a large-scale scientific research he had seen in his previous life. No matter who it was, skill was key.

And the conducted experiments were all very advanced for this era. Some concepts were even ahead of their time.

Raphael saw Lin Yun gazing at a small unit with dual-layered platforms on which two alchemists were arranging a miniature array.

"Sir Mafa, what are you doing? The arrangement of this kind of array is simply fantastic, it's simply impossible to complete, the most basic runes can't shape this..."

Array experiments could sometimes be more dangerous than potioneering experiments. Some powerful arrays could cause large-scale destruction to their environments that far surpassed what potions could do after being destroyed.

Thus, they could form a miniature array first to test all kinds of possibilities, but miniature arrays had limitations.

Lin Yun ignored Raphael's words. The two alchemists working on that project were at most Master Alchemists and should have just advanced to the Archmage realm. This could be seen from the runes they were using.

Their experiment was bound to be a failure, but that didn't mean that their idea was wrong. This kind of doubled-layered array wasn't just two arrays overlapping. This kind of structure was already a well-researched technique.

They were experimenting with one array!

Those two layers were two parts of an array and it needed a new energy transmission resonance method.

But they were bound to fail, because that technique would only appear 1,800 years later. It was because the current available materials couldn't support this array. And the runes of Archmages couldn't support the resonance of that energy transmission.

Law runes were needed, and to be more specific, law runes made from ten runes wouldn't work, it had to be at least law runes made from twelve runes like Lin Yun's.

This also meant that most of the Heaven Mages of this era would be unable to complete this research. This research was bound to not make any progress.

But someone already researching this in this era showed how advanced this underground base was.

Moreover, as Lin Yun walked along the central avenue, he saw many researches, and many of these were going in the good direction but they were limited by materials and some basic concepts that couldn't be completed.

Lin Yun remained silent along the way. They walked at least a dozen kilometers before crossing this huge underground square. At the end was a huge cylinder-like alchemy machinery.

The main part of the cylinder was silver white, but it had a wisp of dark golden color. It was ten-meter-tall and ten-meter-deep.

And there were eight of these cylinders. Three people walked into the leftmost cylinder and the surface of the cylinder flickered with electric light and dense spatial fluctuations. But these fluctuations were restricted and couldn't spread out.

After three seconds, the fluctuations on the cylinder collapsed to its center and the three people instantly disappeared. The cylinder also regained its tranquility.

Lin Yun's pupils suddenly shrank, 'Spatial Shuttle Device!

'That thing was recorded in history, but the first successful product should only appear five hundred years later... Yet it's already inside the Starry Sky College!'

That thing's effect was similar to a Teleportation Array, but the way it worked was completely different. Teleportation Arrays could teleport things to another Teleportation Array.

But that thing was a single-item and only one was needed for a two-way teleportation.

But most importantly, that thing could only be used in a certain kind of environment. The teleportation area had to be within a completely sealed space with no exits and no spatial reaction. It would also form a powerful spatial barrier sealing the contents from its surroundings when activated.

The only way to get in and out was through this spatial shuttle device. The space within this device resonated with the sealed space, and the activation was unlike a Teleportation Array's teleportation.

Instead, it swapped the two spaces, everything in the other space would be transferred in this space.

That spatial barrier absolutely couldn't be forcibly shattered from the inside, unless it was done by an outstanding powerhouse that could shatter spatial barriers. Even a peak Heaven Rank powerhouse wouldn't be able to forcibly get in from the outside.

Because that sealed space didn't even have coordinates. No one knew the coordinates aside from the creator of the space. Even the spatial shuttle device could only exchange two spaces.

At Noscent's peak, that kind of spatial shuttle device was treated as a refuge or a safehouse.

It was unknown how many precious things ended up locked in those spaces as Noscent's mana became exhausted.

This extremely huge spatial shuttle device before his eyes was too crude and cumbersome for Lin Yun. It couldn't be moved at all, but it was absolutely one of the most advanced alchemy technologies of this era.

It was like Lin Yun's Natural Demiplane. After Lin Yun destroyed its original Planar Path, no one aside from Lin Yun would know the coordinates of the Natural Demiplane. Or it could be said, that the Natural Demiplane no longer had coordinates, Lin Yun himself was the coordinates and only he could open a Planar Path. Just like a mage's Demiplane, it was the safest hiding space.

Chapter 1229 Whisper Crystal

And Zeith brought all the Artisans here, intending to use the shuttle for transfer. They were going to the location of the crystal artifact, and it was heavily fortified. They could also see seven more spatial shuttles, which meant that the Starry Sky College had seven independent sealed spaces containing storehouses with valuable items or researches.

The group entered the inside of the spatial shuttle and Zeith immediately activated the transfer. The surrounding space started distorting and it looked like someone was forcibly cutting the space inside the device to form a big box enclosing everyone.

And then, the surrounding light instantly distorted and they couldn't see anything anymore. After a second, the distorted lights started recovering, but the environment had completely changed.

It also looked like a huge underground space with the ceiling being a kilometer above them. It also appeared to be made of the same silver-colored metal and was like one seamless piece. But it also prevented everyone from knowing where they were.

This underground space was huge, at least thirty to forty-kilometer wide. Such a huge space was apparently still underground. To support this huge space through the pressure of the earth was a huge engineering project. If this wasn't underground, then this was the Demiplane of some fallen Heaven Mage.

And that Demiplane should be extremely secretive. But from looking at the place, this didn't seem like an ordinary Demiplane.

There were a few hundred buildings, but it was too little when compared to the huge area. There was also a huge silver white building in the center.

Zeith flew and led everyone to the center. On the way, a pleasantly surprised expression appeared on Raphael's face.

"Sir Mafa, I heard about the place where that mystical crystal is located. But I don't really know much. My senior apprentice brother has been here before, and he didn't mention anything about this place after coming out. But he should be able to divulge some information when we get there."

Raphael said those words and then dragged Gurud, who had a fanatical expression, to their side. Gurud looked at Raphael with a poor expression since they were about to see the thing anyway.

But facing Lin Yun, his expression returned to normal. After all, Raphael was a new Artisan and he wasn't looking up to him. But Lin Yun's abilities in the field of alchemy was something he admired.

Seeing Lin Yun looking at him with a curious gaze, Gurud swallowed back the words he was about to say, glared at Raphael, before pulling Lin Yun aside and ignoring Raphael.

"Sir Mafa, the crystal of the Starry Sky College is very mystical. Today is the first day, so we should be taking a look at it first.

"It is said that the countless runes floating on top of the crystal contain the power of truth, each one contains the truth of alchemy, and the truth of alchemy is the truth of the world. It would bring countless benefits to Sir Mafa if you can properly comprehend those runes, your alchemy mastery would make a great leap forward..."

Gurud kept talking about the power of the runes atop the crystal, emphasizing the alchemy truth's point of view. They could see that this entire silver white space was absolutely empty, there were only crystal tables. In the centermost area, a huge transparent barrier could be seen.

The barrier was completely sealed and looked similar to an 8-meter-tall sphere wrapped around a crystal. And inside that barrier, there was also a very complicated alchemy device wrapped around the crystal. Multiple devices were linking that device to the surface of the barrier before connecting to the peak of a several-dozen-meter tall construct. It seemed very complicated

After arriving here, Gurud glanced at the complicated device and seemed to recall something. He discreetly looked at his surroundings before sending a mana sound transmission to Lin Yun.

"Sir Mafa, that crystal has a very powerful ability. Do you see the installed alchemy devices? During a full moon, this device can channel out a very strange energy from that crystal.

"As for those alchemy devices there, they are guiding the peculiar energy out and imbuing it into ordinary Magic Tools.

"Magic Tools imbued by that kind of strange crystal energy would instantly become Spiritual Magic Tools. No matter how whimsical, no matter the kind of Magic Tool, they would instantly turn into Spiritual Magic Tools!"

Gurud had a fanatical expression and this also took Lin Yun aback.

The fact that it was only Spiritual Magic Tools wasn't important. Spiritual Magic Tools might have close to no impact on Heaven Rank powerhouses, but that kind of thing sometimes had abilities with very special effects, and those had nothing to do with a Magic Tool's grade.

Especially at the Spiritual Grade, that was a huge step.

Spiritual Magic Tools already possessed a Magic Tool Spirit, and only at the True Spirit Grade would that Spirit evolve into an Incarnation. Although Magic Tool Spirits weren't as powerful as Magic Tool Incarnations, it could already make Magic Tools have very special abilities.

As for Magic Tools below the Spiritual Grade, grades truly meant everything. Crafting ordinary Magic Tools with special abilities, or with a specific idea in mind, truly wasn't very difficult.

Even Magic Tools targeting mind and soul, or even some Magic Tools with terrifying effects. Making one such ordinary Magic Tool wasn't very difficult, at least to an Artisan.

But the crafted Magic Tool would have a very limited effect. The ordinary Magic Tool targeting souls might only be able to kill an ordinary person. It might not even be able to pierce through an ordinary Mage's shield. That kind of crafted Magic Tool would have no effect.

Some special ones could strengthen the wearer's speed of thought, but an ordinary Magic Tool wouldn't be as good as a Sharp Mind.

Alchemists crafted numerous such peculiar Magic Tools, that was a method to test their idea. All the ordinary Magic Tools were thrown on a garbage heap.

But now, there was a method to turn low grade ordinary Magic Tools, and it could birth Magic Tool Spirits. That ability was too powerful.

Some special Magic Tools couldn't be crafted into Spiritual Magic Tools, but their power would surpass many Spiritual Magic Tools once they reached that grade.

The Flickering Crest was a good example. It was an ordinary Magic Tool that could make the wear flicker within a meter.

This was the best it could do. Ordinary Flickering Crests could only make the wearer instantly flicker fifty centimeters away.

Swordsmen at low rank were especially fond of these. At lower ranks, fifty centimeters could be the difference between life and death.

And in some special circumstances, half a meter could save someone's life.

But as they got stronger and reached the Expert Swordsman realm, that flicker would be nothing great. Half a meter didn't make a difference to both mages and swordsmen of that realm.

That half a meter flicker might even interrupt their own tempo and could be deadly.

At the later ranks, the range of effect of a casual spell might reach a dozen meters with the power being most focused within seven meters. Even Magic Arrows and Aura Slashes would need to be dodged by a few meters.

As for the Heaven Rank, half a meter could be completely disregarded. Especially for some mages who liked to fight with violent spells. A few dozen meters could be negligible.

And thus, The Flickering Crests were bound to remain inferior Magic Tools that could only be used at lower ranks. But if they turned into Spiritual Magic Tools, the flickering distance might end up between a few dozen meters and a hundred meters.

That distance would be about the same as a spatial mage's Blink. After all, that spell could only be used after comprehending the Law of Space. Not only did they need to comprehend that branch of the Law, they could only learn it after condensing law runes.

The spatial mage of the Merlin Family's Ancestral Land had just comprehended that branch of the Spatial Law and the greatest distance he could cross with a blink was a hundred meters.

And that hundred meters was enough to make Labard undefeated within the same realm. And if others wanted to restrain him, they would need some special Magic Tools or they would never be able to.

But this could be accomplished with a Spiritual Flickering Crest. If a mage under the Heaven rank obtained that Flickering Crest, they might be able to defeat enemies stronger than themselves in an instant.

If an assassin got a hold of one, they would be able to defeat an enemy several times stronger than themselves.

If this matter spread to the outside, most people wouldn't find an issue, feeling that it would only be a Spiritual Magic Tool.

But as an alchemist, Lin Yun clearly understood the power of that ability. His most intuitive reaction was that there would suddenly be many Spiritual Magic Tools that could display special abilities. As an alchemist, he could imagine more than most.

It might just be a Spiritual Magic Tool, but alchemists might produce more copies of that Spiritual Magic Tool and could unearth the secret and path of advancements of Magic Tools through this research. And as the research continued, they might even be able to mass-produce True Spirit Magic Tools in the future!

This was the scariest part.

Lin Yun looked horrified as he thought of a lot of possibilities in an instant. Gurud had an understanding expression on his face as he attentively watched the content of the barrier like a bandit that had been starved for years.

Gurud hesitated, seemingly thinking of something.

"But, Sir Mafa, this crystal is very strange... No, it's not that the crystal is very strange, rather, the Spiritual Magic Tools strengthened by the energy of the crystal are very strange.

"I heard that those Magic Tool Spirits don't listen to orders and are instead continuously enticing the users to steal that crystal.

“Many of the users of those Spiritual Magic Tools ended up tempted and went crazy trying to steal the crystal.

“Five hundred years ago, there had been a Heaven Mage tempted by the crystal. He tried to steal it and was caught here. He had almost stolen the crystal and walked away.

“Later, the Starry Sky College no longer let their alchemists use those Magic Tools. They only used the manufactured Magic Tools as research materials, even taking the initiative to destroy the Magic Tools’ Spirits and restricting the crystal energy they could absorb. They would even use those that had been deprived from the mana crystal’s peculiar energy for a long time...

Gurud quietly moved closer to Lin Yun and used mana to directly transmit these words in Lin Yun’s mind. He then quietly checked up on Zeith, afraid that Zeith might have heard his words.

After all, these were scandals of the Starry Sky College. A stain on the Starry Sky College’s reputation. More importantly, for something like this to appear in the Holy Land of alchemists was even more of a humiliation.

Lin Yun speechlessly looked at Gurud, ‘That guy really has no consideration, this is simply terrifying. He is really a man putting his all in alchemy. Unless they were blind, anyone could see that he was badmouthing the Starry Sky College...’

Gurud talked for a bit, but didn’t dare to continue with the details. After all, Zeith was a 5th Rank Heaven powerhouse. Even if he wouldn’t say anything if he heard, he would still be unhappy.

After everyone arrived, Zeith stood outside that barrier-like glass cover and introduced that crystal to everyone.

As Zeith opened his mouth, the device wrapped around the crystal within the glass cover slowly separated and exposed a one-meter-big crystal. The crystal had eighteen faces and was floating in the air, slowly revolving. Moreover, the rotation seemed to be following a certain pattern; This kind of pattern was also continuously changing.

Every face of the crystal had a rune, and these runes were revolving alongside the crystal, continuously fluctuating. The direction and angle of the crystal’s rotation, as well as the runes on top of it were always changing.

Moreover, the runes that everyone could see were completely different. As the crystal rotated, the runes that everyone could see wouldn’t repeat. It looked like endless runes appeared on the crystal.

When they saw that crystal, no one heard the introduction. Everyone’s attention was on the crystal.

And Lin Yun, like everyone else, foolishly looked at that crystal as if it was an Artisan’s masterpiece.

But no one knew that data was rapidly being compiled in Lin Yun’s mind, and the memories hidden in the depths of his mind were resurfacing as he was completely stunned.

‘Whisper Crystal!

'It's really that thing! That's why it gave off a familiar feeling! I hadn't expected it to be the Whisper Crystal. I originally thought it was something from the void falling into the Starry Sky College and displaying some kind of mystical effect...'

When Raphael mentioned the crystal for the first time, Lin Yun had gotten a sense of familiarity from it, he just couldn't remember what it was, but he knew there had been some notes talking about it.

But hearing Gurud's words, and personally seeing the translucent eighteen faced Whispering Crystal. It appeared very normal, but the continuously revolving runes reminded Lin Yun about that crystal.

That crystal was the Whisper Crystal, but it wasn't its current name, it should be named in the future by others.

In the legends, the Whisper Crystal had been wrapped in a meteorite and fell upon the Starry Sky College, causing a lot of destruction. The Starry Sky College would mine the meteor and discover that eighteen-faced crystal.

After the discovery, runes appeared on the eighteen faces. These runes looked just like low tier runes, but everyone would see something different. Those runes had strange appearances and had nothing to do with Noscent's basic runes.

Rather, they were a kind of ordinary runes which contained information. But the information contained far exceeded low runes. When the alchemists of the Starry Sky College found the Whisper Crystal, they cracked a few of the runes and immediately discovered how powerful these runes were.

The runes of the Whisper Crystal all contained alchemy knowledge and were praised as the truth of alchemy by alchemists, those runes were called truth runes.

After comprehending the truth runes, the Starry Sky College's alchemists would see their alchemy abilities rapidly strengthening, but this was also a huge weak point. Comprehending truth runes was very slow, and the more they comprehended, the slower it would be. Many powerful alchemists had been comprehending them for over a millennium without seeming to see the end of it.

There was also one restriction. Unless they comprehended the previous one, they couldn't move on to the next truth rune. Even if everyone's truth rune was different, even if they were told by others what kind of information was contained in the truth runes, it wouldn't have any effect.

Because everyone saw a different rune and only alchemists who had seen through the truth rune and comprehended it could understand. Even if they told others, it would only be the information contained within the truth rune.

This kind of mysterious restriction made the Whisper Crystal even more mysterious. Moreover, after the Whisper Crystal's energy was guided, it could make ordinary Magic Tools turn into Spiritual Magic tools, this was only the common use of the Whisper Crystal.

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This was only one of its abilities, the strange energy could even affect potions, puppets, and arrays.

But another method was needed for those, it wasn't like Magic Tools, which needed energy poured into them directly.

The Starry Sky College was currently using the most rudimentary method. After a millennium, they would find the method to use the Whisper Crystal's power to craft True Spirit Magic Tools, and the crafted True Spirit Magic Tools would have their Incarnation destroyed immediately to be replaced by something else.

The Magic Tools could be used that way, it's just that their strength would be weakened. But this allowed the Starry Sky College to reverse the process of the research and they were able to craft a special Magic Tool every year.

At that moment, it was time for the Starry Sky College to start rising. Noscent was rapidly developing and the Starry Sky College was just a Holy Land. The endless planes brought endless opportunities and more and more powerful alchemists emerged, no longer just from the Starry Sky College. Even the Whisper Crystal could no longer maintain the Starry Sky College's position.

The Starry Sky College could only keep its position because they had several Saint Alchemists and many powerhouses had requests for these Saint Alchemists.

But the Starry Sky College would inevitably start declining as the strength of mages kept raising. Any force of the Odin Kingdom would have more Heaven Rank powerhouses than the Starry Sky College. And their first-rate powerhouses were even stronger than the powerhouses of the Starry Sky College.

Noscent was a mage world in the end, not an alchemist world...

And at that time, the Starry Sky College developed a new way to use the Whisper Crystal, through potions. They would craft a very powerful Heaven Grade Potion every year, which became the priority target for looting.

Afterwards, the Starry Sky College used the Whisper Crystal's power to set arrays in order to protect the Starry Sky College. Although the offensive power was lacking, the defensive power was more than enough.

Those more powerful forces even looked for the Whisper Crystal, but they also couldn't find a way to seize it without suffering huge losses, and it's not like they had the technology required.

Thus, the Starry Sky College kept its position as the Holy Land of alchemists for more than two thousand years.

At that time, a genius appeared in the Starry Sky College, he was terrifying in both alchemy and magic. He was praised as the most outstanding genius the Starry Sky College ever had in the past few thousand years.

And that genius even resisted the temptation of the Magic Tool made with the Whisper Crystal and found the method to handle the Whisper Crystal. After a lot of twists and turns, he eventually made the Whisper Crystal yield.

And at that time, the Starry Sky College's rise could no longer be prevented.

That genius used the Whisper Crystal to craft a lot of Spiritual Magic Tools, and not only was the temptation no longer present, the powerhouses of the Starry Sky College were able to have a tailor-made Magic Tool strengthened to the True Spirit Grade every month.

He comprehended the runes on the Whisper Crystal and everyone learnt that the Whisper Crystal's truth runes weren't endless, there was just 108,000 of them. Every face of the Whisper Crystal had 6,000 of them.

But the truth runes' strange nature and the fact that they couldn't be copied made everyone feel like they were never ending.

The key part of the Whisper Crystal laid in those 108,000 truth runes, not the peculiar energy of the Whisper Crystal itself. That talented genius smoothly became a Saint Alchemist upon comprehending the truth runes.

Later, he imparted his understanding of the truth runes to the alchemists of the Starry Sky College. Over the course of a few hundred years, the Starry Sky College piled achievement upon achievement without stopping.

Many of Noscent's peak technologies and achievements came from the Starry Sky College, they even developed many groundbreaking theories during that time.

The Starry Sky College was emboldened, and that Saint Alchemist became a Peak Heaven Mage within a few centuries.

That, and the progress of the Starry Sky College's research, shocked the entire Noscent.

In the endless planes, if a magic battleship of the Starry Sky College appeared, the other forces who also discovered the plane would either compromise and cooperate, or yield to the Starry Sky College and directly withdraw in order to possibly gain the favor of the Starry Sky College and obtain some help in a certain field.

That was the golden age of the Starry Sky College. The Starry Sky College could be said to be at the forefront of Noscent during that time.

But then, when that genius at the peak of the Heaven Rank was about to take the last step and ignite his God Fire, he suddenly went crazy.

At the time, everyone had gathered at the Starry Sky College in order to witness the one leading them ignite his God Fire. But at the last moment, that talented genius went crazy and went thoroughly insane.

With his power at the peak of the Heaven Rank, just one stomp could crush a Heaven Rank powerhouse. As he started killing in the Starry Sky College, it took him no more than a few minutes to get rid of several dozen Heaven Rank powerhouses and a large number of alchemists.

Almost all of the Heaven Rank powerhouses of the Starry Sky College died due to the crazy slaughter and destruction. The Starry Sky College's achievements of the last few millennia were gone, the results of their research were thoroughly destroyed and countless precious materials and researches were destroyed.

Even the alchemists were killed and Neverwinter City didn't escape the destruction. Raging flames surged from the earth and completely covered Neverwinter City. The flames burnt for no less than three years until they dissipated.

The few remaining people started rebuilding the Starry Sky College, but they were already inferior to a 3rd rate force in Noscent. Even as the former alchemists' Holy Land, not many alchemists came over.

As for that genius, he disappeared after killing and destroying everything in the Starry Sky College.

Many alchemists later excavated records of the Whisper Crystal and ended up concluding that the genius had been possessed by the Whisper Crystal's evil spirit and thus went insane as he was about to form his God Fire.

As for the Whisper Crystal, it disappeared alongside that genius, only leaving behind a legend. Many of its secrets would only be unearthed later.

A damaged letter left behind by that genius would also be unearthed. The key 108,000 runes were written on it as the key part of the Whisper Crystal.

The Whisper Crystal was regarded as evil itself.

The name Whisper Crystal was given later on, representing a Devil's whisper containing endless attraction and evilness.

But no matter how the Whisper Crystal was vilified, everyone approved of the Whisper Crystal's 108,000 truth runes.

Because of them, it only took a hundred years for a genius to reach the Saint Alchemist realm!

This was the shortest amount of time anyone took to reach the Saint Alchemist realm in Noscent's history. Those who researched the truth runes later confirmed that as long as one comprehended the 108,000 truth runes, they would comprehend the secrets of alchemy and becoming a Saint Alchemist would be as easy as drinking a cup of water.

How could Lin Yun not be interested by that kind of benefit? But he was only interested in those 108,000 truth runes, he didn't have much of an interest in the Whisper Crystal.

The evilness of the Whisper Crystal was on par with its formidable power. That genius, in a few millennia, hadn't discovered anything wrong. The Starry Sky College even had seven Saint Alchemists during their golden age, but not a single one of them noticed anything wrong.

Lin Yun didn't think that the Whisper Crystal was something good, the strange energy within the Whisper Crystal was indeed powerful, and as long as it was subdued, many powerful items, potions, Magic Tools, arrays, and even puppets could be made and pushed to the Heaven Rank through the power of the Whisper Crystal. The puppets even completed the wisdom awakening step.

But Lin Yun didn't want that thing, because what the Whisper Crystal could do, Lin Yun could also do.

They arrived on the first day, but the gathering hadn't started yet. Instead, people from the Starry Sky College led everyone to their living spaces. They could look at this space or check on the Whisper Crystal. After all, it was the first time for several people, not everyone came here multiple times.

And through Zeith's explanations, he learnt that the gathering had been conducted multiple times. The Starry Sky College required Artisans to come and comprehend the Whisper Crystal.

The gathering would happen every ten years and many Artisans would be coming over to participate. Everyone would comprehend the Whisper Crystal for half a year, but the cost was that the Artisans had to make a copy of their comprehension of the law runes for the Starry Sky College.

After finding out this information, Lin Yun suddenly understood why the Starry Sky College was revered as the alchemists' Holy Land. The alchemy techniques of the Starry Sky College simply dominated Noscent.

It wasn't just because there was already three Saint Alchemists, nor because of the large number of Artisans and nurtured alchemists. Rather, it was because of the Whisper Crystal.

Others didn't know how powerful truth runes were, but Lin Yun understood very well. Every single one of the 108,000 truth runes contained a huge amount of information, as well as many alchemy mysteries.

But even if they were the same mysteries, different people would get completely different comprehension. The same truth rune would be understood differently by a potioneer and a magic tool refiner.

As for those that could come here to comprehend, they were all Artisans. The things Artisans comprehended weren't inferior, many of these things would be very advanced and the concepts would also be ahead of their time. Any Artisan here could comprehend something formidable.

And these things would all be left to the Starry Sky College in the end. That way, the Starry Sky College's alchemy techniques would always exceed other forces, allowing them to maintain their current position.

Most importantly, Starry Sky College's Zeith didn't explain, but Lin Yun knew that everyone had a limit when comprehending truth runes. The more they comprehended, the harder it would be to comprehend new truth runes. It would also require more time.

The Starry Sky College's Artisans had already reached their limits and couldn't continue comprehending unless they got a hold of a new method, or their rank increased.

But in order to get more things regarding truth runes, the best method was to find other Artisans and learn of the secrets behind their comprehension. This was the best method. Not only could it increase their reputation, they would also remain ahead.

After all, the Whisper Crystal was the only way to comprehend truth runes. A copied rune would lose most of the "truth" it contained.

The Starry Sky College was operating a profitable business with no expense. Even if they did nothing, their research of the truth runes would become deeper and deeper. One day, an Artisan might suddenly reach the Saint Alchemist realm.

And with one more Saint Alchemist, the Starry Sky College's position would remain stable for a few millennia.

This side of the huge space had a few hundred independent buildings, each of which were separated by quite a long distance.

The Artisans could casually choose their residence, but no battle was allowed here and they couldn't casually undergo alchemy experiments because they might destroy the space. Even if they didn't destroy the space, everyone might be trapped until they died if the exit was destroyed.

Those that had conflicts before remained well-behaved, no one dared to treat their own life lightly.

The first day of looking around would soon end. They would have more freedom to look around on the second day.

Lin Yun went to the Whisper Crystal's location. There were already numerous Artisans around the crystal table. Everyone was completely focused on studying the Whisper Crystal's truth runes.

After all, those truth runes would definitely follow a certain pattern and transform at regular intervals. If they couldn't comprehend the mysteries of the truth rune during that time, they shouldn't even think of trying to comprehend a law rune.

This was also the reason why the Starry Sky College only invited Artisans. Alchemists under the Artisan realm simply couldn't complete their research of a truth rune.

When researching truth runes, all Artisans would display the qualities an Artisan should have and pay no attention to their surroundings. Everyone's energy and attention would be placed onto the truth runes.

In the distance, the Mosh Family's two Artisans had their mechanical arms extended, their palms turned into smooth metal plates. The two of them were continuously releasing law runes into their palms and those law runes were forming a chaotic stream of information.

After all, truth runes simply couldn't be copied, because the secret they contained would be lost during the copy, they wouldn't be able to learn the original secret through copy.

The Mosh Family's two Artisans were using another method, their mechanical arms had clearly been crafted with utmost care and contained special abilities. One of which was allowing them to directly interact with the secrets of those truth runes by using the power of law runes.

By the time a truth rune's secret was decomposed, they would temporarily place it into the law runes before continuing their research.

After all, every truth rune would appear for a very short period of time, and during this time, they absolutely couldn't think of comprehending a truth rune's secret.

The Mosh Family's Artisans speed could be considered extremely fast. Most of the other Artisans could only seize the opportunity to comprehend a truth rune when it appeared, and they might be unable to completely comprehend its secret, but they would obtain some good benefits.

Lin Yun could be said to be the latest Artisan. By the time he arrived, a good-looking Artisan of the Odin Kingdom appeared to be in ecstasy and leaned forward on the crystal table to rapidly write a large amount of disorderly pieces of data.

Others might not be able to make sense of those, but to that Artisan, this might be a thorough understanding of the truth rune. That secret might be able to solve some difficult problem he had recently been having.

As for Raphael, he was frowning, apparently having met some difficult problem. He foolishly looked at the Whisper Crystal, focused on an unknown truth rune. A gale could be seen in his hand, continuously changing shape. He was clearly using his own mana to help with the comprehension.

Gurrig House was looking down at a basin containing a dozen multi-colored plants with smooth leaves. As Gurrig's mana and law rune surged, the color of those plants' leaves rapidly changed, and the originally unclear boundaries between the colors was rapidly altered.

In the end, every color was as thin as hair and it looked like it transformed into countless colored lines on the leaves. This was the computing method Gurrig mastered.

As for Albert, he was holding a crystal ball and an endless stream of data was continuously surging within the crystal ball. Albert's eyes were firmly fixed on the crystal ball while he occasionally wrote down some key data without even looking.